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### Family members of victor Charles"Trav" Griffin await election results Tuesday. They are (from left) Griffin's sistér Edith Clayton, wife Margaret and son Bill. Below is election victor David James, a newcomer to the Westland City Council:

## Incumbents dominate city race



STAFF WRITER

Glenn Anderson, Charles "Trav" Griffin, David James and David Cox were the winners in Tuesday's Westland City Council election. Eight candidates sought four seats on the council.

dclem@oe.homecomm.net Westland absentee voters flexed their political muscle Tuesday, swaying last-minute results in a city coun-

cil election won by incumbents Glenn Anderson and Charles "Trav" Griffin, appointee David Cox and newcomer David James.

"I think it's important that we have

progress, not politics," James, a 41year-old real estate broker, said after winning his first council race.

James, a former Wayne-Westland school board member, celebrated with running mates Griffin and Cox amid some 200 cheerful supporters at the VFW Boya Post on Hix Road

"There couldn't be a clearer mandate from the people," Cox, the 41-

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**Encouraged:** Election w ner Glenn Anderson (left) visits with Mike Rawson at the Wayne-Ford Civic League Tuesday night.

## Jaycees seek apology from councilwoman

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER

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A Westland Jaycees official Monday accused city Councilwoman Justine Barns of slandering the organization and jeopardizing its ability to raise oney for community projects.

Jaycees Treasurer Michael Strebbing asked Barns to publicly apologize for issuing a statement criticizing the group in October.

"We believe it was done to permanently damage

the reputation of the Westland Jaycee name in the the \$500 limit for Westland council elections, but eyes of the community," Strebbing said during a council meeting.

Barns refused to apologize for her criticism and insisted that the Jaycees "deserve to apologize" for a council campaign flap.

Barns last month lashed out at the Jaycees for making a \$1,000 campaign contribution to the group's longtime supporter, Michael Kehrer - one of eight council candidates in Tuesday's election.

Jaycees officials said they mistakenly gave twice

Kehrer remedied the situation by returning \$501 of

Weeks after Kehrer returned the money, Barns raised the issue publicly and criticized the Jaycees. Strebbing on Monday questioned why Barns "would deliberately defile an organization that does

so much good for the community and its members. The Jaycees is a leadership training group whose members are ages 21 to 39. Its projects include

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## Pallottine Order planning a visit to Westland

Westland will be one of five cities. hosting the dignitaries from the Pallottine Order of Priests when the Irish community has its annual Pallottine dance to benefit the missionary work of the order Saturday, Nov. 6, at the Hellenic Cultural Center on Joy Road, just west of Wayne Road in Westland.

The guests will receive a local welcome from the City of Westland with greetings from Mayor Robert Thomas and a special flag welcome from the Westland Fire Department. Visiting Westland, Milwaukee, St.

Louis, Reno and Dallas will be the Rev. Seamus Freeman, rector general on the International Pallottine Order, from Rome, Italy; the Rev. John Fitzpatrick. Irish provincial superior, from Dublin. Ireland; and the Rev. John Kelly, bursar provincial of the International. from Rome, Italy.

The dinner-dance starts with cocktails at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7:30

p.m. Providing entertainment will be the All Ireland Champion "Gruppa" Cool" Children's Orchestra and Dancers, with music for dancing proyided by Brian Bonner and his Arronmore Band

The Pallotting Fathers provide worldwide missionary services. They are based in Michigan at the Pallettine House in Wyandotte The Pallottine House was donated by the late William

former Wayne County prosecutor. The 'Rev' Stephen Keough leads the Michigan Pallottine Fathers

Being honored at the dinner will be Bridie Delanev, RN, who has volunteered for more than 20 years for the Pallottine causes in Michigan and

Tickets are \$40 per person, and can be obtained by calling (734) 285/2966. The event is open to all who wish to nid L. Cahalan, Wayne Circuit judge and the Pallottine Fathers in their works

## Rotary Toy Show remains favorite for old, young

Toys aren't just for girls and boys. Adults who collect toys now have an event to anticipate, too.

The Westland Rotary Toy Show will run 10 a.m. to 3 pim, Sunday, Nov. 14, at Joy Manor, on Joy east of Middlebelt in Weetland. Admission is \$3, with kids under age

available "We manage to fill the parking lot."

12 admitted free. Refreshments will be

The club has done the shows for the fon to come and see the value of the character fund. about four years, and does two per vour old toys." Helanger and. A let of

Rotary president-elect. The show features different dealers. Rotary doesn't show anything, but organizes and promotes the event.

"It can be Star Wars figures," he said of the offerings. There could be old Daisy air rifles, Barbie items, Het-

Wheels or old tin tracks Many items have increased in value. since they were made. One Westland said Ken Belanger, Rotary chairman of man brought in a toy train, and carried

year, said Belanger, also Westland bargaining goes on among dealers without Rotary's involvement. Some visitors sall toys as well. The club goal is to have 60 dealers by the time of the

There's a Drug Abuse Resistance Education table for raffles "Wagive them a courteen table." Belanger and adding that organizers are grateful to Joy Manor for donation of the facility

The money raised goes to a worth 



## ACHIEVERS

University of Michigan-Dearern students are gaining practien-the-job experience during refated to their career goals. They are participating in the College of Arts, Sciences and Letters cooperative education POPTAM.

Westland participants are: Emily Kottyan, international studies, Society of Manufacturing Engineers; and Coleen Howell, chemistry, U-M-Dearborn Chemistry Department.

These co-op students have the chance to get training before they have their degrees," said Patricia Jones, co-op director. "They learn a lot and get prepared for a career when they graduate."

The University of Michigan-Dearborn has named students to the dean's list for the summer term. Students on the dean's list earn a minimum 3.5 grade point average while carrying at least 12 credit hours for the semester.

Mejia Rojelio, a senior in biochemistry from Westland, was named to the list.

Lynn Little of Westland has been appointed special events coordinator for CATCH, Sparky Anderson's charity for children.

Little graduated from the University of Michigan-Dearborn. At CATCH, she will assist in the planning and coordination of annual events including the Night of Champions awards dinner and the CATCH Motor City

Golf Classic & Preview Party. CATCH was founded to benefit Children's Hospital and Henry Ford Hospital

The Wayne Rotary Club has announced sponsorships for three students to attend the annual Rotary Youth Leadership Award program.

The three Wayne Memorial High School students who will attend are: Andre Brown, corresponding secretary of SADD and a senior class officer; Eric Konopka, president of the National Hispanic Honor Society; and Angela Bradford, service vice president of the National Honor Society.

The program will be held Nov. 4-6 at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. The primary objectives are to assist and encourage youth leaders and potential leaders in methods of responsible and effective voluntary youth leadership. Participants are provided with a quality training experience to encourage continued and stronger leadership of youth by youths.

Public recognition of the good qualities of many young people who serve their communities is included.

Army Pvt. Tavis M. Dudley has graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo.

During the training, the trainee received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Dudley is the son of Elaine M. Dudley of Westland.

He is a 1999 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School.

### CITY OF WESTLAND INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36601 Ford Road. Westland, Michigan, 48185-2298, on Thursday. December 6, 1989 at 10:00 in the morning. (no exceptions will be made for late filings) for the following:

Official City Newspaper

Complete specifications and pertinent information may be obtained from the Furchasing Office. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any

Bid Item No: 299-120699 Publish: November 4, 1999

JILL B. THOMAS Purchasing Agent City of Westland

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tested bids for Hid Package #5A: TMP Project #98042 Ford Vocational Technical Center Additions & Renovations - Wayne - Westland Community will be received until 1:30 P.M. local time on Tuesday, November 16, 1999 at which time they will be opened and read publicly at Wayne Westland Community Schools Board of Education, 35745 Marquette, Westland,

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Bid Division Description 127 Lecture Hall Seating

Bidding documents prepared by TMP Associates, Inc. will be available for public inspection by November 1, 1999, at the office of the Construction Manager. McS/EV, 26001 West Five Mile Rd., Redford, MI 48239: the FW Dodge Plan Room, Southfield, the Construction Association of Michigan Plan Room, Bloomfield Hills; and the Daily Construction Reports Plan Room,

Bidders may obtain a set of bidding documents by contacting the Construction Manager (313) 535-6213. Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope supplied by the Construction Manager, McG/EV. The bid division(s) being bid is (are) to be identified on the outside of the envelope.

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## '99 Carrier of the Year recognized

Jennifer Turrin of Westland has been named Carrier of the Year for the Westland Observer. She is a ninth-grader at Livonia. Franklin High School, where she carries an A average.

"She is an excellent carrier," said Jim Heriford, Observer area manager. The whole family is involved, he added, which has a lot to do with their closeness.

Turrin and others were honored Oct. 26 at a banquet at Vladimir's.

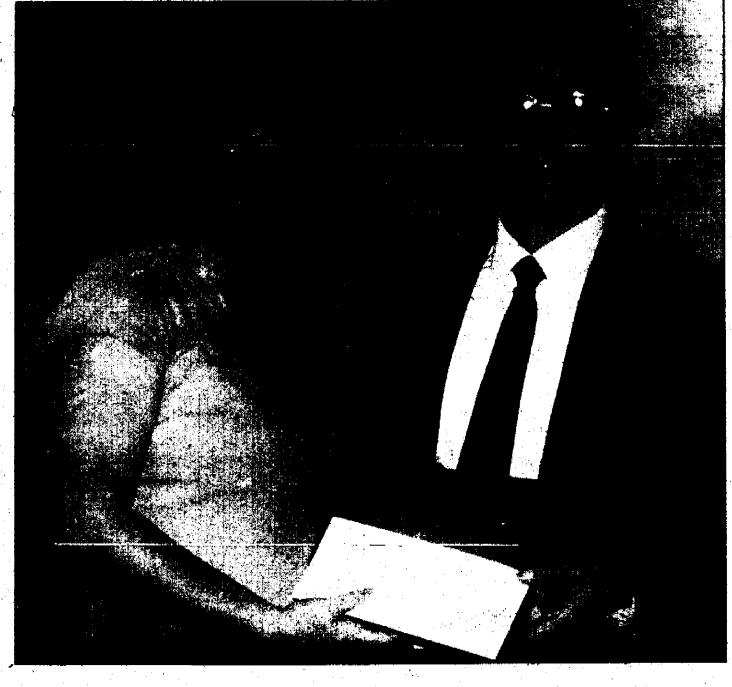
Turrin's favorite subjects are English and history. She enjoys softball and reading.

On the job, she likes delivering the Observer and talking to customers. "I have developed responsibilities and a sense of money while doing this route," she said.

Turrin said the route "could help younger people with learning how to perform certain tasks on time and efficiently."

Kudos: Jennifer Turrin, Westland Observer Carrilated by the Observer's. Jim Heriford.

er of the Year, is congratu-



STAFF PROTO BY SHABON LEMIEUX

## City's tree-lighting is on tap for Monday, Dec. 6

Westland will hold its annual Christmas tree-lighting ceremony 6:15 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6, on

the front steps of Westland City Hall, on Ford near Carlson.

The event marks the begin-

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On Tuesday, Nov. 9, 1999, the Westland Police Dept. will conduct Public Auctions of impounded, abundoned vehicles. The first auction will begin promptly at 10:00 AM at Westland Service Towing, 37501 Cherry Hill, Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder.

YEAR MAKE BODY STYLE ESCORT/2 DR 1FAPP9195KT186072 FORD BLACK 1B3XP24D6NN154307 DODGE SHADOW/2 DR WHITE PURPLE MERC. MCLAREN/2 DR 1MEBP79M0FF616188

The second auction will begin promptly at 11:00 AM at Westland Car Care. 6375 Hix Read, Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following cles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

YEAR MAKE BODY STYLE DODGE 2B7JB33T0EK298609 RAMIVAN **PAIRMONT/4** DR MAROON 1FABP21B3BK114670 PORD MONTE CARLOZDR BLUB 1237JAK416836 CHEVY 1G2NW62E4X856712 PONTIAC GRAND AM/4 DR BLACK CAVALIERS DR CHEVY RED 1G1JC14G6LJ249996 LASER/2 DR 4P3C844R7LE116261 RED PLX. CUTLABBY DR 3R47F82419622 OLDS. SILVER DODGE RAMPICK-UP 1B7HC16Y0T9660450 1995 RED ESCORT/S DR PORD SILVER 1PAPF9193K827128 1B3XP48D2LN162116 DODGE SHADOWA DR BLUE MAROON 1P3BP44K8KN710279 SUNDANCE/2 DR PLY POED ESCORTY2 DR 1PAPP9190JW390386 WHITE MOTORCYCLE JH2AB0200RK300562 HONDA Trailer W/Boat Trailer W/Boat NONE

1966 HONDA SPREZAGOPED WHITE JH2AF0600G8212977 All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition. Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this But at more time arior to the start of the staction.

SO DAY NOTICE OF AUCTION

Due to unknown ownership, 90 day notice is hereby given that the vehicle(s) listed ladow will be auctioned after December 4, 1999, unless it is statused by the owner prior to that time:

YEAR MAKE MOTORCYCLE/750 BLACK HONDA

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season in Westland. Those attending will recognize the "What Christmas Means to Me" essay contest winner. They will light trees throughout the City Hall grounds and welcome Santa

ning of the Christmas holiday

Mayor Robert Thomas will present Santa with the key to the city. After the tree-lighting ceremony, anyone may have hot chocolate and cookies with Santa at the main fire station next to City Hall.

## Hospice needs baking help

Volunteers are being sought to "bake a difference" by contributing six to eight dozen holiday cookies in a fund-raiser for Angela Hospice in Livonia.

The third annual Angela Hospice Cookie Walk is scheduled for 9 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, at the center, 14100 Newburgh. The event will run until the cookies are sold out.

There will be a variety of holi-

day cookies from which

Bakers are asked to contribute six to eight dozen holiday cookies, as opposed to the "everyday" chocolate chip or peanut butter variety. Cookies will be sold for \$7 per pound, and proceeds will benefit Angela Hospice. For more information or to vol-

unteer, call Jennifer Trussler at (734) 464-7810.

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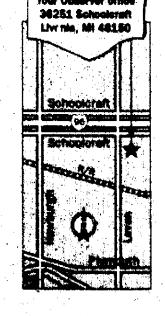
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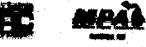
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## Westland voters don't face crowds at polls

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER dciem@oe.homecomm.net

Joe Fink, 85, braved rain and thrashing winds Tuesday morning to vote at Edison Elementary School in Westland...

was the only one there," he said. Fink voted for Westland City Council winners Charles "Tray" Griffin, David Cox and David

James. "They've got experience," he said. "They've been with the city "I got there at 9 o'clock and I for a long time, all but James.

And he's been on the (Wayne-Westland) school board.

"I think they'll work together and get a few things done," Fink said.

Voters proved scarce at some ' precincts as rain continued most of the day. But a little bad

weather didn't stop Judy McKinney from campaigning at Madison Elementary for candidate Dorothy Smith, who lost the election by 83 votes.

"I just think she keeps everybody on their toes, and I think she's sincere and honest," McK- inney said. "I think she knows what's going on in the city, and she's very independent."

On Tuesday afternoon, Marine Corps veteran Jack Cornett headed into Schweitzer Elementary School to vote.

"I'm voting for Griffin." he said. "He does a good job, and he looks out for the residents. He's a former mayor, too, and it's good to have that experience."

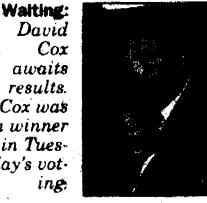
Shortly after 5 p.m., Cox handed out literature and candy outside of Patchin Elementary School on Newburgh Road.

Apology

ages, among other needs.

Coxawaits results. Cox was a winner in Tuesday's voting.

David



"It seems like people are in a positive mood," he said, adding that the turnout wasn't as low as he had expected due to rainy conditions.

"I'm surprised The weather is not good today," Cox said.

## Incumbents from page A1

year-old deputy mayor of Romulus, said. "They want progressive government that moves forward cooperating with each other for the betterment of everybody.

A somber mood filled the Wayne-Ford Civic League hall where Anderson, running mates James Godbout and Michael Kehrer, and nine-time candidate Dorothy Smith awaited results.

"It's sort of a hollow victory for me," Anderson, a 45-year-old-Ford Motor Co. employee and Realtor, told a crowd of 100 to 150 people.

The eighth candidate, Michael Rintz, said he planned to spend Tuesday night at home after picking up his campaign signs.

### Low turnout

Only 7,164 of of Westland's 58,262 registered voters cast ballots in Tuesday's election, marking a 12.3 percent turnout. City Clerk Patricia Gibbons, who had predicted a 14 percent turnout. said rainy, cold weather probably turned away some voters).

"The weather was miserable," she said.

On Tuesday evening, candidates and their supporters. watched nervously as early totals showed a race too close to call. With only the precinct votes counted, the top four candidates were Anderson, Godbout, Kehrer and Griffin.

Then absentee vote totals came in shortly after 9 p.m., givthey needed to overtake Godbout and Kehrer. Godbout slipped all the way from second to seventh

"There just wasn't enough of a lead going into the absentee vote," said Godbout, who vowed to wage his second council campaign in the 2001 election.

Cox said he wasn't too worried when he lagged behind in precinct votes:

"The baseball game isn't over until the ninth inning." he said. "The final score is what's important."

Senior citizens control much of the absentee vote, and Griffin said he and his running mates effectively reached seniors.

"This is the toughest council race I've ever had," he conceded. "We had some good competition.

"I think we'll have a real spirit of working together on the council." Griffin added, "and I think well do some positive things for this city."

Griffin, a retired educator and former mayor, also said he believes that he, Cox and James received unfair treatment from local newspapers." They beat us up for 10 weeks," he said.

### Hoping for change

Anderson and council colleague Richard LeBlanc had campaigned for Godbout and Kehrer amid hopes of upsetting a perceived council majority that will now include Griffin, Cox. ing James and Cox the boost James, Sharon Scott and Sandra

"I think the results could have been much better for the city," Anderson said. "The voters who chose to vote have voted, and we have to go from here. We had hoped to see a real change on the council."

In unofficial vote totals, Anderson garnered 4,206 votes fellowed by Griffin's 3,399; James 3,164; Cox's 3,160; Smith's 3,077; Kehrer's 2.992; Godbout's 2,950; and Rintz's

Anderson, Griffin and James won four-year terms. As the fourth-place finisher, Cox received a two-year term.

Kehrer called his sixth-place finish "a good showing" for his first campaign and vowed to run again in 2001.

Smith, a retired educator and community newsletter publisher, lost a council seat by only 83

"To me it seems that there was something wrong in the system, in the counting or in the machines," she said, adding that the general election results mirrored those of the Sept. 14 primary too closely.

She said she would seek advice before deciding whether to seek a recount. Either way, she said she will run again in 2001.

Former Councilman Charles Pickering, unhappy with the election results, said voters need to go to the polls.

"Something is wrong with our any better." he said.

system. We cannot get the voters to come out to the precincts and make a difference," he said. "It's very sad when the absentees carry an election."

Resident Betty Talmadge. addressing the Wayne-Ford Civic League crowd, threatened to launch a recall campaign in the coming months against Mayor Robert Thomas and council members Griffin, Cox, Cicirelli and Scott. She didn't elaborate on her reasons.

At the VFW hall, Griffin said his top priorities will be to have a balanced city budget and help decide issues such as whether Westland should have a new city hall and recreation center. He said he hasn't made a firm decision on either building.

"I'm not going to build a white elephant that we can't operate." he said.

Cox agreed that city buildings will become a top priority.

James said he hopes to initiate a paramedic SWAT program, periodic curbside pickup of hazardous waste materials like paint, and health screening tests at fire stations.

Mayor Thomas, who supported Griffin, Cox and James. described himself as "happy" after the election. He said he believes the new council will move the city in a "positive direction."

helping needy families with holiday food baskets, back-to-school shopping and holiday gift pack-But Barns fired back Monday.

asking whether the Jaycees is a charity group or a political action committee. The group said it donated to

Kehrer because he is a longtime helper who once kept the Javcees afloat by using his own personal credit cards.

Kehrer followed the advice of county elections officials and refunded \$501 of the Jaycees money to avoid an illegal contribution.

"For Councilwoman Barns to blatantly accuse the Jaycees of intentionally doing something illegal or taking away from the community is false and reprehensible." Strebbing said.

Jaycees officials have said the money they gave Kehrer came from members' pockets - not from funds raised in the commu-

Barns has maintained that the Jaycees, a charity group, shouldn't become embroiled in "It couldn't have turned out council elections. On Monday, she threatened to raise the issue is shows Tshe said

with the group's state leader-

Anne Corgan, a Michigan Department of State official, has told the Observer there is noth ing to prohibit the Jaycees from making a Westland campaign contribution up to \$500.

Strebbing called it "a real shame" that Barns "has slan dered the name of an organiza tion that has helped so many in its 40-year history."

He concluded in his statement that Barns "has jeopardized the Westland Jaycees' future abilities to raise the necessary funds to continue these projects, yet she does not appear to have an alternate solution.

Barns said Kehrer's campaign treasurer or someone should have known early on that a \$1,000 contribution was inappro-

Barns also stood by her position that the Jaycees as a charity group, shouldn't be involved in contributing to compairing

She offered only one apology to Strebbing -

"I will apologize for your boor-



Jubilation: Charles "Trav" Griffin, other winning candidates and well-wishers hear news of victory.

## M LIBRARY CLOSING

On Thursday, Nov. 11, the library will be closed for a staff in-service day. Library staff will participate in a Public Library | workshop specifiof Westland | cally tailored for

will include providing quality customer service and how to deal with patron problems and concerns. The Friends of the Library are co-sponsoring this pro-

## # WES SITE OF THE WEEK

http://www.bhg.com/ This is an online version of Better Homes and Gardens, it includes garden tips, party planning, récipes. crafts and a kids' section. There is a section on grilling.

http://www.themoonlitroad.com/ "The Moonlit Road" is an on-line store: house of Southern culture and folk. lore. This month, it features ghost stories from the South. Follow the "cuttural background" links from the story pages to find out more about where each story comes from. This site contains members only areas, but most stories are accessible to the general public: Definitely worth a look.

## # PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

Adult Book Discussion Group 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, Group Meeting Room C. "Motown" by Loren-D. Estieman These are informal open forum discussions on noteworthy books. Discussions are held in Group Meeting Room C. Call and reserve. your copy today. No fee: No registra tion required.

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7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, ... Community Meeting Room B. The library hosts an evening of family. friendly poetry read by members of the community. Bring your own original poetry or an old favorite to share with the group. All ages are welcome to arrend, No fee, No registration. required Light infligshments will be

## E YOUNG ADULT ACTIVITIES

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Meeting Room C. "Heroes: A Novel" by Robert Cormier These book discussions are informal

and there's no quiz. So come in, kick back, and let the group know what: you think. Call and reserve your copy today. No fee. No registration required. Light snacks will be served.

### M CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES Sleepytime Storytime

7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, Community Meeting Room A. This half-hour family storytime is held every Monday evening. Wear your jammies and bring your blankie! No fee. No registration

Toddler Tales & Preschool Storytime 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10 Toddler Tales (18-36 months) and Preschool Storytime (3-5 years) are held 1:30 p.mi. every Tuesday and 10.30 a.m. every Wednesday. Stop in for fun fables, tales and stories.

Storytimes last about 30 minutes. No

fee. No registration required, although

plass size is limited. Reader's Theater Ferformance 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, Community Meeting Room A/B. The Reader's Theatre Workshop presents a free per formance of three one act plays: "Jack and the Beanstalk." "Hansel and Gretet" and an American Girl play. "Molly's Teammates." Family, friends and the public are invited to attend.

No fee, No registration required

### Seating is limited After School Special

3.5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10 Children's Activity Room. This drop in program held each Wednesday is for all school-age children. It provides an opportunity to make crafts, playgames and unwind after a hard day af school: No fee. No registration

## E FRIENDS' ACTIVITIES

Board meating 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9.

Administrative Conference Room The Friends of the Library meet on the second Tuesday each month to dis-CUSS TUNG CALSING AND DIOGRAPH DIES ning. All are invited to attend. Stop in and find out how, you can help to provicting areasts programs at the intrave

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## **OBITUARIES**

### KATHRYN M. BASHAM

Services for Kathryn Basham, 67, of Wayne were Oct. 25 in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West in Westland. Officiating was the Rev. Bill Kelley Jr.

Mrs. Basham was born Sept. 15, 1932, and died Oct. 21 in Wayne. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her son, John Cropper; brothers, Charles Hord, Winn Hord, Roy Hord, Ronald Hord, Richard Hord and Gary Hord; sisters, Mary Sweet, Anna Gibson, Addie Blythe, Nan Kelley, Linda Werline, Bonnie Hord and Debra Wood; two grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Basham was preceded in death by her first husband, Floyd Cropper, and second husband. William Basham, and four brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Basham's brothers and sisters reside in Livonia and West-

### JULIA R. SIMONEAU

Services for Julia Simoneau, 67, of Westland were Nov. 1 in St. Theodore Catholic Church with burial at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Gary Michalik.

Mrs. Simoneau was born Jan. 27, 1932, in Jackson and died Oct. 27 in Ann Arbor. She was a dietary aide at Nightingale Nursing Home. She was a member of St. Theodore Catholic Church.

Surviving are her sons, Ronald (Mary) Simoneau of Westland and Donald Simoneau of Dearborn Heights; daughter, Rose (Bruce) Lewis of Westland; sister, Ellen LaBiche of Louisiana; and three grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Diabetes Association Michigan Affiliate Inc., 23100 Providence Drive, Suite 400, Southfield, MI 48075-3680 or in the form of Mass offerings.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

### PATRICIA I. LEWIS

Services for Patricia Lewis, 68, of Westland were Nov. 2 in Merriman Road Baptist Church with burial at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Wayne Parker.

Mrs. Lewis was born Sept. 13, 1931, in Decatur, Ill., and died Oct. 29 in Superior Township. She was a former resident of Garden City. She was a homemaker. She was a member of Merriman Road Baptist Church for more than 30 years.

Surviving are her sons, Mark, Michael (Janet), Stephen and Bryon; daughter, Dallana (John) Weichel; sister, Nellita Bartley; and II grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the **Building Fund for Merriman Road** Baptist Church.

Arrangements were made by R.G. & G. R. Harris Funeral Home.

### MENE P. COLLER

Services for Irene Collier, 61, of Westland were Nov. 2 in St. Alfred Catholic Church in Taylor with burial at St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights. Officiating was the Rev. Neil Emon.

Mrs. Collier was born Nov. 4, 1937, in Detroit and died Oct. 30 in Westland. She was owner/manager of a business.

Surviving are her son, Richard (Dawn) Green; daughter, Lisa Linton; brothers, Joseph (Georgianna) and Raymond (Barbara); and eight grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Henry Ford Hospice, Plymouth

Arrangements were made by John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral

## Murder case probed

## BY LEANNE ROGERS STAFF WRITER brogers@oe.homecomm.net

Candles and flowers were left outside Gundella's Witches Ways and Wares shop Monday in remembrance of owner Veronica Kuclo-Raub, who was found murdered in her home

No suspects have been identified in the killing but Garden City police want to locate Peter Raub, the victim's 41-year-old husband, who hasn't been seen since early Sunday.

"Our official position is that he disappearedand we want to talk to him," said Lt. Michael Carr.

Well-known as a self-proclaimed witch and follower of the ancient Wicca religion, Kuclo-Raub ironically died on Halloween. When she opened her shop on Middlebelt, she was adamant that Satanic rituals and other practices had nothing to with her religion.

The couple's four children found Kuclo-Raub, 34, unresponsive in her bed and called police from a neighbor's home in the 32000 block of Bridge. An autopsy performed found Kuclo-Raub had been stabbed three times.

Based on their investigation, Carr said the couple had attended a Halloween party fundraiser which they organized at the Maplewood Center. After the party, they stopped at a restaurant and were home at 2-3 a.m. Sunday.

When the children awoke on Sunday, their

father was not home and both vehicles owned

by the couple were missing.

One vehicle was described as a blue 1989 Ford Econoline Van, Michigan license plate number NG-6091. It says "Raub Painting" on the sides. The second is a red 1990 four-door Pontiac Grand Am, Michigan plate 906-GPX.

Police suspect that Raub is using the Grand Am, Carr said, since he hadn't taken that vehicle during an earlier dispute with his wife.

A teletype with Raub's description has been issued to law enforcement agencies. He's described as 5-foot-11, 155 pounds with brown hair and brown eyes.

Interviews with family and friends produced differing accounts of the relationship between the victim and her husband, Carr said. Kuclo-Raub had filed a domestic violence complaint against her husband last month. Raub had been arrested for domestic violence against his wife in September 1996.

Twenty-first District Court records show that during interviews with court personnel and staff members at First Step, a shelter for domestic abuse victims, Kuclo-Raub reported not being afraid of her husband.

It was recommended that the misdemeanor charge against Raub be taken under advisement for six months. Judge Richard Hammer Jr. instead extended that period for one year.

The victim's late mother, Gundella, was a well-known witch.

## Gay rights advocates speak out on school dispute

By RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITTER rpearl@oe.homecomm.net

Eight gay and lesbian rights supporters gave the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education Tuesday, Oct. 26, their side of the dispute over the removal of two controversial school building displays.

Speaker after speaker emphasized that the central issue is one of tolerance for diversity among people, not the promotion of a gay or lesbian lifestyle.

Only Teresa Sardinha, who spoke at a previous board meeting, supported Interim Superintendent Ken Walcott's decision earlier this month ordering two teachers to remove a bulletin board and a showcase depicting Gay and Lesbian History Month.

Sardinha said, "Putting this (information) into the schools is wrong .... Lifestyle choices does not belong in the classroom."

Among those speaking against the decision was Tom Salbenblatt, the Plymouth Salem High School mathematics teacher who, along with West Middle School music teacher Mike Chiumento. put up the displays. Chiumento, a Westland resident, was conducting a concert

Salbenblatt's and Chiumento's grievance over the action, filed with the Plymouth-Canton Education Association, the district's teacher's union, is slated for a hearing Nov. 22 before Errol Goldman, assistant superintendent for employee relations and personnel who is the designated administrator for this issue, according to Chuck Portelli, PCEA president.

Portelli said he expects the issue to go to arbitration because it is unlikely either Goldman or the school board will take any action.

He said arbitration will cost each side \$2,000 "and that's a shame. We should be solving our own problems" on such

Salbenblatt told the board Tuesday night the central issue is "not ... whether the school district sanctions a lifestyle, but (one of) being a child" who feels different from others but fears harassment and rejection.

The math teacher said that homosexuality "is not about sex, it's about being different.

After pointing out that, percentagewise, it's possible the eight board members could have two gay and/or lesbian offspring among them, Salbenblatt said, "The most loving thing you can do is to allow children to grow up to be the person they were created to be.

"Don't waste time," Salbenblatt

silent for 41 years.

When he asked when the board could tell him whether "the school system will work for the security of all its students. President Sue Davis carefully responded that the board couldn't give a date.

Another speaker, Dennis Meinschein, the father of two boys, asked for a meeting with the board on the situation but was told by Davis it "was not strictly a school board issue."

Board member Roland Thomas said such a meeting is "something we need to discuss if we, as seven people, want to" hold one.

Elaina Kielbaso, a second-grade teacher at Allen Elementary School in Plymouth and a city resident, asked if the district is saying that heterosexuals

Removing the displays "has taught someone wants them to." added, recalling the fear that kept him that prejudice, hate and intolerance are

OK in Plymouth-Canton schools," she charged, to resounding applause from supporters.

Her husband, Jim, chided the district's actions, saying they "were not well-thought-out and are far more repressive than some of you want to believe."

Other speakers, such as Eric Wing, a student at Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti, cited studies showing gay and lesbian students being more likely to drop out of school or commit suicide.

Another EMU student, Rebecca Fischel, said her mother kicked her out when she "came out" at age 18, while a third EMU student, West Middle School and Salem High graduate Stephanie are the only people we should trust and — Totty, told the board "students cannot change" what they are "just because

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## Veterans sought to sign war memorial quilt-

By Sue Mason Staff Writer amason@oe.homecomm.net

It has been more than six years since President Bill Clinton signed a law authorizing the establishment of the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C.

The site has been selected - the east end of the Reflecting Pool between the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument. The preliminary design has been approved by the Commission of Fine Arts and the National Capital Planning Commission.

All that's left is to raise the remaining \$40 million of the \$100 million needed to build the memorial, and if the associates at Wal-Mart stores have their way, the American Battle Monuments Commission will break ground as planned on Veterans Day 2000.

"Wal-Mart decided to spearhead raising the \$40 million and asked its 2,700 stores to do some kind of ceremony," said Lynn Berger, community service coordinator for the Livonia store. "It was introduced at a national meeting and we were asked to do some kind of ceremony for the veter-

"Some kind of ceremony" doesn't quite describe all that's being planned to honor veterans at the

Associates and members of the Livonia community will gather at the store's flagpole at 8 a.m. Veterans Day, Nov. 11, for a ceremony conducted by Vietnam veterans in honor of their World War II counterparts.

ROTC students from Livonia's three high schools will participate and Stevenson students Michelle Bahr and Amanda Truedell will sing the National Anthem a cappella, while fellow student Scott Henman will play taps as Wal-Mart associate Tim Pelfrey raises the American flag.

The ceremony will then move inside the store where Pelfrey will read a tribute to infantrymen and store manager Weymond Denson will talk. about the memorial.

The ceremony will close with a special presentation by Pelfrey and Michael Schroeder and cake, prepared by Sam's Club in Westland.

Dressing up the store for the week of the observance will be posters done by students at Cleveland, McKinley and Peace Lutheran schools. After that, the posters will be distributed to the VA Hospital.

But that's not all that's going on at the store. according to Berger. Associates are making pins, a quilt and red, white and blue stars that will honor the veterans while raising money for the memori-

Pat Ferguson and Rosanne Raschke are making a 64-by-54-inch quilt that will be on display at the store next week. World War II veterans will be

able to sign their own name or sign it in memory of memorial, Berger said. someone who lost their life during the war. When it's finished, it will be put on permanent display in

"Pat just came up to me and said, I'm making a quilt," Berger said. "It was her own idea and I think it's wonderful."

Wonderful, and the catalyst for many of the other things that are happening at the store,

Kathy Jenkins and her mother are making patriotiopins that are being sold to associates at 50 cents each to wear on Veterans Day, with the money going to the memorial.

The store also is selling World War II Memorial lapel pins and the five-inch red, white or blue stars to honor veterans that will be displayed throughout the store. The proceeds also will benefit the becomes a tradition, she said.

On Veterans Day, greeters will pass out flag key. chains and stickers to customers and Denson, a retired U.S. Army major, and several other associates who served in the military will wear their uniforms while the other employees will wear red, white and blue clothing.

"What impresses me most in talking about this is that the veterans are in awe of the fact we are doing this," Berger said. "It makes me proud to be a part of Wal-Mart."

While the aim of the activities is to raise money for the memorial, Berger anticipates the ceremony will become an annual thing at the store, although

not quite as elaborate. "It seems that every time we do a project, it



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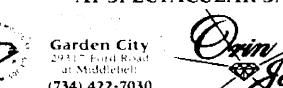


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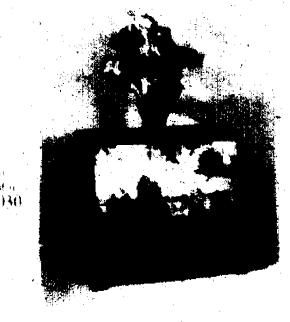


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DELIGHTFUL

Never-married Catholic SWM, 50, 5'11", 180lbs., who is active in his church choir, enjoys children, dancing, walking, movies, music and good conversation. He wants to meet a SWCF, under 50, for a long-term relationship. Ad#.3580

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He's a friendly Catholic DWP dad of two, 46, 6', 180lbs., with brown hair, green eyes, and glasses, a smoker, who enjoys bowling, golfing, movies, and much more. He is seeking a SWF, 35-47, for a special, one-on-one, romantic relationship/Ad#.6569

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Delightful, handsome Catholic DWP dad of one, 38, 6'4". 215lbs., who enjoys boating, family activities, baseball, music, movies and travel, is seeking a similar Catholic SWF, 30-40, height/weight proportionate. Ad#:4324

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## Dems, GOP offer dueling tax holiday proposals

BY MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE mmalett@homecomm.net

Republicans and Democrats alike want to give Michigan residents a "holiday" from sales

But differing proposals have sparked a war of words in Lans-

When House Taxation Committee Chair Rep. Nancy Cassis (R-Novi) unveiled plans for a two-week sales tax holiday on clothing during the back-toschool shopping season, Minority Leader Michael Hanley (D-Saginaw) criticized it as a drain on the state school aide fund. Proposal A, after all, shifted the tax burden away from property taxes and replaced the money with an increase in sales taxes. the hike being dedicated to the state school fund.

"If Rep. Hanley is going to put

## CAPITAL CAPSULES

It's no longer science fiction medical science can determine the likelihood that an individual will fall victim to one of about 4,000 different diseases through genetic testing:

And health insurance companies in Michigan have already begun the practice of screening customers based on genetic testing, according to state Sen. John Schwarz, R. Battle Creek.

"Don't let them kid you," he said "they are already doing it."

But the practice will have to end under legislation, an eight bill package led by Senate Bill 815; sponsored by Schwarz and approved by the senate Wednesday, Oct. 27, in a 37 0 vote.

Schwarz believes the testing would make it impossible for some; with genes that make them susceptible to certain diseases, to get insurance.

If insurers argue testing would save money by weeding out those likely to file costly claims, Schwarz is unsympathetic.

"What is the definition of insurance - it's share risk," he said.

The bills would prohibit genets ic testing for insurance, require destruction records of genetic tests, and insure the privacy of genetic tests.

All local senators voted in favor the bills.

Only Sen Alma Wheeler Smith, D-Ann Arbor, objected. While voting for the bills, she said she felt they did not go far

enough. "It is my concern that this backdoor approach, rather than going through the complete umbrella protection offered by the Elliot-Larsen Civil Rights Act, does indeed limit the protections available for all of Michigan citizens." said.

Smith and Seng Diagne Byrum, D-Onodaga, earlier proposed prohibitions to genetic testing under the civil rights mets, which the senate did not accept .

## SCHOOL BUILDING NEGLECT

Many school buildings in Michigan have been neglected in the past few years, and now one lawmaker is looking for ways the state government can help improve or replace those facili-

Rep Rose Bogardus, D-Davison, is sponsoring legislation that would carmark 45 percent of state tax money from Detroit casinos to a state fund intended to help and support local school building bond issues.

Although all state tax money from the three new casinos is already reserved for education. Bogardus' bill would specifically set 45 percent aside for support of local bond issues. Under casino oversight laws, 8.1 percent of casinos "net win" would be deposited in the state school aid fund for K-12 education.

At is anticipated that once in operation, each permanent casino in Detroit will deposit \$25.4. mallion into the school aid fund each year

Earmarked in the school aid fund, the money would then be used for matching grants for school districts which undertake capital improvement programs or install new technology. If you ors accept bond issues as the ballot box, and levy 7 mills, the fund would assist in repayment of bonds, Bogardus explained

She said state assistance would be available for major capthit improvement projects at CONSTRUCT SEASON CONSTRUCT tion and installation of compact Are and techniclery

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> Rep. Nancy Cassis R-Navi

a shot across the bow, it would be nice if he were aware of what members of his own caucus - 19 of them - are up to," Cassis fired

She was referring to a plan by Rep. Samuel "Buzz" Thomas III

(D-Detroit) to also offer a sales tax holiday, co-sponsored by 19 House Democrats. Thomas' planis for a one-day holiday, but would apply to all taxable items.

While she anticipates her plan could cost the state budget anywhere from \$16 million to \$28 million in lost sales tax revenues, according to estimates provided by the House Fiscal Agency, Cassis said Thomas' plan could cost the state \$100 million or more.

"It's irresponsible. It's never been done before. We have nothing to model it on," she said.

Although for only a day, Cassis said she would anticipate that residents would hold off purchases of big ticket items, such as cars and home entertainment systems, in order to get the break on sales taxes. While she said her plan is aimed at helping families with the purchase of necessities during back-to-school shopping, she said Thomas' plan would allow shoppers to get the break on fuxury items as well.

House Bill 4862 would exempt clothing from sales taxes for one week before and one week after the Labor Day holiday. The exemption would be capped at \$500 per individual article of clothing - amounts over that would be subject to Michigan's 6 percent sales tax. She said similar plans have been adopted in New York, New Jersey, Texas

and Florida

House Bill 4650 would allow one day off from sales taxes on all items.

The state budget is expected to produce a surplus of \$380 million in the current fiscal year. Extra funds in school aid money are expected to reach \$500 million next year:

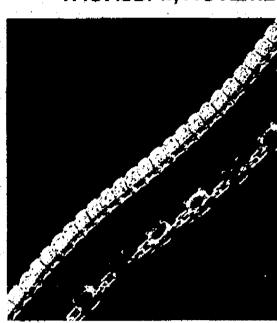
The budget surplus has members on both sides of the aisle looking for breaks to return money to taxpayers.

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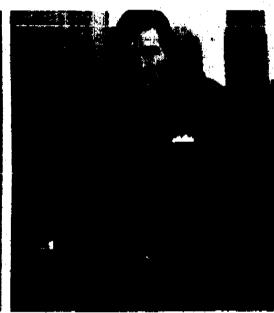
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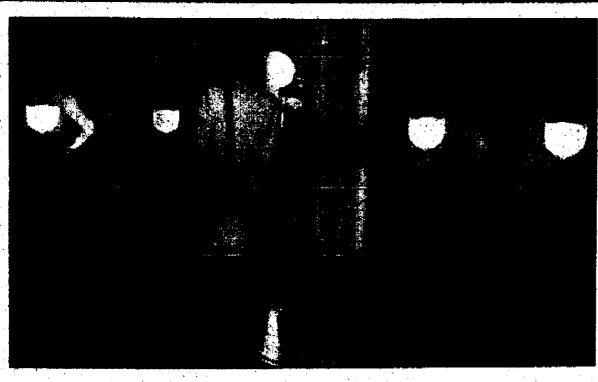
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# Silhouettes tell grim story at domestic violence lunch

Twelve red silhouettes in the shape of women provided a somber backdrop at the National Domestic Violence Awareness Month Awards Luncheon on Oct.

Presented by the Wayne County Council Against Family Violence, the luncheon honored people and organizations who have made a difference in the lives of survivors of family violence in Wayne County.

Held at the Wayne County Building in Detroit, the event also served as an acknowledgment of National Domestic Violence Month.

The life-sized silhouettes, part of a traveling "Silent Witness" exhibit, depicted family violence homicide victims ranging in ages from 12 to 23 and included written biographies of each victim.

"These silhouettes serve as reminders of the brutality these victims endured at the hands of their attackers," said Nancy Diehl, chair of the WCCAFV and one of the event organizers.

Women of all cultures, races, occupations, income levels and ages are battered, statistics show, by husbands, boyfriends, lovers and partners.

"Every week, headlines tell us how violence continues to pervade our society," said Michael Duggan, Wayne County deputy county executive and one of the speakers for the event. "We must continue to focus attention on the problem of violence in families and work toward its prevention."

Special Spirit awards were given to individuals who made significant contributions of time and energy to the prevention of family violence. The recipients were Wayne County Circuit Judge Richard Halloran; Andrea Solak, chief of special operations, Wayne County Prosecutor's Office; Karen Porter, associate director, First Step, Western Wayne County Project on Domestic and Sexual Violence; Lt. Gwen Brown, commander, Domestic Violence Task Force, Detroit Police Department and



Awarded: The Wayne County Council Against Family Violence (WCCAFV) gave special Spirit awards to individuals who made significant contributions of time and energy to the prevention of family violence. The recipients were (from left) Andrea Solak, chief of special operations in the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office; Sandra Tomlin, coordinator of community affairs for Blue Cross Blue Shield; Karen Porter, associate director, First Step, Western Wayne County Project on Domestic and Sexual Violence; Lt. Gwendolyn Brown, commanding officer, Domestic Violence Task Force, Detroit Police Department; Circuit Judge Richard Halloran and past WCCAFV co-chair; and Chuck Spindler, of AirTouch Cellular.

new vice chair of WCCAFV and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michi-

gan and AirTouch Cellular.

Blue Cross Blue Shield sponsored the printing of Wayne County's handbook on family violence prevention. "They accepted the challenge of addressing family violence in our county," said Lynda Baker, director of the WCCAFV. "We are so grateful for this. They really came to our rescue."

One of the victims of family violence described her ordeal with family violence and she expressed a great appreciation to corporate sponsor. AirTouch Cellular, which provided her and other victims with cellular phones programmed to call 911.

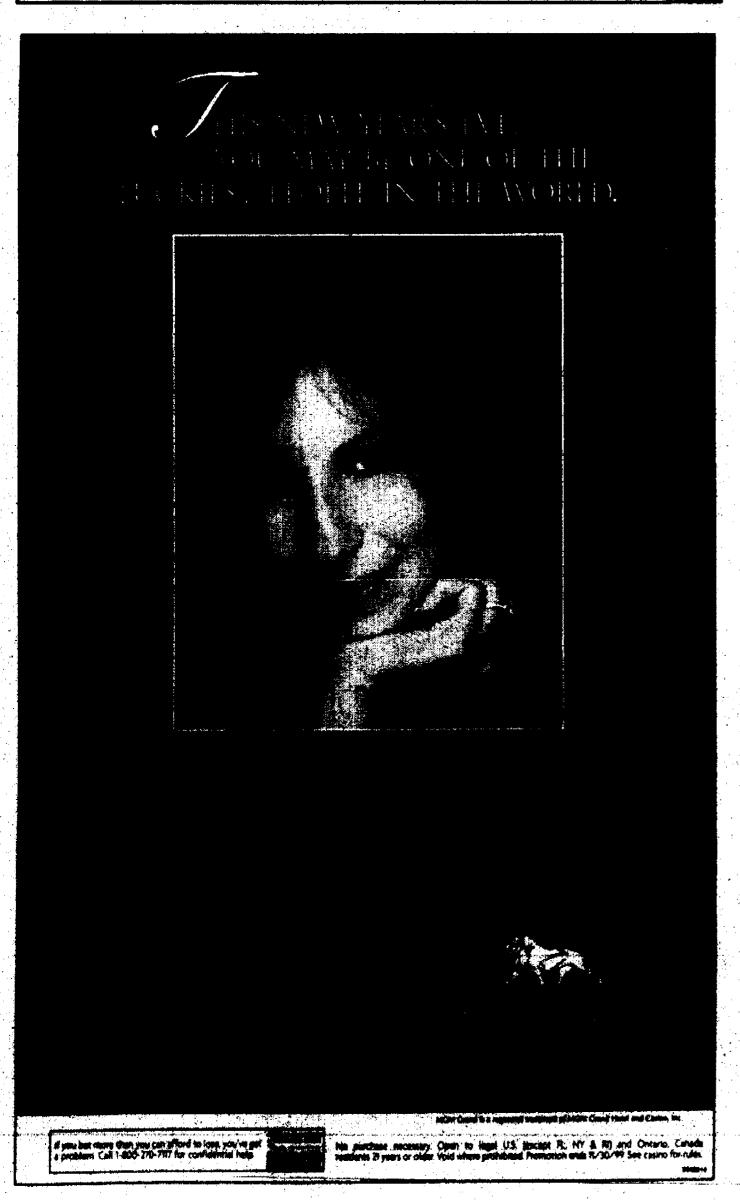
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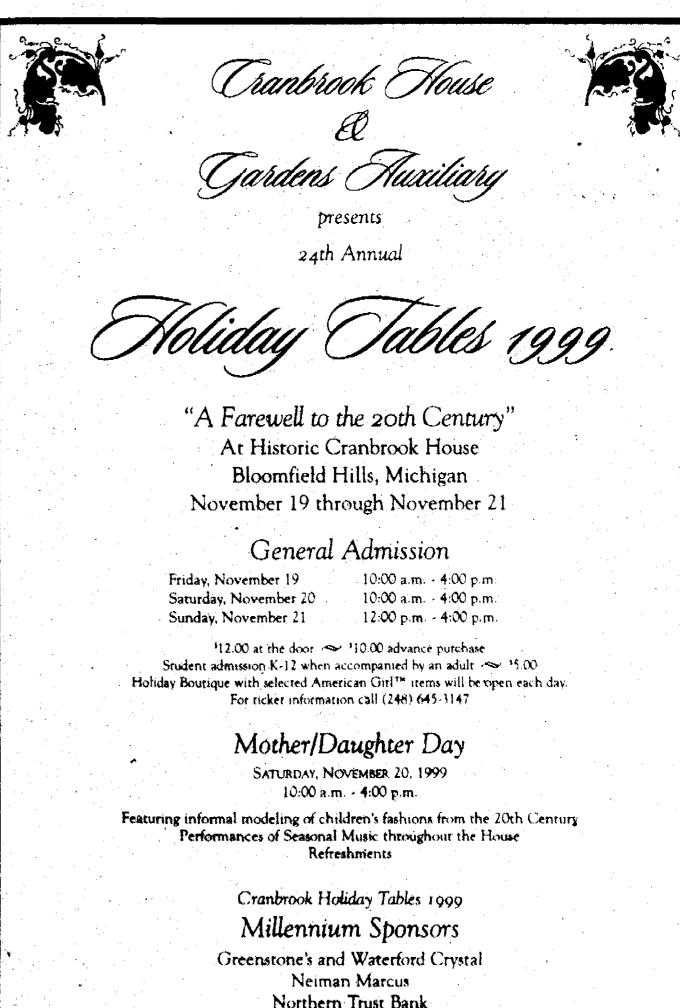
award for AirTouch. "This is not something we have to do, this is the right thing to do," Haller

Solak said the award "reflects the real passion and commitment of the community."

Also in attendance were John O'Hair, Wayne County prosecutor; Detroit Councilwoman Maryann Mahaffey; Circuit Judge Mary Waterstone and Nancy Diehl, deputy chief of the Wayne County prosecutor's office, director of the child and family abuse bureau and new chair of WCCAFV.

Anyone interested in learning more about the council or Wayne County's family violence programs or materials should call (313) 224-5454.





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## County: Winter road service will improve

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WEITER

Cameron "Kim" Priebe is convinced the county roads division will do a better job this winter at snow removal.

After a year of meetings with community leaders, purchasing radios and new equipment and working with other road officials. Priebe, the director of the Wayne County Department of Public Services, and other county officials believe they have taken enough steps to improve snow removal operations.

They don't want a repeat of the now-infameus snowstorm of Jan. 2 that dropped 10 inches of snow, followed by 40 mph winds. then freezing temperatures. Many roads in western Wayne County remained snow covered after several days.

## Dropped the ball

"We just dropped the ball in that district of your (Observer) coverage area," Priebe said.

The roads division had many new supervisors on the job last year. "We got our training last year," Priebe said.

But this week work crews were placing plows on trucks and checking blades on graders at the central maintenance yard adjacent to Detroit Wayne County Metropolitan Airport to prepare for winter's snow.

That equipment will help Wayne County maintain 462 miles of state trunklines and freeways, 719 miles of county primary roads and 721 miles of county local roads.

### Many improvements

Priebe cited many improvements in the county's road division of the Department of Public Services:

- Improved communications. New phone lines were installed at county yards for local city and township officials to contact supervisors on unlisted phone
- New\*radios for trucks. Earli-\*. er this year, county commission-

ers approved a contract of \$62,613 to purchase 155 Motorola radios to equip all vehicles in the county's buildings, roads and parks divisions with better twoway radios and assist in communications between trucks and the district yards.

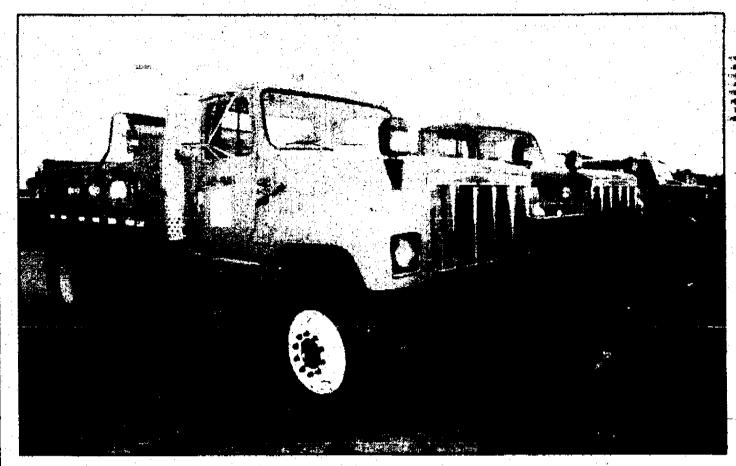
■ New trucks. Wayne County has ordered 14 specialized, highspeed plows, 32 new 10-cubic vard capacity trucks and 19 new five-yard dump trucks with crew cabs. Time delays frustrate Wayne County in receiving the equipment.

"It takes a full year of time from the order until the time we get it," Priebe said.

Wayne County has a fleet of about 160 trucks of which the county would like to overhaul a little each year. "At \$130,000 a truck, it's expensive, " said Robert Mahoney, roads director. Salt also deteriorates the trucks. Road officials point out a 1988 truck in the yard that is coated with rust on the rear of the vehicle. The county is painting some of the older vehicles.

III Wayne County Public Services Director Cameron Priebe said the county 'dropped the ball' in western Wayne County last winter. He hopes new equipment. better organization and a fresh resolve will enhance service this winter. He doesn't want to repeat the aftermath of the 10-inch snow last January when western Wayne County roads were clossed with snow for





STAFF PROTOG BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Bring on the snow: At left, Kenny Rodgers works on getting a truck ready for winter work. Above, new trucks await installation of snow plows.

## Fine tuning

Routes also were "fine-tuned," with roads in proximity to hospi tals and fire station taking a higher priority. But road officials have focused on improving communications.

"Area engineers will have phones and radios." Priebe said. They will communicate better with foreman and yard supervisors to coordinate snow removal trucks to areas and roads that may need attention, county offi-

Salt is purchased through a traditional bid or through the

state. Prices can vary. Last year Wayne County paid between \$30 and \$32 a ton. Oakland County just received salt at \$20 per ton.

Wayne County inventories about 80,000 tons of salt. An average winter's usage ranges between 120,000 and 125,000

Trucks aren't the only equipment Wayne County uses for snow removal.

## It's a beauty

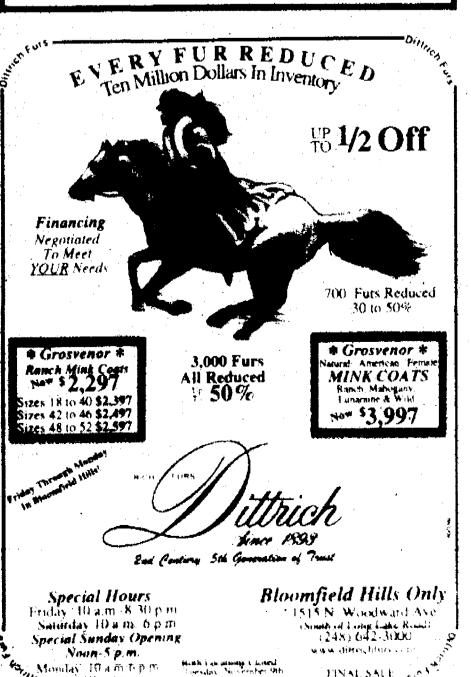
Last winter the county purchased a \$90,000 Oshkosh SnoGo from Houghton County, which removes heavy snow. County road crews used the machine on I-75 late last winter. "One of the biggest problems on the freeway is the snow can turn a four-lane freeway into three lanes," said John Roach, public information manager for the county's Department of Public Services

"This equipment can go onto the shoulder and blow onto a freeway embankment, and snow can travel at least 100 feet or it can be loaded into a truck.

All trucks are expected to be prepared for winter snowstorms within two weeks

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## Bill would prevent felons from wearing body armor

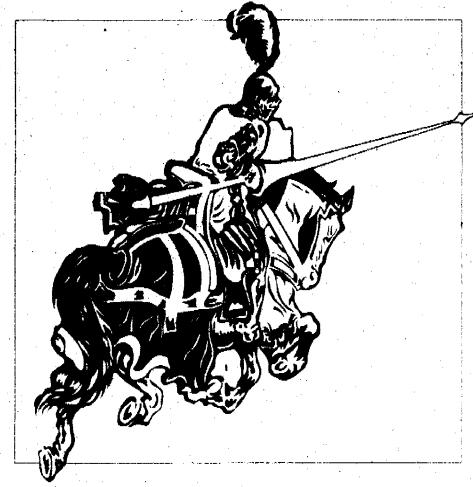
By MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE mmalott@homecomm.net

"If you are in possession of. body armor, that's a reasonable indicator you anticipate being shot at," State Sen. Gary Peters (D-Bloomfield) savs. "If you're a felon, it's a reasonable indicator you anticipate being shot at because you are planning to commit a crime."

As a result. Peters has introduced legislation to outlaw possession of bulletproof vests and other body armor by anyone previously convicted of a violent. crime.

It's not just logic that leads Peters to such conclusions. He cites a growing number of recent incidents, locally and across the nation, in which violent offenders have turned to body armor for protection.

Oak Park police Officer Kurt Skarjune, speaking on behalf of the bill in a press conference Wednesday, Oct. 27, said he has encountered four suspects who were wearing body armor, one of whom was also carrying guns and drugs. He's chased one guntoting robber who was later



found to be wearing a vest.

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Skarjune has been campaigning since 1994, when he saw

vests available for sale in the catalog of a well-known national retailer, to get a national ban on

mail order sales of body armor. Although he's had no luck in Congress, he said state governments have been more receptive to the idea of banning body armor for felons.

Detroit police have found gang members wearing vests during the commission of violent crimes. In June, a man who was attempting to rob a Rochester Hills bank of \$12,000 was found to be wearing a bulletproof vest.

And of course, Peters noted, it was body armor that allowed robbers in North Hollywood, Calif, to engage in a gun battle with more than 100 police officers while they tried to walk away from the scene earlier this year. It took some 22 direct hits by police to bring the perpetrators down, the senator said.

There is more evidence that body armor sales are going up. Peters' staff cited U.S. News and World Report stories which stated that the sale of body armor to civilians - as opposed to the police or the military - has become a \$100 million a year market.

Southfield police Sgt. David Daughenbaugh said his depart-

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ment has not yet faced criminals with bulletproof vests, but they have confronted criminals who have automatic weapons.

"In those cases, you are already out gunned, you don't want to have to deal with body armor, too ... You don't want to go up against a Sherman tank when all you have is a revolver," Daughenbaugh said.

"Body armor on a criminal puts police at a dangerous disadvantage," Peters said.

It is already illegal for someone to where a bulletproof vest during the commission of a violent crime, but Peters' bill would outlaw possession at any time for a felon. Just having body. armor could get the convict four more years in jail or a \$2,000 fine, under the proposed legisla-

But the senator said he recognizes vests may be good protection for law abiding citizens who have received death threats or otherwise have reason to believe they may be in danger. So the bill would not prohibit possession for those who do not have criminal records.

And even felons could apply to the local sheriff or police chief for permission to own body armor if their lives are in danger. The bill includes an exemption allowing sheriffs and police chiefs to grant that permission if there is a legitimate need, such as a death threat, and if the police believe the armor will be used lawfully.

Along with Peters' Senate Bill 838, Sen. William Van Regenmorter (R-Hudsonville) introduced supporting legislation in Senate Bill 839, adding possession of body armor by a felon to

Michigan's criminal code. The bills were referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee for review, but Peters said he anticipates fast approval by Legislature, perhaps in as little as two

He said all the major police organizations in the state; including the Fraternal Order of Police and the Michigan Sheriffs Association, support the bill. He cited polls that show 83 percent of Americans favor outlawing possession of body armor by felons. And, he said, he anticipates no opposition to passage.

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## Edison takes bids on megawatts

DETROIT/PRNewswire/ -Detroit Edison opened the second round of bidding for another 225 megawatts (MW) of capacity as part of Michigan's Electric Choice program, designed to allow the state's electricity users to choose their electricity suppli-

The first phase was fully subscribed with bids awarded in residential, commercial and industrial-customer groups. In the phased-in program, participants bid for capacity rights on Detroit Edison's transmission and distribution systems. Bidders can include other power producers, marketers, aggregators or cus-

"As we get into the second phase of Electric Choice, we'll continue to learn more about the dynamics of competition, who's interested in participating and whether there are things we can do to make the process smoother," said James J. Gessner, Detroit Edison manager, Electric Choice. "Detroit Edison is voluntarily implementing the Michigan Public Service Commission's order and we're excited about the possibilities that comactition will bring to the state's électric industry."

The second phase, the last in 1999, will continue through Nov. 19. Each of the five phases will make 225 MW of capacity available to all customers, for a total of 1,125 MW of Detroit Edison's system capacity. Beginning Jan. 1, 2002, all Michigan customers will have the option to participate in Electric Choice.

## Secretary of State offices closed holidays

Secretary of State offices will be closed for several state holidays during November and December.

Branch offices will be closed for Veterans Day on Thursday, Nov. 11; Thanksgiving on Thursday, Nov. 25, and Friday, Nov. 26; Christmas on Thursday, Dec. 23, and Friday, Dec. 24; and New Years on Thursday, Dec. 30, and Friday, Dec. 31,

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# A Distorted View

## Students see effects of alcohol through impairment goggles

Joe Zitterman walks slowly across the stage, then wobbles while looking at his

Jason Jones reaches for a set of keys on the floor. He leans over, stretches his arm out, once, twice, then three times before he can grab them.

Aaron Butcher is told to walk toward the open hand of a Wayne County sheriff, but it takes a few steps for him to line himself up.

These three Garden City High School students had difficulty performing simple physical tasks Tuesday because they wore impairment goggles, courtesy of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department. The specially designed eyeglasses distort vision, simulating the visual effect of two alcoholic drinks, so students could see first-hand how drinking affects their vision and perception.

"Youngsters have an attitude that nothing will happen to them," said Sheriff Robert Ficano, "They think they are invincible, that they can control their reflexes even if they are drinking or doing drugs.

"We try to show the reality of it." The program is part of the sheriff's Adopt-A-School program, and the goggles made their first appearance this year at an area high school. "We want to make sure (students) understand the law, and we want to build trust," Ficano

Ficano reminded the students from a Street Law class - which taught them about the criminal justice system, civil rights and consumer law - that drinking by minors that leads to impaired or drunken driving can result not only in death and serious injury, but the suspension or revocation of driver licenses and sail time.

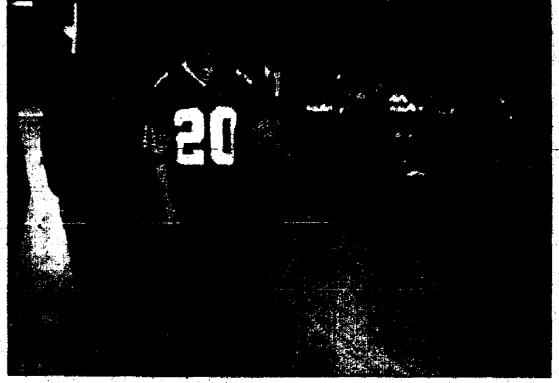
About 3,000 inmates are currently housed in the county jail, Ficano said. "Anyone know what they had in common? They broke the law, They all thought they were smarter than the system."

Ficano said. "Once you get in there, we control your life," Ficano said. "We tell you when you get up, when you eat and when you have recreation. You get mail, but guess what? We get to read it."

DeWayne Hayes, a community service program coordinator with the Sheriff's Department, showed the students slides from accidents involving drunken drivers from the Wayne County Medical Examiner's Office and a video of Wayne County victims of drunken drivers, featuring families traumatized by the loss of loved ones and others disabled from auto accidents.

Hayes also relayed a story about his own personal experiences. When Hayes first learned to drive, he ran into a police car while transporting a few friends to a party. His father let him drive again, but he was involved in another accident, and his license was suspended.

"It was a bad feeling to lose that privi-Once police officers arrest offenders lege," Hayes said, "Sometimes we lose and they are jailed, their lives change, our freedom to do things, and when we



Too the line: Joe Zitterman tries to walk a straight line with his impairment goggles for Officer DeWayne Hayes and Sheriff Robert Ficano.

do, it bothers us.

"If you go to proms or parties, we want you to enjoy yourselves without alcohol."

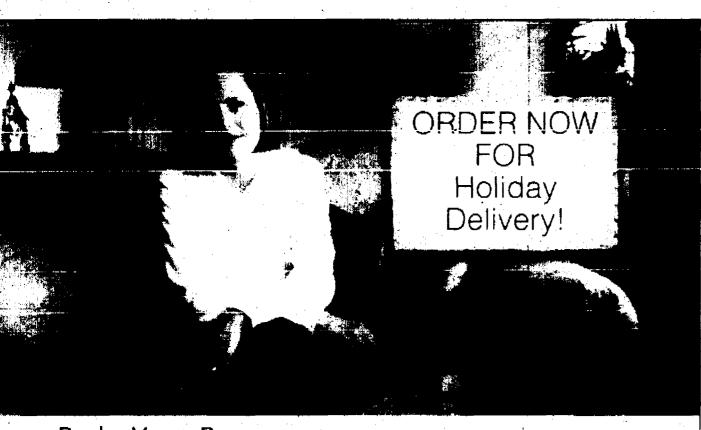
The three students who demonstrated the goggles for other students believe the program was effective.

Jason Jones, a junior, said the goggles. made him feel dizzy. "I think I can do everything, but I don't feel normal," Jones said of wearing glasses.

Aaron Butcher, also a junior, thought the glasses were a good demonstration for the students to deter them from drinking and driving. "I realized that when I couldn't walk around." Butcher

Joe Zitterman, a freshman, said the

glasses made him "impaired." "They made me fall all over," Zitterman said.



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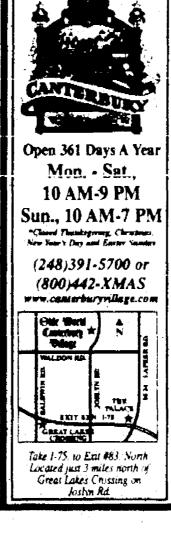
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## Some question qualifications of new MEAP board

BY STEE MALOTT HOSTOWN NEWS SHEVER

Ehrbara Bolin, executive director of Michigan's Department of Capper Development, devised competency tests at Austin Community College in Texas.

She also devised "WorkKeys" analyses for an Austin corporation, says Jim Karshner, communications director for that department. So Bolin, he says, had "extensive experience" in preparation for her new role as a member of Michigan's Merit Award Board.

The board has been assigned to bversee Michigan Education Assessment Program testing in the future rather than the State Board of Education, as a result of orders issued recently by Gov. John Engler.

But that appears to be the closest thing to direct experience. Other appointed members of the board — state Treasurer Mark Murray, Munder Capital Management Vice President Clark Durant, General Motors Human Resources Director Kathleen Barclay, and former Detroit police chief Isaiah McK-



Making big changes: Gov. John Engler has taken charge of MEAP.

innon - do not appear to have any background in testing. Only Art Ellis, on the board because he is the Superintendent of Public Education in Michigan, has experience with tests. Does that matter?

### Views differ

Yes, according to State Board of Education President Dorothy Beardmore. Assessment test design is a highly specialized field, best left to professionals. She notes that even when the MEAP was under the guidance of the state board, members did not review the test or test questions before they were given to students. That was considered a responsibility of educators and department of education staff who had special expertise in the field.

But Maureen McNulty Saxton, spokesperson for Murray and the Treasury Department, said Merit Board members don't need experience in test design. While the board will review the test ahead of time, members will not actually be drafting questions. That will be left to the same educators and staff members who have been doing it all along.

Like other oversight panels, expertise in the field is not required, she contended. She noted that expertise in assessment testing also is not required

E 'There's a slew of questions that need to be answered.'

Maureen Saxton
Treasury Department spokesperson

of State Board of Education members before they can run for election to their posts.

State board member Kathleen
Straus, though one of the most
vocal critics of the transfer
ordered by the governor, agreed
that prior experience isn't necessary. Despite the review by the
Merit Board, she expects the
panel will take its cue from educators and test writers who do
have expertise in the field.

Straus - who is still considering legal action over the governor's order moving MEAP testing to the Treasury Department based on what she considers a violation of the state Constitution - raised another question about the Merit Board's role in reviewing the test.

The State Board of Education, when it was responsible for oversight, did not review the tests before they were given because

of the Michigan Open Meetings Act. Once before the public body as a subject of discussion, the test, the questions included on it and the answers would be considered public documents under the Open Meetings Act. That would allow students to cheat by reading the test questions and

answers before taking it.

"I assume the Merit Board would follow the Open Meetings Act," Straus said. If the board does indeed review the tests ahead of time, it will make the test public documents.

### Other concerns

Those are just some examples of the concerns being raised in response to the governor's order in October transferring administration of MEAP testing from the Department of Education to the Department of Treasury. To provide oversight, the Michigan Merit Award Board was

installed. Shortly after issuing the transfer order, Engler announced the names of three members he had appointed to sit

on the Merit Award Board.

According to Saxton, the seventh member of the board has yet to be named. And, she said, there is an executive director of the Merit Award program who has yet to be appointed. Although interviews are being conducted, she said, the governor

That means it is still early in the formation of the board and much has yet to be determined about how it will operate. Those newly appointed are saying little about their role or qualifications. Bolin, for instance, declined comment because the board has not yet had its first meeting. According to Karshner, how it will operate and what its role will be in the creation of the MEAP test has largely not yet been deter-

mined.

"There's a slew of questions that need to be answered," Saxton said.

But there are other issues that make it even more confusing. Beardmore, for instance, contends the Michigan Constitution gives the State Board of Education responsibility for setting policy regarding the test. And that would mean two panels would be charged with overseeing how the tests are to be conducted.

"I'm glad the state board is interested and it should be interested in assessment testing," Saxton responded. But where the distinction is between the state board's policy-setting role and the Merit Award Board's oversight role isn't clear.

Saxton went on to say that the move "will help the state board focus totally on education. The state has moved a lot of things away from the State Board of Education that have nothing to do with the quality of education. This will help the state board by refining and focusing its mission on developing curriculum and setting core standards."

John Truscott, spokesman for Gov. Engler, said the state board has not done much policy setting with regard to the MEAP in the past anyway.

Straus strongly disagrees.
"He just doesn't know."

"He just doesn't know," she said. "For example, Treasury is saying it is going to release old versions of the test so the public can see what the tests are like. What Truscott doesn't know is that we (the state board) made that decision months ago."

In any case, the qualifications of the Merit Board are being debated. Engler says its members are "distinguished professionals who have the necessary experience and leadership for this important duty."

Critics say the lack of apparent experience with assessment testing is a concern.

## Board members

Durant, a resident of Grosse Pointe, was a member of the state board who resigned after missing numerous sessions. He was elected to the Michigan State Board of Education in 1994 and resigned in September Durant once served as an attorney for the law firm of Timmis and Inman in Detroit

and Inman in Detroit.

He has practiced law for 23 years in civil, criminal and corporate matters. He is president of the Genesis Foundation chairman of the board of the Cornerstone Schools, corporate secretary and a board member for Detroit Mortgage and Realty and a board member for William

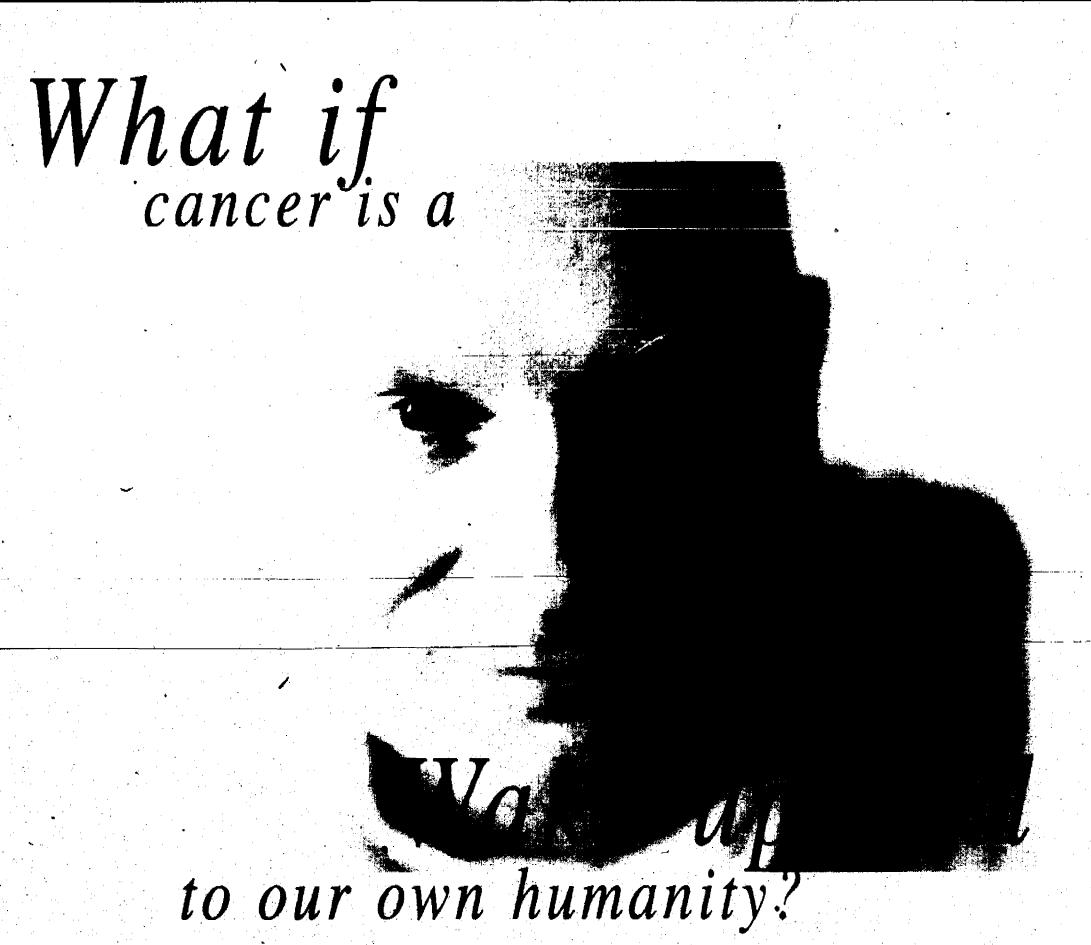
Tyndale College.

Durant ran unsuccessfully for U.S. Senate and the Michigan Supreme Court.

Barclay, of Grosse Pointe Farms, is vice president of human resources for General Motors and president of General Motors University. She has also worked in retail management with the Southland Corp. in Chicago and Reno, Nev., and as a human resources compensation manager for the Allen-Bradley Co. in Milwaukee.

Barclay is a member of the MIT Board of Governors, the MSU Alumni Board of Directors, the Conference Board's Global Human Resources Council, and the Detroit Women's Economic Club.

McKinnon retired as chief of police in Detroit in 1998. He is now an adjunct professor of criminal justice for the University of Detroit Mercy. McKinnon has been in law enforcement for 29 years, serving as a police inspector, lieutenant and sergeant.



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## United Way nears fund-raising goal

PRNewswire - United Way Community Services announced that \$45,917,820 or 63.3 percent of this year's combined goal of \$72.5 million, has been raised. The announcement was made by James P. Holden, president of DaimlerChrysler and general chair of the 1999 United Way campaign, at United Way's mid-report luncheon at the Hyatt Regency in Dearborn.

More than 500 volunteers gathered to hear the results to-date in this year's campaign. Highlighted at the luncheon were

1999 totals from the "Big Three Automakers"; the Auto Challenge Match for new business and the Leadership Giving Challenge Match. The \$72.5 million combined goal includes contributions received for New Detroit, Inc. and United Way of Oakland

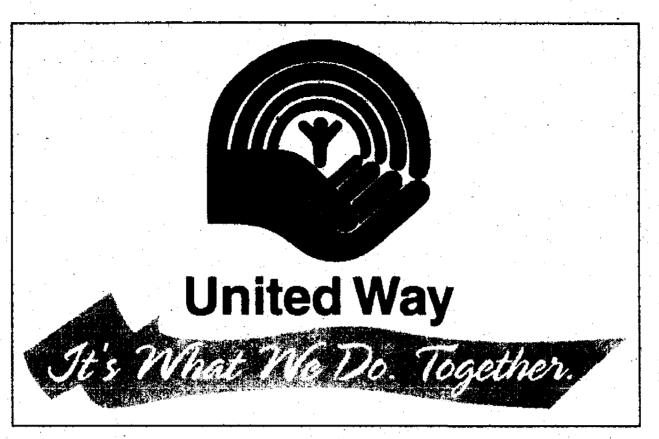
Again this year, two challenge match commitments have been made to encourage campaign participation. They are the "Auto New Business Challenge Match" by DaimlerChrysler Corp., General Motors and Ford Motor Co., which is an incentive for companies to run United Way employee campaigns or give a corporate gift for the first time; and the "Leadership Giving Challenge Match," provided by Ford Motor Co. Fund and a select group of Ford senior executives, which encourages new and increased leadership gifts of \$1,000 or more.

"Reaching a stretch goal of \$72.5 million takes a tremendous effort and commitment by everyone," said Holden. "When we say United Way ... It's what we do ... Together, we mean that literally. I would like to thank the members of our campaign leadership and the thousands of dedicated volunteers who have helped us get this far in the campaign. But, we're not through yet."

Holden added, "We need to keep the momentum to raise as much money as we can to continue serving the more than 1.5 million people in southeastern Michigan whose lives have been touched thanks to your contribution to United Way."

Highlighted today were the 1999 contributions, which together total more than \$31,782,465 from DaimlerChrysler, Ford and GM. The vice chair for the Auto Unit is John F. Smith Jr., chairman and CEO, General Motors Corp., and results of the automotive employee campaigns are as follows:

DaimlerChrysler Corp.: Contributions totaled \$6,701,824 from DaimlerChrysler hourly and management employees in the metro Detroit area. The DaimlerChrysler Corporate Fund made a gift of \$1,100,000, bringing contributions from DaimlerChrysler and its employees to \$7,801,824. For the second year, DaimlerChrysler's campaign was chaired by Thomas W. Sidlik, executive vice president and general manager of Procurement and Supply, DaimlerChrysler Corp. Sidlik also announced DaimlerChrysler Southeast Michigan Chrysler, Jeep and Dodge dealers are adding \$100,000.



Ford Motor Co.: Contributions totaled \$13,110,279 from Ford Motor Company hourly and management employees in the metro Detroit area. The Ford Fund made a gift of \$2,190,000, bringing contributions from Ford and its employees to \$15,300,279. This represents the largest gift ever to a single United Way in the country. Ford's campaign was chaired by Roman J. Krygier, vice president, Powertrain Operations; vice chair was Martin Zimmerman, vice president of Government Affairs.

General Motors Corp.: Contributions totaled \$7,273,877 from General Motors Corp. hourly and management employees. The General Motors Foundation made a gift of \$1,307,000, bringing contributions from GM and its employees to \$8,580,877. GM's campaign was chaired by Roderick D. Gillum, vice president of Corporate Relations and Diversity. Chairman and CEO, Jack Smith, led a special effort to significantly increase leadership giving.

The success of the automakers campaigns would not be possible without the full participation and leadership of rank-and-file mem-

bers of organized labor.

"The camaraderie that exists between United Way and the members of organized labor dates back to the very first Torch Drive in 1949," said Elizabeth Bunn, vice president, International Union, United Auto paign." Workers and Labor Participation chair. "It was the UAW and Ford Motor Co. in the beginning that shaped the bond we now through November 18. For more information share - a partnership that has evolved to symbolize unity among givers, as well as unity between labor and management."

Other campaigns highlighted with results to-date included. Pacesetter Campaigns. \$1,484,565; Major and Mid-sized Account Units, \$10,471,244; and the Combined Fed-

eral Campaign, \$1,149,919.

Just as community needs increase and challenges change. United Way continues to look at new ways of retaining its current supporters, and reaching out to new ones.

"In order to continue to provide needed services in an efficient and coordinated effort, we must raise more funds each year through establishing new partnerships," said Geneva J. Williams, chief operating officer, United Way Community Services. "United Way Community Services established the New Partners in Giving initiative to address the realities of the changing work environment by reaching out to the community in

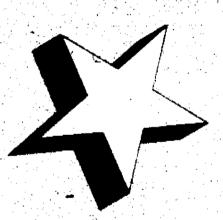
non-traditional ways.

"It is through this initiative, for the first time this year, WWJ Newsradio 950 and United Way have partnered to launch Internet Campaign '99 - an internet campaign that runs in conjunction with the United Way campaign. This partnership gives us the opportunity to offer and test new ways to communicate the services of United Way to small and medium sized businesses, including home based businesses and the selfemployed. The campaign also provides people a safe and easy way to make a donation to United Way, especially those business owners and individuals who do not have access to the traditional workplace cam-

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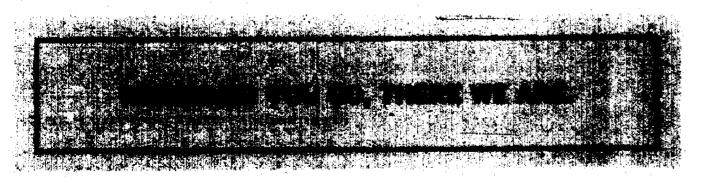
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## Southeast Michigan growth rate takes an upswing

The seven-county region of Southeast Michigan, which began the 1990s with an annual population growth rate of .4 percent - less than half of Michigan's one percent annual growth rate - surpassed the state's growth rate in 1996 and is closing the decade with a growth rate of .7 percent, according to the 1999 Southeast Michigan Population and Household Estimates released by SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

"Southeast Michigan has lagged behind the nation's annual population growth rate of one percent," said SEMCOG chief demographer Ed Limoges, but now appears to be reaping some of the benefits of the surging economy. Instead of residents leaving the region for greener pastures, the 'pastures' in Southeast Michigan are becoming greener and greener."

To mark the end of the millennium, SEMCOG's annual report, 1999 Southeast Michigan Population and Household Estimates, debuted at the agency's General Assembly meeting on Oct. 28. This colorful 34-by-42 inch poster includes easy-to-read data, maps and graphs plotting population trends and posting current population and household estimates. "The poster gives users an opportunity to get a clear picture of population estimates in context with other data SEMCOG produces about growth in the region," Limoges

In addition to annual growth rate figures, SEMCOG's data also show a higher rate of growth in households over population. While Southeast Michigan's population has increased 4 percent since the 1990 census. the number of households in the region has increased 8.3 percent.

There has been a continuing decline in household size since 1950, noted Limoges. The shrinkage reflects changes in household composition, including a declining percentage of households with children, fewer children in households with children, more single parent households, more "empty nester" households and more single adults living alone.

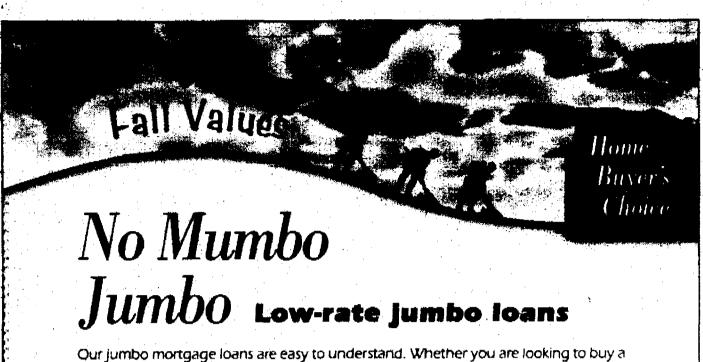
SEMCOG estimates continue to place Detroit's population under 1 million at 965,351, a decrease of 62,623 since the 1990

"Our estimates are based on methods that are consistent with the traditional census. They do not fully address the under-

counting of people in areas such as the city of Detroit. I will be happy if the 2000 Census shows us wrong and Detroit's popula-

tion in 1 million of more." SEMCOG is a regional planning partnership of governmental units serving 4.8 million people in the seven-county region of

Southeast Michigan. For more information about the poster, contact SEMCOG at (313)961-4266 or check their Website at www.semcog.net,



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Contribution: State Rep. Laura Toy (second from left) and state Sen. Thaddeus McCotter (right) receive a check from CVS employees.

## CVS/pharmacy contributes to Senior Celebration Day

Thaddens McCotter recently Wayne County Senior Celebra- sor for our event," said Toy, Raccepted a \$5,000 donation from tion Day. Livonia. "We are extremely CVS/pharmacy on behalf of "Since CVS/pharmacy is new thankful for what they have Senior Citizen Achievement to this area, customers may not Needs, the Livonia nonprofit be aware that we are actively

State Rep. Laura Toy and Sen. group organizing Western CVS/pharmacy the major spon

involved in many local communitv efforts," said Susan DelMonico, director of community relations: "Our corporate giving program focuses on health care and education. This event is a great opportunity for seniors to get acquainted with our colleagues."

Toy said she was pleased the pharmacy decided to get involved in Senior Celebration Day, especially since they are new to the community.

"This donation

Livonia. "We are extremely done for us, and delighted to include them in our celebration day. It's a good way for us to welcome them to our community.

CVS is the largest retail provider of prescriptions in the nation. The company is the number one drugstore chain in the United States, with approximately 4,100 stores in the Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, Southeast and Midwest regions of the coun-

The Fifth Annual Western Wayne County Senior Celebration Day was Friday, Oct. 15.

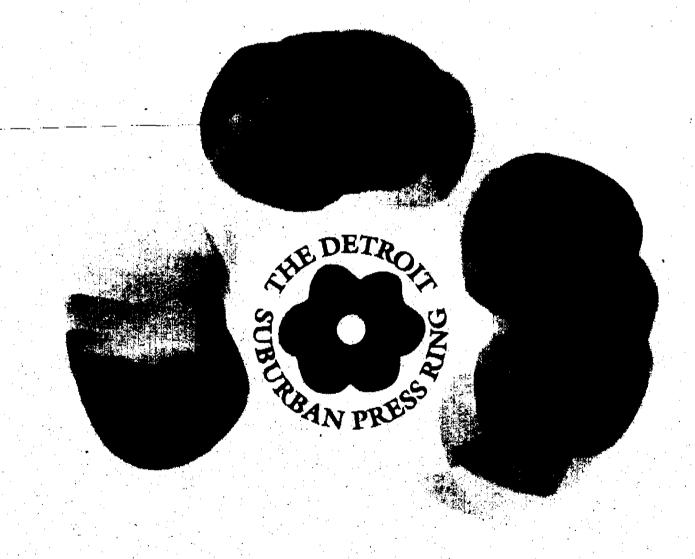
## Madonna program director co-authors paralegal textbook

Mary Meinzinger Urisko, assistant director of the Legal Assistant Program at Madonna University in Livenia, has released the second edition of the textbook, West's Paralegal Today. Urisko co-authored the book with well-known West Legal Studies author and attor-

ney Roger LeRoy Miller. "The second edition has been modified to reflect the trends in technology which are impacting the legal arena," explained Urisko, a Detroit attorney.

West's Paralegal Today is used by paralegal students and features new information on computer-assisted research and environmental law, as well as discussion of career trends in the legal assistant field.

Urisko and Judge Gene Schnelz of the Oakland County Circuit Court bench will be among the faculty teaching 14 legal' assistant courses at Madonna University for the winter term.



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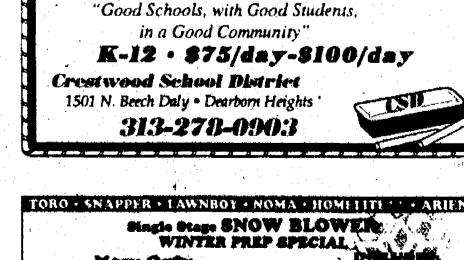
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## Madonna names 3 to its board of trustees

Three new trustees have been appointed to the Madonna University Board for three year terms. Bishop Moses B. Anderson, auxiliary bishop for the Archdiocese of Detroit; Michael Obloy, president of Special Drill & Reamer Corp. of Madison Heights; and Dr. Ernest Sorini, physician and president of Professional Emergency Care of Ann

Anderson is a member of the Society of St. Edmund and a graduate of St. Michael's College in Vermont where he majored in philosophy. He attended St. Edmund Seminary and then went on to earn a degree at St. Michael's and a master's degree in theology at Xavier University.

He was ordained a priest in 1958 and appointed auxiliary bishop of Detroit in 1982. He is pastor of Church of Precious Blood. He is a member of the Madonna President's Cabinet.

Michael Obloy is also a mem-



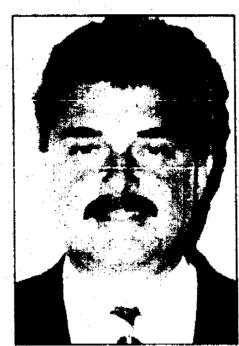
**Bishop Moses Anderson** 

ber of the Madonna President's Cabinet. His father, Leo, is a trustee emeritus of Madonna.



Michael Obloy

degree in business management from Xavier University and a



Dr. Ernest Sorini

Obloy received his bachelor's law degree from the University of Detroit School of Law

Obloy is the father of four children and lives in Troy.

Sorini is a physician and president of Professional Emergency Care and Emergency Resources Inc., a medical service and staffing organization serving 200,000 Michigan residents annually. He also is a partner in a national organization, Simplified Employment Services. He earned a bachelor's degree from Marquette University and his medical degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin.

He is the father of four sons and lives in Ann Arbor.

The members of Madenna University's board offer assistance in determining priorities and policies with respect to reviewing programming, setting investment guidelines, planning and achieving resource development goals and approving operating budgets.

## Telethon held to benefit ACCESS

A telethon to benefit an area community center will be broadcast Nov. 21 in Livonia, Redford and Westland:

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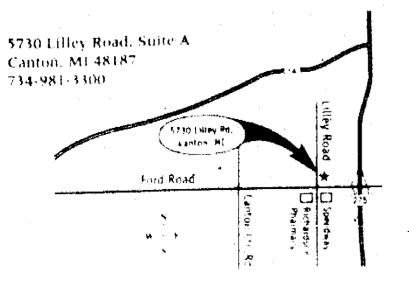
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## Working together

## Council cooperation aids city

ov. 2 came and went, and the Westland City Council election was held. The votes have been tallied, the winners congratulated.

It's time to put the occasional rancor of the campaign days behind us and for the winners to work together to be an effective city council serving a thriving community. Westland faces many issues - roads, sewers and other concerns among them. We need strong public safety, solid parks and recreation services.

The voters have spoken, and the four winners should join their colleagues on the council in a spirit of cooperation, working to address residents' concerns and the ongoing issues of the community. Those who were already on the council should welcome the victors in a spirit of cooperation.

## CITY GOVERNMENT

In Tuesday's voting, Glenn Anderson, David Cox, Charles "Trav" Griffin and David James emerged the winners. Anderson and Griffin are incumbents, Cox an appointee. They join council President Sandra Cicirelli and members Sharon Scott and Richard LeBlanc.

The candidates who didn't win deserve a pat on the back, too, for giving it their best effort. They should remain involved in city government, putting in their knowledge and

Election campaigns can, and often do, bring issues to the forefront. Let's work together to address those issues.

## Don't shelve library policy

■t was good of Sandra Wilson to admit she'd made a mistake,

Wilson, Westland's library director, hired the wife of Jim Chuck, library board president, for a \$12 an hour part-time job in the children's area. This was in violation of the library's policy against nepotism. Library board member Jo Johnson resigned in protest.

With Cheryl Chuck still on the job, the library board is now considering abolishing the nepotism policy, which prohibits the hiring of spouses, sons, daughters, stepchildren and foster children of board members.

We admire Wilson's admitting she was wrong, and urge the library board to keep the nepotism policy in place. We can sympathize with the difficulties of finding qualified people for a myriad of positions, but it's still important to make the effort.

That's no reflection on Cheryl Chuck's credentials, as she is no doubt doing a fine job. Nevertheless, the appearance of favoritism must be avoided – as must actual favoritism.

## Organ donation saves lives

The vital need for organ and tissue donations in this country was spotlighted this week with the passing of legendary football running back Walter Payton. The Hall of Famer they called "Sweetness" was diagnosed with a rare liver disease last winter and became a candidate for an organ transplant.

Payton used his name and celebrity status to bring the issue of organ and tissue donation to public attention — perhaps taking away from his personal woes and focusing his energies on saving others.

In the end, it was cancer that robbed Payton of his opportunity to become an organ recipient, yet his enthusiasm for promoting such an important message never wavered.

In the state of Michigan alone, some 6,000 families are approached to become organ and tissue donors according to the Ann Arborbased Gift of Life Agency. Sadly, though, 10 people die each day in the United States due to the limited availability of organs.

This state has undertaken the task of improving its national per capita organ donation ranking with an aggressive campaign launched in July 1998. In just six months from the program's inauguration the number of state residents listed on the organ donor registry increased by 140 percent. The dramatic improvement came following the Secretary of State's decision to mail out organ donor registry enrollment cards with driver's licenses and personal identification cards.

"We've made it convenient for residents to make their personal wishes known," said Secretary of State Candice S. Miller earlier this

Individuals who wish to have their name placed on the registry only need to sign the

enrollment card and place it in the provided, stamped and addressed envelope. The card is mailed to the Secretary of State's office where the information is then forwarded to Gift of

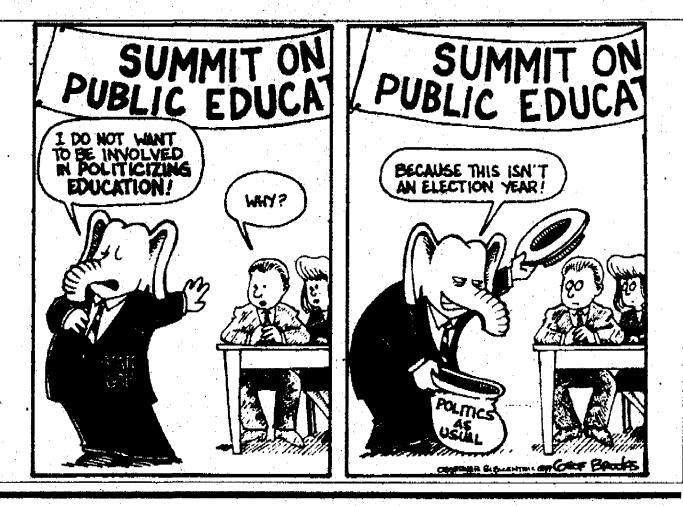
Although the registry process has been simplified, the ultimate test lies with the individual who must communicate his or her wishes regarding organ donation with the family. According to GOL a signature on the back of a driver's license is not a legally binding document and therefore the final decision remains with the family,

While the driver's license program can be one indication of the person's preference the more sure option would be to talk with your family members and loved ones in advance the value of the conversation could mean the difference between life and death. Although Michigan now ranks 21st out of 50 states in per capita organ donations, the list must grow to 500,000 enrollees to adequately meet the needs of individuals requiring an organ trans-

Don't wait until the death of a loved one is imminent to make a decision about organ donation. Carry on Walter Payton's and thousands of other individuals' message about the need for organ and tissue donation --- give the gift of life.

Nov. 12-14 is Interfaith Donor Awareness Weekend in Michigan. Members of the clergy will be sharing the importance of organ and tissue donation throughout their religious communities via special speakers, distribution of donor registry cards and as part of their sermons. If you would like more information about the Gift of Life Agency or the Interfaith Donor Awareness Weekend, call (800) 482-

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## A mockery

The case against Nathaniel Abraham demonstrates just how faulty our legal system is and how badly it has spun out of control. The current status represents how very desperate the legislators, politicians, judges and ordinary citizens have become considering the lack of ability of this society and its parents to control the behavior of children. One wonders about the motives of the prosecutor for these irrational charges.

The following examples plus many others are proof of this corrupt system: violent criminals are walking the streets; nonviolent people are languishing in prisons; judges and prosecutors are making politically correct decisions instead of legal ones (they must get votes, after all); crime rates are falling yet the people continue to be brainwashed into a fear of crime and an acceptance of the construction of thousands more prison beds; a little boy confined in handcuffs and leg shackles is conducted by large-sized officers before a jury; sexual abuse in prisons is ignored; the parole board answers to no one; our Supreme Court makes decisions based on liberal or conservative philosophies which the members carried with them to the bench when appointed by our dictator governor; and victims of rape arb held in the same detention centers as the sexual

This child may eventually get some form of justice thanks only to wise defense attorneys and an intelligent and wise jury. But today what does justice mean considering the state of the current legal system? Actually, the judge should discharge this case before the trial even begins. It is a mockery of the judicial system, a sham and an embarrassment to our state taxpayers and citizens.

Beatrice Scalise Westland

## **Apology sought**

y name is Michael Strebbing, past president of the Westland Jaycees, past state board member of the Michigan Jaycees, and Michigan Jaycee International Senator No. 57381. I am writing on behalf of the Westland Jaycees in response to the malicious remarks made by Councilwoman Justine Barns against the Westland Jaycees in an article published in the Westland Observer newspaper.

. We were shocked by the article, as we cannot believe a member of the city council would

deliberately defile an organization that does so much good for the community and its members. The Jaycees are a leadership training organization. We help train ourselves, the leaders of tomorrow, through volunteer community and government involvement. As many of you know, the Jaycees have produced some of the past and present city council members, which is a testament to our leadership training methods.

One of the things I've learned in the Jaycees is that you get all the facts before you make assumptions and accusations. Assuming seldom leads to good. We would like to ask Councilwoman Barns why the Westland Jaycees were not contacted to verify the information prior to contacting the newspapers. Way didn't anyone contact the Wayne County Elections Office to find out if there was anything illegal taking place? I contacted them myself, as soon as we discovered the error, and was told that simply refunding the excess contribution was sufficient in the eyes of the Michigan Department of State-Compliance and Rules Division.

For Councilwoman Barns to blatantly accuse the Jaycees of intentionally doing something illegal or taking away from the community is false and reprehensible. She had to have known full well that the mistake had been rectified almost two months prior to the article's publication, as she was reviewing campaign statements.

Why was this done, we ask? We believe it was done to permanently damage the reputation of the Westland Jaycee name in the eyes of the community.

We feel it's a real shame that a city council member has slandered the name of an organization that has helped so many in its 40-year history. There are so many more valuable ways that Councilwoman Barns could have spent her time. The Jaycees, a leadership training organization, along with other nonprofit groups, assist those in need with holiday food baskets, back to school shopping programs, holiday shopping for adopted families and many other projects.

Councilwoman Barns has jeopardized the Westland Jaycees' future ability to raise the necessary funds to continue these projects, yet does not appear to have an alternate solution.

In closing, we believe Councilwoman Barns owes the Westland Jaycees, its members, and the Jaycee organization as a whole a public apology.

Michael Strebbing

## COMMUNITY VOICE

## QUESTION:

What is your favorite place to see during the fall color change?

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"The northwest em section of Michigan, near Traverse City."

. Vicky Owens



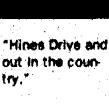
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- Philip Power

## **POINTS OF VIEW**

## Leaf-burner revels in the sights and smells of season

K, it's not legal. But then a lot of things aren't, and we still do them. It can't be that bad. DARE doesn't have it on its hit list of drugs and the Mothers Against Drunk Driving have yet to target it:

But it's a drug - it's the smell of burning leaves on an October day, I confess to a severe addiction.

Like an alcoholic who hides his or her bottle, I hide my leaf burning. It's done in the privacy of my back yard at midnight.

For years, this secret addiction was kept under control, for I, like most, live in a community that long ago banned leaf burning. I'm not certain of the penalty in Livonia; I think I've avoided the knowledge, hoping to plead ignorance if caught.

Like other addictions, it was small at first. But once I got the smell in my nostrils, I was hooked, and it grew. Year by year, I'd add a few more

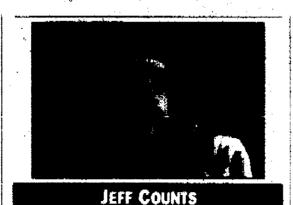
leaves to my fall ritual. Four, five, six leaves - then a couple of handfuls. I justified the action, thinking it created no more smoke than a power lawn mower or a charcoal grill.

Anyway, the work was usually done on chilly nights, when most neighbors were inside. Occasionally, my neighbor would come out of his house, notice the smell and say: "I like the smell of leaves burning."

The conversation would start us on a nostalgic chat about the days when people stood in front of their homes on fall evenings burning leaves:

In his old neighborhood, as in mine on the west side of Detroit, leaf burning was a communal activity. People shared opinions on how best to burn them, as they leaned on their rakes:

Damp days were the worst. Burning wet leaves produced more smoke than fire, and neighborhoods were enveloped by it, making them look



like a scene from some old, scary black-and-white horror film.

It made Halloween that much more fun. People had only a carved pumpkin on the porch with a candle in it. making the streets dark and misty. These days, every other house is decorated with Halloween lights, making the night less menacing.

In those days, people took pride in being able to burn leaves faster than their neighbors. It was similar to having a good lawn these days.

My father indulged himself in this. He was a painting contractor and our garage was filled with lead paint, turpentine and other flammable solvents. The EPA would now consider it a toxic waste site.

In those days, when the leaves were wet, my father would go to the garage under the cover of darkness, return with a can of turpentine, look furtively at the neighbors, and then pour its content on the leaves. He'd then look at me and say: "Stand back." I knew what was going to hap-

We'd both walk a few steps away, let the turpentine soak into the wet leaves, then he'd toss a match into the pile. It was his blaze of glory.

The neighbors looked up from their soggy, smoking messes at our great blazing fire with envy in their eyes. Perhaps that's what planted the

seed of addiction in me, one that get \*-,\* out of hand last year, much to the dismay of my spouse.

Like Native Americans who burn a bit of tobacco for religious reasons. I'd burned a few leaves at a time.

But last fall, I became the equivalent of a five-pack a day smoker. My wife was away for several days, but due home that evening.

I lighted a few leaves, thought of dad and added some turpentine. Then there were headlights in the driveway. "The police? Fire department?" No, worse, my spouse.

She doused the fire, first using the beverage in my cup - an ignoble end to a fine bourbon – and then the gar den hose

 Needless to say, she has no out-oftown trips planned this fall And I'll be forced to control my addiction.

Jeff Counts is the editor of the Redford Observer.

## Breaking news stories combine excitement, sorrow

reaking news is a reporter's adrenaline rush.

When an exciting story breaks, it's a reminder to many of us why we got into newspaper reporting in the first place. It's being on the scene, in the middle of the excitement. getting there first and getting the best information.

Friday was that kind of day at the Observer's Livonia office when a breaking news story set off the reporter's alarm just as the working day began and just half a mile away.

Fortunately, the chemical fire at McGean-Rohco did not cause serious injury. But for several hours there was an anticipation of disaster that seemed appropriately ghoulish for Halloween weekend.

That's the other side of the reporter's rush. It's always the big complaint about newspaper people, that they love disasters, scandals, bad

: news. While no one I know would ever want a disaster to occur, it is true that reporters respond with heightened energy when one does occur.

As a reporter I have covered house fires, car accidents, drug raids and a couple of low-rent murders. But the biggest "rush" was a story that turned from minute by minute excitement to a numbing sadness and, finally, to an impotent rage.

I was a very young reporter for the Lorain Journal in Ohio. Lorain is a steel town on the north Eric shore. It is also the home of American Shipbuilding. Early one morning the news editor heard there was a fire at the shipyard.

 A photographer and I got there just after the fire department and just before the police, which meant that we got down into the yard. A fire was engulfing the new Roger-Blough, a U.S. Steel freighter that was undergo-



HUGH GALLAGHER

ing final preparations for launch.

. Billows of black smoke and licks of orange flame made a dramatic sight but also were warning that this mighty freighter might blow at any minute. That didn't deter the brave

firefighters who can into the smoke in search of shipworkers. The photographer, Kurt Smith, took a heartbreaking photo of a firefighter carrying out a limp body that won national awards and led to his selection as newspaper photographer of the year.

The time in the yard allowed me to talk to several workers who gave their theories about what might have caused the fire, theories disputed by company management. But soon the police arrived and escorted me to the gate where reporters from the Cleveland newspapers and television stations had finally arrived.

We set up headquarters in a bar across the street, constantly feeding information back to our city editors- The story shifted time and again. Finally, it was confirmed, four workers were dead. The freighter was heavily damaged but would eventually be completed.

The owner of the shipbuilding company came to town for damage control. He was the already rich but not vet famous George Steinbrenner. Many of those qualities of arrogance and abruptness that have marked his reign as owner of the New York Yan-

kees were already on display during this crisis.

Though stories like this and the McGean-Rohco fire are the exception, they are an important part of what news people do. We compete to be at a: place first because it allows us to get :information we might have trouble getting later.

We compete to get to the right people. ple in a timely manner to prevent pattempts to cover up.

. But as a community newspaper, wealso are very careful to understand what is going on and report it accirately, fairly and, we hope, commis-

When news breaks, we like there

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## Power grab hurts education

🔁 ov. John Engler last week transferred responsibility for (a) adult and vocational education to the Department of Career Development and (b) state education assess: ment tests (MEAP) to the Department of Treasury. Both previously had been run by the Department of Education.

I thought the headline in The Macomb Daily caught it just right: "Is Engler power mad or just efficient?"

As evidence for the efficiency school of thought, consider the shift of career and technical services and adult education to the Department of Career Development

I chaired the Job Training Coordinating Commission during the 1980s. In those days, responsibility for job training and career development was inefficiently splattered all over state government. That's why I thought it was right for Engler to create the Department of Career Development; it concentrated responsibility and accountability for career-related programs and job training into one unit.

Moving staff overseeing adult education and vocational schools, including vocational courses at community colleges, to the Career Development department makes sense for the same rese son. It strategically links adult and vocational education with community colleges in one coherent part of state government. Given how important high skills are for Michigan kids and businesses alike, I can only applaud Engler's move

As evidence supporting the power-mad charge, consider what the governor has done to the MEAP program.

MEAP stands for the Michigan Educational Assessment Program, covering reading, writing. science and math, with social science to be added soon. Eleventh-graders who pass all tests can be awarded \$2,500 Merit college scholarships, beginning with the June 2000 class

Responsibility for the MEAP test has been in the hands of the Department of Education for years. Under its leadership, the test has been one of the most powerful tools for school reform because it assesses what kids actually learn in school and provides solid evidence where indi vidual schools need to do better

Last year, however, in creating the Merit scholarship program and linking it to MEAI test results, the legislature created a new Michigan Merit Award Board. This provided a convenient rationale for moving oversight of MEAP tests from the education folks to, of all places, the Department of Treasury.

The relevant paragraph from the governor's press release read: "Because the law requires that the Michigan Merit Award Board review and approve the assumement tests before they may be used to determine eligibility under the scholarship program, the responsibility for the administration of MEAP is transferred to the



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Department of Treasury."

As evidence for "power mad," consider that of the seven members of the Merit board, six are Engler appointees: Mark Murray, head of Treasury; Barbara Bolin, director of Career Development; Kathleen Barclay, vice president of global human resources for General Motors: Clark Durant, who recently resigned from the State-Board of Education after missing the majority of its meetings during his last three years: Isaiah "Ike " McKinnon, former Detroit police chief: and one person yet to be named. (The seventh board member is Art Ellis, who gets his seatbecause he is superintendent of Education.

Excepting Ellis, none of the Merit Board members has any background in kindergartenthrough-12th-grade administration, curriculum development or education reform. Murray, who chairs the Merit board, is widely regarded as a sane and thoughtful guy, but he doesn't know much about educational assessments

Members of the State Board of Education. who are elected statewide (and, therefore, not under Engler's thumb) blasted the move

"It makes no sense at all to pull responsibility for the MEAP test away from educators and give it to people who know nothing about test ing, " said member Sharon Gire, a former Democratic state representative. Dorothy Beardmore a Republican member from Rochester, pointed out that "testing is very technical, it should be based on curriculum standards, which remain in the Department of Education. There is no logic at all in the MEAP move."

Forget all the hot air coming out of the gover nor's office about better coordination of the MEAP test with the Merit scholarship. The purpose of the MEAP test is not to determine who gets Merit scholarships; the purpose of the MEAP test is to improve education

it's hard to see anything here other than a

pure grab for power

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## Gas Customer Choice program begins 2nd enrollment period

DETROIT/PRNewswire/ -MichCon customers will get a second chance to choose an alternative natural gas supplier this week when the Gas Customer Choice program begins again. When the program was first introduced to customers in Janpary, 70,000 enrolled and switched to a new supplier.

The Michigan Public Service Commission approved Gas Customer Choice in April 1998. The program allows up to 225,000 residential and small commercial customers to buy gas from another company by the year 2001. The way the program is designed, there are enrollment periods in each of the three years; the first ended on May 15, 1999.

The second enrollment period runs through Feb. 29, 2000. The program works on a voluntary, first come, first-served basis and up to 75,000 customers per year can switch to a new gas supplier. Therefore, as year two unfolds, up to 150,000 total customers can choose a new supplier.

"We fully expect to reach the cap for this program because it's what customers want," said Harold Gardner, vice president of marketing, sales and regulatoWe fully expect to reach the cap for this program because it's what customers want."

> Harold Gardner MichCon vice president for marketing

ry affairs at MichCon. "We listened to our customers and have tailored year two of this program to make it even better for customers and suppliers."

For customers who choose to remain with MichCon, a fixed rate of 29.5 cents per hundred cubic feet during the plan's duration is guaranteed. Rates will vary with suppliers. Either way, MichCon will continue to deliver the natural gas through its existing pipeline system, bill customers and respond to all emergencies.

Several changes have been made to the program effective for the second year to minimize any customer confusion. Among the changes:

The name of the program has been changed from "MichCon Select" to "Gas Customer

A single enrollment period from Nov. 1 through Feb. 29, 2000 replaces a two-phase enrollment period.

MichCon will distribute additional educational materials to customers through bill messages and bill inserts to alert customers to the opportunity to choose a new supplier.

Customer protections have been installed; including a 30day unconditional cancellation period (for residential customers only) following the signing of a contract with a new supplier.

Suppliers must clearly identify themselves on all solicitation materials and contracts and must leave materials and contracts with the customer to review.

MichCon customer service representatives are being retrained and provided with content-neutral information about the pro-

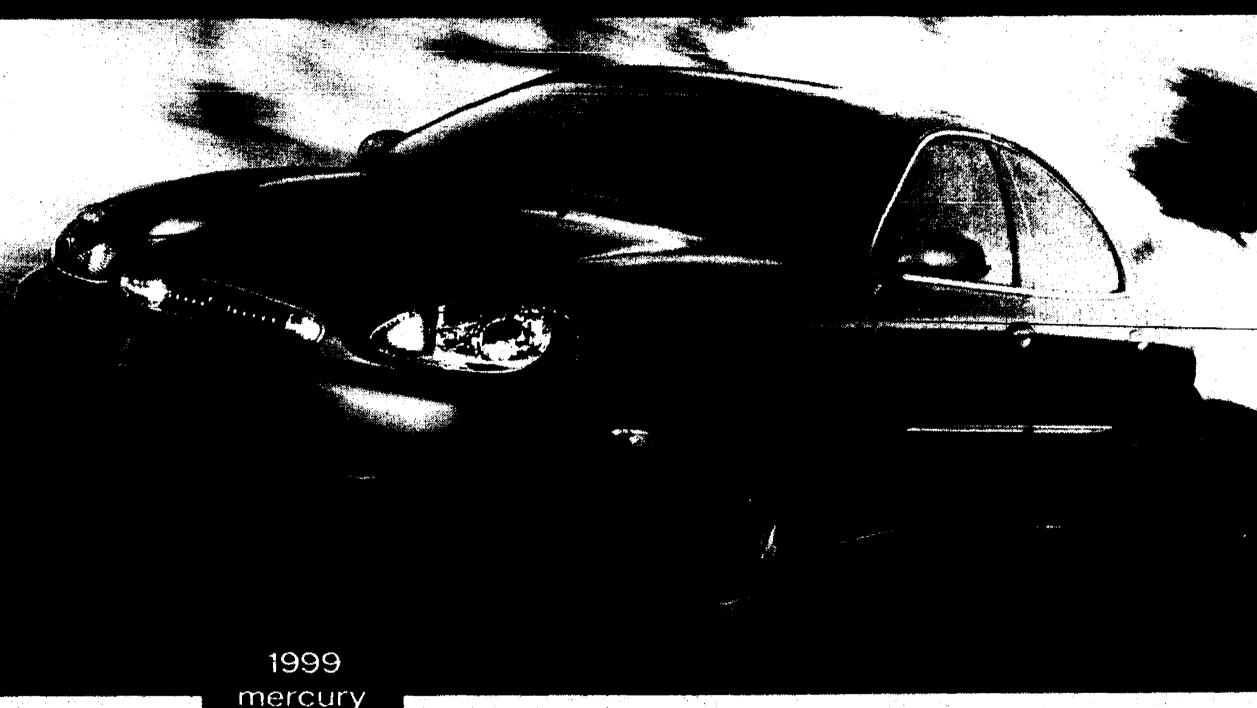
MichCon is one of the nation's largest natural gas distributors. with 1.2 million Michigan families and businesses relying on MichCon for their energy needs.

## **Bids for Kids**



Clinic support: Oakwood Healthcare System's Bids For Kids, held recently at the Wayne Community Genter, aised more than \$55,000. This was made possible in part through a contribution made by Jack Demmer Ford in Wayne and other local sponsors. Demmer donated a two-year lease on a Ford Expedition. Here, Jim Demmer (left) congratulates winners Barbara and David Ippel. Proceeds will help continue the support and future expansion of the Lincoln / Jefferson Elementary School-based Health Clinic in Westland. Basic clinic services include physicals, health screenings, immunization, treatment for minor illnesses or injuries and management of chronic illnesses.

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## We helped; now you can

ally (not her real name) came into the Family Resource Center looking a bit disheveled and pale. She plopped down in the chair, relieved that she was finally in a safe

When asked what brought her in, she replied, "I'm at my wits end. Not only do I have a 15 year old who is acting up, but a new husband who dislikes her intensely. He practically breathes fire whenever she's around. "I feel pulled in two directions and

don't know what to do."

'After getting a little more information about the situation, it came out that Sally's daughter hadn't healed emotionally from her biological dad's death three years earlier. And now, to add the "wicked stepfather" into the mix was more than she could bear.

Between his anger that the kids get away with murder, and Sally's anger at her daughter's surliness and disrespect, she sighed, "I could run away with the circus and have more happiness than I have right now."

The counselor spent the hour plotting a course that would get her the help she needed with both her marriage and her daughter. He prescribed several solutions and bundled them up into one package that included referrals for family counseling, grief and loss-support groups for mom and daughter and a parenting workshop for both Sally and the step-dad.

She walked away a different person, realizing that she had much

Your daughter is still in a lot of pain, and it is splashing out and over you and your husband. If she doesn't get the help she needs and deserves, bring her here for one visit ...'

more power and control of the situation than she originally thought. As she stood

at the door ready to leave, the counselor ended with "Your daughter is still in a lot of pain, and it is splashing out over you and your husband. If she doesn't agree to get the help she needs and deserves, bring her here for one visit and we'll talk about it together."

The business of the Family. Resource Center is to help families get answers. What do we help them with? You name it. We have answers:

Whether you are concerned about getting the basics - food, shelter, clothing - or less fundamental things such as substance abuse referrals, counseling, tutoring, child care, legal assistance, or parent workshops - the free-to-the-public service is there to assist you.

And to assist us in keeping the doors open, we invite you to the first Taste of the Arts event. If you like food, then you will enjoy an evening of grazing among some of your favorite restaurants. We will also be showcasing and selling student artwork through a silent auction.

When and where will you find this benefit night?

From 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30, at

the Hellenic Cultural Center, 38315. Joy between Newburgh and Wayne roads in Westland.

Bring your families and show your support. This event is sponsored by International Minute Press, The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Maui Travel, Hellenic Cultural Center, North Bros. Ford and the Westland Chamber of Commerce.

It costs \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Tickets can be bought at the Westland Chamber of Commerce, 36900 Ford, or by calling (734) 326-7222.

Jacque Martin-Downs is the coordinator of the Family Resource Center in Westland and has a private counseling practice. If you have a question or comment, write her at the Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 46160 or at her a mail address: downej@ mail. resa. net

125 years and counting



Past and present: Postulant Michele Marzicola (back row, left), Sister Michele Marie Bolda, Sister Toni Ann Marie Russo and Sister Angelette Marie Litchney gather with Sister Mary Ludmilla Stender who, at age 106, is the oldest sister at the Felician Sisters Provincial House in Livonia.

## Sisters celebrate milestone

By Diane Gale Andreassi SPECIAL WRITER

s Toni Ann Marie Russo, 38: reflects about giving up a thriving law practice in New Jersey. to become a nun, in another part of the vast Felician Sisters' complex in Livonia, Sister Mary Ludmilla Stender, 106, recently celebrated 89 years since she entered the religious life.

These women, representing the past and future of the order, are part of the 125 years of service by thousands of Felician Sisters who have committed their lives to helping people, especially the young and the old. in communities around the world.

"I had my own practice in New Jersey," Russo said. "I felt that the Lord was giving me an option. I really felt strongly that he wanted me to teach his children. Given the option, knowing he would love me no matter what, I chose to pursue it and give up my law firm."

On 300 acres bounded by Schoolcraft, Five Mile, Levan and Newburgh roads, the institutions maintained by these dedicated religious are cornerstones of the community - Angela Hospice, Ladywood High School. Madonna University, St. Mary Hospital, Marywood Manor and Marybrook Nursing Care Center, Montessori Center of Our Lady and Senior Clergy Village. They also operate retreat centers in Jackson and Holly.

A 125th anniversary celebration will begin at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the Felician Chapel in Livonia and will be officiated by Adam Cardinal Maida, leader of the Catholic Archdio cese of Detroit. Eight bishops and more than 40 priests will concelebrate. with hundreds of laity.

Tours of exhibits, including one highlighting the life of Felician founder Mary Angela Truszkowska; will be held in the provincial house immediately after the liturgy. A reception and dinner, planned by Felician provincial minister Sister Mary Dennis Glonek, will begin at 5 p.m. at Laurel Manor in Livonia.

Sister Mary Cynthia Strzalkowski. who leads the 2,300 sisters in the order worldwide, is the guest speaker. Reservations are required.

Blessed Mary Angela Truszkowska The Livonia province of the Feh

and grew out of a movement in Polonia, Wis., in 1874 when Pather Joseph Dabrowski invited five Felician Sisters to that rural village to teach the children of Polish immigrants.

Within a few years, the small Felician community attracted other members and began ministries in Michies gan, Illinois and New York:

The sisters moved their central headquarters to Detroit in 1882 and in 1936 relocated to Livenia. It is the oldest Felician Sisters province in are aged or ill. North America "It is also blessed with the mos

diverse set of ministries concentrated in one complex." said: Sister Rose Marie Kujawa.

the provincial secretary. Felician Sisters are visible and factive throughout the Midwest teaching in 26 elementary and high schools from Alpena and Clinton Township to South Bend. Ind. and Toledo.

In addition to servin Michigan, Indiana and Ohio, the Felician Sisters also work as prin-

cipals, teachers, nurses, pastoral ministers, administrators, directors:

cian order is made up of 230 members - librarians, tutors, aides, musicians, artists, counselors and combinations "have. Christ as my spouse and that's a of these roles. Together they minister to more than half a million people

> The provincial house in Livonia was built under the leadership of Sister Mary DeSales Tocka, when the province's membership was more than 700 sisters. The massive building measures 250,000 square feet and

towers above a grove of trees.

Of the approximately 100 Felician Sisters who live at the complex, 60

The congregation's official name in North America is the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Felix, which was named after a Capuchin Franciscan. St. Felix of Cantalice, who lived during the 16th century.

## Legacy continues

Nearly 400 years later, the legacy continues with people like Russo who has begon a two-year program that is required of every woman who intends to spend her life as a Felician Sister. Rasso entered the order in June 1998 and recently moved to Livonia from New Jersey.

"It's a honeymoon with Jesus. ing at parish schools Russo said. Most friends and family thought I was out of my mind. I had a profitable law firm and was very happy in it. I could go on vacation at any time, I had a dream car, a dream house. Most people couldn't understand why I could give up all of that and become a sister.

> "Right now I'm on a vacation to dream for me.'

> Russo knew she wanted to enter the order while painting a picture of Jesus' mother. Mary.

> While there aren't many women like Russo clambering to enter convents, the numbers have gone up-

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## Novice model proves a hit on the runway

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER casola@oe.homecomm.net

I didn't trip even once.

Despite the fact that the shoes I was given were at least one size too big, my nerves tingled up my spine. and I've never really modeled before, I didn't blunder. I didn't fall.

As a first-time model in the Redford Suburban League's 26th annual Festival of Fashion show, held last month at Livonia's Burton Manor, I wasn't quite sure what I was getting myself into.

The theme, "Afternoon in Paris," gave a European air to the event, while focusing straight in on the familiar faces of metro Detroit. All I knew beforehand was that it involved shopping, new clothes, meeting a lot of new people, and would benefit children in need in Wayne and Oakland counties.

So, I signed up. I may be a community life and entertainment reporter, but how hard could it be to walk down a runway?

As I drove to the event filled with anticipation and a little anxiety - I truly didn't know what to expect.

Noon - I arrived promptly and was guided into a changing room where the clothes I would model were clearly labeled and ready for me to try on. Parisian provided the fashions for this year's show.

I quickly fell in love with the state gray suede pants, bulky hooded wool sweater and Timberland boots waiting for me in the changing room. Casual attire: nice fit, buttoned and ready for show. I was **transformed from reporter back to college co-ed.** 

12:20 p.m. - By the time I hit the hair and makenip . So Amanda Evans, a stellist from The Works salen chair, I was already quite comfortably in "model- in Walled Lake heated up the from and went to work



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der length mane, the sixlists decided on straight a one concentration, she did what I consider to be the we're talking fromed strught - hair. They might as ampossible she slicked by hair down into straight, well have read my mind

mode." With one quick look at my almost-black shoul. With gentle tragging, plenty of hair potions and seristony, soft tocks. Sheer delight.

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## Model from page B1

Meanwhile, Dawn So, quality director and stylist at the salon. stathered some makeup on my face to even out my skin tone. and began to transform me into Mie medel-for-a-day I was ready to become, or at least resemble.

Bmoky gray shadow accented my eyes, a touch of shimmer highlighted my cheeks and a Seney-colored gloss paired with wownish lip liner coated my

Maybe I'm just ultra-girlie hen it comes to beauty proddets, but there's nothing more Maxing than having your hair and makeup done for you, espeboally when you're being doted upon and complimented by the friendly stylists. I was in heaven.

**12:45 p.m.** – Spruced up and ready for the runway, I was biding time as other models rushed in and prepared. Rubbing elbows

III 'it's been a job and an education. The celebrities were all pleasures to work with.'

> Barb Stoner Parisian Special Events

with television personalities like fashion show commentators Rich Fisher and Doris Biscoe was another treat.

Cindy Jamieson, league member and organizer of models for the show, made herself available for anyone who needed her. She was running a smooth show and doing so with ease.

Barb Stoner, organizer of special events at Parisian, was particularly helpful behind the scenes. It was something of a new experience for her as well.

"It's been a job and an education," said Stoner. "The celebrities were all pleasures to work ticipating in the fashion show, most models had the routine down pat. Collegn Burcar, Detroit-area radio personality. said she comes back because of the people involved.

"The Redford Suburban League is wonderful," she said. "They care a lot about the community. That's wonderful to see." Jo-Jo Shutty MacGregor, who

happens to be just about my height and an absolute delight to talk to, has been doing the fashion show since its inception. She said the people who attend the show "have the best seats in the house" to see the latest fashions.

Shutty MacGregor works for AAA of Michigan as a radio and television reporter ... when she's not strutting down the runway, that is.

2:85 p.m. - After a second trip down the stage and a grand finale in which everyone took one last walk by the crowd, the models hurried back to change, shuffling about with cell phones and switching into high-gear reporter mode for the rest of the

Back to business-as-usual, but I can see how it might be tempting to model for a living. I'm not saying my 5-foot, 1 1/2-inch figure is ready to give Cindy Crawford a run for her money, but who doesn't want to be pampered and complimented in a whimsical atmosphere?

I can't wait until next year.

slightly in recent years. The high point of enrellment was during the late 1950s and early 1960s, Kujawa explained.

Sisters from page B1

"I think there's a greater appreciation of the sacred and positive religious values," she said. "Felician Sisters recently celebrated the 100th anniversary of the death of their foundress. Mary Angela Blessed Truszkowska, who was a holy woman who never intended to found a community, but was intent about serving the people in need in her country."

Sister Mary Angela cared for the most vulnerable, the children and elderly, who suffered in war torn Poland. She started the Felician order by helping five children and five elderly people. Other women came to her aid.

"These women saw a need and wanted to help," Sister Kujawa

The order has spread to more 20 countries on four continents.

## Blessed pilgrimage

During September and October. 23 Felician Sisters from Michigan and Indiana, including Kujawa, flew to Warsaw to join more than 300 Felician sisters from around the world for a pilgrimage honoring the 100 year anniversary of their foundress'

death. "It really was an outstanding experience, because we were able to walk in the foot steps of Blessed Mary Angela and appreciate the generous heart she had," Kujawa said.

The Felician Sisters of Livonia will join members of their order around the world in a 10-day pilgrimage this month to commemorate the 125th anniversary of the order. In the United States. the observance will be held Nov. 19-28 in parts of Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan and New York as Felician Sisters retrace their earliest beginnings in North America.

"The 10 days will also honor Father Dabrowski, who not only inspired the Felician Sisters to move to Detroit to expand their ministry, but founded a seminary, SS. Cyril and Methodius in Orchard Lake," Sr. Kujawa said. "The highlight of this trip will be the sisters visiting the cemeteries where the five pioneers are buried, including the leader, Sr. Mary Monica Sybilski in Mt. Elliott Cemetery, and Sr. Mary Raphael in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, both in Detroit."

Two local masses will be held during the pilgrimage. One at 11:15 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 24, at St. Josaphat Church in Detroit and the other at 11 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 25, at the Felician Sisters Provincial House in Livonia. The public is

## ANNIVERSARIES

## Johnson

Donald and Gertrude Johnson of Livonia recently celebrated tigeir 50th wedding anniversary th their children.

The couple exchanged vows on **56**pt. 3, 1949, at St. Leo's Catholic Church in Detroit. She inthe former Gertrude Ricard.

They have two sons, Donald II Redford and Joseph and wife, Pamela, of South Lyon. They also have four grandchildren, Erica, Donald III, Joseph Jr. and Sidney.

He retired from A&P Warehouse and she retired from adowdale Food.

The Johnsons received a trip



## **Corzetz**

Wohn and Regina Korzetz of Levonia celebrated their 50th **Wedding anniversary** at a dinor reception at Burton **Manor** in Livonia.

Thirty-five-year Livonia resfants, they exchanged yows **65** Aug. 6, 1949, in Detroit. She is the former Regina

They are the parents of four children - Katherine Bliss and husband James, the late Elizabeth Purcell, Linda Korzetz and Nancy Leib and husband Thomas. They also have five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



He is retired from General Motors, while she is semi-retired from community events.

## to Las Vegas as a gift from their children.

with." Fashions were selected from a "must-have" list of new arrivals for the season that the store carries. Fashions ranged from hues of winter white to deep red and the occasional refreshing splash

Around 1:15 p.m. - Models lined up in the tiny hall behind the stage. Paired male-female couples chatted in line awaiting their turn in the spotlight. Florene Mark, Miss Redford Che'Vonne Burton and ABC's weather-forecaster Kim Adams were only a few of the 33 models.

Romance novelist Shelly Thacker, a Redford resident. said she was surprised that the celebrities looked just like they do on television.

"It's fun for me to get a look at all these celebrities," she said, seeming to forget she's included in that group. Thacker's done the fashion show before and returned because she considers it to be a good cause. Proceeds from the show are donated to a variety of charities to aid disabled children.

Paired with broadcast reporter Mike Huckman, who was dressed suitably in Tommy Hilfiger casualwear, we took to the stage. Teased a bit about "what a nice couple we make" by our friendly commentators, I blushed uncontrollably down the runway.

The cheers from a roomful of almost 1,000 attendees quickened my pace. I just kept hoping I wouldn't fall down. Just as we stepped offstage, it was back to the dressing room for a quick change, makeup touchup before we got back in line to model evening wear.

Around 2 p.m. - Joyce Harner was another reason things ran so smoothly backstage. A Redford Suburban League member for five years and a Waterford resident, Harner said hers is an easy job. She's ready for a quick fix for any emergency.

If anyone pops a button or rips a sleeve, Harner would be right on the case. Luckily, she didn't seem to have many emergencies to tend to at this event.

While it was my first time par-

### LIVONIA STEVENSON

The Livonia Stevenson High School Booster Club will have its annual Holiday Happening Craft Show 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 6 at the high school, 33500 Six Mile Road, Livonia, For more information, call (248) 478-2395 or (734) 464-1041.

The Frost Middle School PTSA will present its 23rd annual holiday craft show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 6 at the school, 14041 Stark Road, Livonia. There will be more than 150 crafters, a lunch room and bake sale. Admission will be \$2; no strollers permitted.

## MADORNA UNIVERSITY

Madonna University is accepting applications from crafters for its 15th annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Showcase 10 a.m. to 4

p.m. Nov. 6-7 in the Activities Center of its Livonia campus. For more information, call (734) 432-5603.

**CRAFTS CALENDAR** 

### **GARDEN CITY PRESBYTERIAN**

Garden City Presbyterian Church will have its annual bazaar 4-8 p.m. Nov. 12 and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 13 at the church, 1841 Middlebelt Road, south of Ford Road, Garden City. A turkey dinner will be served. 4:30-7 p.m. Nov. 12 and lunch on Nov. 13. There will be arts and crafts, silent auction, cookie walk, white elephant room and bake sale.

## **CAKWOOD CANTON**

The Oakwood Canton Health Center will have its annual holiday craft show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 13 at the center, 7300 Canton Center Road, Canton. For

more information, call (734) 454-8001.

### ST EDITH

St. Edith School will have its fall craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 13 at the school, 15089 Newburgh Road, Livonia. For more information, call Diana at (734) 462-6037 or Jo Ann at (734) 464-9370.

## CLARENCEVILLE

The Clarenceville High School Athletic Booster Club will have its annual holiday boutique 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 13 at the high school, Middlebelt between Seven and Eight Mile roads, Livonia. Admission will be \$2 and baby-sitting will be available. No strollers permitted.



## WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

## Gosen-Easterwood

Thomas Ellis Easterwood and Jennifer Jo Gosen were married May 1 at Assumption BVM Catholic Church in Bridgeport by the Rev. Daniel Nowak.

The bride is the daughter of Theresa and Joseph Gosen. The groom is the son of Caroline and Waymon Easterwood of Plymouth.

The bride asked Kimberly Leach to serve as matron of honor with Cheryl Markwood, Julie Boden, Jennie McNamara and Dawn Barber as bridesmaids. Janice Markwood was the junior bridesmaid, and Abbey Leach was the flower girl.

Dave Coleman served as best man with Brad Markwood, Paul Leach, Chris Osburn and John

## **Teter-Kley**

Ken and Peggy Teter of Lansing announce the engagement of their daughter, Allison, to Jeff Kley, the son of Milt and Sarah Kley of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a 1993 graduate of Waverly High School and a 1997 graduate of Michigan State University. She is the purchasing coordinator at Cummins Michigan Inc.

Her fiancé is a 1993 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 1998 graduate of Michigan State University. He works as a Wayne County Sheriff's deputy.

A June 2000 wedding is planned in Lansing.

## Criscenti-Jambor

Frank and Pat Criscenti of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Lynn, to Michael John Jambor, the son of John and Judy Jambor of Ann Arbor.

The bride-to-be is a 1990 graduate of Westland John Glenn High School and a 1995 graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a bachelor of science degree in labor economics. She is employed as a sales trainer by AirTouth Cellular in Southfield.

Her fiancé is a 1990 graduate of Northville High School, a 1994 graduate of Central Michigan University with a bachelor of science degree in business adminis tration and a 1999 graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a master of husiness administration degree. He is employed as a program timing



Jednick as groomsmen and Andrew Farrand as the ring hearer.

The couple received guests as a reception at the Horizons Conference Center. Following a trip to Hawaii, they are making their home in Pinckney.





coordinator by the Ford Motor Company in Dearborn.

A February wedding is planned at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Ply-

## **Damall-Willert**

Jessica Lynn Willert and Ted Raymond Darnall were married Aug. 27 at the Sacred Heart of Jesus Polish National Catholic Church in Detroit by the Rev. Gabriel Grzesik.

The bride is the daughter of Kathy Chesser of St. Clair Shores and Roger Willert of Appleton, Wis. The groom is the son of Jerry and Karen Darnall of Redford.

The bride is a 1990 graduate of Lakeview High School. She is employed by Village Green Co. as the leasing manager at Village Green of Rochester.

The groom is a 1992 graduate of Thurston High School. He is employed as a firefighter by the city of Dearborn.

The bride asked Angie Kaczynski to serve as her honor attendant, while Chris Chupa was the

## Schopper-Peck

Gerald and Lillian Schopper of Whitmore Lake announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa May, to Thomas R. Peck, the son of Thom and Lynne Peck of Chandler, Ariz.

The bride-to-be is a 1988 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School and a 1997 graduate of Arizona State University with a bachelor of science degree in chemistry.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Arizona State University College of Business with a degree in finance.

An April wedding is planned

## Starr-Wagner

Katy Wagner and Brian Donald Starr were married Oct. 7 in Las Vegas, Nev.

The bride is the daughter of John and Bonnie Wagner of Livonia. The groom is the son of Donald and Joan Starr of Naperville, Ill.

The bride is a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School and Schoolcraft College with an associate's degree in graphic

The groom is a graduate of Naperville Central High School in Illinois and Columbia College with a bachelor's degree in

The couple honeymouned on a camping trip in the Southwest and an autumn colors tour in the Northeast, They are making



best man.

The couple received guests at a reception at Laurel Manor in Livonia before leaving on a honeymoon trip to Hawaii. They are making their home in Redford.



at St. Timothy Church in Mesa.

their home in Northville

## Fisher-Yesh

is being planned.

Hotel in Phoenix.

**Abdoo-Cotton** 

formerly of Plymouth.

State University.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Abdoo Sr.

of Davisburg announce the

engagement of their daughter,

Rebecca Marie, to Bruce Antho-

ny Cotton, the son of Mr. and

Mrs. Ford H. Cotton of Brighton,

The bride-to-be is a 1990 grad-

uate of Clarkston High School

and a graduate of Grand Valley

Her fiance is a 1987 graduate

A June 2000 wedding is

planned at Our Lady of the

Lakes Church in Waterford

O'Daniel-Polanski

Ariz., formerly of Livonia.

of Plymouth-Salem High School.

Richard and Dolores Yesh of Livonia announce the engagement of their son. Christopher Steven, to Kathleen Ann Fisher the daughter of Raymond and Grace Fisher of Austin, Texas.

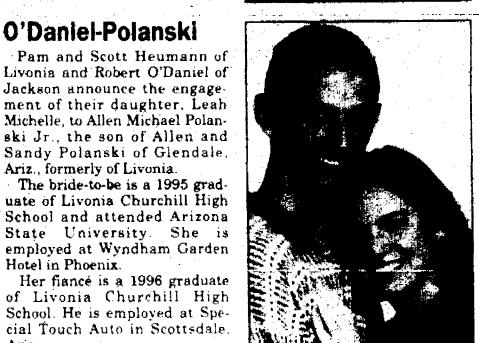
A May wedding in Scottsdale

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Molloy College in Rockville Center, N.Y. She is employed as a financial analyst with Clear Commerce Corp

Her fiance is a graduate of the Center for Creative Studies in Detroit. He is employed as a computer game animator by Origin Systems Inc

A February, wedding is planned in Austin.







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## **UPCOMING** EVENTS MENN PLAY

The John Glenn Theatrical Guild will present "The Million-Heirs" 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Nov. 11-12, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14, at the high school auditorium, on Marquette in Westland. Ticket price is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students. Tickets will be sold at the door. The play, set at the turn of the century, tells of three grown children willed a million dollars by their father, with a few conditions.

## AT THE LIBRARY

FRIENDS OF LIBRARY The Friends of the William P. Faust Public Library group meets at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at the library, 6123 Central City Parkway. Call (734) 326-6123. Meetings last about one hour and are open to the public. Friends also hold a book sale during regular library hours at the library.

## WESTLAND CENTER

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

## RECREATION

RECREATION AND FUN A recreational get-together for teens and adults who are disabled is held the second Friday of each month

at the Westland Bailey Center. Call (734) 722-

FIGURE SKATING Figure skaters interested in USFSA synchronized (precision) skating are needed to build Novi FSC and Westland FSC joint venture teams. Prior team experience is not necessary. This is an opportunity to build skating and team skills while having fun. For information, call

## **VOLUNTEERS**

427-0305.

Cheryl Gutowski at (734)

ASSISTED LIVING Marquette House assisted living facility, 36000 Campus Drive, Westland, seeks volunteers to spend time with residents to provide an activity or a one-on-one visit. Call Peggy in the

activities department,

(734) 326-6537. ANNEL CARE Angel Care, a volunteer organization, is looking for volunteers to sew, crochet, knit, etc., blankets and burial gowns to donate to

local hospitals for infants

who die. Contact Mary Piostek for patterns and information, (313) 534-6496. VETERAN'S MAYEN Veteran's Haven operates a ear, boat, camper and real state donation program. Donations are tax-

eductible. For informa-也, eall (734) 728-0527.

merkan Children's Co-op Nursery has openings in its -B-year-old toddler-parent class on Friday mornings; and Wednesday mornings; and the 4-year-old class on Monday, Wednesday and

Friday afternoons. Classes run from September to May. Parents are required to help out at the school. All classes are in the Newburg United Methodist Church on Ann Arbor Trail between Wayne and Newburgh. For more information, call April at (734) 207-

### PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

The Wayne-Westland Community School District has ongoing registration for the preschool programs at Stottlemyer Early Childhood and Family Development Center, on Marquette between Wayne and Wildwood. Programs include an early intervention program, Head Start, Kids/Plus Preschool, a preprimary impaired program and Sparkey Preschool. Registration is 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call (734) 595-2660.

### LIVONIA COOPERATIVE

The Livonia Cooperative Nursery, a preschool for children ages 3-4, is at-9601 Hubbard. Parents learn with their children. Enrollment is limited. For information, call Karen at (734) 522-3714.

### CHURCH PRESCHOOL The Westland Free

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

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

### 513-7708. ST. MEL PRESCHOOL

St. Mel Preschool, 7506 Inkster Road north of Warren Avenue in Dearborn Heights, has morning and afternoon classes for both 3- and 4-year-olds. Registration has begun. Call (313) 274-6270.

## YWCA READINESS

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

## CHARTER SCHOOL

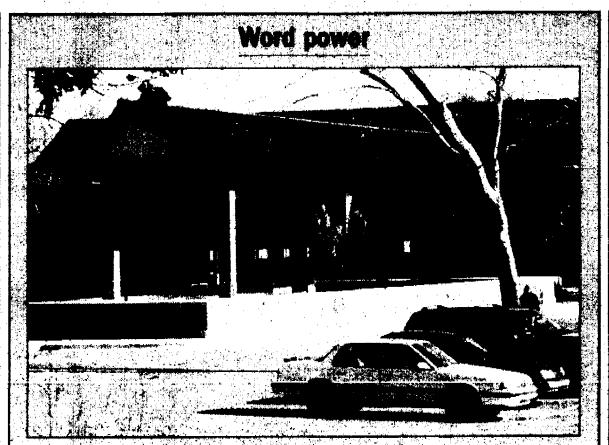
The Academy of Detroit-Westland, an entrepreneurial and business charter school, serves kindergarten through sixth grade. The school emphasizes a basic education with business and entrepreneurial skills. The school offers a foreign language class, music and art, a dress code and a computer lab with access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

## LITTLE PEOPLES Livonia Little Peoples Coop Preschool is now

enrelling for the fall in programs for 8- and 4-yearolds. For more information, cell (784) 422-1176.

LITTLE LABORA Little Lambs Preschool, on Parmington Road south of West Chicago in Livonia, is holding registration for the school year, Classes meet Monday-Wednesday-Priday eftermoons and Tuesday-Thursday mornings for 3-to 5-year-olds. Little Lainbe is a nongeofit, nondiscriminatory preschool. Call (248) 471-

eastrant 00-05 Garfield Conparative Preschool offers programs for children 18 months to 5



Books galore and more: The William P. Paust Public Library of Westland is currently open 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. The library is located at 6123 Central City Parkway, between Warren and Ford. For information, call (734) 326-6123

years. It is at Cass Elementary, 34633 Munger, south of Six Mile and west of Farmington Road in Livonia. Call (734) 462-0135.

### **BUILDING BLOCKS**

**Building Blocks Preschool** in Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Merriman in Livonia, has morning and afternoon classes for 3and 4-year-olds. A prekindergarten readiness class for 5-year-olds and a parent/child toddler class for 2-year-olds are offered. Cail (734) 421-7359 for registration information for the 1999-2000 school year.

## FRANKLIN PTSA

The Franklin High School PTSA is seeking members. Membership is open to those who care about the schools and the community. Members need not have a student in the school. Price is \$3 for students, \$5 for adults. Checks should be made payable to Franklin PTSA and sent to 31000 Joy, Livonia 48150.

## **TUTORIAL PROGRAM**

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

### 722-3660 ADULT LITERACY

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

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

### **HISTORIC WESTLAND MUSEUM**

The Westland Historical Museum is open 1-4 p.m. Saturdays at 857 N. Wayne Road, between Marquette and Cherry Hill. Call (734). 326-1110.

## FRIENDS MEET

Friends of the Westland Historical Museum meet at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September and November at the Westland Meeting House, 37091 Marquette, between Newburgh and Wayne roads. Call President Jim Franklin at (734) 721-0136. Everyone is welcome.

## FOR SENIORS

## HEALTH SCREENING

The Medical Team, in cooperation with the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), is providing health screening and testing for people age 60 and older in southern and western Wayne County. Screenings will be offered at various facilities, including 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at the Friendship Center, 1119 N Newburgh, Westland. Donations will be accepted. Flu shots will be offered, along with vital signs/blood pressure, blood/urine lab work, blood sugar test, cholesterol test, vision/glaucoma test, hearing test, tuberculosis skin

The Conserver Revenues welcome Calendar items, Items should be from non-profit community

groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the infor-

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for the following Thursday's paper. Call 953-2104 if you have any questions.

Livonia, MI. 48150, or by the to 734-891-7279. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday

test and breast/testicular self-exam. For information, call (734):722-7632 Registration will take place at the center front desk.

## MONEY TALK

A presentation on "Seven Steps To Create and Maintain a Life Plan That Works for You" will be offered at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland Speakers will be attorney Sanford J. Mall and Kenneth W. Lyon, a certified financial planner. Investing and related topics will be covered. Refreshments will be served. Sign up at the front desk or call (734) 722-7632 for more information.

## CHOLESTEROL CHECK

Free cholesterol screening is available at the Friendship Center courtesy of Lisa Boyd, RN, and the Westland Convalescent Center. It will be 10:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesday. Nov. 17. Screening is available by appointment only each month for the first 24 people to register. Registration may be completed at the Friendship Center front desk. Screenings will be done following the diabetes and blood pressure checks on the third Wednesday of the month. For information or an appointment, call (734) 722-7632.

## TURKEY TIME

The Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center) will hold its annual Thanksgiving celebration noon to 4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, at the center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Price is \$6 for members, \$9 for Westland seniors who aren't members. There will be a turkey dinner, live band, dancing, prizes and other fun. Tickets are available at the front desk or through clubs. Those attending should bring a piece of fresh fruit for fruit baskets for shut-ins. For information, call (734) 722-

### HEARING CHECKS

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

### SENIOR CHOIR

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

### **EXERCISE**

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

## TRAVEL GROUP

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

## MONTHLY MEAL/DANCE

The Wayne-Ford Civic League schedules its senior meal for people 50 and older 11:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month at the league hall, on Wayne Road two blocks south of Ford. Cost is \$5 for members and \$7 for nonmembers. The meal includes beer, beverages, dancing to big-band music and door prizes. Call (734) 728-5010.

## **WORK REFERRAL**

Information Center Inc. refers workers to elderly people who need help. The program is for people interested in providing transportation, yard work, housework, etc. Workers can specify the type of work they are willing to do and the communities they want to work in. Call (734) 422-1052.

### DYER CENTER The Wayne-Westland

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

## **CLUBS IN** ACTION

VETRAM VETERANS

America will hold a general meeting 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, at 9318 Newburgh, between Joy and Ann Arbor Trail. All veterane on active duty Feb. 28. 1961-May 7, 1975, regard-

The Vietnam Veterans of

### less of duty station are eligible. For information, call Don Dignan, (313) 845-3752 (work), or (734) 525-0157 (home).

## WESTLAND ROTARY

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

## SWEET ADELINES

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

### CHADD

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

### T.G.F.S.

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

## T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly No. M153 meets at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at OptimEyes, Westland Super Vision Center, 35184 Central City Parkway, Westland, Call (734) 427-5200. Leader, Michele, (734) 422-1726; secretary, Karen, (734) 729-6368.

## PUBLIC SPEAKING

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

## BINGO

## DEMS' BINGO

The 13th Congressional District Democratic Party sponsors bingo games at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays in the M.J. Hall, 35412 Michigan. next to the Farmer Jack Supermarket in Wayne. Cali (734) 421-1517.

## MORE DEMS' SINGO

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## Airline Ambassadors plan holiday mission to Bolivia

By Sue Mason Staff Writer mason@oe.homecomm.net

Just back from Bolivia, Linda Henning Ganzler is already planning a return trip.

Ganzler had gone to her mother's homeland with the idea of helping needy children. She came back knowing she would doing it again and again.

"This is my work," said Ganzler who was the medical supply coordinator for an Airline Ambassadors' mission to the South American country in early October. "Before I did this mission, I did missions everywhere. Now I've decided Bolivia is mine.

Noting that the group is very committed to Bolivia and with the blessing of Nancy Revard of Airline Ambassadors, Ganzler has already begun collecting things for a Christmas mission. Dec. 6-9.

The plan is to give the street children a police-supported safe house and the 25 youngsters in an orphanage a Christmas, although her donations list doesn't include toys.

Between now and Nov. 16, Ganzler and Keeley Kelemen are hoping to gather more medical supplies like a dermatone machine for treating burn patients, shunts to treat hydrocephalic children and things like crutches, neck braces and elastic laying around their homes.

**III** 'I went with the idea of being able to do so much and came out feeling like a pebble.'

> Keeley Kelemen Airline Ambassador

They're also looking for clothing, including adult-sized sweats, warm socks, good winter shoes, towels and cash donations. The money will be given to the police and workers at the orphanage to buy gifts for the children. According to Ganzler, \$60 can buy presents for 90 chil-

## Helping out

The Stride Rite shoe store at Ann Arbor Road and Sheldon in Plymouth is holding a penny drive to raise money, and elementary school children in Boston, Mass., are conducting a clothing drive for the December mission.

Ganzier and Kelemen can't sav thank you enough to the people and businesses such as the Bearly Worn consignment store in Plymouth and Water Wheel Health Club in Northville that gave money, prizes for the golf outing and goods for the garage sale that helped make the October mission a success.

They're hoping people will be as generous again and are offering to pick up donations. The cutoff date is Nov. 16 so that bandages that people may have "donations can be boxed and shipped out to the country. To make arrangements for pickups, call Kelemen at (248) 374-3572.

U.S. dollars and the "government says there isn't a poverty problem," the ambassadors found plenty of people in need of the clothing, blankets, medical supplies and wheelchairs.

At The Foundation - a "very impoverished" medical/dental clinic - a wheelchair was given to an older woman who had been carrying her 48-year-old police stricken daughter on her back.

Another chair was given to a man who wanted to give his hospital-bound brother a life in spite of spinal cancer. He also received the \$200 needed for surgery that would let him take his brother

A woman received \$20 to buy a new gas stove. The mother of six, she had resorted to feeding her children raw potatoes when the family's stove broke.

At a home, donated by the PAC police organization to work with the street children, the youngsters stood in the rain and muck in a line that went out the back door, waiting to get some clothes.

"I went with the idea of being able to do so much and came out feeling like a pebble," said Kelemen. "It's my first time doing something like this and I was embarrassed because I did so lit-

At a home for abused children, star stickers put the youngsters in seventh heaven. They also received toothbrushes and cloth-

The home has two rooms and nine beds for 25 children. It was established by a woman who now lives in Switzerland and sends \$200 a month for their

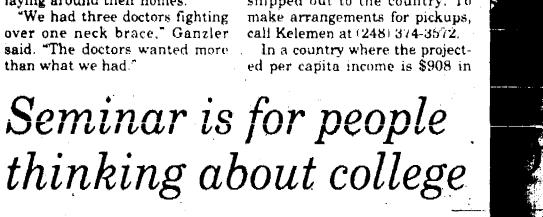
The youngsters make little woven purses and small flutes to learn how to work, and arrangements are being made to send a check for \$100 to buy the handmade goods, Ganzler said.

Ganzler and Kelemen are amazed at how helpful people are in the impoverished country. Even a television show broadcast nationwide brings in people with problems and gets them help.

"Everyone told us that what would drive us crazy is that the government says 'we don't have a poverty problem,' " Ganzler said. "It's amazing how little the country has, but anyone who has something, helps out."



Sizing it up: Linda Henning Ganzler joins the crowd of children waiting for clothing at an orphanage in La Paz. Bolivia.



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"Thinking About College?" is supported in part by the Zonta Club of Northwest Wayne and comes in time for those participants interested in enrolling in winter classes, which start on

To reserve a spot, call the Women's Resource Center at (734) 462-4443.

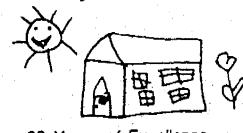
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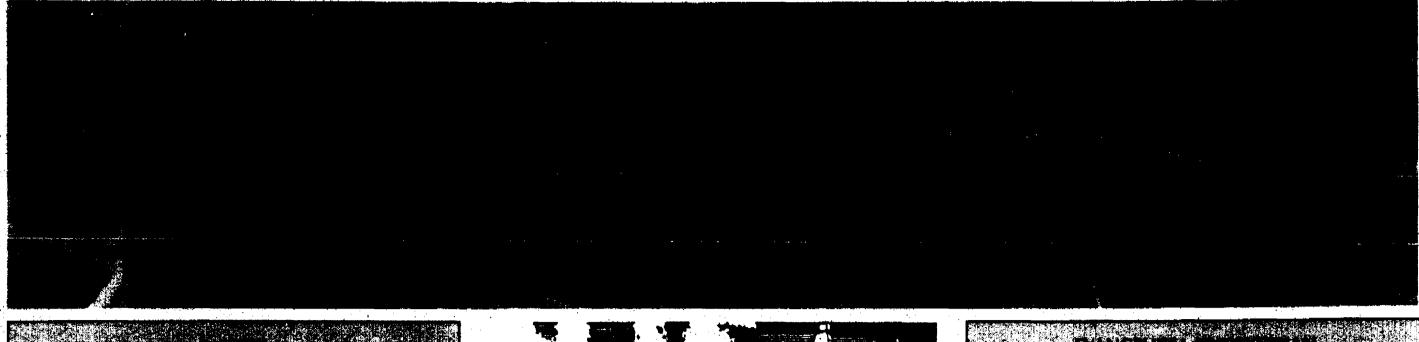
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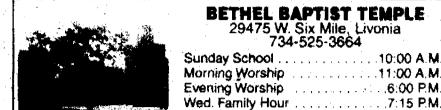
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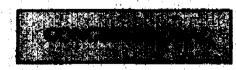
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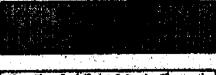
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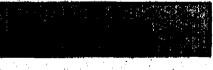
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Warren Gilbert will discuss "Managing Memories" when New Beginnings, a grief support group, meets at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, east of Merriman, Livonia. The program is for people suffering as the result of the death of a loved one. There are no fees. Anyone may attend any or all sessions as they feel the need. For more information, call the church office at (734) 422-6038. Marilyn Wilkinson at (248) 380-7903, or Rosemary Kline at (734) 462-3770.

### SINGLE POINT

Single Point single adult ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church will have Living Truth in concert at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, in Knox Hall of the church, 40000 W. Six Mile Road. Northville. The concert is free, however, a freewill offering will be accepted. For more information, call the Single Point office at (248) 374-5920.

Therapist, author and speaker Jeenie Gordon will speak about "Are Men and Women Different?" at Talk It Over 7:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, in Knox. Hall, Coffee and cookies will be served, and a freewill offering will be accepted.

Gordon also will speak about "Stuff of Life and Relationships," a growth seminar, at 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, in Room. C307/309 of the church. Topics covered include "Anger, the Healthy Emotion, "Relax -. You've Got to Be Kidding?," "Grabbing Hold of Your Future" and "On Your Mark, Get Set-Wait."

The seminar costs \$20 Call the Single Point office to regis-

## CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

Church Women United of Suburban Detroit-West will observe World Community Day on Friday, Nov. 5, at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubhard, Livonia, The program. "God's Passionate Love," will be at 12:45-p.m. and will feature: special guest Bonniebell the clown, Participants should bring the love pillows they've made.

## CELEBRANT SINGERS

The Celebrant Singers will perform at 8:10 a.m. Friday. Nov. 5, as part of the Ave Maria Foundation First Friday Breakfast Club meeting in the Ulrich. Conference Room off Lobby E of Domino Farms, Frank Lloyd Wright Drive, Ann Arbor.

There will be Mass at 7 a.m. followed by breakfast at 7:40 a.m. and a rosary before the performance. The event is open tothe public. Breakfast costs \$3. For more information, call Marie Pelletier at (734) 482-1400.

The Celebrant Singers also will perform 7-8:45 p.m. Nov. 5 at the Eastern Michigan University Student Chapel in Ypsilanti. The concert is being sponsored by the University of Michigan, Eastern Michigan University and Ave Maria Institute. A rosary will be said following the performance.

Donations will be taken at the door. For more information, call Stephanie Thomas at (734) 482-1400.

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Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and support assistance for divorced and

separated Christians, will have a dance, "Plymouth Rocks," at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at St. Robert Bellarmine Church Hall, Inkster and West Chicago in Redford. The \$8 charge includes refreshments. Proper attire requested. For more information, call Diane at (734) 971-4553 or Bill at (734) 421-3011.

There also will be a Mass at 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, followed by a turkey dinner and open mike - say a clean joke and don't pay for supper - at St. Kenneth's Parish, Haggerty Road, south of

Five Mile Road, Plymouth Township.

### AIDS MASS

St. Theodore of Canterbury Catholic Community will host an AIDS Healing and Anointing Mass for people infected and affected by HIV/AIDS, 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the church. 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. For more information, call the church at 425-4421.

### **DEDICATION SERVICE**

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will dedicate its newly installed Moeller pipe organ

with a festival Eucharist with order of dedication at 10:30 a.m. and hymn festival at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the church, 26212 W. Six Mile Road, Redford.

The hymn festival will be led by Margarete Thomsen, organist and choir director, and the Rev. Sharon Janot, pastor. A reception will follow the performance. For more information, call the church at (313) 537-3778;

### QUEST SPEAKER

The Rev. Richard O. Singleton will speak at 9:45 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at St. Paul's Presbyteri-

an Church, 27475 Five Mile Road, Livonia, Singleton is a noted author and executive director of the Christian Communication Council of Metropolitan Detroit Churches. For more information, call the church at (734) 422-1470.

### RUMMAGE SALE

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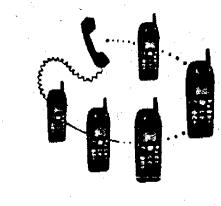
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## Christ Our Savior hosts concert Religion from page B7

The Wind Symphony and Kapelle of Concordia University in River Forest, Ill., will perform a variety of music in many forms and styles in a concert set for 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church. 14175 Farmington Road, Livo-

The 75-member instrumental ensemble, under the direction of Richard Fischer, professor of music, will perform a variety of pieces by such composers as Hanson, Grantham, Holst and Reed.

The Kapelle, a 40-member choir under the direction of David Baar, visiting professor of music, will sing pieces by Hassler, Billings, Brahms and Bach.

The Wind Symphony and Kapelle are the premiere instrumental and choral ensembles at Concordia University, a Lutheran liberal arts university with more than 1,900 undergraduate and graduate students. Both groups tour the United States annually and have recorded and released compact discs of sacred



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The concert is part of the 1999-2000 musical celebrations of Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church. The Christ Our Savior Choir will join the Kapelle and Wind Symphony for part of this

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RIBLE STUDY

The video series, "Unscaling Daniel's Mystery," will be presented 7 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, Nov. 8 through mid-December, at Cherry Hill Seventh-day Adventist Church, 33144 Cherry Hill Road, south of Venoy Road, Garden City. The chapter-by-chapter, in-depth study of the Old Testament Book of Daniel is free of charge. Each night a new chapter will be covered. Child care will be available for young children. Transportation can be provide for those needing a ride. For more information, call (734) 844-8660.

REMARRIED GROUP

The Remarried Ministries of

Ward Presbyterian Church in Northville offers an informal, drop-in support group for those struggling with the issues of a blended family. The group is hosted by the Rev. Paul Clough and meets-7-8:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month in Room C309 of the church, 40000 Six Mile Road Road. There is no cost. For more information, call Stacy Cole at (248) 374-5912.

REDFORD CLERGY

The Redford Clergy Association will meet for its quarterly meeting Wednesday, Nov. 10, at Presbyterian Village Redford. 17833 Garfield, off Five Mile Road, Redford. The meeting will be held in the Board Room. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m., followed by the meeting. Reservations can be made by calling Alexandra at (313) 541-**6487**.

### **GUEST SPEAKER**

Ron Bachman will speak at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, at the St. Aidan Activity Center, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Born with a congenital birth defect, Bachman's legs were amputated at age 4. Born and raised in Detroit, he wore artificial limbs at school, but walked with his hands when at home.

As an adult, he has become a motivational speaker, drawing on his sense of humor and life experiences to speak to audiences of all ages. His themes include human potential and achieving success despite obsta-

For more information, call (734) 425-5950.

### VEGAS PARTY

St. Bernadine of Siena Parish will have its annual Vegas Party, 8 p.m. to midnight, Friday, Nov. 12, at the church, 31463 Ann Arbor Trail at Merriman Road. Westland. Doors will open at 7:30 p.m. and admission

will be \$5 per person. For more information, call (734) 427-5150.

### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers a weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy and renew their love for each other Nov. 12-14 at the St. John's Family Life Center, 44011 Five Mile, Plymouth Township. The registration fee is \$50. Call Bill and Carol at (248) 528-2512 or Dan and Debbie at (810) 286-5524.

### 'RAISING POSITIVE KIDS'

Rick Miller of Christian Training Ministries in Greenford, Ohio, will lead a seminar, "Raising Positive Kids," 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, at Kenwood Church of Christ, 20200 Merriman Road, Livonia.

Participants will learn about the positive factors in healthy families, how to generate values in children, tips for building a healthy self-image, meeting the challenge of discipline, ways to motivate your children, how to express loving support, teaching children to think and more.

The cost is \$7 for individuals and \$10 per couples who register by Nov. 7, After that date, the cost is \$10 and \$15 respectively. To register, call Ray Sanders at (248) 476-8222.

### SILENT/LIVE AUCTION

St. Thomas A' Becket Catholic Church will have its third annual silent and live auction, "Tropical Evening,". 7-11 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, at the church, 555 S. Lilley Road, Canton.

Tickets cost \$30 and include a bidding number, gourmet hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, open bar and mini desserts, and Polynesian music 7-9 p.m.

Only 250 will be sold. They are available by calling Mike Middel at (734) 981-5383.



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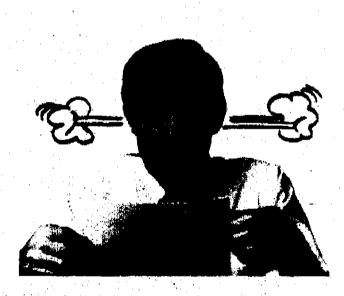
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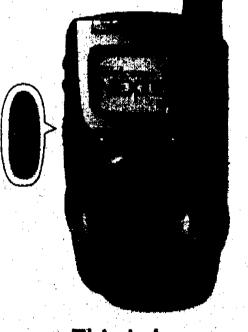


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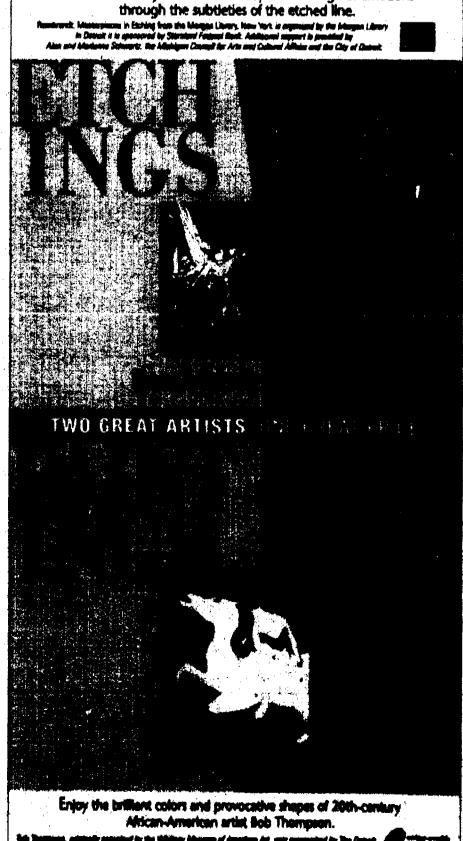
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## Shoe Box gifts share spirit of giving with needy children;

BY SUE MASON STAFF WRITER

Karen Williams is a firm believer in the adage that good things come in small packages. So much so, that she's hoping to collect 2,000 shoe boxes filled with a variety of gifts for needy children.

Williams, who serves on the missions committee and is in charge of home projects at Temple Baptist Church in Plymouth Township, is coordinating collections for Operation Christmas Child, a simple, hands-on missions project of Samaritan's Purse.

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and ink-pad sets, coloring

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Other items - hard candy,

lollipops, mints, gum, sunglasses, flashlights with extra-

batteries, ball caps, socks, T-

solar calculators, etc.

soap, comb, etc.

noise with extra batteries.

shoe box gift:

"Having been in Colombia and seeing children who don't get anything, this is a passion of mine," said the Canton resident. "I think it's neat. Our kids get so much and most of these children wouldn't get a thing for Christmas."

Operation Christmas Child got its start in 1993 when Samaritan's Purse delivered 28,000 shoe boxes, filled with gifts and the story of Christmas, to needy children.

In 1998, more than 56,500 churches and other organizations and 27,300 volunteers in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, the Nether-

boxes and 60 countries, including 400,000 for children in Koso-

55 countries.

### Easy-to-do project

Operation Christmas Child is an easy-to-do project. Participants decide whether they're gifting a boy or girl and the age categories - 2-4 years, 5-9 years and 10-14 years.

lands, Australia, Germany, and

Finland collected more than 2.3

million shoe boxes that were distributed to children in more than

This year's goal is 3 million

Then they fill a normal-sized shoe box with a variety of ageappropriate gift items - toys, school supplies, hygiene items and things like hard candy, flashlights with extra batteries, T-shirts and the like.

The boxes can be wrapped, but the lid must be wrapped separately. Gifters also can include photographs of themselves, and letters, if they like. Some members of Temple Baptist who did that have heard back from the children who received their boxes. Williams said.

Gift tags, indicating the box is for either a boy or girl and the age group, are tapped to the top of the box and a \$5 donation to cover the shipping cost should put inside before the box is secured with a rubber band.

The gift tags are on the back of Operation Christmas Child brochures available at Temple Baptist, which is serving as a relay center, collecting boxes until Friday, Nov. 19, that volunteers will box up and deliver to a collection center in Brighton for shipment to the processing center Minneapolis and eventually distribution overseas. Once in Minneapolis, volun-

teers will sort the boxes and put in a copy of the Christmas story, printed in the language of the country it will be sent to. the box, but these children "It's amazing how it's grown,"

said Williams. "Not only does Operation Christmas Child undertake shipment of the boxes, but it also gets the story of Christmas out to children who otherwise wouldn't get anything." Williams related a story about

one child who received a shoe box. He had prayed for a new pencil, and when he opened his box he found 12 pencils. He took one and passed the box on to another child.

"The workers had to explain to him that the entire box was for him," Williams said. "Yes, there's Christian literature inwould not get anything if not for Operation Christmas Child. And if the message touches on child

## Ministry for all

Loading up: Last year, members of Temple Baptist Church had transferred their

boxes could be sent on to the processing center in Minneapolis last year.

shoe boxes from shipping pallets to cardboard boxes at the collection center, so the

Williams stumbled across the project last year when a friend gave her a brochure and asked what she thought about it as a kids ministry.

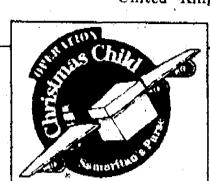
"I said, "Kids ministry? Why not everyone. Williams recalled. "It lets children see the value and importance of giving to others."

The congregation filled 1.027 shoe boxes last year and Williams is hoping to double that

this year. She received calls from members throughout the summer about this year's collection. People can drop off shoe boxes

at Temple Baptist, 49555 North Territorial, west of Beck Road, in Plymouth Township 9 a.m. to 5% p.m. Monday through Friday and before and after services at 7 p.m. Wednesday, and 9:30 and 11:15 a.m. Sunday.

"Ultimately, the kids are the ones who benefit, but I don't know who receives the greater blessing them for receiving the gift or me for giving it," said Williams. "I think it's me. I did a mission trip to Colombia two years ago and saw the poverty. This is now a passion of mine."



clips, watches, small picture books, etc.

NOT Do include items that are used. war-related (toy guns,

knives, etc.), perishable (chocolate, crackers, etc.), liquids (shampoo, lotion, etc.), medicines (vitamins, cough drops, etc.) or breakable (mirrors, china dolls, etc.).

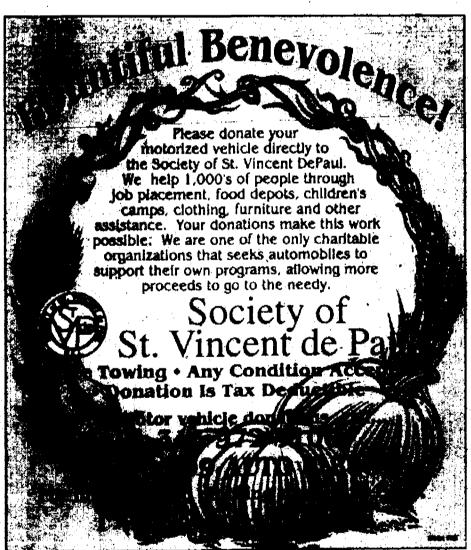
You can enclose a note and a photograph of yourself or your family. Include your name and address, the child may write you back.

■ Enclose a check for \$5 or more in the envelope from your brochure (or print the form on the Web site and put it in any envelope along with the donation) and place it in the shae box to help cover shipping and other costs. Place the envelope in the box so it is clearly visible on top of the gult items.

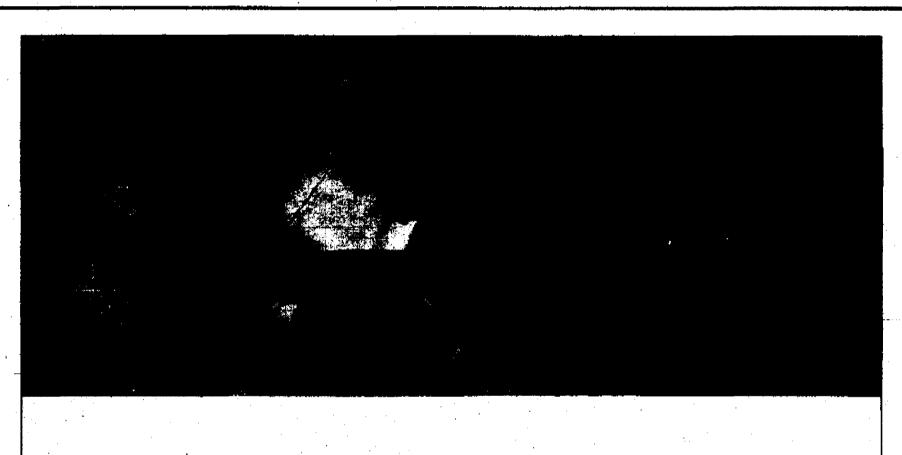
If you're filling more than one shoe box, you can make one combined donation in any one box.

Place a rubber band around the shoe box and lid.

■ Deliver the shoe box to brush, toothpaste, wash cloth, the collection center at Temple Baptist Church, 495555 North Territorial, Plymouth. You can also mail the shoe box to Samaritan's Purse, 801 Bamboo Road, P.O. Box 3000. shirts, toy jewelry sets, hair Boone, N.C. 28607.







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## **Book Lovers Day**

## Readers get to meet their writers

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER casola@oe.homecomm.net

As Paperbacks N Things prepares for its 14th annual Book Lovers Day, someone very special will be missing from the event.

Novelist Joan Shapiro had participated in the event in past years. She and her husband, Norman, of Bloomfield Township were among the victims of last weekend's crash of EgyptAir Flight 990.

"Joan Shapiro was one of our authors," said Nikki Vandette, store clerk assisting with the event. "She called a couple of weeks ago and said she was going to Africa.'

Vandette and Joan Adis, store owner, are coping with the fact that Shapiro will not return.

Despite the somber tone, Book Lovers Day will bring together the area. Thoughts will be with the Shapiro family.

Book Lovers Day lasts from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at the store located at 8044 Wayne Road, between Wendy's and Arby's in Westland.

"It's like a big party," said Vandette. "They enjoy each other as much as the people who come (to have books signed)."

Vandette said they contact local authors and any authors who will be in state at the time of the event. This year's authors include Elizabeth Adkins Bowman, Tori Carrington, Sue Charnley, Anne Eames, Marian Edwards, Nancy Gideon, Jill Gregory, Beverly Jenkins, Penny McCusker, Sharon Pisacreta, Jeanne Savery, Patti Schemberger and Elizabeth Turner.

It also marks the return of authors who attend each year (734) 522-8018.

15 authors, many of whom live in like Ruth Langon and Redford resident.Shelly Thacker.

They will be on hand to sign books and chat with customers at the store. Paperbacks N Things will also have coffee and refreshments for authors and visitors

The store sells new and used books and has been open for 16 years. Vandette said about six years ago the store expanded to nearly double its size.

"We have a regular clientele," she said. "We have a lof of steady customers ... It's like a big fami-

So "book worms" interested in joining the family, catching up on news in the author community and meeting some favorite writers are invited to Book Lovers Day. For more information, call Paperbacks N Things at

## Seminars look at holiday stress

Even though Christmas and Hanukkah are still weeks away. many people are already dreading the stress of the holiday season. In a recent national survey. more than 40 percent of the respondents indicated that they find the holidays stressful:

"Holiday cheer is a myth for many people," said Marisa Howard, a clinical therapist for

Lifespan Clinical Services in Livonia, "Women are particularly vulnerable, bit holiday stress also can affect males and chil-

"It (stress) is characterized by emotional highs and feelings of extreme pressure with symptoms typically including loss of sleep, moodiness, irritability and an inability to focus."

## Right to Life-Lifespan holds legislative breakfast

A legislative breakfast, sponsored by Right to Life-Lifespan, will be held Saturday, Nov. 13, at Burton Manor in Livonia.

The invited speakers will be Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus, State Sen. George Hart, D-Dearborn, and State Rep. Nancy Cassis, R-Novi. Also invited to attend are all state and national legislators who represent the metropolitan Detroit area.

The breakfast costs \$15 per person, \$7.50 for students age 21 and younger. Reservations can he made through Nov. 5, by calling Right to Life-Lifespan at (248) 777-9090 or (734) 422-

Right to Life-Lifespan is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to the protection of vulnerable human life from conception to natural death. Established in 1970, it is the largest and oldest pro-life organization. in southeastern Michigan, serving Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

Coping with holiday stress will be the theme of a seminar 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, and again Wednesday, Dec. 8, at the Lifespan clinic, 18316 Middlebelt Road, Livonia. The fee is \$15. Reservations can be made by calling (248) 615-9730.

The seminar will cover the causes and effects of holiday stress, tips for relieving it and referrals for additional help. The sessions will be facilitated by Howard and Linda Migdal, also a clinical therapist at Lifespan.

"We will begin by exploring. the sources of holiday stress, ranging from family conflicts to worries over money," said Migdal, "This will include a discussion of unrealistic expectations like the 'image of perfection,' the pressure to find the perfect gifts and create the ideal holiday atmosphere."

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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

## **Ex-Spartan harriers shine**

A pair of former Livonia Stevenson High runners stood out Saturday in the Conference USA women's cross country meet held at McAlpine Park in Charlotte, N.C.

UNC-Charlotte sophomore Kelly Travis finished second overall in the 5,000-meter race with a school-record time of 17 minutes, 7.5 seconds.

Tulane's Hanne Lynstad won the individual title in a course record 16:43.2.

DePaul (III.) University senior Jeannette Stojcevski, also made All-Conference USA along with Travis, finishing 13th in 17:50.6.

Both Travis and Stojcevski each set personal bests.

South Florida won the women's team title.

## Collegiate notes

•Kalamazoo College sophomore captain Stacey Nastase (Livonia Stevenson) helped clinch the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association women's soccer championship with a goal in the final 22 minutes of play to defeat Calvin, 2-0, on Satur-

The win gives Kalamazoo an automatic bid to the NCAA Division III Tournament for the third straight

She was an All-MIAA first-team selection in 1998 and an NSCAA Adidas All-Region team honoree.

University of Detroit senior Laura Pilon (Stevenson) just missed All-Midwestern Collegiate Conference honors by placing 12th Saturday in the MCC women's cross country championships held at Cass Benton

Pilon's time was 18:54.39, only the fourth Titan ever to break 19 minutes on the course.

 Allison Campbell (Stevenson), 1998 Michigan's Miss Soccer, leads the University of Tennessee women's soccer team (8-9-1 overall) in scoring with 11 goals and four assists (through Oct. 31):

 University of Missouri-Rolla's Lizz Szkrybalo (Livonia Churchill) led the Lady Miners' soccer team with 15 goals and a school-record 12 assists. Missouri-Rolla finished the season 10-7-1.

## Hartsells settle for 8th

The Westland pairs duo of Danielle and Steven Hartsell settled for eighth out of eight teams, and third among three American teams at the National Car Rental Skate America Championships held last weekend in Colorado Springs, Colo.

The Hartsells, 1999 U.S. Pairs champions, will perform Saturday at the Wayne Community Center as part of the Rudy Galindo Ice Skating Spec-

Presented by the City of Wayne Parks and Recreation Department, the Ice Skating Spectacular starts at: 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$17 per person. A \$30 ticket includes VIP cocktail reception with Hartsells and Galindo, the 1996 U.S. National Champions and '96 World bronze medalist.

For more information, call Jeff Rutter at (734) 721-7400.

## New C'ville mat coach

Two-year assistant Clint Kraft, 26, has been named head varsity wrestling coach at Livonia Clarenceville High School.

Kraft replaces Todd Skinner, who resigned last spring to take a similar position at Linden High School

Kraft, a 1991 graduate of Battle Creek Central High School where he was a varsity wrestler, is currently a student teacher in the math department at Clarenceville. He attends both the University of Michigan and Eastern Michigan University.

Skinner's dual-meet record over the past two seasons was 27-17-1, including a Metro Conference title co-share and a Division IV team team district champion (both in 1999).

Official practice starts Nov. 15. Kraft currently has 26 wrestlers doing conditioning drills.

"Basically I want to build on what we accomplished under Todd," Kraft said, "and try to do better than the year before."

## Boys swim coach wanted

Livonia Churchill is seeking a boys varsity swim coaching for the upcoming season.

e interested should call athlet. ic director Marc Hage at (734) 523-

## Ladywood reaches final

## Going for 1st title since '84

BY BRAD EMONS

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Question: The last time Livonia Ladywood hung a Catholic League championship banner in its gymnasium for girls basketball? Answer: 1984.

The Blazers will close out the millenium Sunday in quest of their first Central-AA Division in 15 years after scoring a hard-fought 41-38 semifinal victory over Birmingham Marian Wednesday night at Schoolcraft College.

Ladywood, 13-5 overall, takes on 17-0 Dearborn Divine Child, the state's top-ranked team in Class B, starting at 4 p.m. at the University of Detroit Mercy's Calihan Hall.

"I think we'll be motivated against Divine Child because I don't think we felt we played our best basketball against them the previous two times," Ladywood coach Andrea Gorski said. "I don't know if it means anything to this group of players that we haven't won it since '84 because our only focus this year has been play hard and get better every time out.

"But our goal all year was to get to Calihan." Marian, winners of four Catholic League titles in the 1990s.

split a pair of regular season meetings with the Blazers. On Sept. 21, Ladywood rolled to a 62-32 victory at home over defending state champions, but on Oct. 8. Marian returned the favor, 53-45, behind Crystal Andrews' 29 points.

Ladywood came out in a sagging defense to limit Marian's inside game and it worked as Andrews scored just 12 points before fouling out with 2:29 left.

But despite trailing most of the night. Marian hung around and took the lead with 1-16 remaining on, 38-37, thanks to a pair of free throws by Sarah Cashen.

An offensive foul, called away from the basket with just under a minute left cost Marian dearly. Ladywood junior forward Michelle Harakas, who led the Blazers with 14 points, then hit two ciritical free throws with 36.88 seconds left to put her team up one, 39-38.

Marian then missed on its next possession with 22 seconds left.

Ladywood center Liz Obrecht, who finished with 13 points and eight rebounds, provided a three-point cushion and the final margin of victory by sinking two free throws.

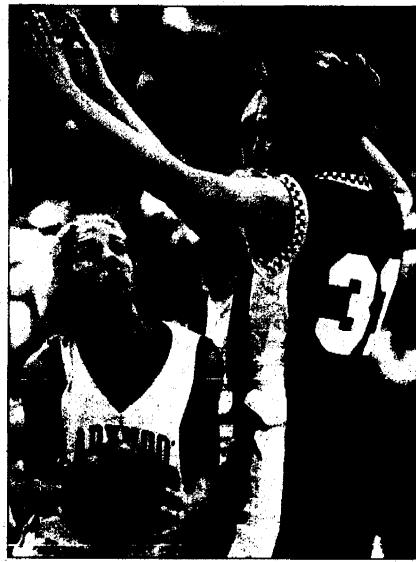
Marian tried a last gasp three-point attempt with six seconds remaining, but Ladywood grabbed the rebound and hung on as time expired.

Ohrecht, the 6-foot-1 sophomore, seemed to be the difference inside, particularly in the second half.

"Liz has stepped up her game the last two weeks and is playing with a lot more confidence," Gorskí said. "She's always been an aggressive rebounder and a scrappy player, but now she's more aggresive going to the basket."

During the first half, Ladywood's packed-in defense was effective, resulting in a 21-14 advantage.

"We wanted them to step out and make them hit shots." Gorski said. "This time we sagged off on the perimeter and made it hard for them to get the ball inside."



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Congested area: Ladywood's Melissa Harakas (with ball) tries to squeeze around Birmingham Marian's 6-foot-1 Amber Mazza.

But in the second half. Marian coach Mary Lillie Ciccerone countered with a few adjustments of her own.

Junior guard Melissa Harakas, who burned the Mustangs for 10 first-half points, including a pair of three-pointers, was kept off the board in the second half.

"We did a better job of limiting them (Ladywood) to one shot and we did a better job of being patient with our offense," Ciccerone said. "We also did a great job of pressuring the ball in the second half."

When Andrews went to the bench with her fourth personal foul late in the third quarter, Marian trailed 29-22. The Mustangs, however, began to chip away without their star player, who eventually returned with just under five minutes remaining.

"We almost played better without Crystal because we got into our offense and were forced to look at some other options," Ciccerone said: "We had some kids step up and took some good shots. We should be there on Sunday.

## Stevenson blanks Monroe; State champion Novi next

By BRAD EMONS SPORTS WRITER

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The Livonia Stevenson boys soccer. team didn't want to get caught looking ahead.

"The 'W' is all that matters at this time of year," Livonia Stevenson boys soccer coach Lars Richters said following his team's 3-0 Division 1-Region II semifinal win Tuesday over Monroe at South Lyon Middle School.

"It's one of those dangerous games where you hope you don't take a team lightly," Richters added. "We knew they had a fine player in John Webster and they had some good athletes. You take nothing granted at this time of year."

Stevenson, gunning for its seventh state boys soccer title in school history, now gets a shot at defending state champion Novi (19-1-1), beginning 7 p.m. Friday at South Lyon M.S. Novi advanced with a 6-1 win over Dear-

Mike White made sure the Spartans were safely into the regional final, scoring all three goals in the first half.

Jeff Budd earned the first assist with 28:57 left. Meanwhile, Tom Eller provided White passes for his final two goals with 8:40 and 4:37 remaining, respectively, in the opening half.

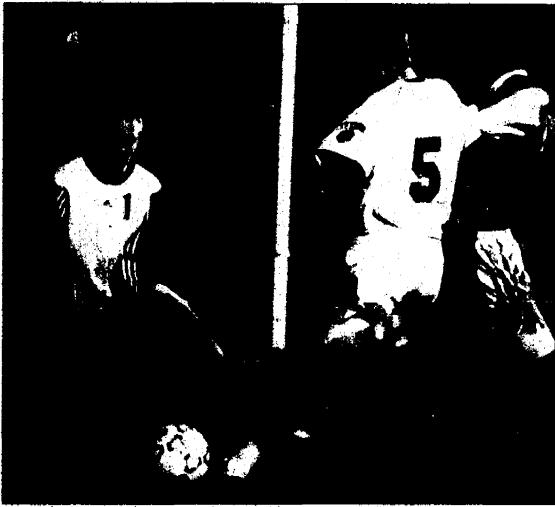
Stevenson, battling dipping temperatures (33 degrees), snow showers and stiff winds, missed three point-blank shots in the second half.

But give credit to Monroe keeper Michael Merkle, who was able to slam the door the rest of the way.

"We missed some finishes (shots)." Richters said. "But the second-half weather was painful. Even though we missed some chances, we played well at times."

Monroe, which has three straight district and Mega Conference Red Division titles under its belt, bowed out at 14-3-3 overall.

"I thought our defense played well, but Stevenson is such a skillful team." Manron coach Anto Cevizian said, "We knew we were facing some obstacles. They're state ranked and they have some unbelievable players



Shot attempt: Monroe goalkeeper Michael Merkle (left) comes out to make the stop on Livonia Stevenson's Mike Thomas (No. 5).

You keep telling your kids it's just another game like everyone else, but in the back of their minds it's not."

While Stevenson keeper Joe Zawacki had little action on his end, Monroe's Merkle was facing a barrage of shots and offensive pressure in front of his

"I thought the first two goals we gave up were a little shaky and we could have controlled them," Cevizian said. \*But overall I thought our defense played well. Remember, too, we were playing an unbelievable team."

- Monroe was facing a program each intradition

We've been at it here 12 years and the first six we didn't win a game." Cevizian said. "We've come a long way, but we haven't reached their level

quite vet."

.PLY. CHRISTIAN 2, LUTHERAN WESTLAND 1: First title in school history

 Sophomore Chad Boruta scored a páir guais. including the game winner from David Carty with 25 minutes to play, giving Plymouth Christian Academy (14.3.4) the Division IV district championship Saturday over Lutheran High Westfand (15/3/1) in a match played at Dearborn Heights Fairlane Christian

Lutheran Westland, which outshot the Eagles 12.9, led 1-0 at intermission on Jason Davis' goal midway through the half

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half on an assist from John Sink The win avenged a 10 overtime loss to Litheran Westland in the 1998 Dicieon IV dis-

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## PREP FOOTBALL Rockets take on Detroit champs

BY BRAD EMONS

Westland John Glenn's Region II-District II playoff encounter Saturday against unbeaten Detroit Henry Ford could very well be decided by the defense.

The Rockets (8-2) find themselves up against potent Ford attack which produced a Public School League championship and first-round 40-25 victory last Saturday over Belleville.

"Their quarterback (Damon Dowdell) can throw and run," Glenn coach Chuck Gordon said. "Not only can he (Dowdell) stretch the defense, but their backs run hard and the have tremendous athletes at the receiver position.

"They can attack you in a lot of ways. They might have the most team speed we've faced this year."

Glenn's 5-2 defense hit a lull midway through the season in losses to Livonia Stevenson (21-6) and Plymouth Salem (39-17), but things have tightened up in wins over Plymouth Canton (40-13), Wayne Memorial (24-7) and Monroe (26-14).

Against Monroe, Glenn forced a fumble, picked off two passes, including a return for a touchdown, and put two points on the board with a safety.

"Pursuit is going to be important," Gordon said of the upcoming game with 9-0 Ford, "For 48 minutes we're going to have to play as hard and as well defensively as we can play "

If things go well for Glenn, it starts up front:

The nose guard is 5-foot-11; 205-pound senior David Holloway, while the tackles are junior Mike Johnson (6-1, 240) and senior Jeff Mitchell (5-11, 207). The two rotated with senior Billy Soto, who was lost midway through the season with a neck injury.

"David Holloway had a tremendous off-season and he plays hard every play, just fierce competitor," Gordon said "Johnson's been part of our rotation all along. He has decent size and he's a technique guy who doesn't. make many mistakes.

"Mitchell is one of the real leaders on this team. He plays with spirit and enthusiasm. He loves the game of cootball and plays hard."

The defensive ends include seniors Ryan Rattray (5-8, 180) and Dan Fedulchak (6-0, 200).

"Fedulchak started last year and he might be our most steady. player on the team, regardless of position," the Glenn coach said. "He knows his assignment on

"Rattray's size is deceiving. His. motor runs all the time. He's tough and makes plays, just a good football player."

Both linebackers, seniors Jake Tharp (6-3, 235) and David Lewandowski (6-2, 235), were starters a year ago and go both ways. Tharp plays offensive tackle, while Lewandowski lines up at tight end:

"Tharp is a three-year starter and I think some teams have run away from him," Gordon said: "He's played his best linebacker the last three weeks. And that's the way you like to see a guy finish - on the climb.

"Lewandowski moved inside for us from end and has made steady progress all year."

The secondary consists of returning starters Nick Paddock (5-10, 170), a senior, and Dan Smitherman (5-10, 167), a junior. Both have served time in the backfield to spell tailback Eric.

"Paddock is very physical," Gerdon said. He's also very coach-

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Fast break: Canton's Anne Morrell scoops up the loose ball against Glenn's Stephanie Crews.

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## HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL

## Salem rolls; Canton rallies for win

A 21-2 first-quarter run Tuesday carried Plymouth Salem the top seed in the Western Lakes Activities Association girls basketball playoffs, to an opening round 52-28 win over visiting Livonia Steven-

State-ranked Salem is 17-1 overall. while Stevenson drops to 7-9.

Tiffany Grubaugh scored nine of her game-high 18 points in the opening quarter for the Rocks, who face Farmington Hills Harrison (13-5) in the WLAA semifi-

nals, 7 p.m. Friday at Salem. Kelly Jaskot and Monica Mair each added 13 points for the winners, while Dawn Allen contributed nine.

Abbey Schrader led Stevenson with nine points, while Lindsay Gusick and Katie King added eight and six; respec-

CANTON SO, JOHN GLENN 38: After failing behind 23-9, host Plymouth Canton (13-5) stormed back to best visiting Westland John Glenn (9-9) overall) in a WLAA first round playoff encounter.

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## ROUNDUP

Chiefs, while Stephanie Crews countered with 11

# HURON VALLEY 44, ST. ALPHONSUS 33: On Tuesday, senior forward Stacle Graves scored a game-high 17 points to lift Westland Huron Valley Eutheran (11-6) past host Dearborn St. Aiphonsus

Nadya Walker scored 12 for St. Alphonsus. which fell behind 26-13 at halftime and shot 0-for-4. from the free throw line.

Huron Valley can win the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference title outright tonight with a win a Taylor Baptist Park.

# LUTHERAN WESTLAND 50; HARPER WOODS 35: Senior guard Anna Rolf hit 3-of-5 from threepoint land en route to a game high 17 points as Eutheran High Westland (5-13, 3-11) snapped a 10game losing streak with a victory over the host Proneers (5-13, 4-10).

Kelty Pruchnik contributed aime points to: the victorious Warriors, while He ither Rose and Sarah Marody each chipped in with seven.

Harper Woods, a 19-point winner over Lucheran Westland in the first meeting between the two Metro Conference teams: got a team-high 14 points from junior forward Amy Smolinsky.

# CHURCHILL 49, FARMINGTON 35: Deanna DeRoo (12 points) and Kate Hogan (10) paced 8 balanced scoring attack Tuesday, powering Livoria Churchill (4-13) to a victory over the vasiting Fab cons (3-15).

Churchill, which snapped an 11 goine கொடி skid, also received seven points and eight rebounds from Stephanie Dovie.

Stacey Selfeck contributed six points and seven rebounds, while Meagan Sheehan and Kristin Barry also tallied six apiece.

"It's the best we've played as a team all season," Churchill coach Dave Balog said. "We felt we put it all together and we hope to parry it over the next three for four games."

Julie Kimmel led Farmlington, which trailed 31/26 at intermission, with 18 points and 12 rebounds.

Northville at the end of the

second and third periods, too.

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"Once our kids started run-

ning our system," Warner said.

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Franklin got as close as 17-

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Anne Morrell scored 14 points for the victorious:

(3-10) in a non-leaguer.

The Warriors won despite shooting 12 of 28 from

## Mustangs gallop past Patriots

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK STAFF WRITER

Size is a big advantage. Northville has size and the Mustangs use it as well as they

Taller Northville dominated Livonia Franklin all the way Tuesday night and earned a 46-30 victory that put the Mustangs into the second round of the Western Lakes Activities Association tournament.

Northville will host Canton on Thursday night.

"Size is our strength and has been all year," coach Pete Wright of Northville said after his team improved to 11-6. "So we have to pound it into the post as much as we can."

The Mustangs did that decently well. Meredith Hasse led her team with 14 points. eight in the third period when the Mustangs scored the first 11 points to take a 30-14 lead.

Janel Hasse scored a dozen, including eight in the firstperiod when Northville got off

to a 13-7 start. Post player Kate Hammond contributed 10.

Both teams played a zone defense but Northville was still able to get the ball inside. And often when it didn't, the Mustangs were able to corral the rebound.

Tera Morrill scored 11 points to lead Franklin, 8-10, but Northville did a good job of doubling up on her at nearly every opportunity.

"When they double on her." coach Gary Warner of the Patriots said, "other people have to step up and do the job. "We do have the opportunities. It's a matter of converting

them into baskets." "Obviously Tera Morrill is a great player in our conference," Wright said. "You've got to take her away if you can, especially her left hand."

The Patriots played well in spurts. The Mustangs scored the first 10 points of the game but were outscored, 7-3, over the last 4:12.

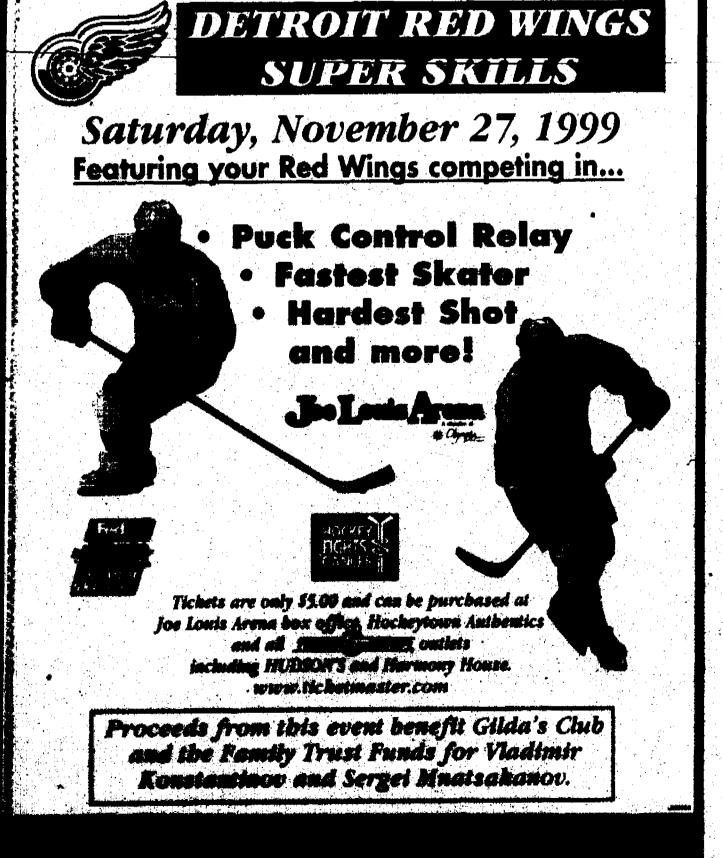


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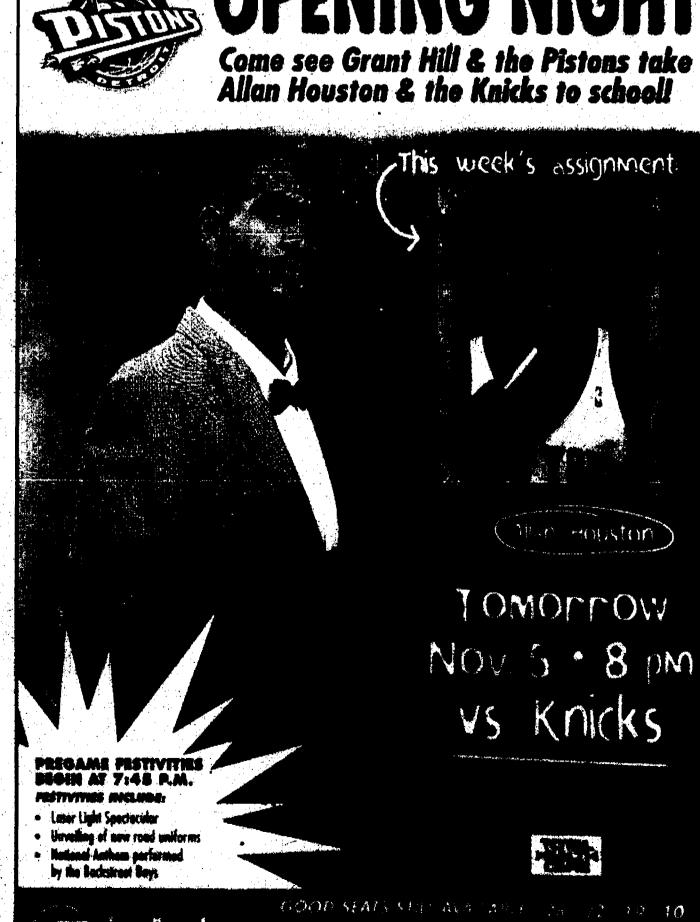
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Dowdell was 6-for-17 for 109 yards with two

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up his team's first TD. Dowdell ran eight times

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including 46 by Jackson and 82 by Jeff Atkins.

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Marshall warns Chuck Gordon that John

Glenn needs to bring its gopher-hole shoes,

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Traine their and Beir Knott is a 6-foot-5, 250

## Formidable Walled Lake Western next on slate for state champ CC

BY STEVE KOWALSKI STAFF WRITER skowalski@co.homocomm.net

When the Redford Catholic Central football players think of Warriors, Catholic League rival Birmingham Brother Rice usually comes to mind.

But a school that has the same nickname, Walled Lake Western. gets all of the Shamrocks' attention this week. Along with sharing a nickname with Rice. Western is gaining quite a reputation in football.

CC and Western, each undefeated in 10 games, battle in a Division I district final at 1 p.m. Saturday at Howard Kraft Field in Redford Township.

The Shamrocks, winners of 29 straight games, are two-time defending state champions in Class AA and have been the state's consensus No. 1 team throughout the season.

The Warriors, who were the Class AA state champion in 1996 after being runners-up in Class A in 1992, are ranked as high as No. 1 in Division I.

The Warriors depend on a stingy defense that emphasizes speed and quickness more than

The Warriors' top defensive back, senior Lorenzo Parker, has made a verbal commitment to play football at Vanderbilt.

"They look very aggressive, come at you very hard on defense." CC coach Tom Mach

South Lyon was held to 101 total yards in a 28-16 loss to Western in the first-round of the playoffs and afterward defensive tackle Delore Semaan made a bold statement in the Detroit

the CC team.

"No one can run on our defense." Semean told Mick McCabe. "We came out at 6 in the morning all summer to work for this. I think we've got the best D-line in the state. We played all-out tonight."

CC defensive tackle Jeremiah Hicks, tied for second on the team with 3', sacks, read that "I'll just answer to it on the field." Hicks said.

The Warriors feature a spreadout offense which Mach likens to last year's Class AA state finalist Rockford.

Senior tailback Cody Cargill has 1,057 yards in 180 carries (an average of 5.9 yards per carry) with 13 touchdowns. Quarterback Chris Payton is a threat to run and pass, rushing for 316 yards in 68 carries with 11 touchdowns and completing 51 of 94 passes for 588 vards. two touchdowns and two interceptions.

"They have good speed and create lanes," Mach said.

Western first-year coach Mike Zdebski said the Shamrocks are by far the best team the Warriors have faced. Senior tailback John Kava has 1,303 vards in 197 carries and 13 touchdowns and fullback Mike Wilk has 475 yards in 122 carries with 11 says the of tackies

When the Shamrocks don't get six points, Mike Sgroi has been reliable as a place kicker, making seven field goals with allong that, that thing that all the time. Mach of 49 vards.

If the Shamrocks have a weakness it's the passing game where quarterback John Hill has completed 26 of 70 passes for 307

Free Press that was noticed by yards with five touchdowns and no interceptions.

Hill has 144 yards rushing in 55 carries:

"They're a very, very good football team." Zdebski said. "They play with a tremendous amount of confidence. If we're going to have a chance it will have to be a defensive struggle. They're big, strong athletes and they're very well coached If anyone beats them it will be a tremendous. accomplishment.

"I've never seen a team this good. We thought we played some pretty good teams, but we haven't played anyone like CC. We have a pretty good record; but when you look at the teams they played versus the teams we played there is no comparison. They're in a totally different league.

"When you go up against a team like them you look for a chink in their armor - something you can attack. We're still\_ looking."

■ Note: CC s starting two-way increan-Mike Morris and defensive back Mark Willoughby, were injured in the 24/9 firstround playoff win over Liyonia Stevenson but are hoping to play Saturday

Morris suffered a shoulder injury in first half and watched the second half with an age pack on his shoulder. Steve Dom riguez, an offensive tackie starter. played defensive tackle in Morris' place. Pha Lohman replaced Morris on the offen-

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able, always hungry to improve.

"Smitherman does a lot of things for this team. Returns punts, runs the ball and plays receiver. He does a lot of things to help this team win."

Paddock and Smitherman are flanked by seniors Chad Sansom (5-8, 173) and Nick Rogiero (5-8,

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"Rogiero is a tremendous practice player and is always in the right spot at the right time who is having a great senior year," Gordon said, "Sansom is very steady. He's the kind of guy that when the game is over, and you've looked at the film, you see

he's had a pretty good game. Gordon is confident his secondary can get the job done.

"They can all run and they've all have good speed," the Glenn coach said. "They will get tested this week."

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## Churchill boys qualify for state meet

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Livonia Churchill boys cross country is back on the map.

The Chargers earned their first trip to the state Division I meet in the decade of the 1990s with a third place finish at Saturday's 16-team regional meet held at Ann Arbor Pioneer.

Saline and Novi gobbled up the first two berths with 42 and 74 points, respectively. See statistical summary.

Churchill scored 112 to secure the automatic bid for third place, 16 points ahead of city rival Stevenson, a team which finished two places ahead of the Chargers just a week earlier at the Western Lakes Activities Association meet.

"It's kind of surprising to me the way Stevenson had been running," said McGreevy, now his his fifth season. "Our kids ran well, and they all ran well at the same time."

At the beginning of the season, McGreevy believed the Chargers had the talent to qualify for the state meet, which is this Saturday at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn. (The Division I boys race starts at 1:30 p.m.)

"We started out this season pretty well, but then for two weeks in October we kind of hit a plateau," McGreevy said. "We took our guys Wednesday to see the Pioneer course.

"And on Saturday I could tell our guys

were loose and ready to go."

Three Chargers finished in the top 20 including sixth-place finisher Jason Richmond (16:24.8), 15th-placer Ryan Gall (16:50.4) and 19th-placer Dan Valentino (16:58.3) Junior Phil Johnson finished 25th, while three others — Troy Thomas, Logan Schultz and Jean Harris — took 48th, 49th and 50th, respectively.

The trio helped pick up the slack for varsity starter Paul Mercier, who has been sidelined for second half of the season with a viral infection.

"I thought we could maybe get four automatic qualifiers even if we didn't qualify for the team — I was confident they all could be somewhere around the top 25," McGreevy said. "The other guys just ran their fannies off."

Thomas is a transfer from Mount Pleasant High School, while Schultz is in his first year of cross country, a refugee from the marching band.

"Schultz ran track last spring and lettered." McGreevy said.

Churchill will be pitted against some stiff competition on Saturday. McGreevy is taking a realistic approach.

"Our goal is to get close to the top 10 in the p.m. this Saturday at MIS.

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state," he said.

Stevenson will send three individual qualifiers to the state meet — Matt Isner (18th), Frank Schnedier (20th) and Brad Carroll (21st).

Livonia Franklin also earned two individual berths, one by Brian Klotz, who finished 13th, and Steve Stewart, who garnered 16th.

### Warriors rule Class C regional

For the fifth time in seven years, Lutheran High Westland is regional cross country champion.

The Warriors, bolstered by three in the top 10, captured the Class C regional Saturday at Erie Mason with 59 points.

Dundee and Allen Park Cabrini also earned automatic berths to run this Saturday at the state meet with 95 and 98, respectively.

For coach John Gerlach it was his ninth state qualifying berth in the school's 14-year history.

The Warriors' Steve McFall was second overall with a time of 17:33.8, just under 9 seconds behind first-place finisher Nathaniel Rodriguez of Erie Mason.

Ken Broge and Jason McFall added sixth and seventh place, respectively, for Lutheran Westland. Matt Doede (21st) and Brian Block (27th) completed the scoring.

The state Class C boys race begins at 2 p.m. this Saturday at MIS.

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## Daly, DiGiovanni lead CC to regional title

Junior John DiGiovanni recently returned to the Redford Catholic Central boys cross country lineup, which makes coach Tony Magni feel even better about what junior Matt Daly is accomplishing.

Daly was the only runner to break 16 minutes at the Class A Region 5 hosted by Royal Oak Kimball on Saturday, leading the Shamrocks to a first-place finish and a berth in the state

Daly crossed the finish line in 15:56.7, with Birmingham Groves' Steve Smith a distant second (16:16.1).

CC junior Doug Gibbons was fifth (16:27.4) and DiGiovanni, who missed most of the regular season with a stress fracture in his knee, finished eighth (16:33.2).

If Daly turns in another time like Saturday's and DiGiovanni can come closer to 16 minutes, the Shamrocks are expecting at least a top five finish at the state meet, held at Michigan International Speedway.

The Class A race begins at

"Matt wasn't even close to

John last year," Magni said.
"But John has been hurt and
Matt has been taking over to the
point Matt feels he's one of the
better runners in the state. The
injury has taken its toll on John
at the moment. I hope he has
one more race left in him this

Five of the Shamrocks' seven runners were among the top 15, including senior Jeff Haller in 10th place (16:46.4) and junior Dan Krawiec in 15th (16:58.5).

Gibbons is a former soccer player at CC who has found his niche as a runner, Magni said.

Gibbons has been second behind Daly all season, Magni said. Krawiec is recovered from a shin injury that slowed him earlier in the year.

Finishing 23rd was CC senior Adam Tymowski (17:05.9) and taking 27th was CC senior Bryan Buchanan (17:15.4).

"Daly took off from the gun and kept on increasing the pace as the race went on," Magni said. "Matt can be in the top 10 or 15 (at the state meet) if he runs a good race. I'm hoping our seven guys stay close to each other and as close to Daly as possible."

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## Regional champ Parker shows Spartans to MIS

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Livonia Stevenson recently won its sixth straight Western Lakes Activities Association girls cross country title.

So it was no surprise coach Paul Holmberg's squad will be making its sixth straight appearance at the Division I state meet, which starts at 2:30 p.m. this Saturday at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn.

Stevenson garnered one of the three automatic bids with a third-place finish last Saturday at the Ann Arbor Pioneer regional meet.

Host Pioneer and Saline grabbed first and second with 51 and 86 points, respectively, while Stevenson was third with

And once again, Stevenson senior Andrea Parker repeated as regional champion, outdueling Pioneer's Amber Culp for first-place individual honors.

The two, who have run neckand-neck all season, finished the 5,000-meter race in 19:03 and 19:14.7, respectively.

"They've probably run a halfdozen races against each other against the past couple years, and for the first two miles they're stride-for-stride," said Holmberg, whose team is making its seventh state meet trip in the 1990s. "But then, when it comes down to the end, Andrea pulls away and beats her.

"It seems every race has been exactly the same."

Freshman Tessa Tarole added a 17th for Stevenson, while freshman Sara Pilon took 18th.

Pilon's older sister, Laura, is a former Stevenson standout who recently finished 12th in the Midwestern Collegiate Conference meet for the University of Detroit Mercy Titans.

"Sara has really come on the last couple of weeks," Holmberg said. "She was the last of our freshmen to crack the varsity and has really improved. I was kind of surprised, but that's the tough."

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■ Livonia Arsenal, an under-9

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■ The Livonia YMCA Light-

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Team, members include

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kind of kid she is."

Sara may also be following in her sister's footsteps.

"They both served as caddies at Western Country Club and they're used to lugging those heavy bags around all summer," Holmberg said.

Stevenson's other two finishers included freshman Steffanie Rousseau (31st) and Tara Tarole

"We came in this meet as a very young and inexperienced team," Holmberg said. "And the competition was the most evenly balanced I've seen in years among the top teams, so I was not sure how our young kids would respond.

"The whole thing was nervewracking and it was a tight course."

Livonia Churchill, a strong second behind Stevenson in the WLAA meet, got in one individual qualifier, 19th-place finisher Susan Duncan.

But the Chargers settled for sixth in the team standings behind fourth-place Novi and fifth-place Plymouth Salem.

"You've got at least four or more teams that deserve to go to the state meet," Holmberg said. "You could be one point out of third and don't go. That happened to Novi last year."

Holmberg, who is making his 12th trip to the state finals as Stevenson coach, will take his team Friday to Jackson for an overnight stay.

"Looking at the teams who qualified I think being in the top. 10 is a reasonable expectation for us," Holmberg said. "But with such a young team, I'm wondering if I have too high of expectations.

"There are going to be almost 300 girls in the race. There's going to be so much traffic. You could be running what you think is good race because you're in the top third of the field, but you also could be in 90th place.

"That's what makes it so

## Lady Warriors champions

Tess Kuehne clocked an even 20 minutes, leading Lutheran High Westland to the Class C regional title Saturday at Erie

Kuehne was the first individual among the 81-member field.

Lutheran Westland edged Southfield Christian for the team title, 60-64. The host Eagles got the final automatic bid with 107.

Three others also finished in the top 20 for the Lady Warriors including Angie Matthews, sixth. 20:56; Jessica Montgomery. 16th, 21:34; and Mary Ebendick, 19th, 21:50.

Chelsea Romero added a 24th (22:41), while Aimee Anthony was 36th (23:38)

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There will be a meeting for Livonia Parks and Recreation men's basketball teams, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 at the Civic Center Library (Room C):

League play will begin in January of 2000.

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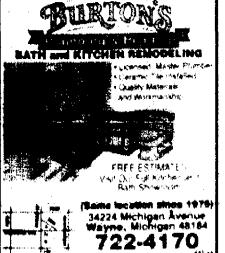
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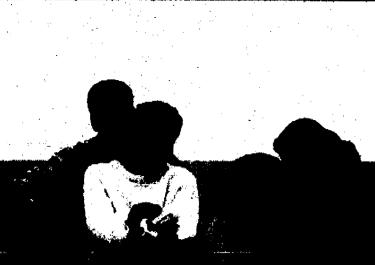
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## **WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**

## Dumm play turns out OK for Madonna, 2-1

Jennifer Dumm made one big save. Jenny Barker made the

They all added up to a 2-1 vic tory over Aquinas College for Madonna University's women's soccer team in a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Tournament semifinal played Tuesday in Grand Rapids.

The third-seeded Lady Crusaders improved to 14-5-1 overall; they advance to meet regular-season champion Siena Heights Saturday in Adrian. Siena Heights (16-2-2 overall) beat Cornerstone University 3-0

Tuesday. Aquinas bows out at 17-3-1.

The key play in the match came with 13 minutes left. The Saints' Meghan Luckett got loose in front of the Madonna goal with Barker down and the score knotted at 1-all. But Dumm, a keeper who was filling in as a defender at the time, knocked the shot out with her hands, earning herself a red card and Aquinas a penalty kick.

However Barker, a sophomore from Livonia Stevenson, was equal to the challenge. She dived to her right to stop Kim Eager's penalty kick, keeping the score tied.

It didn't stay that way for long. Dawn Sanders, a freshman forward from Garden City who scored three goals in Madonna's 5-0 victory over Spring Arbor last Saturday in the opening round of the WHAC Tournament, converted a play storted by Megan Thiry and Jamie Scott with 9:26 left to play to make it

Sanders was named the WHAC player of the week for her performance last Saturday.

She added to her total ---Sanders had just one goal in 18 previous matches — by scoring both Madonna goals against Aquinas. The first tied the match at 1-all with 27:40 gone in the opening half; she headed in a free kick from Melissa Jacobs.

Aquinas had the early lead, getting a goal on a breakaway by Amy Panse 9:29 into the game: But Barker was unbeatable after that, making 13 saves.

With some help from Dumm. The red card will keep Dumm on the sidelines for Saturday's WHAC final.

Last Saturday, Sanders scored once in the first half and twice more in the second to enable Madonna to eliminate Spring Arbor (7-10), Jamie Scott got the Crusaders first goal at the 27:54 mark; Sanders made it 2-0 with 5:31 left in the half. Jennifer Antonelli also scored for Madon-

Scott had two assists for the Crusaders; Kelly Delaney, Lindsay Crawford and Shannon Wiley also had assists. Barker and Dumm shared time in goal for Madonna.

The Crusaders had a 35-3 shot advantage.

## Lady Ocelots romp

Schoolcraft College's women's soccer team concluded its regular season with an 8-0 triumph over St. Mary's College Saturday at Orchard Lake.

Kelly Connell (from Plymouth Canton) and Danielle Shaffer each had two goals and three assists in the game; other goals were credited to Emily Alford (Livonia Clarenceville), Meghan Jannuzzi, Michele Baldori (Plymouth Salem) and Kristina Seniuch (Plymouth Salem).

Shannon Konarski contributed two assists. Keeper Shannon Brooks recorded her fifthstraight shutout and her 10th of the season.

SC hosts the NJCAA District Tournament Friday and Saturday, with the Lady Ocelots going against the College of DuPage (Ill.) at 1 p.m. Friday in one semifinal and Rochester College (Minn.) meeting Waldorf College (Iowa) at 3 p.m. Friday in the other. The winners meet at 12:30 p.m. Saturday at SC.







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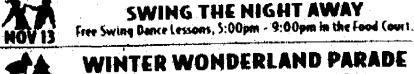
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Strongenes to 15-5-1 overall. Lakeland bows

out at 14.5 & Cayahoga finishes at 10-7.

It was a seem, tough tournament, with playera from all participating teams getting red cards. Two stations for SC, marking defender Paul Anguen and leading scorer Johnny Demergis (from Flymouth Canton), were red-carded in the Carabaga game and had to sit out the solids against Labeland.

Assen MacDonald (Plymouth Salem) was redcarded in the Lakeland match and will miss SC's equaling district game, 10:30 a.m. Saturday against fews Central.

With Destergis addelined 15 minutes into the second half of the Curshage match (and, consesaid to find some offense elsewhere. They did, mainly from Tony Maldonado (Livonia

Although reflect carded early in the Cuyahoga match. Maldonario hung in against Cuyahoga and eventually was part of the game's key play. After a secretor regulation and first overtime, Malanade was hauled down in the box with was selected but in the second OT.

was awarded; Mike Slack A woodly kick was awarded; Mike Slack (Livenia Charchill) converted it to give SC its 1-

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in the game's only goal, on a pass the game's cuty marker.

Ben Davis (Canton) was unbeatable in goal for the Ocelots, who have surrendered just nine guals in their last 17 matches. Indeed, Lakeland

had just one dangerous chance, when it hit the crossbar midway through the second half.

Iowa Central, 12-4 overall, figures to provide quite a test in SC's district semifical. The other semifinal pits Belleville Area (III.) against Hethany Lutheran (Minn.).

According to SC coach Van Dimitrion, the district favorite should be Belleville (17-2-1), which has been ranked as high as No. 2 in the NJCAA. Bethany Lutheran brings a 13-5-1 record to the tournament. Those teams meet in a semifinal st 2:30 p.m. Saturday.

The district championship is noon Sunday at

## Madonna advances in WHAC playoffs

Madonna University's men's soccer team advanced to the semifinals of the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Tournament with a 5-1 trouncing of Spring Arbor Saturday at Livenia's Whitman Field.

The No. 3-seeded Fighting Crusaders, who improved to 14-5-1, advanced to yesterday's semifinal at second-seeded Siena Heights. Spring Arbor bowed out at 6-13.

Madonna scored three times in the first 12:32 of the match to virtually ice the victory. Brian Murphy got the Crusaders on the board first, nailing a shot from 30 yards out at the 8:39 mark. Sam Piraine assisted.

Charlie Bell, the senior midfielder from Derry, Ireland, who was named WHAC player of the week, made it 2-0 at the 11:21 mark with the first of his two goals (he had three for the week), a sliding shot set up by Seamus Rustin. Jeremy Hornak got Madonna's third goal just 1:11 later, stealing a Cougar pass in their end and converting it.

Spring Arbor's Brent Raklovitz narrowed the deficit to 3-1 at the 27:04 mark, but the Crusaders added two goals in the second half to pull away. Keith Barber got the first, converting a through ball from Rustin (his second assist); Bell got the second, heading in a pass from Oleg

Dave Hart was in goal for 84.37, making two

Pat Nalley was in the net for the Cougars.

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## Malewski's 31 kills lifts MU

## VOLLEYBALL

Brandy Malewski left her mark Tuesday, racking up 31 kills, 18 digs and two solo, lead- 🖫 ing Madonna University to 15-2 10, 15-7, 12-15, 15-6 women's 15 volleyball victory Tuesday at Siena Heights.

Madonna, tied with Cornerstone for first place in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Com to ference at 10-1, is 27-13 overall:

Stephanie Uballe and Kelly Artymovich combined for 25 kills I for the Lady Crusaders. Setter " Jennie Wind had 117 assists-tie \* kills, while Nicole Burns contributed a team-high 21 digs.

Over the weekend, Madonna 🖫 lost all four of their matches winning just two of 14 games at 5 the Big Guns Classic hosted by College of St. Francis (II).:

On Friday, Madonna was I defeated by St. Mary's College; (Neb.) 15-6, 15-11, 15-4 and by -Bethel College (Ind.) 15-7, 13-15.

15-10, 15-10. Saturday's results were no better, falling to Dordt College : Ia : 15-5, 15-6, 15-8 and to host-team ?

St. Francis 15-7, 15-6, 11-15, 15-5 Malewski, a junior from Red-1 ford Thurston, led Madonna with: 61 kills in the four matches. She--.

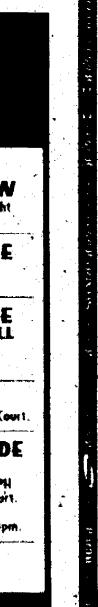
and four service aces. Uballe, a senior, played just? Friday's two matches and fing ished with 20 kills and 18 blocks  $\gamma$ 

also totaled 40 digs, 33 blocks.

Burns, a senior, collected 26 kills, 51 digs and 26 blocks. Kelly Artymovich, a junior, had; 29 kills, 58 digs and 11 blocks Marviu Hemme Hymouth (Likenia Ladywood had 15 kills and-56 dige; and Jen Wing totaled had assists to kills and 44 digs.

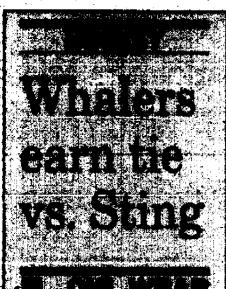
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And Plymouth did. Nate. Riser scored his first goal of the bearing \$.52 into the third period, and Aeron Molner made it stand up as the Whaters sarned a 2-2

Plymouth is now 6-8-2 and in third place in the Ontario Hockey League's West Division. Servia is 5-7-3 and in fourth blace in the West Division.

Stephen Weiss and Damien Surme assisted on Riser's game-tying goal.

After a accretess first period, the Stang took a 1-0 load on a goal by Jeff Heerma et 1:53. Reb McBride tied it scoring his first goal of the season at the 6:42 mark; Shaun Fisher and flevin Pictoridge assisted.

GREYHOUNDS S. WHALERS 3: A pair of late third-period goals by Jeff Richards and Tim Zafaris Saturday night gave the visiting Soutt Ste. Marie Greyhounds the victory over the Phymouth Whaters.

Julian Smith's goal at 5:16 of the third period gave the Whalers a 3-3 tie at Compuware Arena and it looked for the next 10 minutes as though Plymouth might contains on its wide afet advantage.

But Sault Ste. Marie, the OHL's West Division leader. frume in there and Richards broke the tie of 18:08.

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Phymouth forced goalle Jeson Flick of Soult Ste. Marie to make 38 seves in the Corne.

Aeron Molner was called upon to make 15 saves for the Whaters but the Greyhounds scored on their only what against him in the final

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## 'New look' Crusaders ready

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS WRITER cirisak@oe.homecomm.net.

There has been one constant element throughout Bernie Holowicki's tenure as Madonna University's men's basketball coach - and that's change.

Since Holowicki took over as the coach of the Fighting Crusaders prior to the 1995-96 season, they have never won more than nine games. And they have never been able to keep players on their roster long enough to build a viable program.

There will be no alterations in that program this season. Madonna started last seasonwith five freshmen and three sophomores on its 14-man roster; this year, the Crusaders open the season with four freshmen and three sophomores on its 10-man roster.

Madonna was 4-26 in 1997-98. It was 8-23 last season.

Only one player from last vear's squad was lost to graduation: Mike Maryanski. Seven others that were on the team at the start of last season either did not return or were academic casual-

A turnover rate like that makes building a program difficult, to say the least. In a league like the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference, which featured the NAIA national champion in Cornerstone and a Sweet 16 qualifier in Siena Heights, suc**MEN'S HOOPS** 

cess with a new roster every year is impossible.

But Holowicki remains optimistic. "We're getting there," he said as his squad went through drills in preparation for yesterday's season-opener at St. Mary's College. "We've got 10 guys who are not only good players, but they're good students, too."

One asset the Crusaders did manage to keep from last year was the WHAC's leading scorer: Mike Massey, a 6-foot-2 sophomore guard from Walled Lake Western who averaged 19.1 points a game last season.

It was the second-straight season Madonna had the league's leading scorer, and both times it was a freshman. But prior to last season, Mark Haves transferred to NCAA Division I Fairfield University in Fairfield, Conn. He has since left that program and is now attending Michigan State.

Indeed, although there were substantial losses and one of Madonna's major problem - a lack of size - will continue to plague the Crusaders, all is not lost.

Not hardly.

That's because the five players who will serve as starters this season all have some starting experience from last season.

They are led by senior co-cap-

tains Chad Putnam, a 6-5 forward from Redford (Thurston HS), and Jason Skoczylas, a 6-5 center from Dearborn St. Alphon-

Skoczylas, who tips the scale at 230 pounds, averaged 8.5 points and five rebounds a game while converting a team-best 56.8 percent of his floor shots. Putnam nailed 20-of-42 three-pointers (47.6 percent), scoring 4.7 points

Others who Holowicki will call on are 6-1 sophomore point guard Trevor Hinshaw (3.2 points, 2.4 assists a game last season) and 6-3 junior swingman Mark Mitchell (4.1 points, 2.8 rebounds).

Massey will again be looked to for scoring - after all, he converted 36 percent of his threepoint tries last season - but Holowicki isn't about to make him the Crusaders only option.

"He's better (than he was last year), but he's not an unknown product this year," the Madonna coach pointed out.

"We're not a big team. We're probably the smallest team in the league. And we're probably the youngest team in the league, too. "But we want to be the most

want to be able to run." Of course, to get a running game going a team has to be able to rebound. That, as Holowicki

aggressive team, too. And we

Madonna was outrebounded by an average of 40.3-34.2 per game

acknowledged, won't be easy.

Calling the shots: Madonna men's basketball coach

Bernie Holowicki (center) eyes the 1999-2000 season.

last season. The Crusaders have, that luxury." since lost their leading rebounder -- Maryanski --- to graduation.

"Four guys who will have to rebound for us are Jason, Chad, Tommy (See, a 6-6 sophomore) and Josh (Jensen, a 6-7 freshman)," said Holowicki, adding the season will be defined by "how we rebound, how we run, how we shoot."

Jensen isn't the only freshman recruit expected to contribute immediately. Others are Jordan Garrison, a 6-4 small forward from Holly: Dan Kurtinaitis, a 6-3 point guard from Dearborn Edsel Ford, and Aaron Cox, a 6foot guard/forward from New Boston Huron.

"We can't afford any injuries," said Holowicki. "We don't have

Especially since the WHAC looks to be as tough as ever. In the pre-season poll of the league's coaches. Tri-State University was chosen to finish first, with Siena Heights second and Cornerstone third. Madonna was chosen for seventh in the eight-team league.

"They shoot the ball well," summarized Holowicki. "They're smart, they play with intensity. And they're good defensively.

"We're going to battle. And we're going to battle on the boards. This has been a hardworking group. There's not a lot of numbers, but there's a lot of heart."

What Madonna will need is a lot of rebounds to compete in the



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ond!" Don't miss the Ridgedale Players' presentation of the sequel to "Beau Jest" by James Sherman, 8 p.m. at the theater, 205 W. Long Lake Road, Troy. Tickets are \$11 and include coffee and sandwich afterglow, (248) 988-7049.

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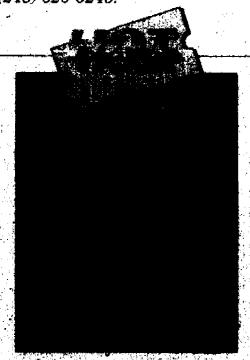


Guest conductor Carl St. Clair leads the Detroit Symphony Orchestra 8:30 p.m. at Orchestra Hall in Detroit. Concert features soloist Camellia Johnson, soprano, and includes two works by American composer Frank Tiche li. Tickets are \$19-\$50. Call (313) *576-5111*.

## SUNDAY



Musica Viva opens its season 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at Kingswood Auditorium, Cranbrook, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, with "Flamenco Passion," a show featuring Dame Maria del Carmen Spanish Dance Theatre with soloists, guitarists, dancers and singers; the premiere of the "Gypsy Ballads" by Garcia Lorca; and a guest appearance by flutist Ginka Ortega. Tickets are \$25, patron tickets \$50. Includes preferred seating and private afterglow. Call (248) 851-8872, patrons call (248) 626-6245.



**Not The Michigan Opera** Theatre presents "Werther." an opera starring Andrea Bocelit. Denvoe Graves (pictured), Ying Huang and Christopher Schaldanbrand at the Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. Performances 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, and Friday, Nov. 12; 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14. Tickets \$55-\$250. Call (313) 237-SING or (248) 545 5555.



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

Family connections: Photo at left, Rikki Schwartz (left to right), Jan Cable and Michelle Roschek rehearse a scene from the Clark. ston Village Player's production, "Close ... Ties." Below, Tim Dunham. (Rev. Jerry Dolan) shares a moment of humor with Nora Bonner (Margarette) in "To Forgive, Divine.'



## **Clarkston Village Players** presents 'Close Ties'

What: The Clarkston Vil-

"Close Ties" by Elizabeth

When: 8 p.m. Friday-Sat

urday, Nov. 5-6, Nov. 12-

13 and 19-20; 7:30 p.m.

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lage Players presents

By Susan B. Tauber STAFF WRITTER stauber@oc.homecomm.net

larkston Village Players is bringing to its Depot Therange of feelings - including possible hunger pangs - from the audience.

The play, "Close Ties," takes place in the kitchen of a family matriarch's summer home. Stage manager Joanne Anderson of Waterford is trying to make the kitchen come to life just as the characters do.

kitchen with running water and a stove that works," said director Al Bartlett of Rochester Hills. "Joanne is a cracker jack. We hope to have a cake baking on stage and we'll have the smell of bacon running

through the theater." But the real challenge to directing this drama written by Elizabeth Diggs, he said, is bringing

this "very meaningful story to mended the play for adults and the people" without it's appearing as a soap opera.

"If it's done successfully, the audience should be able to laugh, to be touched emotionally, to see themselves and members of their families in the characters on stage," added Bartlett, a life member of Clarkston Village

"Close Ties" is set in the 1980s. It centers around the matriarch of the family, Josephine, played by Jan Cable of Clarkston, Josephine's family and a granddaughter's boyfriend.

Roschek and Jeff VoVillia of Clarkston, Rikki Schwartz and Bob Gerics of Waterford, Mary Beth Skinner and Linda Killeater a play that will elicit a wald of White Lake and Bill Bailey of Auburn Hills. Behind-thescenes people include producer Don Foster of Waterford and set designer Holly Stephens, also of Waterford.

Others in the cast are Michelle

"This is an extremely good play. It's a powerful drama with a beautiful story," Bartlett added. "It reveals the relationships between the people in the family "We're trying to set up the and their relationship with

Josephine, whom they realize is developing senility."

Clarkston Village Players presentations are done in the attractive and comfortable Depot Theater, an actual former train depot. The small house brings an intimate atmosphere to productions that isn't experienced at large the-

Bartlett recomteenagers.

"If I had to rate this, I'd rate it PG-13 plus," he said. "There is nothing extremely objectionable, although there are a couple of lines with adult references."

"Close Ties" opens to the public on Friday, Nov. 5.

The rest of the Clarkston Village Players 1999-2000 season includes an unannounced comedy in January, "A Case of Libel" in March, "A Bad Year for Tomatoes" in May, "Mass Appeal" in June and an unscheduled children's show and comedy night.



## **Trinity House** injects humor into religious issues

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

hen Thomas Malcolm Olson first read Jack Neary's "To Forgive, Divine," he knew he had a hit on his hands.

As director of Trinity House Theatre, Olson finds it's not always easy to come up with a play that tackles moral issues in a humorous manner. But the opening show of the 1999-2000 season does just that.

"It's one of those plays, you just laugh out loud," said Olson. "I thought it was one of the best comedies I ever read. It has heart without being sentimental. It's about a priest who's examining his life, all the sacrifices he's made, is it worth it."

Tim Dunham plays Jerry Dolan, the young priest struggling with major life

## Please see HUMOR, E2

## On Stage

What: Trinity House Theatre presents To Forgive.

Divine" by Jack Neary. When: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6, 12-13, 19. 20 and 26-27; and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, 14, 21 and 28. Pay what you can preview performance 8 p.m.

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In tune: Cellist Shauna Rolston performs traditional and contemporary compositions for cello. She is among the top cellists expanding the repertoire for the instrument.

## Flattering face redefines classical music boundaries

BY FRANK PROVENZANO fprovenzano@oe.homecomm.net

The resemblance between cellist Shauna Rolston and pop-country singer diva Shania Twain might be more than superficial.

Besides sharing obvious physical similarities and a defiantly glamorous attitude. Rolston is very much like-Twain in redefining the boundaries of her musical genre-

Rolston will perform in a concert recital Tuesday at the Cranbrook House. Her program includes sonatas by Debussy. Barber and Chopin.

But don't expect Rolston, 32, to accompany her bow and cello by wearing a pleasantly indistinguishable monocolored gown. Or a neatly pressed and urbane expression.

If some think a half-century of country music traditions were tough barriers to break, then consider what Rob ston has accomplished in redefining

the image of a In Concert classical musician, with her What: Cellist Shauna

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audience. While Rolston often performs classical pieces considered within the standard repertoire for the cello, her relentless approach and zeal are anything but stodgy traditionalism.

"I imagine that I'm having a conversation with the composer that they're right there with me and I can ask them questions," said Rolston.

That might not be too far of a stretch Rolston is in high demand as both a performer and an artist coveted by con-

temporary composits. "It's exploring sound and gesture," said Rolston. "I tearn a lot working with current composers. I've learned

that responding to music requires different types of rely xes, gestures and a sense of drama."

Please see BOUNDARIES, E2

## **POPULAR MUSIC**

## Ready, set, go: Park set to tour, release album, star in film

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STATE WEITER scanola@oc.homocomm.net

A name like "Park: A Rock Band" doesn't leave much to the imagination, but the Detroit-based band is anything but a predictable bunch.

Don't confuse Park with the Detroit street of the same name, or the lush, green playground that comes to mind with any mention of the word. Just give the band a listen.

"I like a lot of fire and passion," said Chuck Bartels, Park's basaist and a former Garden City resident. "We try to groove as hard as possible at all times." Perhaps it's just that explosive energy that brought the band together in the first place.

Park's guitarist Joshua Funk (his real name. believe it or not), has been playing music since he was in grade school. He started on the piano and moved on to the trumpet, cello and guitar --- perhaps not the most common path for a rock musician, but it's given him a broad base of knowledge. Funk names The Pixies. The Beatles and Ween as musical

influences. He met keyboardist Chad Krueger in 1996 while

working as part of Second City's improvisational comedy troupe, and they formed the band. Park was named for the building in which they lived, Detroit's Park Avenue Hotel. About a year and a half ago, the band solidified its cast of characters adding Bartels and drummer Doug Walsh into the mix. With a regular Monday night gig at The Town Pump, on the first floor of the building, and by completing two CDs within a three-year period, the band has worked quickly to build its reputation in the Metro area.

A Rock Band

"Musically we attempt to combine different styles of music together, find new sounds," said Funk, classifying the group's music as a sort of pop-rock

fusion. "There's a lot of improvisation, too. "One of the things we took from Second City was the comedic improvisation and the musical improvisation, and (we're) applying it to music," he said. "I'd say it's a lot easier (improvising) in theater."

Park completed its first national tour in support of "What I Did On My Summer Vacation," their second

Please see PARK, E2



Homecoming: Welcome "Park: A Rock Band" home when they perform Monday, Nov. 8, at the Town Pump in Detroit

## Boundaries from page E1

in addition to recently recording short pieces for cello and piano, Rolston has collaborated with a choreographer on a dance, and a filmmaker and percussionist on music for a video entitled, "Smokin' f-holes."

"I'd like to expand the repertoire (for the cello) because that means that I'm evolving as a musician and that I'm contributing to the history of the instrument."

Since her days as a child prodigy, Rolston's career has been

closely followed. She made her New York debut in Town Hall at 16, and has appeared in recital at the most prestigious concert halls in the world. She has also recorded with the London Philharmonia Orchestra, pianist Meahem Pressler and Angela Hewitt.

Rolston last appeared at Cranbrook House in the winter of 1997 as a guest cellist with the renowned St. Lawrence String Quartet.

## Park from page E1

album, last summer, but returns to the road this month. The album is described as a combination of Zappa freakout, prog-rock symphony and rock-opera parody. And the band is known for its ability to induce a party at any given moment. Catching Park live is an unpredictable experience, according to band members

"We can jam one song all night, or stop and start improvised breaks," said Bartels. "On a good night, a little bit of everything happens and it works well."

But Park: A Rock Band, hasn't stripped itself completely of its theatrical skin. The band performed in a musical comedy, "Garage," at Hamtramck's Planet Ant Theatre. The shew, cowritten by Funk and Nancy Hayden, debuted in February 1998. A film version is currently in the works, starring Park as — what else — a rock band. "Garage: A Rock Saga" includes a celebrity appearance from George Wendt (Norm of "Cheers" fame).

"It's about a rock band in 1974, a 25-year story about a garage band," said Funk, a Dearborn Heights resident. Park will provide the music for the movie soundtrack, titled "Garage: The Soundtrack," which is due out next spring.

Not all the band members, however, consider themselves

"I felt like a fish out of water," admitted Bartels. "(For) the live part, we got a lot of material from our album. This movie has kept everyone really busy, especially Josh."

But moviemaking is on hold for the time being as Park sets out on a cross-country tour, starting on the West Coast. "We get to meet people from all over the country, from coast to coast," said Funk with anticipation.

However, it can be rough getting used to touring. "We camp or stay with people we meet." he said. "We usually don't make any money. It gets kind of difficult. But it's kind of an investment. You get what you put into it. You get to eat."

While Park is away, check out the band on disc. Both albums, "Seventh Heaven" and "What I Did On My Summer Vacation," are available through Planet Ant Records. Call (313) 365-4948 or c-mail info@planetant.com. Check the Web at www.planetant.com/park. Welcome the band home when they perform Monday, Nov. 8, at the Town Pump in Detroit. Call (313) 961-1929 for more information regarding the show.

## Humor from page E1

decisions. A graduate of Southfield Christian High School, Dunham is a screen writer himself. He appreciates the subtle nuances Neary has written into the play.

"Like any good play, it has something to say. It's almost a tragic comedy," said Dunham who studied screen writing and directing while earning a master's degree at Regent University in Virginia. He's currently working on a film project that is an adaptation of a Flannery O'Connor short story.

"On the eve of his high school band reunion, he runs into a girl he always admired. These feelings for her have resurfaced. She's in a less-than-happy marriage. She starts to have feelings for the priest. He's torn between his responsibilities to the church and his old flame."

Dorothy Dunne plays Rev. Dolan's housekeeper, a woman trying to keep the priest on the straight and narrow path his calling requires him to walk.

"She's a woman devoted to her church and religion," said Dunne, a Livonia resident. "Suddenly she sees this young priest grow up and his great potential and now sees an interruption. Millie is a woman who plays by the rules with a great deal of love and commitment to those around her. She has little patience with human frailty. The play is showing even though he's a priest, he is human. That's what the whole play's about — that we're human."

At 65, Dunne only recently returned to the theater. Most of her roles so far have been with Trinity House because of its commitment to presenting plays with substance.

"At Trinity House, they're very insightful, very thoughtful," said Dunne. "They do the kind of plays that make you think about your religion"

In addition to delivering plays with value, Olson plans to continue working to broaden Trinity House Theatre's audience by also presenting concerts, films and comedies.

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"We're also reaching out to the community by bringing in Hartland Theatre Company productions. The Ann Arbor playwrights also meet here," said Olson. "We want to be seen as a resource for the community by meeting a variety of needs, an outlet for creative expression."

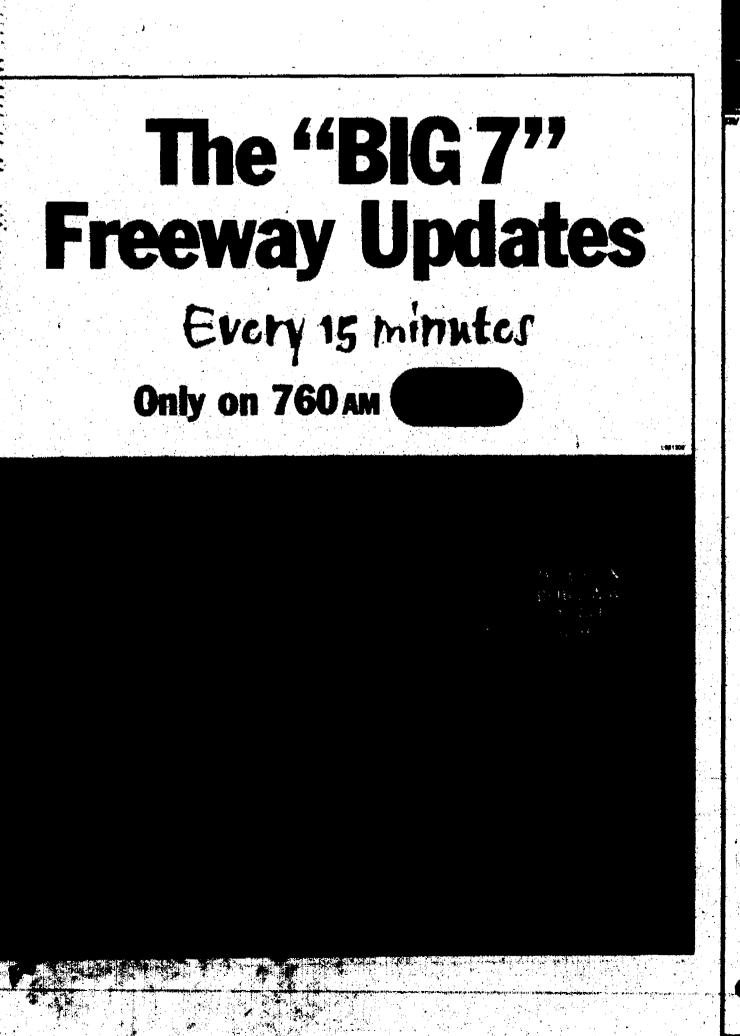
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"The theater is holding a membership drive so we can get a core group of artists who believe in what we're doing," said Olson. "We've enhanced the mission statement that Trinity House exists to enrich and enliven the communities of southeastern Michigan through brave, truthful and necessary works of art. We integrate faith and art but we're not confined to do religious alove."

One of the programs the theater is instituting to encourage membership is the "On the Boundary Series" beginning in January.

"Trinity House is not an actor's theater but a worker's theater," said Olson. "We're giving theater members a venue for their work. The series will try to break down the walls that separate the audience from the actors. The audience will critique the works but emphasis is going to be on craft."







## Bocelli's appearance, MOT's 'Werther' create spectacle beyond stage

Michigan Opera Theatre presents "Werther," an opera starring Andrea Bocelli, Denyce Graves, Ying Huang and Christopher Schaldanbrand. Music by Jules Massenet. Conducted by Steven Mercurio. Directed by Mario Cor-

Performances at 8 p.m. Saturday Nov. 6, and Friday, Nov. 12; 2 p.m. Nov. 14 at Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. Tickets \$55-\$250. Call (313) 237. SING, or TicketMaster (248) 645-6666.

BY FRANK PROVENZANO

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Right up until he arrived on the Detroit Opera House stage sitting atop a white horse, the anticipation surrounding Andrea Bocelli making his North American opera debut had stirred a grand spectacle, even by opera standards.

Nearly 50 critics from around the world showed up in downtown Detroit Local media talking-heads put on tuxedos and conducted interviews in the opera house lobby. And the streets outside the opera house were filled with pedestrians walking in the brilliant light cast by the massive towers of the nearby under-construction Comerica Park.

Without a doubt, Bocelli's debut must be considered among the operatic events of the year, not just for the Michigan Opera Theatre, but in the international opera world.

On an exceptionally warm night in late October, the opening of "Werther," starring the world-famous Italian tenor in the lead, had the cosmopolitan feel of a historic performance-Partly because of his wide international popularity and partly because of the obvious challenge for a blind singer to perform the difficult dramatic role, there was a palpable rooting for Bocelli to succeed. Swooning females could be heard, and eager supporters frequently applauded encouragement.

Of course, when it comes to critically dissecting MOT's "Werther" and Bocelli's performance it depends on how success is defined.

For a debut, Bocelli's performance was more hype than rewarding. Unfortunately, it soon became clear that Bocelli's softly modulated, fragile tenor was better captured in the confines of either an amplified stage or a recording studio.

At times, Bocelli's voice was overshadowed by Jules Massenet's music. And for a portrayal of an impulsive, love-atall-cost romantic caught in a tragic tailspin of unattainable love, Bocelli was altogether too emotionally restrained to be believable.

While the pacing and endless dirges of "Werther" is at times tiresome, the performances of mezzo-soprano Denyce Graves and soprano Ying Huang provide

a stirring demonstration of the power and subtly of a trained voice and charismatic stage pres-

Like a bright jewel in the October Thight, the promise of "Werther" is reflected early in the third act as Graves and Huang share the spotlight. Graves vocal girth invokes the depth of her pain over desperately loving a man she can never marry. And Huang's vocal dexterity is a delightful reprieve from the syrupy melancholy.

Yet perhaps in the end, the knight that rode atop a white horse arrived for another purpose. After all, MOT's "Werther" just wasn't about opera. There was, no doubt, a higher agenda.

In the end, there's little to crit-

icize when considering the sheer guts required for Bocelli to undertake the demanding role of Werther. And perhaps equally impressive is Bocelli's willingness to broaden his horizons, and bring along an adoring public to the melodramatic spectacle known as opera.

Thus, in many ways, Bocelli's mere presence on the Detroit Opera House stage is in itself an unqualified success, and a reminder that MOT Managing Director David DiChiera is one of the most creative and persuasive forces in the opera world.

To think that more and more people are talking about opera and the future of downtown Detroit's theater district shouldn't be underestimated.

## 'The Heidi Chronicles' has message of honesty and hope

St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook presents "The Heidi Chronicles," by Wendy Wasserstein, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 4-6, at 400 Lone Pine Road, between Cranbrook and Lahser roads, Bloomfield Hills. Shuttle service available from Christ Church parking lot across from the theater. Tickets \$12, seniors and students \$10. Call (248) 644-0527.

### MARY JANE DOERR SPECIAL WRITER

Amy Lynn Smith makes such an engaging lecturer as professor Heidi Holland talking about 16th century women artists in the opening of scene of St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook's "The Heidi Chronicles" that her lecturing should garner more interest in the subject. This illustrated mini-course in art history is part of playwright Wendy Wasserstein's Pulitzer Prize winning theatrical view of Americanisms since 1960.

The series of 13 scenes portray and satirize women's issues over the last 40 years, from Miss Crane's high school dances to radical feminine demonstrations. Though seemingly a one-issue play (women's rights), St. Dunston's version is a touching, more universally conceived nostalgic look at baby boomers, flower children and the now generation

from the grassroots up. As the series of episodes in Heidi's life are presented, Heidi and her friends change their orientation from idealism to political radicalism to militant feminism, and end up fully committed to '80s materialism.

Through three decades of the story, Heidi moves from being a women's rights activist to earning a Ph.D. in art history and becoming a world wide expert on women artists in history. Society and major national events do not influence her even as she is affected by the changes in soci-

In these character changes Smith excels. She plays a Heidi who is compassionate, loyal, kind, non-vengeful, and a good listener. Heidi is a person who believes in her friends, even when they are so wrapped up in their own lives that they are insensitive to her needs. Smith reveals Heidi's hurt and pain.

Mark Nathanson directs this play about women's lib in a straightforward manner making the emphases more widespread than one of just women's issues.

The characters are normal. everyday people portrayed in a subtly satirical manner that. while not uproariously hilarious. is quietly funny. Linda Parker Watson plays April, a stupid TV interviewer who reviews the country's social changes through the lives of the three prominent main characters in a 1982 television program.

Scott MacDonald is the gay pediatrician Peter Petrone and Chris Steinmayer is the outrageous but arrogant magazine publisher Scoop Rosenbaum. The two of them completely overpower Heidi in the TV interview, not allowing her any opportunity to respond to any questions.

The brilliant Peter uses little jibs to make April's ignorance more apparent. During all of this Watson plays an overdone April with an interpretation that brings out the amusement in the entire satirical scene.

Watson also plays the lesbian Fran who has a chip on her shoulder. This adorable snippet of American life in the 1970s takes place in Ann Arbor. Fran is in a women's rap group made up of Heidi, her friend Susan (played by Marnie H. Diehm), Jill (played by Nicole Stacey) and Becky played by Jili D.

Fran is waiting for newcomer

Heidi to admit she is offended by Fran's sexual orientation. When that doesn't happen, Fran verbally attacks Heidi.

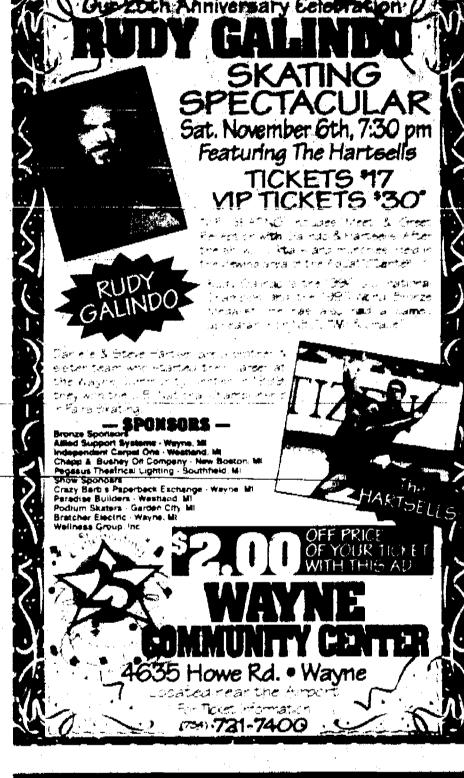
Jill is an overly self-conscious American sweetheart "cup cake" type who wants to be in the forefront of this newest fad, women's liberation, but doesn't really want to alter her comfortable position in society. Becky is a high school student from a broken home living with a difficult bovfriend. The scene is wittily written and played out with a gréat deal of naturalness.

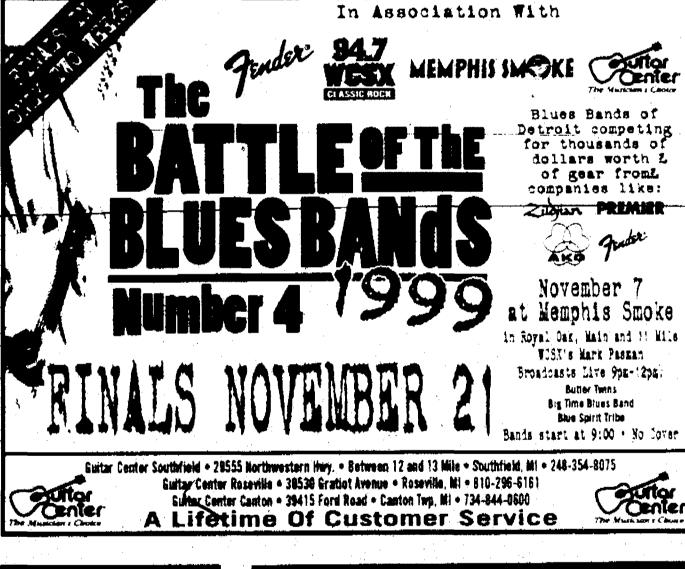
All of the 13 scenes in the show are oriented toward major national events - Nixon's presidency. John Lennon's death, the AIDS crisis, Reaganonomics - all meshed together with a nostalgic revue of American pop music played during many of the scenes.

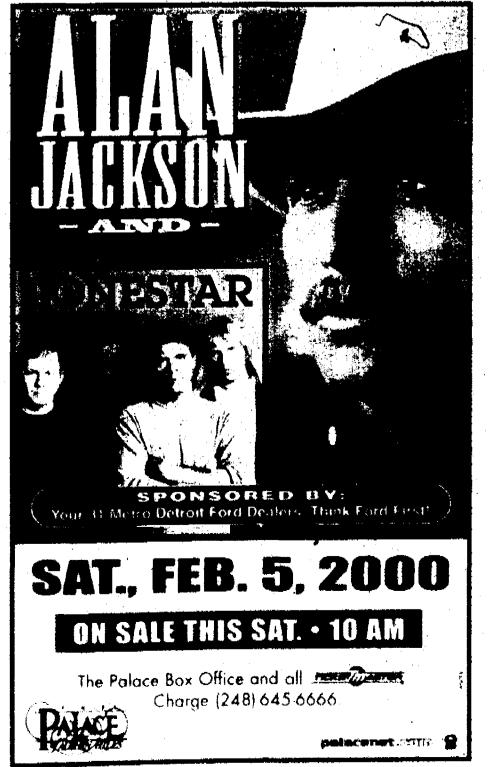
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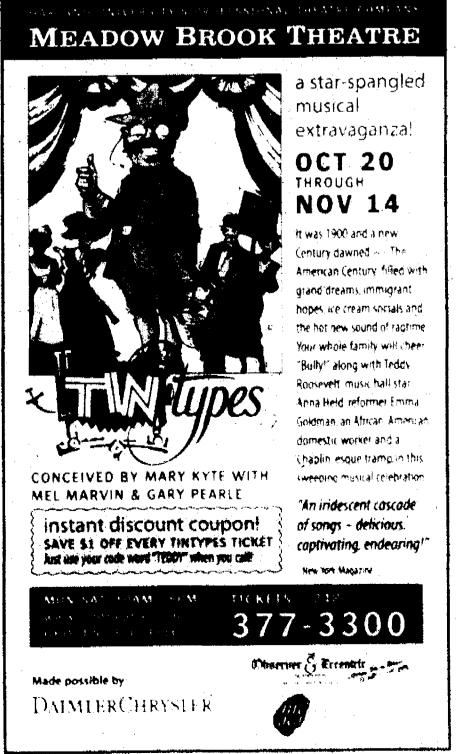
just minor afterthoughts but prominent main characters MacDonald plays the most touching scene in the show between the homosexual Peter and Heidi. While there is no romantic relationship between them these two characters, (Smith and MacDonald) make

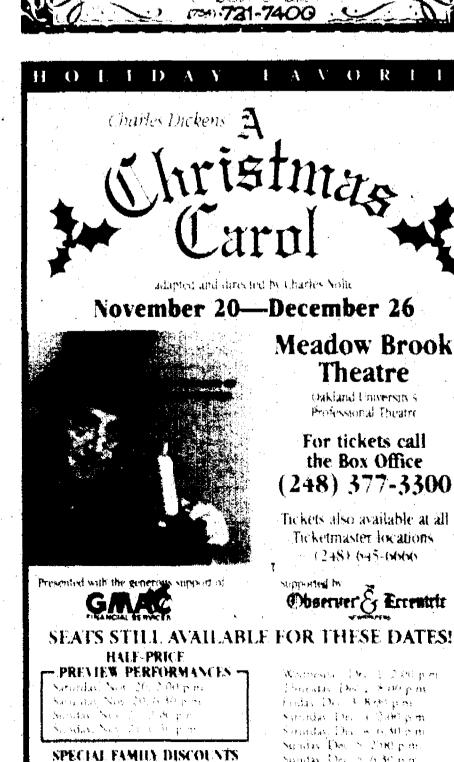
the friendship seemed plausible. "The Heidi Chronicles" is not just another coming of age look at American fads and fancies. It is a simple but profound, satirical, compassionate, pensive, light-hearted play for those who like entertainment with a message of honesty and hope.











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## A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

### THEATER

FISHER THEATRE

"Footloose," through Nov. 14, 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays, 7:30 p.m. Sundays, and 2 p.m. Saturdays-Sundays, at the theater in the Fisher Building, Detroit. \$25-\$57.50. (248) 645-6666/(313) 872-1000 GEM THEATRE

"Escanaba in da Moonlight," a comedy by Jeff Daniels, through Feb. 13, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays, at the theater, 33 Madison Ave., Detroit. (313) 963-9800

### JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE

"The Immigrant" by Mark Harelik, Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 4-7. Performances 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday; 8 p.m. Saturday. 2 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday; Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level, Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield, \$15-\$25, (248) 788-2900

### COLLEGE

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

William Shakespeare's comedy "The Merchant of Venice," Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6 for dinner theater (\$19), and Friday-Saturday, Nov. 12-13 for theater performance only (\$8), in the Liberal Arts Theatre on campus, 18600 ..... Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. (734) 462-4596

### U-M OPERA THEATRE

"Susannah," 8 p.m. Thursday Saturday, Nov. 11-13 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14, at the Power Center, Ann Arbor, \$18, \$14, \$7 students. (734) 764-0450 WSU HILLBERRY

"Merchant of Venice," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6, and 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6; "Some Americans Abroad," Nov. 12 through Feb. 5, at the theater 4743 Cass, Detroit. \$11-\$18. (313) 577-2972

**WSU STUDIO THEATRE** Two, one-act plays, "Rags and Old Iron" and "Day of Absence," 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday through Nov. 6, downstairs at the Hillberry Theatre, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit, \$6-\$8, (313) 577-2972

### COMMUNITY THEATER-

**AVON PLAYERS** 

"Wait Until Dark," 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 5-7, and Nov. 11-13, at the playhouse, 1185 Tienken Road, Rochester Hills. \$13. (248) 608-9077

CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS

"Close Ties" by Elizabeth Diggs opens 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays Nov. 11 and 18 (\$10), and 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 5-6, 12-13 and 19-20 (\$12), at the Depot Theater, 4861 White Lake Road, Clarkston, 248-625-8811 ....

## **FARMINGTON PLAYERS**

"The Women," a comedy by Clare Booth Luce, 8 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays, Nov. 5-6, 12-13, 19-20, 26-27 and Thursday. Nov. 18, and 2 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 7, 14 and 21, at the theater 32332 W. 12 Mile, west of Orchard Lake Road, Farmington-Hills: \$12. (248) 553-2955

## FIRST THEATRE GUILD

"Brigadoon," 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29 and Nov. 5; 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 30-31, and Sunday Nov. 7; and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Knox Auditorium, 1669 W., Maple Road, Birmingham. Tickets \$8 adults, \$5 students and: seniors. (248) 644-2087, Ext. 151. Seniors admitted free 2 p.m. Saturday,

JACK-IN-THE-BOX PRODUCTIONS

"Lunatics, Lovers and Poets," an evening of scenes and monologues from plays by William Shakespeare, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6, at University of Michigan Dearborn's School of Management Auditorium B, Evergreen Road, between Ford Road and Michigan Ave; and 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 12-13, at the Livonia Civic Center Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile: east of Farmington: \$10, \$7 seniors/students. \$6 high school students. (734) 797-

RIDGEDALE PLAYERS

"Jest a Second," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 5-6, 12-13 and 19-20. and 3 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 14 and 21, at the playhouse, 205 W. Long lake. between Livernois and Crooks, Troy. \$11, \$10 seniors/students on Sundays. dictudes sendwich and afterglow. (248) 988-7649

ROSEBALE COMMUNITY PLAYERS "Three Murders and It's Only Moriday." by Pat Cook, & p.m. Friday-Saturday. Nov. 5-6, Nov. 12-13, and Nov. 19-20: 2 din. Sunday, Nov. 14. Upstage Theatre,

21728 Grand River, east of Lahaer,

Detroit. Tickets \$10, reserved. (313) 837-7718 ST. SUMSTAN'S THEATRE QUILD OF

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STHEECRAFTERS Dracule," Nov. 5-21, signed perfore for the deaf Thursday, Nov. 18, on the Boldwin Theetre, 415 S. Lafayetta, Royal Oak. \$12:\$14, (248) 541-6430



Greetings: Andrea Bocelli (left), and Christopher Schaldenbrand of Farmington Hills star in Michigan Opera Theatre's production of "Werther," an opera by Jules Massenet, at the Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway. Performances are set for 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, and Friday, Nov. 12; 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14. Tickets \$55-\$250. Call (313) 237-SING, or TicketMaster (248) 645-6666. See review on Page E3.

THE ACTORS' COMPANY

Neil Simon's "Broadway Bound," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 12-13 and 19-20, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14 and 21, at the Livonia Redford Theatre, 15138 Beech Daly, south of Five Mile, Redford, \$14, \$12 students/seniors. (248) 988-

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

"To Forgive, Divine," a comedy by Jack Neary, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 5-6, 12-13, 19-20. and 26-27, and 3 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 7, 14, 21 and 28, pay what you can preview 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at the theater, 38840 W. Six Mile, between Haggerty and I-275, Livonia. \$10, \$5 Sundays. (734) 464-6302

## DINNER THEATER

BACI THEATRE

"Flanagan's Wake," 8 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays, 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Saturdays. and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays (\$25) Thursdays and Sundays, and \$30 Fridays-Saturdays), and "Tony n' Tina's Wedding," at 40 W. Pike, Pontiac. (248) 745-8668/(248) 645-6666 FAMILY DINNER THEATER

With the Magic Carpet Theatre, an evening of interactive presentations of favorite children's stories and poetry where you can become part of the action, 7"p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 (doors open 6:15 p.m.), bring your own plants direct and blanket, at the Southfield Public Library, 26000 Evergreen Road. \$5, family at door. (248) 948-0480

## KOULH

DETROIT PUPPET THEATER The classic Russian tale "The Firebird," 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturdaya-Sundaya, Nov. 6-7, 13-14, 20-21 and 27-28, at the theater, 25 E. Grand River, Detroit. \$7, \$5 children. (313) 961-7777

## SPECIAL EVENTS

ASK THE EXPENTS

Detroit Institute of Arts curator and staff members help identify objects and offer expice of restoration and proper care of works 1-4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8 (registration begins 12:30 p.m.), Hmit three objects, no monetary values will be given, at the museum, 5200 Woodward: Free. (313) 833:0247 BARBIE DOLL SHOW/SALE 10 s.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nev. 6, at

Mesdowbrook Village Mail, 82 N.

Adams at Walton, Rochester Hills, Free. (248) 816-8791

**BEANIE BABY SHOW** 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. \$5, \$2 ages 4-12. (734) 455-

**DETROIT PUPPET THEATER** Maria Mikheyenk singing Russian

Romance Songs, 8 p.m., Friday, Nov. 19, at the theater, 25 E. Grand River; Detroit. (313) 961-7777 **GUITAR SHOW** 

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, until 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the Michigan State Fairgrounds, Woodward and 7 1/2 Mile Road, Detroit, \$10. (248) 546-7447 **PHOTOGRAPHICA** 

Michigan Photographic Historical

Society trade show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7 at the Novi Community Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile, west of Novi Road: \$3, (313) 882-1113 S.S. EDMUND FITZGERALD SERVICE

11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at Mariners' Church, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit, (313) 259-2206

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WILD GAME DINNER 7 p.m. to 1 s.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at

(313) 441-2100

Hazzerty Road between Five and Six Mile. \$50. (734) 420-0144 WINE MAKER DINNER Celebrate the culsing of France and the release of the 1999 Nouveau Begujolais, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov.

10, at the Ritz-Carlton, Dearborn, \$125.

## BENEFITS

EMPTY BOWL PROJECT To benefit Haven, an Oskland County domestic violence shelter, decorate your own bowl symbolizing hunger around the world, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, not soup by Zoupt \$20 per perent and one child for one. hour, \$10 each additional child, (248) 350-3007

Participation players 'The Women," by Clare Boothe Luce, bunefit performance for the breast canour program at Henry Ford Health System's Josephine Ford Center Carter & D.M. Friday, Nov. 3 at the Prayers Suns, 32332 W. 13 Line Read, Furnington Hills, \$50, Includes admission to play and afterglow reception and \$100, includes priority seating, admission to afterglow recagillon, recognition in pregram and a breast cancer ewareness pin. (313) 876-9259. Farmington Players continues its sooson with "The Women," weekends through Nov. 27. (248) 553-2955 for ticket information.

FESTIVAL DE LAS AMERICAS 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, dinner at 7 p.m., with music by Salvador Torres and his Mariachi, also Samuel Del Real and his International Orchestra and Dimension Latina from Detroit, at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia. \$75, \$70 advance. (248) 960-0308/(734) 416-1199/(734) 453-

9428 FINE ARTS AUCTION

Conducted by Park West Gallery of Southfield to benefit the Ecumenical Institute for Jewish-Christian Studies, 4-7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at the Botsford Inn Coach House, Farmington Hills. **\$15.** (248) 557-4522

FORGOTTEN HARVEST COMEDY NIGHT.

The benefit for hunger relief stars American Comedy Awards winner for Best Female Stand Up Performer Kathleen Madigan, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, at Music Hall, Detroit. \$25 on up. (248) 350-3663

**GUARDIAN ANGELS BENEFIT** 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, swing night

with the Johnny Trudell 17 piece Big Band, six-course Italian gourmet dinner at Andiamo Italia, Warren, \$50. (248) 588 1222 GUY FAWKES BALL

6:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at the

Crantirook Art Museum 1221 N Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$75, \$200 patrens, \$300 benefactors, to benefit a the Cranbrook Academy of Art. (248) 645-3329 HOMELESS ACTION NETWORK

WALK

Registration for Walk Against Homelessness begins 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, seven-mile walk at 1 p.m., in front of the New Center One Building, W. Grand Blvd, and Second, Detroit. (313) 831-3777 MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND

With cornet virtuoso Russell Gray in a benefit performance for Glida's Club of Metro Detroit, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, south of 10 Mile: \$10, \$8 students/seniors. (248) 424-6022

PENNENC POTTERY'S EMPTY

To benefit Gleaner's Community Food Bank 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5. soup and bread by Beverly Hills Grill. Sindbad's, Sprout House, Tom's Oyster Bar and Metropolitan Baking Co., at the pottery, 10126 E. Jefferson, Detroit \$10-\$20, includes bowls. (313) 822-0954

Benefit for the Detroit Institute of Arts features dinner, dancing and entertainment, 6:30 p.m. Saturday,

UNDER THE STARS GALA

Nov. 13, at the museum, 5200 Woodward, \$400, (313) 833-7969

## FAMILY EVENTS

**BEANIE BABY SHOW** 

11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the Plymouth Cultural Center. 525 Farmer, \$5, \$2 ages 4-12. (734) 455-2110

### CLASSICAL

BRUNCH WITH BACH Soprano Glenda Kirkland performs the

music of Gershwin, Debussy and --Mendelssohn, 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 7 at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, \$22, \$11 children under 12 (includes brunch and concert), \$5 stairwell seating, (313) 833-4005 **DETROIT SYMPHONY CIVIC ORCHESTRA** 

3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. \$4, \$30 for box of six seats. (313) 576-5111 **DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** Guest conductor Carl St. Clair with soprano Camellia Johnson 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Nov. 4-5 and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6 (\$14-\$50): introduction to Classics series features

Musical Impressionism of ravel and Debussy 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7 (\$22). at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward. Detroit, (313) 576-5111 LIVONIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA A concert spotlighting a "Salute to 20th Century Music" 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, at Churchill High

School Auditorium, 8900 Newburgh.

north of Joy Road, Livonia, \$15, \$10

students/children. (734) 421-1111 or

(734) 464-2741 **PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** 

Bartok, Bach, Barber and Beethoven performed by the exchestra, victimist Juliana Athayde and the St. Kenneth's Handbell Choir, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, at St. Kenneth Church. \$12, \$10 seniors, (734) 451-2112 ST. CLAIR TRIO

8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7 at St. Regis Catholic Church, corner of Lahser and Lincoln, south of Maple, Bloomfield Hilfs. \$20, \$12 students.

## POPS/SWING

JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY

"Frank Sinatra Tribute," 8:30 p.m. to midnight, Fridays-Saturdays through November, at Andiamo Italia West, 6676 Telegraph Road at Maple. Bioomfield Hills. (248) 865-9300

## AUDITIONS

CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS Auditions for "Weekend Cornedy" by Jeanne and Sam Bobrick 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7 and 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, \$5 audition fee, at the Depot Theater, For performances Jan. 7-8, 12-

15, 20-22. (248) 666-3094/(248) 674-0886 **MEN'S BARBERSHOP CHORUS** Looking for singers, auditions not required but ability to sing on key is understood. (313) 278-1078

RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

Open auditions for children ages 8-14 for a walk-on role 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, at the Fox Theatre, Must make reservation by noon Friday, Nov. 5 (313) 471-3288. For performances during the spectacular Nov. 26-Dec. 30, RIDGEDALE PLAYERS

Auditions for the mystery "Deathtrap". 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, at the the ater, 205 W. Long Lake between Livernois and Crooks, Troy. (810) 677-

THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA REDFORD

is searching for directors, choreographers, musical directors, and all others. interested in musical comedy theater: Call (313) 531-0554 for information, or deliver resumés and letters of interest to the Theatre Gulld, 15138 Beech Daly, across from the Township Hall in Redford.

YOUTH COMPETITION

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra is looking for contestants for its Youth Competition to be held in December at Evola Music of Canton, in addition to: orchestral instruments, plano contestants are also being sought, winners will perform on the youth concerts in-February of 2000, (734) 451-2112 VILLAGE PLAYERS OF

Auditions for "Oliver" Sunday, Nov. 14 and Tuesday, Nov. 18, 7 p.m. for children (ages second grade on up), 8 p.m. adults, at the theater on Woodward, two blocks south of Maple. For performences Jan 21-Feb. 6. (248) 647-0052

CHORAL

RACKHAM SYMPHONY CHOIR "King David" by Arthur Honegger, 8 p.m. Seturday, Nov. 13, at Straight Gate Church, 10100 Grand River, Detroit, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14, at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, 23815 Power Pland, Fermington. \$15, \$12 seniors/students, \$12 advance. (313) 341-3466

JAZZ

PAIR ABLER 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, at Edison's.

220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 845-2150 JOHNNY BASSETT & THE BLUES INSURGENTS

8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at Edison's 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

RON BROOKS TRIO 9:30 p.m. Friday Saturday, Nov. 5-6.

Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley Street Ann Arbor, Cover \$5, (734) 662-8310 FOUR HANDS

Guitarists Michael Varverakis and Jeff Hartshorn perform 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, at Borders Books and Music. Farmington Hills. (248) 737-0110 (Jazz/New Age)

**GEM JAZZ TRIO** 

Performs 7-11 p.m. Fridays Saturdays. at the Century Club Restaurant, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. (313) 963-9800 ED GOOCH QUARTET

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 12-13:

Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley Street, Ann Arbor, Cover \$5, (734) 662 8310 MATT MICHAELS TRIO With vocalist Barbara Ware.

Wednesday, Nov. 10, at Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren, east of Middlebeit Road, Garden City, \$5 cover. (734) 762-7756

JEANNINE MILLER

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With Vincent Shandor Trio, 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley Street, Ann Arbor, Cover \$5, (734) 662-8310

T,S. MONK SEXTET Thelonious Monk's son and his award. winning combination perform 8 p.m.. 11:30 p.m. Wednesday Thursday, Nov. 17-18, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley Street, Ann Arbor, Tickets \$20 advance, (734) 662-8310 or (248: 645

MARK MOULTRUP 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Edison's 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover-(248) 645-2150

SHAHIDA NURULLAH 8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7, at Edison's. 220 Merritt, Birmingham, No cover-(248) 645-2150

**GARY SCHUNK** 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at Edison's 220 Merrill, Birmingham, No cover. (248) 645-2150

JANET TENAJ TRIO Featuring Sven Anderson, plane and Kurt Krahnke, bass, 11.30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays, at Fishbone's Restaurant, 29244 Northwestern-Havi

Southfield. (248) 351 2925

**PAUL VENTIMIGLIA** 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11 at Edison & 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover

(248) 645-2150 URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY

BUDSON With Dan Kolton, 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Thursdays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward

Ave., Birmingham. No cover. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300 ED WELLS The planist performs 5:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, at the Century Club

Restaurant, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit (313) 963-9800 GEORGE WINSTON The planist performs 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11, at The Ark 316 S

Main, Ann Arbor. \$31, \$25 and \$19.50.

(734) 763-TKTS/(248) 645-6666

WORLD MUSIC **COMPANY OF STRANGERS** 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6. Cowfey's Old Village Inn! Grand Rive

and Farmington Road, Farmington. (248) 474-5941

PIETRO PETTROLO Strolling tenor with accordion player, Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6, at Andiamo Italia, 7096 E. 14 Mile, west of Van-Dyke, Warren. (810) 268-3200

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

DAN HAZLETT

1-2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, also blues legend Robert Jones and multi-instrumentalist Betsy Beckerman, at The Ark; 316 S. Main, Arin Arbor. Performance caps off series of work shop residencies in Ann Arbor schools. All ages welcome, \$10, \$5 student K **12.** (**734**) ,**761-1800**/(248) 674-4610 BRUCE LILES

Presents his one-man show "The Ghost of Woodie Guthrie Returns" ? p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, at the Swords into Plowshares Peace Center & Gallery, 33 E. Adems, east of Weodward, Detroit (313) 849-1049/(313) 963 7575

POETRY

POETRY SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN Workshop for paets looking for more members, 2-4 p.m. third Tuesday of month, in the Jenkins rooms on the third floor of the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road. (734) 762-7568

DANCE

LIYANJA

The first Congolese Dance Drama ever produced in America is performed by Ann Arbor's ewn Congolese Dance Company, Bichini Bia Congo: 8 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 11-14, and 2 p.m: Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 13:14, in the Truebided Theetre inside the Eneze Building, corner of State and Huron Streets, Ann'Arbor, \$16 \$7 students (734) 764-0450

**POLKA DANCE** 

3 p.m. Sunday: Nov. 7, music by Polica Towners Chapter II, at the Pvt. Lyskawa

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Making contact: Please submit popular music items for publication to Stephanie Casola; all others to Linda Chomin, two weeks in advance to the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150 or by fax (734) 591-7279

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Hall, 6828 Waverly, Dearborn Hts. \$9, (313) 561-8389/(248) 471-2963 STARDUST BALLROOM Dance parties 9 p.m. Fridays, lessons

also available, at the dance studio. 28651 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield, \$8 (248) 356-5678

### COMEDY

SANDRA BERNHARD Through Nov. 7, at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, Detroit \$10.75-\$35. (248) 645-6666 **ELDORADO COUNTRY CLUB** Mark Still Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6, at the club, on Pontiac Trail, west of Haggerty. (248) 624-1050

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB

Basile, Wednesday Saturday, Nov. 36, also J.R. Remick, special Greek show 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6; Steve Marmel, also Greg Lausch and Rich Higginbottom Wednesday Saturday, Nov. 10-13, at the club above Kicker's All American Griff, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Third Level Improv and new talent nights, 8 p.m. Sundays (\$5). (734) 261 0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S

Ricky Kalmon, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6 and 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn, (313) 584-

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE Dave Coulier, Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 4-7, also David Luther Glover: Todd Wooster also Derek Richards Wednesday-Thursday, Nov. 10-11, at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak, 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, and 7:30 p.m. Sendays +248: 542 9900 or http://www.comedycastie.com

Alternative Monday's production through Nov. 22 , \$8% "Phantom Menace to: Society? Wednesday Sunday, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mainstage comedy acts: \$10 Wednesdays. Thursdays, Sundays, \$17,50 on Fridays. and \$19,50 or Saturdays. 313: 965

SECOND CITY

## MUSEUMS

ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM Re-opened its door Oct. 19, the celebration continues with Super Science Weekends, Nov. 6.7 "Mix It Up" which is devoted to chemistry demos and activities in addition to more than 250. interactive exhibits intended to make ... science fun, at the museum, 220 E. Ann St., Ann Arbor, Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday Saturday and room to .5 p.m. Sunday, \$6, \$4 children/ seniors/ students. (734) 995-

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF

Chemistry day features 10 hands-onchemistry activities 1.4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, Animals in Michigan program 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 13, pre-reg ister (248) 645-3210, 1221 N. Woodward: Bloomfield Hills, \$7, \$4 seniors/students/ages 3:17. (877)

DOSSIN GREAT LAKES MUSEUM Folksinger Lee Murdock sings songs and ballads of the Great Lakes 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6 \$12, \$10 members; visit the newest exhibition "Folk Art of the Great Lakes" or "Racing on the Wind: Sailing on the Great Lakes," also a temporary exhibit on the construction and launch of the S.S. Edmund Fitzgerald, at 100 Strand Drive on Beite. Isle, Detroit, Regular admission \$2, \$1 seniors/children ages 12.18 during the hours of 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday. Sunday. (313) 852 4051

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM Amateur historian Dorothy Holman speaks about "The Great Train Wreck of 1907" 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. /; Mike Smith, prohivist at Wayne State: University's Walter Reuther Library talks about 100 Years of Making Cars in Michigan 1896-1996\* 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11, "Celebrate the-Century" exhibit continues at the mose um, 158 S. Main, Plymouth \$2, \$.50

kids, \$5 family 17341 455 8940. SPIRIT OF FORD Interactive automotive science and technology experience with exhibits

and theaters for all ages, NASCAR Fit. Stop Challenge, Turbo Tour full motion simulator ride, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, at 1151 Village Drive, across from Henry Fold Museum & Greenfield Village. Dearborn, \$6, \$5 seniors, \$4 ages 5 12. (313) 317 7474

THE PARADE STUDIO

Tours weekdays 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., also Saturday, Nov. 6, at the studio, Detroit \$10, \$7 student. (313) 341 6810

### POPULAR MUSIC

THE ALLIGATORS Thursday, Nov. 11, Memphis Smoke downtown Royal Oak (248, 543 4.89) (blues)

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Dec. R. State

Theatre, Detroit Schots \$28.50. \$24.50 Att ages, 104H; 645.6666 LORI AMEY

8 p.m. Friday, New Yor Beautievis Borons and Music, 32.34 Baldwa, Bruikt Aster Hills, Free At Ages 248, 1335 mil 3

(folk/pop/rock) **AQUABATS** 

With The Hippos, 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, The Shetter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10. (313) 961 MELT or www.961 melt.com

**AUSTIN LOUNGE LIZARDS** 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14, Southfield Center for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield, Tickets \$8, (248)

424-9022 (bluegrass) JOCELYN B

10 p.m. friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6, Oxford Inn Tavern, 43317 E. Grand River, Novi. \$5 cover. 21 and over (248) 305-5856; Friday-Saturday, Nov. 12-13, Bogey's Bar and Griff, 142 E. Walled Lake Drive, Walled Lake, (248) 669 1441

THE BACK DOORS

8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$10 in advance. (248) 544-3030 **BACKSTREET BOYS** 

7:30 p.m. Saturday-Monday, Nov. 6-8. The Palace, Auburn Hills, Sold Out: Quiet room available. If you missed out on tickets, see them perform the national anthem before the Detroit Pistons season-opener, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5. The Palace of Auburn Hills, (248) 645-6666. BARENAKED LADIES

7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 1, The Palace of Auburn Hills, Tickets \$50 and \$35. reserved. (248) 645-6666

**BIG BAD VOODOO DADDY** 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac, Tickets \$17 on sale now Ail ages. (248) 645-6666. THE BLANKS

With Criminals, LES Stiches, Ducky Boys, 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, The Sheiter, 431 C. Congress, Detroit, All ages. Tickets \$8, (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com BLUE CAT

7 p.m. Friday Saturday, Nov. 19 20, Fox. and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue. Bloomfield Hills Free, All ages. ; 248; 644-4800 : blues: BLUE RODEO

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ROBERT BRADLEY'S BLACKWATER

9.30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, Blind Pig. 208 S. First Street, Ann Arbor, Tickets \$10 advance, (734) 996-8555 MAIRE BRENNAN 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, Magic Bag.

22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale Tickets \$20, 18 and over 12481 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com THE BOMBORAS

With Forty Fives, 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10. Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre. Center, Detroit, \$9, 18 and over (313) 883,9700

**BUJU BANTON AND BERES** HAMMOND

9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Majestic Theatre, Detroit, Tickets \$25 advance. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

CAFE DE TACUBA 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10 advance/ \$12 day of show. 313) 961-MELT of www.961melt.com

CHAIN REACTION 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Michnos Cafe, 25524 Five Mile Road, Redford (313) 532 9212; 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, The Berkley Front, 3087 W. Tweive Mile Road, Berkley (248) 547-3331 - rocks

CHEF CHRIS BLUES BAND 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, Kartis Cábin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. (734) 455 8450 CHRIS CORNELL

7:30 p.m. Friday: Nov. 19, State Theatre, Detroit, Tickets \$24,75, All. ages (313) 961 MELT or www.961mett.com

**COUNTING CROWS** With Joe 90, Gigolo Aunts, 6:30 p.m. Juesday, Nov. 16. State Theatre. Detroit, Fickets \$27 - Ait ages (248) 645-6666

**COWBOY MOUTH** 9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, St. Andrews Half, 431 E. Congress, Detroit All ages. Tickets \$13 - 313) 961-MEUT or

www.961meff.com CROSBY, STILLS, NASH AND

8 p.m. Monday, 3an, 24. The Parade of Auburn Hills, Tickets \$76, \$51, and \$40,50 reserved Eight ticket fimit per person, (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377

SHANNON CURFMAN 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac Tickets \$8. .248, 645-6666 or

www.ticketmaster.com - blues / DADDY LONGLEGS 10 p.m. Saturday Nov. 6, Rochester Mills Beer Company, 400 Water Street

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With DJs Paul Heart and Richard Fearless, 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 22, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages, Tickets \$10. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

DETROIT BLUES SOCIETY PRE-SENTS

Women of Detroit Blues, featuring Priscilla Price, Bettye LaVette and Kerry Price, 2:4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13. The Scarab Club, 217 Farnsworth. Detroit, Free, Donations benefit Detroit Slues Society Education Fund. (313) 831-1250

DEZINE INTENT 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, Dec. 10-11, Monday, Dec. 31, Mr. Z's Steakhouse, Five Mile and Inkster roads, Redford, (313) 537-5600 THE DIAMOND DUKES

9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, Ford Road Bar and Grill, 35505 Ford Road, Westrand. Free, 21 and over. (734) 721-8609 (blues)

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9:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, Rochester Mills Beer Company, 400 Water Street, Rochester. (248) 650-5080

GLEN EDDY 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, Ford Road Bar and Grill, 35505 Ford Road, Westland. Free. 21 and over. (734) 721-8609

BRIAN FERRY 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10. Detroit-Opera House, Detroit, All ages, Tickets \$45, \$35, (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com FILTER

8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12. Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron, Printiac, Tickets \$15. advance/\$17 day of show. (313) 961-MEET or www.961melt.com undustrial:

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With Anders Osborne, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, Ali ages. Tickets \$13 advance/\$15 day of show. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com KATIE GEDDES & THE USUAL

SUSPECTS 7 p.m. Friday, Nov 5, Borders Books & Music, Arborland Mall. Ann Arbor. (734) 677-6948

**CHARLIE GEHRINGER** 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. (248) 652-0558 folk **GET UP KIDS** 

With At The Drive-In and Ultimate Fakebook, 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19. Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center. Detroit, \$7 advance, Alt ages. (313) 833-9700

With Sector 7G, Vudu Hippies, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, Magic Bag. 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale (248) 544-3030.

MICHAEL GLABICKI of Rusted Root. With Mike Errico, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac, Tickets \$15.

(248) 355-3540 **HARRINGTON BROTHERS** 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, 16, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue,

Bloomfield Hills, Free Air ages 248 644-4800 (blues) **ROBYN HITCHCOCK** 8 p.m. Saturday: Nov. 6 Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale

\$15 cover. (248) 544-3030 HOUSE OF BLUES LONE STAR TOUR

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9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, Oxford Inn. Tavern, 43317 E. Grand River, Novi. (248) 305-5856

KIDS IN THE HALL 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, State Theatre, Detroit, Tickets \$35, \$27.50. (248) 645-6666 **BB KING** 

With Bobby "Blue" Bland, 7 p.m. and 10 p.m., Sunday, Dep. 12, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak, Tickets on sale, \$55, (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

LADY SUNSHINE AND THE X BAND 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, Lower Town Griff, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth, Covercharge, 21 and over, (734) 451 1213 SHEILA LANDIS TRIO

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CRACKERJACK BAND After the Winter Wonderland Holiday Parade, 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, Wonderland Mall, Livonia. (234) 466-2212 (classic pop)

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov., 10, State Theatre, Detroit, All ages, Sold Out. LUNA 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, Magic Strok,

Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit, \$12 in advance, 18 and over, :313: 996-**EUGENE MANN** 

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SARAH MASEN 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nev 24, Trinity House Theatre, 38840 Six Mile Road Livonia, Tickets \$10, \$8 for members. .734, 464 6302 : singer songwriter J. MASCIS

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Bloomheid Hos, Free At ages (248) 644 4800 blues: **NEIL MCCOY** With Ricochet, Friday, Nov. 5. Compuware Sports Arena, 14900 Bezk

Road, Plymouth, Tickets \$30, 734 453-6400 (country's MEGADEATH 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, State Theatre, Detroit Tickets on sale \$24,50 general admission. All ages.

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## 'The Bachelor' is cute, but don't stand in line for him

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER

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Mom and I both agreed "The Bachelor" was cute and funny, but not worth waiting for.

Starring Chris O'Donnell as Jimmie, the reluctant groom, and Renee Zellweger as Anne, his dearly beloved, "The Bachelor" is like a long wedding service. It starts out slow and goes from a yawn to a yeah!

Jimmie's a wild mustang who doesn't want to give up his freedom. He and Anne have been dating for three years; he loves her, but not enough to get

His only surviving relative,

grandfather (Peter Ustinov) is anxious for Jimmie to get married and start having children. Jimmie tries to get engaged, he takes Anne to the Starlight Room, the most romantic restaurant in town, and pops the question. "We've reached the place." he tells her. "The upshot is you win."

Disgusted, Anne asks, "Was that a proposal?" and leaves him. Jimmy tries to win her back, fails, but becomes desperate when his grandfather suddenly dies. Grandfather's will includes an ultimatum - get married by your 30th birthday to someone you'll stay married to for 10 years, and have children with her by your fifth year of marriage - or lose your \$100 million inheritance.

In a panic, Jimmy who has only 24 hours before his birthday, begins looking for a bride.

At stake is the family business and the lives of the over 200 employees who will be out of work if Jimmy doesn't find a bride. If Jimmy doesn't succeed, family attorney Gluckman (Ed Asner) says he'll have to put the company up for sale in accordance with the will.

Rejected by Anne, Jimmie, with help from his best friend Marko (Arnie Lange) rents a limo, finds a priest, James Cromwell, and starts looking up old girlfriends including Buckley

(Brooke Shields), Jennifer Riopelle, and Ilana (Mariah Carey), an opera singer.

Hal Holbrook stars as O'Dell, grandfather's stock broker who. while not a fan himself of marriage, encourages Jimmie.

"The Bachelor" is funny, even a little romantic, but like mom says, "it's all one big chase." There's not much of a story, and very little character development.

Jimmie chases Anne, and reluctantly tries to reconcile with old girlfriends who don't want him back, even for \$100 million.

If you're a fan of "Suddenly Susan," you'll probably chuckle at Brooke Shields characterization of Buckley. She's a former debutante in need of cash. Buckley's been waiting for this moment, and even has a wedding dress she quickly changes into. While smoking cigarette after cigarette and uttering "\$100 million," Buckley learns the terms of grandfather's will.

It's supposed to be funny, but mom and I weren't laughing.

The best part comes at the end when Marko puts a classified ad in the paper in a last minute attempt to find a bride for Jimmie who has exhausted all possibilities.

Imagine over 1,000 brides in all shapes and sizes converging on the church to meet a groom with \$100 million to offer. It's a chase that makes this mediocre movie memorable.

"The Bachelor" written by Steve Conen is an update of the

1925 Buster Keaton film "Seven Chances," the story of a confirmed bachelor who has 24 hours to find a bride and get married to collect a \$100 million inheritance.

Gary Sinyor ("Stiff Upper Lips," "Leon The Pig Farmer" and "Solitaire for Two") directs "The Bachelor," a New Line Cinema release. O'Donnell is the executive producer; Lloyd Segan, Bing Howenstein, Leon Dudevoir and Steve Hollocker are co-pro-

"The Bachelor" is rated PG-13 and opens Friday at metro Detroit movie theaters. To let us know what you thought of "The Bachelor," or any newly released movie, e-mail your comments to kwygoni@oe.homecomm.net or fax to Wygonik (734) 591-7279.

Also scheduled to open this Fri-

day is: ■ "Being John Malkovich" Comedy about a puppeteer who finds a door in his office that allows him to enter the mind of John Malkovich and become the famous actor. Stars John Cusack, Cameron Diaz.

# "The Bone Collector" drama about a corpse found next to railroad tracks in Spanish Harlem, which forces a streetsmart policeman to ream up with a brilliant, but bed-bound forensics expert in order to solve the murder. Stars Denzel Wash-

■ "The Insider" — Drama about a one-time corporate officer who becomes a key witness in lung cancer cases against tobacco companies. He tells his

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Romantic comedy: Renee Zellweger and Chris O'Donnell star in "The Bachelor."

story to an investigative reporter who tries to get the piece aired, even though his network refuses. Stars Al Pacino.

# "Boys Don't Cry" --Drama based on the life and times of Teen Marie Brandon, a 21-year-old who passed herself off as a boy before acquaintances turned on her in a violent attack. One week later, the same pair shot her and two others to death. Stars Hilary Swank.

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Whether it's a work-related project neglected until the last minute or an awkward social situation that could messy, most of us rise to the occasion when we need a spontaneous solution. That doesn't

mean we like it. There is a weird sub-culture of people within the performing arts who thrive on such situations. Instead of lurking in the shadows, those that improvise seem to be everywhere ... and

they're getting big laughs. The most visible example of the "improv" craze is the hit ABC series "Whose Line is It Anyway?" It is impossible to watch without wondering how the talented cast develops such witty routines and song lyrics without

a script to follow. As anyone who has ever tried a spontaneous parody of a popular song by changing the lyrics knows, sometimes it works - and sometimes it doesn't.

Lex Kuhne hosts a Backstage Pass segment on the growing movement of improv comics, which airs at 5:30 p.m. Thursday and midnight Friday on WTVS

Channel 56. To lend perspective

or to the segment, he tried his hand have you ever been handed the later, we all at a Tuesday improv night at video camera at a party or famihave to "wing Second City.

It's fun. It's interactive. What amazed me is how you get caught up in the spontaneity of the routine. You really don't have any choice but to trust your instincts and say the first thing that comes to mind. If it's not funny, your hope is that you've at least given another cast member something to work with," he

Just when I was starting to think that the "without a net" aspect of improvisational comedy may not be so daunting, there's "Improv 'til Dawn." After this Saturday's late show at Second City on Woodward in Detroit, some of our finest comedy troupes will perform in an improvisational marathon that doesn't even start until 1 a.m. What kind of twisted individual wants to perform without a script when they're sleep

Kuhne suggests that if anyone can create the funny stuff at 4

a.m. an improv specialist can. "Improvisation has long been an unknown and underrated form of comedy. What we're seeing in Detroit is the development of some talented comics who are using their Second City experience to increase the visibility of improv," says Kuhne, who has no intention of giving up his day

Speaking of improvisation,

ly function? You're told to capture the magic moments but seldom receive any more instruction than "just push the red button." The results are usually less than stellar.

Filmmakers An annual event called "Super 8 Saturday" issues a similar challenge to young filmmakers. Entrants are given one roll of film, one camera and one after-

noon to complete their project. "Different participants come with different levels of preparation," said Chris McElroy, who organizes the event for the Detroit Filmmakers Coalition. It's a nice way of saying that if you're not organized, your film may be dreadful.

"Many are extremely prepared with a shot list, timings for each scene, and a story they wish to tell, but the ability to improvise when you're on the shoot can also help your film," said McEl-

Two of the best efforts from this year's event will be shown on this week's edition of Back-

I guess if there's a lesson to be learned from the odd pairing of "Improv 'til Dawn" and "Super 8 Saturday," it's that it's fine to "wing it" as long as you're prepared. Life does get complicated, doesn't it?

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BY SANDRA DALKA-PRYSBY SPICIAL WRITER

What do a Novi software engineer, a Clintondale middle school teacher, a cardiovascular medical technician at Beaumont Hospital, a senior mortgage loan officer, and two wee brothers have in common?

They all have talent, wear plaid clothes and are inhabitants of the fictional Scottish village of "Brigadeon," the current production of the First Theater Guild of Birmingham.

The software engineer is Kevin

Lee Branshaw, who plays the

lead of Tommy Albright. He gets

lost in the Scottish Highlands. discovers a mystical village in the mist that comes to life one day every 100 years and falls in love with a beautiful maiden, Fiona MacLaren (Kris Northcote). In the process, he discovers that "people have to lose things to find out what they really With a strong and clear voice,

Branshaw reminds the audience of what an uplifting song "Almost Like Being in Love" really is.

Another notable in this enjoyable musical production is Jules DeWard, who in real life is a school teacher. During the funeral scene, this gifted dancer gives a moving performance as Maggie Anderson.

The Beaumont employee, Bill Dixon, plays a believable Brigadoon father to his real-life son, Billy Dixon, a 10th grader at Madison Heights' Lamphere equally believable scorned lover whose attempt to flee Brigadoon

ends in tragedy.

The loan officer, Clark Fry. plays Mr. Lundie, the wise and respected leader of this enchanting village. He delivers his tale and message well and reinforces that "with love anything can

The smallest members of the cast of 30, brothers Christopher and David Hall, represent the family commitment given to this production.

(A number of families are involved in various ways in the musical's success.) They join their mother, Alice Fay Hall. who, as choreographer, turns the cast into accomplished movers and dancers. Their older brother, Patrick Hall, also serves on the stage crew.

"Brigadoon" offers worthwhile family entertainment. The scenery is simple yet effective There are Scottish-inspired costumes (lots and lots of plaid), High School. Billy plays an and, most of all, the beautiful music of Fritz Loewe and touch ing lyrics of Alan J. Lerner

## Live goes the distance, comes to Detroit

BY STEPHANIE ANGRLYN CAROLA STAFF WRITER

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How does one measure "The Distance to Here?"

For York Pennsylvania's pride, Live, it's measured with a healthy dose of heart and encapsulated in a fourth album sure to satisfy fans and newcomers alike, Guitarist Chad Taylor phoned in from the road - Mexico City to be exact - on Oct. 27 to chat about the new album and Live's world tour. The following are his thoughts:

### Taylor on ... The road

"It's wonderful," he said of Mexico City where Live performed the night before. "It's our first trip down here. We're very excited. We played a show last night. It's interesting to hear several thousand non-English speaking people shouting lyrics at you. It's absolutely amazing." A slightly giddy Taylor claims he loves touring. Since Live will be on tour for the next year and a half, he better be sure.

"It takes a long time to take

this entire show around the world. The single greatest challenge of being on the road is keeping the energy intact. We lead a pretty eccentric life. I sleep through most of the day, eat a little something. Go to the gym. Try and get myself focused for the show." Afterwards, the band adds in some "late night frolicking." "I have to see something in the town I'm in. Then we jump on the bus or airplane to the next city. The energy needs to be there.

### Taylor on ... "The distance to here"

It took the band two years to complete about 30 songs for the new album, said Taylor, "We weeded that down to 13. It's a very uplifting, bright, positive album. A 180 degree turn from 'Secret Samadhi.' As a band we're in a very bright spot. I would sum it up as (he slightly pauses) sunshine. I really honestly think 'The Distance to Here returns to the urgency of (older material like) 'Throwing Copper' and 'Mental Jewelry."

His favorite tracks include "They Stood Up For Love" ---

which he co-wrote with singer rate." Ed Kowalczyk and bassist Patrick Dahlheimer. "I think that's the Live theme song. That's what we've been trying to

Taylor also shared a special affinity for "Run To The Water." "I don't know what it is about that song. I just find a feeling of inner peace. Aghh. I love them

He compares the recording of the album to a rollercoaster ride. It started as a slow process, but then took a turn. The rollercoaster headed downhill and took on a life of its own. "It rolled with the speed of gravity," he explained. The ride is available in stores now: thirteen sneak-peeks into the sunshine of Live.

### Taylor on ... Performing

"All our shows have been the most energetic, insane...it's almost like a gospel experience. I think the music elevates people higher and higher, it comes over to the stage and we give it right back. I've never felt the instant attachment (like I have with) 'The Distance to Here.' Usually it takes an album months to satu-

### Taylor on ... Growing up

It's no secret that Live is made up of a group of friends. To each other they are more than a band. Taylor explains: "It's a pleasure writing songs with these guys. We were truly boyhood friends: To see Ed's development into a songwriter, watch the natural maturity, it invigorates me."

### Taylor on ... The state of rock 'n' roll

"I would say Live's approach to music is to remain pure and honest. Not to rely on a definition of a category or genre like rock and roll...What is rock and roll now is music based on a kindred spirit of sharing emotion purely and honestly in a way that has no limitations. To me I see it as being an endless category."

What can be found in his CD player these days? Chances are you'll run across some of his favorites: Johnny Cash, Willie Nelson Billie Holiday (if he's in a romantic mood), or Talking Heads. But Taylor tends to stay open to all kinds of music.



And kicking: Live is (left :: to right) bassist Patrick Dahlheimer, singer EdwardKowalczyk, drummer Chad Gracey and guitarist Chad Taylor. They'll liven up the State Theatre for a sold out crowd Nov.

### Taylor on ... Life

"I'm living life one day at a time. When you have tour events, you get wrapped up in day-to-day functions...I enjoy every moment of every day and leave everything else to the future."

For more Live check the Web at www.friendsoflive.com for video clips or to hear the album before you buy it. If you don't have tickets to the band's sold out Nov. 10 show at the State Theatre in Detroit, that'll be the closest distance you'll come to Live this time around.

## Homegrown: Support your local music scene

So you say you're in a rock Ash Can Van Gogh, was her band. And you want to hear your song on the radio? Good luck. With so many

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One person who's succeeded in

making that happen is 89 X

Radio's Kelly Brown Brown is.

well-known for her profound

support of struggling local tal-

ent. As host of "The Homeboys

Show," which airs 10 p.m. Sun-

day nights on the modern rock

station, she's able to shine a

spotlight on the music so often

hidden in the dark corners of

smoky, bars around Metro

It isn't an easy task Piles of

packages and compact discs fall

upon her desk daily. It's some-

times overwhelming just to keep up, she says. And I can certainly

relate. But when music is your

passion, you find a way to really

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favorite. "I loved them. I saw them struggle so much." Brown places the band, as a top reason for creating "The Homeboys Show" in the early 1900s.

"I wanted to get them recognition," said Brown of local bands in general. "I wanted some of their music to be heard. There was nobody listening to them. Nobody cared about these people.

But Brown did. And she's never stopped caring. With the support of 89X, where she's worked for nine years, she's ableto do her part.

## Gutsy, very gutsy

"Most radio stations don't want to take a chance with a band that isn't established. They're afraid of taking chances." During her career in radio, Brown said she's seen many "homeboys" shows come and go. She said ultimately radio stations "don't want to waste time with local bands.". "I've watched every single radio station (try it). They have not stayed on the air long. They do it because they think it's right: 89X knows how important it is to keep a handle on what's going on on the street. Our listeners care about what's going on. They really care about music. They love our city"

Jeff Moehle, drummer of Knee Deep Shag and former Oakland County resident, said the fact that a radio station even has a

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want everyone to have time, have a little piece of the show." Listeners who've tuned in lately have been exposed to the likes of The Lanternjack, Roundhead, Forge and Queen Bee. And that's barely scratching the surface.

### Hi. I'm in a band.

What local bands really need to know to thrive, is how to promote themselves. Whether it's radio or newspapers you're trying to target, it's important to reach out. If you're unsure, find out who the music editor or deejay is you want to reach, and call or e-mail.

Don't be afraid to ask questions. Get an address, fax number or e-mail address and let them know when and where you're playing. Give a few weeks notice. Just finished a compact disc? Send it in along with a brief history of the band and a way to contact you by phone.

Chances are if the music sounds decent, you'll get a call back - or even better, you'll generate something of a buzz. Maybe Kelly Brown will play a song on her show. Maybe I'll. write an article. It's can be simple as one word - promotion.

As Brown said: "It has to be a well-oiled machine." Media types. aren't looking for the flashiest

package. Information is key. And don't forget about the general public. Hand out flyers on street, send out mailer and e-mailers to fans and friends. During performances; announce when and where you're performing next. It could mean the difference between a full house and an, the local music scene. "I have to empty club.

### Sounding off

A few of Brown's picks for promising local artists? With thought and hesitation she sifts through a list in her mind, too vast to recite, and spouts out names like The Go, Solid Frog, PS I Love You, Perplexa, Speedball, Control Freq and, of course her boy Kid Rock. "He's one of the first people I played on The Homeboys Show.' People get really fired up when someone from Detroit makes it. But the great thing about Bob (aka Kid Rock) no matter where he is, what he's doing, he'll always have something from Detroit... He won't forget us."

Not all bands sound like Kid Rock. But perhaps the best part about making music and being a music lover in the Metro area is the diversity. Motown is no longer known for one style of music. From jazz and blues to Brit pop and metal, there's something for everyone willing to lend

"Détroit will never be a Seattle," said Brown, "There are so many different bands. There's music for everybody, always a bar to go to."

She remains optimistic about stay positive," she said. "I wish every radio station could have a support they need.

Her advice to music lovers? It a

out and see a band, any band," Do it tonight. Listen for Kelly Brown on 88.7.

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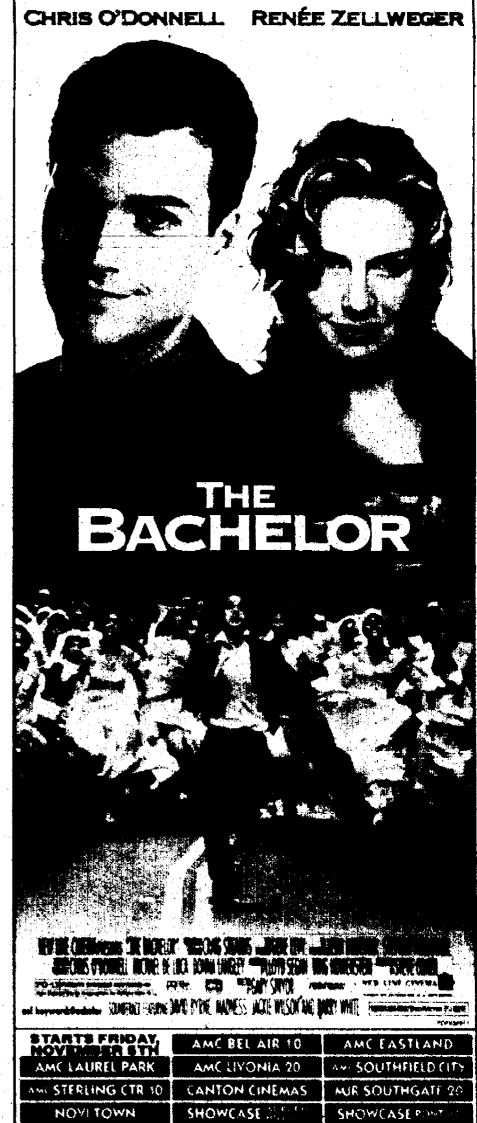
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## Jack Dunleavy's Grill brews Irish charm

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND STAFF WRITER

What's not to like about a friendly, stylish Irish pub, especially one that serves award-winning chili, makes fish and chips from a 50-year-old beer batter recipe, and promises to serve corned beef and cabbage every Tuesday?

Nothing! Jack Dunleavy's Grill, which specializes in steaks, chops and fresh fish, is Plymouth's newest eatery. It slipped comfortably into the premises of the former Plymouth Landing and made the place its own - warm and invitingly casual.

Dunleavy's is much more lightfilled than its predecessor. Owner Jack Dunleavy replaced the stained glass windows with clear glass and hung soft-brown wooden blinds. The effect is a soft, filtered natural illumina-

"It was very Catholic looking." he said. "Stained glass is nice. but there was so much of it."

He halved the restaurant's long dividing wall and topped it with antique lantern-lights. added a stone fireplace and laid a wooden floor in the bar area. He also whipped off every white tablecloth in the place to reveal real elbow-perching oak tables.

The effect was instant Irish Pub, the perfect setting for good food and good conversation.

There's been several Dun-

## Jack Dunleavy's Grill

Where: 340 N. Main Street in Plymouth

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Menu: Steaks and chops, chicken and fish, and great pub fare.

**Prices:** Moderate

Atmosphere: Warm, woody, open and inviting.

Seating: 145

Hours: Monday-Wednesday, 11 a.m. to midnight (kitchen closes 10 p.m.); Thursday-Saturday, 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. (kitchen closes p.m.); closed Sunday.

Major credit cards accepted

Extras: Back room available for parties. Entire front dining area non-smoking.

leavy's restaurants throughout the Detroit metropolitan area for years. Dunleavy's father, John, an Irish immigrant from County Mayo, arrived in 1927 and by 1933 possessed the eighth liqueur license in Michigan.

Dunleavy's Pub & Grub on Grand River in Farmington Hills is still going strong.

The secret for Jack Dunleavy's longevity as a restaurant owner? "I really enjoy the people," he said. "It isn't what we do with our hamburgers or how we mix our drinks. It's the customers."

But for customers, it is the way a place makes its hamburgers and mixes drinks. Dunleavy's burgers (\$5:75-\$6.50) are big half-pounders with all the trimmings And his Original Grubwich (\$5.75) is stacked high with

lots of cole slaw.

For dinner fare, the menu features a Lake Superior whitefish at \$14.95, a variety of steaks and chops from \$13.95-\$17.95, and Chef Stan's award-winning baby back ribs at \$17.95 for a whole slab and \$13.95 for a half slab. The lemon dill chicken at \$13.95 is especially good, said Dunleavy.

In addition to having Guinness; Caffery's and Jack Dunleavy's Irish Red and Irish Ale on tap, Dunleavy's makes a great Irish coffee: A little Jamaison's Irish whiskey, a dollop of whipped cream and a ribbon of creme de menthe. Ahh, a delicious way to warm your innards.

If you like potatoes, Dunleavy's is the place to go. Try the mashed with cheddar cheese and bacon or "Sally's Irish Potatoes." imported ham, Swiss cheese and Jack Dunleavy's mother's recipe Hearty fare: You won't go home hungry from Dunleavy's Grill. Seated in front of a

of pan-fried chopped potatoes, onions, bacon and special season-

and maitre d' Mike Allen.

"I'd eat a potato raw. There's not a potato you can make that I won't eat," said Dunleavy.

Like his forefathers, the affable Dunleavy has the Irish gift of

gab. Ask him about his 90-year- to all the tables, all the bar old Aunt Bridgie in Bohola, County Mayo, who operates a pub, gas station and grocery store. She's also the postmaster general and an undertaker.

full slab of ribs and a porterhouse steak are owner Jack Dunleavy, son Sean (left)

gabbing with his customers. "I go

stools."

It's all part of dining out, said Dunleavy, "I think you should come out and have fun with the waitress, have fun with the food, "Oh, I love that," he said about a glass of wine and a cup of cof-

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■ Taste of the Arts — The Westland Chamber of Commerce is seeking restaurants to participate in the Taste of the Arts event scheduled 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30 at the Hellenic Culture Center on Joy Road near Churchill High School. There is no charge for restaurants to par-

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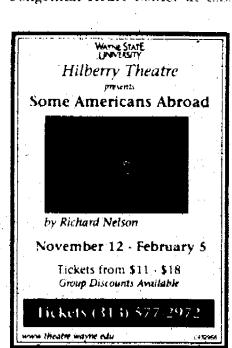
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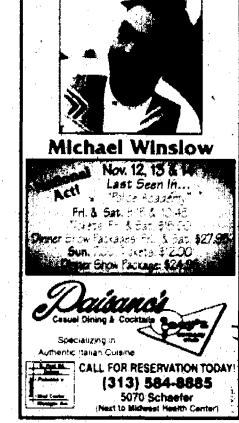
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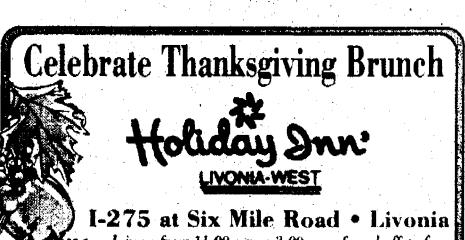






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