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## INTHEPAPER

TODAY

Funds needed: The Westland Salvation Army reported that it missed its seasonal goal by $\$ 15,500$. The organization says. donations can still be made. /2A

Yule spirit: Dozens of students from a neighboring school district shared the Christmas spirit last week with residents at two local week with residents at two local
senior apartment complexes. $/ 3 \mathrm{~A}$

Survival tips: Oakwood Health care Services is providing tips to residents on how to survive the holiday season. /12A

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Don't mix: Readers are urged to act responsibly and avoid mixing driving and drinking during the upcoming New Year's Eve week. end. /10A

Recorder's Court on trial: An area state representative's propos al to eliminate Detroit Recorder's Court is not racist, says columnist Tim Richard. It just makes sense. /11A

COMMUNITY LIFE
On a roll: There's still plenty of things for family to do this holiday season, including ringing make that rolling. . . in the New Year. 113A

## ARTS \& ENTERTANMENT

Theater: The holidays are taking backstage to local students performing with the cast of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor
Dreamcoat:" 118


Looking back: Observer sports editors are reviewing the
highlights of the past year in area
high school athletics. $/ 1 \mathrm{C}$

## LOTTERY

The Lotto lackpot was worth at teas 521 millon
The Michigan Lottery numbers for Wednesday, Dec.
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## Big bucks equal low vote count



Money is important in promoting a political candidate, but it doesn't always translate into victo ry. For example, City Counclilman David Cox was top vote-getter Nov. 7, but finifhed sixth among a field of eight persons seeking four seats.

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## Money obviously can't buy a politi. cal office in Westland

 Two ousted Westland City Council ncumbents ranked among Counc incumbents ranked among the topthree spenders in an eight-way race
pense reports filed at the City. Count
Building in Detroit. Building in Detroit.
Cox has sald thiat usox to pas said that about $\$ 5,000$ was
ied debt for his winning 1993 campaign. Even so, he still out. paced second.place spender Justine
Barns by $\$ 8,373$ in this year's race the reports indicate.
Barns spent $\$ 13,054$ to reclaim council seat that she left prior to her 12-year stint as a state representa. tive. She garnered the most votes of any council candidate.
Defeated incumbent Thomas
Brown ranked third in spending by

## BPOLTICS

 plunking down $\$ 10,833$, expense re. ports showed. But he placed seventh among the elght candidates, ending a34 -year political career at age 78 . 34.year political career at age 78 .
Barms and council newcomer Rich. ard LeBlanc will replace Cox and Brown in January. Votera also re, turned incumbents Glenn-Anderson and Cher than Cor and Brown,
Other candidates who had failing camSee SPENDiNa, 3A

## City's

 finances
## are good

by Leonard poger
The city of Westland's financial health is good, said the auditing firm ally for nearly 30 yers ally for nearly 30 years. plus is down slightly, it is still at sirmillion, or the recommended 5 percent of planned spending.
Plante $\&$ Moran Plante \& Moran, the city's auditing frms reviewe fise al year ending June
ment for the ficcal yeat 30. 1995, and commented that nearly all city departments underspent their budget projections. The fund surplus, the difference between spending and revenues,
dropped to $\$ 1.7$ million as of last
CWestland Finance DI. rector Mlchael Gorman clalmed that Dotrolt overbilifed the city over the past several years.
Ron Phil and Lorrie Niemann enjoy talking about their daughter, Becky, a wa
generous person who died last February at ag

## Couple cherishes memory of Becky

By Many Rodmque
When Phil and Lorrie Niemann start talking about their daughter, Becky in a room surrounded by the music hoxes she collected and the sitray cate she loved, vivid pictur Becky Intellectual, band worker and sho. paholic, dled of cancer last Febru ary. She waś 39 .

## Police: suspect has confessed

Westland police said a Belleville man, already charged in the armed robbery of a Livonia video store, has confessed to the same crime at a
Westland 7.11 convenience store about 23 hours earlier.
Matthew Buckley, 23 , has been ar aigned in the Dec. 17 holdup o Niammoth Video, at Six Mile and Inkster roads. Also charged with armed robbery in that holdup were
John Lademan, 35, of Westland, and William Merfert, 24, of Dearborn Helghte.
At their arraignment in Livonia
district court a district court, a $\$ 100,000$ bond was set for Buckley and 875,000 each for

Itepmrting Wentland City Councll member Da vid Cox wan honored last week during a councll
meeting for his role on the Nank in Tranalt Com meting for him role on the commination gave him a pleque during hin jast council meeting on Dec. 18 . Cox was Wentland's representative on the com.
miasion that provides bue service for the elderly miasion that provi
and the dinabled.

## School thanks helpers

Many famillien were fed during the holitiny sea Con thanks to volunteers who helped Jefferson| Barns Elementary School, according to princlpal |
| :--- |
| Susan Dorenkamp and secretary Robyn Brennan | The school has made a publle thank-you to the

## Cox honored

39 years," sald Phil, who 37 of her 39 years," sald Phil, who, with Lor
rie, raised four children, The coupl rie, raised four children. The couple
has lived in Garden City almost 20 Years.
Every Every desk drawer, overy
crammed book shelf holds a crammed book shelf halds, aver mem
ory of the daughter they treasured ory of the daughter they treasured.
A decorated Christmas tree stands before a plicture window Phil, with a lap full of smapshots laughe over a picture of Becky wth
her sister, Ruth, taken last Christmas. It shops the sisters holding a tacky air freshener, a traditional
gag gift they exchanged each year gag gift they exchanged each year
with a different motif - once a cat now an owi.Over the next hour, Phil and Lorrie talk in detail about Becky's life before and during her short-term
inliess, about her death at home
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June 30, a drop of $\$ 400,000$ from the previous year's figure, said the audi Tor. Michael Swartz, a partner in the auditingel firm, siad it was "tremen-
dous" to have revenues $\$ 1$ million over spending. At a city council workshop with the Swartz and partner Kenneth Kunkel warned there is a lot of "uncertainty in municipal financing" because of the state legislature.
In a cover letter accon
54.page audit, Swartz said:
"Due to changes impacting proper other financial- pressures; the city
ond other many financial challenges in in
faces mane the upcoming years."
"To respond to these challenges, we recommend that a financial forecast budget year," which will end next June 30 .
"A five year model is typically de. veloped for municipalities. This mod
el should be evaluated as an suto el should bo evaluated as an automat.
ed spreadsheet (computer) program that would allow the city to quickiy and easily evaluate any number of what if scenarios concerning futt operational or inancial options.
Swartz stressed "there are a lot of concerna on the horizon" due to actions and inactions by the legiblature. Kunkel, whose firm represents many other Detroit area government-
al agencies, suggested a lobbying efal agencies, suggested a lobbying ef-
fort is needed in Lansing to fight off potential cuts in state:shared reve nues.:

See FINANCIS, 3 I
I. . when the Llivonia police distributed a de scription of the video suspecte, one descrlp. ton matched the one glven by the 7-11 clerk.

A preliminary examination on those charges is scheduled for today Thureday).
Westland Fetner said police are planning this Wostland Detective. Sgt. Scott week to ask for a warrant charging
Fetner said that Buckley admitted Buckley in the Westland robbery.
robbing a 7.11 Store on Hix and
Cherry Hill, Westland, nearly 24 hours earlier than the video robbery. Fetner sald that when the Livonia police distributed a description of the video suipects, one description
matched the one given by the $7 \cdot 11$ matche
clerk.
Upon questioning; Buckley admitted the Weestland holdup. All three defendants are being held
in Wayne County Jall, awaiting theit in Wayne County Jall, awaiting theit
court hearing on the video store nob.

PLACES \& FACES
Westland Civitans, the Westland Post Offce, Holy 'Trinity Jutheran Church of Livonla, and the
'Ll'l Abner' coming
The Westiand Parks and Recreation Dopart-
ment will ment will sponsor the Westland All. Stars theater group in a productlon of "L'I Abner" starring Wentland youngratars. The play will be 8 p.m. Sat-
urday, Jan. 13 , and Salurday, Jan. 20 , at Wayno urday, Jan. 13, and Salurday, Uan. 20, at Wayno
Memorial High School's Stockmeyer Auditorium. The price is 86 for adults and 84 for children. Ticketa may bo purchased at the Balley Recre.
ation Center or by mail. Send a check or money
order payable to the City of Wetatland to Margaret
Martin Weatland Parks and Recreation 36551 Ford, Westland 48186. For information, call 722 . Ford,
7620.

Student wins scholarship
Sherlsse Rinna, a senior advertising communl. ation major from Westland, has recelved two Bradley Univeratty in Peorla, III. She received the Burdenovo. Cornelius. Eichler Scholarship, award
ed to select students in good academle standing: ad to select atudents in good academic standing.
and the Lucle Ann and Rollin Turney Endowed Scholarship, awarded to select full.time under. graduates in good academlo standing. Rinna is th
daughter of Nettio Naomi Rinna of Westland.
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## Donations still needed

The Westland Salvation Army, which reported a drop of
$\$ 15,500$ in donations from last winter, is still seeking public donations to allow the organization to help low-income fam.
Capt. Mark Welsh said $\$ 75,500$, far below its $\$ 90,000$ goal for Christmas season. Virtually all of the difference is attributed to the Salvation have volunteers and the famillar red kettles at Westland Center entrances.

500 raised this win. ter helped the organization
provide help to 2,500 individu provide help to 2,00 nadu

## Newt Gingrich to speak <br> h to speak

 On Jan. 16, Time Magazine'sMan of the Year - Newt Gin$\underset{\text { Wayne County }}{\text { grich }}$
The lunchtime visit of the Livonia's Burton Manor, 27727 Schoolcraft, is sponsored by the Economic Club of Detroit. "It's erciting to help put ood for the entire business
toys, a senior citizens' Christ mas party and gifs to nursing The captain said several pro
. grams will face spending cuts in the upcoming year because tions.
Those programs include youth recreation, emergency food and preventive homeless
services, Welsh said But donors can still give to the Salvation Army to help it reach its goal. Checks or other
donations may be sent to the donations may be sent to the
Salvation Army. Westland Salvation Army, Westland
Corps, 2300 S. Venoy, West. Corps, 2300
land 48186.
sa, executive v
Burton Manor.
The luncheon is open to club members and guests of mem
bers. bers.: names in business and government," said Don Luther, senior
vice president of the club "W vice president of the club. "We
have had every living presihave had every living presi-
dent, including Clinton when he was a candidate. We're a non-partisan group. We just
want to present the issues."

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## Choice schools temporarily get heave-ho


The 154-page, newly passed
school code bill is on its way to Gov. John Engler to be signed into law.
Much to the delight of many educators throughout the state,
schools of choice is not legislation passed by both the legislation passed by both the But that doesn
of choice is dead. very much on the front burner, said Livonia Public Schools Su perintendent Ken Watson, whose district includes the northern section of Westland.
"It's no longer an issue for the
near future, but we expect they near future, but we ex
will take this up again."
Next time, however, Watson
will have the chance to mold the kind of schools of choice bill that
is put together

## is put together <br> Memory

and about the void that now ex-
ists. There are no tears. No self ists. T
pity.
pity. Just a sincere debt of gratitude
to Hospice of Southeastern Michigan, an organization the couple
credits with giving them steady credits with giving them steady
guidance and strength since guidance and strength since
Becky was diagnosed with colon Becky was diagnosed
cancer in October 1994.
II had heard the word hospice before. All I. knew was that it
dealt with the the dealt with the terminally ill," re.
All that changed practically from Botsford Hospital in No. vember 1994. Surgery was performed but the cancer had spread to her lymphatic system and liver.
The couple was told she would The couple was tol
live just a few weeks.
"I asked her doctor, 'What do I II asked her doctor, 'What do I
do now for her?'" said Lorrie.
Friends suggested Lorrie call Friends suggested Lorrie call
hospice. hospice.
"I thought, well, this looks like we've
said.

That came about because, in
voting for the new school code
bill Rep. Lyn Bankes, R-Redford, bill, Rep. Lyn Bankes, R-Redford made sure Watson and anothe
western Wayne County superin tendent get in on the ground floor of any future schools-of-cholce discussion.
Wstson
Watson expects the meeting Republican and Democratic, will lake place in late January.
"It gives us prior input
"It gives us prior input, rather can reacting to something that
comes out," Watson said. "It's an opportunity for us to express ou concerms to legislators prior to their considering how to rewrite
schools of choice proposals. "Buts choice proposals. "But's there's no guarantee any
of our ideas or suggestions will be reflected in the proposal."
District school officials and the on have lobbied against school tion have lobbied against schools

The district called in four para.
Tor pas. awmakers - Sen. Robert Geale R-Northville; Bankes; Rep. Geiry Law, R.Plymouth, and Rep. E quiz them on the Westland to PTA parents trokked to Lan ng to press lapmakers to slow down the schools of choice Watson Monday sald the oforts of all who lobbied Lansing "Conta
have an impacting legislators did Without thact," Watison sald port, we would not hass-roots sup Bankea, Law, DeHart, listened carefully and acted on what they rom. Tey worked to find a com
"We do believe the House facored in the concerms of educators
and parents into the changes and we are pleased with thair efforts rom page 1 A

- If fell in love with the Becky needed medicine. (hospice) mission and began visiting familles In need.

Mary Jo Merollis

Almost immediately
olunteer from immediately, a nurse heir doorstep, studying Becky's case and offering suggestions bout medication. Another voluneer was there to stay with Becky their part-time job as wedding coordinators.
"Becky came home on a Friday We had two weddings scheduled on Saturday. It was comforting said Lorrie.
Volunteers came to the house
whenever the Nion whenever the
someplace to omeplace to go.
"Our volunter, Lynn, came in
the middle of the night when

## 'Twas the day after



Traditional scenes Husbands setting up 'base camp" at West land Center (below) are Joe Richert (center) of Wayne and house guests Gary Roebuck (left) of Cin. cinnati and Marlyn Starcher of Irydale, W Va., as their wives cruise the mall for the typical day-after. Christmas-sales and return gifts received the day before. (At left:) During the first shopping hours Tuesday, Estelle Langlois (right) of Dearborn: and Terry Banners of Westland look for bar. gains at the Thomas Hallmark store at
Westland Center.


Becky needed medicine.",
As the weeks wore on, Lorri As the weeks wore on, Lorris
started to fret over not knowing what her role would be on the day Becky would die. She shiared her ears with hospice staff. "Don't worry, they. said. We
bave a team that comes out.". Added Phil: "That's the differ
A nce between hospital doctors and hospice staff. The hoopital doc Cors strive to keep you alive to th "Hospice staff strive to kee he patient pain free and mental y alert.".
Becky'
Becky's experience, as heart-
wrenching as it was for the Wrenching as it was for the
Niemanns, was not their first brush with tragedy. Their oldest child, Dave, got colon cancer in "He lives in New York," said Lorrie. "He has lost his colon and later a kidney through surgery. He 8 under the care of
Hospice in Rochester
The family has a genetic link with cancer Las a genetic link of colon cancer, as did other rela
sues that are problems for us, but
they took the time to fisten. The
bili passed is elgnificantly changed in many appects from the changed !
original.'
Watson and the Livonia Board of Education won't know what the massive bill actually contains un. January and go through it page by page. The legislative summary alone la 16 pages.
The Mlohigan Association of School Boards found much in the
"Thie lo not to say that the bi
"This is not to say that the bill
is entirely a rose garden,". stated
the MASB: "It contains some
provisions which will create nex problems, challenges and hassles. There are many questions we
can't answer yet, or which haye can't answer yet, or which have
not even been discovered. There will certainly be litigation which will cer
will sh
law."
tives. Since Becky's death, the Niemanna two other daughters,
Ruth and Mary Beth, have been lested. Mary Beth had surgery fo pre-cancerous condition. The Niemanns said their grandchilren will be tested when they
reach adolegcence. A simple blood est can check the DNA for aigns he said.
Becky was working at Feblo, a Livonia company that repackages She bad to give up her true pas sion - work with animals -af.
ter she was injured while working er she was injured while working " a horse farm.
day," said Phil, "Her strength was diminishing. She started to lose weight. Her chiropractor suggested she go to the hospital fo
From diagnosis to death was period of about four months. Was
With
upport from hospice, Becky had support from hospice, Becky had
ime to finish her goals. ime to finish her goals."
"She sent 20 big boxes o She sent 20 big boxes of
clothes and toys to a Native Indian school," said Phil. "Shipping cost her $\$ 200 . "$
Her teddy
Her teddy bear collection
some 200 odd stuffed animals was donated to the children's unit of hospice. "She was an ortremely gener us person," said Phil. "But she selected her charities carefully cancer groups that did animal re earch, she threw that stuff out. The Michigan Anti Cruelty So ciety was another favorite charity.
Before she died, Becky made her parents promise that they would attend hospice grief bup. port seesions. It's a promise they "In every tur of the road, there as hospice to sive us support,' said Lorrie.
They attended a six-week grief support, group co-Bponsored by
hospice and the Howe Peterson Funeral Home in Taylor. That' where they met Mary Jo Merollis Canton woman who has volun Merollis visits the since 1992 . home and bas become a friend. "I fell In love with the (hospice) mission and began visiting fami es in need," she said.
Merollis gave the Niemanns a le Summer." The Ninvann played the tape while their daugh er, Ruth, and her family were in "We sat and watched the video. Ruth sald it helped. She's handing (grien) well. I've sent her ospice literature and she know where they're located in Colum bua, said Lortio.
A Phll calls them, they were placed with other parents who had lost chlldren. Their facilita four months before someone found his body. One couple's daughter was rushed ill to the hospital, seven months pregnant
and died. Months later, they still
 A couple other parents had teen Who were killed in auto accldente sumeone elise's son commile suicide.
"Wo felt like the lucky ones," sald Phil. "Becky could finalizo her gonla. Adds Iorrie: "Hoaplce gave us
confideicce. Even in the middde of confadirice. It" lo the middle of know someone is there. On the day of her denth, someone from hospice wan on the phone or al
her bedalde continually. It al lowed Becky her last wibh, to dit th dimity.

There is no charge for the ser cees hospice provides. For infor mation, call the Hospice of
Souitheastern Michigan at ( 31 )

## Students share holiday spirit with the elderly

hree classes of Garden City sixth graders shared part of their Chris mas holiday season with Westland students of Henry Ruff s Bonnie Wagner, Kathy Kish and Marga et Lademan visited the Abington Marior eniors' apartment complex on Joy near ment on Hunter west of Wayne Road to sing Christmas carols and distribute holiday That was just one of the mas activities by local students pre-Christ mas activities by local students.


Holiday music: Students at Garden City's Henry Ruff School entertained residents at the Abington Manor senior citizens' complex in Westland last week with Christmas carols.

stafy Photos by art Emanue:
Yule spirit: Garden City students Donald Lowe and Robert Dexter of Henry Ruff School present Christmas greeting cards to Abington Manor residents Julia Anderson and Millie Archbold.


Special visitor: Abington Manor resident Lillian Hartmann had a special visitor ast week when an elementary school group dropped in to sing Christmas carols. and pass out holiday greeting cards. Presenting her with a Christmas card is her grandson, Chris Hartmann, 11.

Finances

Swartz wrote the council that
ov. John Engler has recommended an $\$ 81$ million cut in tate-shared revenue for the curent fiscal year, but that the fig. lightly higher than the projec slightly higher than the projec
tions because bf potential increas os in the collection of income and single business taxes by the state. An in early 1996 that would affect
from page 1 A
the city's financial shape is an ongoing dispute with the city of De . mes water and sewer depart Westland Finance Director Mi chael Gorman claimed that De roit overbilled the city over the past several years. Westland has ter department officials to have a ter department officials to have a
more accurate figure on how much water Westland bought and agree
a dollar settlement figure. Detroit has had the same prob em with other western Wayn county, communities and has ings, Gorman told the council at workshop meeting.
In the past fiscal year, the city had revenues of nearly $\$ 30.8 \mathrm{mil}$ lion. with spending coming in at
$\$ 30.342$ million, a difference of nearly $\$ 439,000$.

## Spending <br> from page 1A



## Students entertaln shoppers



Yule muslc: Students from Patchin Elementary School walked to the nearby Meijer's Store on Warren and Newburgh last week to sing Christmas carols for shoppers in the store's cafeteria. The caroling was one of many holiday activities involv ing local students.
nd sixth in spending. He shelled third four-year term.
Mehl placed seventh in ex penses, plunking down $\$ 4,741$ in his unsuccessful council cam paign, the reports indicated. He

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## CAL ENDAR

## YOUR GUIDETO EVENTS IN AND AROUND WESTLAND

- DIAL FORDATES



## FOR THE WEEKEND

- holiday binao St. Bernardine Catholic
Church, on Ann Arbor Trail, just west of Merri. man, will hold a speical bingo starting at 5 p.m.
New Year's Das, with th New Year's Day, with doors to open at 3 p.m.
There will be 10 hard.card games and four paper spe-
cials. The bingo is sponcials. The bingo is spon
sored ty the church's. men's club. 422 -6158 holiday Skaters na, on Wildwood near Hunter, will be open for public skating from 1-2:45 mission is $\$ 2.50$ for students and $\$ 3$ for adults.


## DAY CAMP

The Wayne-Westland serves Garden City, will hold its annual holiday
break day camp this wee break day camp this week
and Jan. 2.5 , in its facility at 827 S . Wayne Road, Westland. There is a
charge. For informatio charge. For information,
call 721.7044 .

## - SKATINGLESSONS

 The Westland Sports A na, on Wildwood and Hunter, will have openskating from $1-2: 45 \mathrm{pm}$ skating from $1-2: 45$ p.m.,
Sunday, Dec. 31. Admis. sion is $\$ 2.50$ for students and $\$ 3$ for adults: The are na will also register stu-
dents of all ages and abili dents of all ages and abil ties for the upcoming ses.
sion from 9 a.m. to 3 p. .m. Tuesday, Jan. 2.

## BENEFITS

-1 LOTTO DRAWING of Columbus Council 4513 has a daily three digit lotto Michigan Lottery daily numbers, Proceeds are used to finance K of C Hall building improvements. Tickets are $\$ 10$ for
the month with a guaranthe mon winer ha guaran cept Sunday: Tickets are available at the hall, on Ford east of Merriman

## FOR SENIORS

I MONTHLY MEAL The Wayne Ford Civic League will hold its senior meal from $11: 45$ a.m. to 4 p.m. on the first Sunday or hall, on Wayme Road, two
blocks south of Ford, for people 50 and older. Cost is $\$ 5$ for members and $\$ 7$ for non-members. The meal
includes beer, beverages and dancing to big band music, and door prizes. $728-5010$.

## - DINNER-DANCE

 The Wayne Wayn; Civic dance for seniors 55 and older from noon $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. the first and third Sunday of each month in the league'shall, 1645 N . Wayne Road, Westland. Cost is $\$ 5$ per: league member and $\$ 7$ for non-members. Admission includes dinner, beer, pop

## FOR YOUR

HEALTH
CHADDHPTH CLASAES Garden City Hospital, on
Inkster Road at Maple. wood, is sponsoring classe for parents of newborms,
weekend childbirth in. truction, a "refresher childbirth education

## course, and a new support

 group for expectant teen. age mothers. For informetion on all the programs, tion on all the.
call 458.4330 .

- WEIOHT LOSS Garden City Hospital will upport group at 11 a.m Saturdays in Classroom 3 of the hospital's Medical Office Building, on Inkste Mead near Mill focus on self esteem issues and follow their own nutritional and exercise program. 261


## I BLOOD PRESSURE

 Free blood pressure screening will be available 9 a.m. ing will be available 9 a.m. on noon the third Wednes day of each month at Oak Center, Wayne. A registered nurse will be avail able in the emergency com. Cholesterol and glu cose screening are also Appointments aren't re. quired.

## FOR YOUTH

## OPEN CYM

 The Mayor's Task Force Vestland Parks and Rec reation Department pre Gym "And Activities" $3: 15$ Gym and Activities" $3: 15$ venson Middle School; Wednesdays at Marshall Middle School, and Thurs days at Adams Middle ight-week programs: Fall program begins the first week in October; winter program begins the third week in January; and the spring week in April. 722 .fron 7620 .

## - Y SPORTS.

The Wayne-Westland and girls for its youth flo hockey and basketball. loor hockey is for youths basketball program is for grades three through nine $721-7044$.

## - RECREATION

The Salvation Army will ation programs at its munity service center, 2300 S. Venoy near Dorsey The programs will serve chil. from 4-5:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursdays and youths from 12 to 15 from 3-5:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednes:days and Fridays. Call 722
3660

## EDUCATION

- aED TESTS The Garden City School Education Center is a GED test site for Nove ber. Pre-registration is re
quired. Cell 422.7198 .
- basic educatio Wayne Equcation Adult Education has free
Adiand Schools classes in adult basic edu cation, GED preparation, -high school completion,
and vocational training Register at Tinkham Adult Center, 450 S. Yenoy,
Westland $595-2429$.


## BINGO

- mainathon mimeo The Harris-Kehrer VFW Post Auxiliary holds
marathon bingos from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturdays 1 the post hall, 1055 S. Wayne Road at Avondale Westland.
- WrCL eimeo

Sof ball Boosters hold a.
bingo from $6: 30-9: 45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. every Monday to raise money for the girls softball
program. The bingo games. program. The bingo games.
are held at the Wayne Ford Civic League hall, on Wayne Road, two blocks south of Ford.

## - democratic binao

 The Metro Wayne Demo-cratic Club sponsors bing cratic Club sponsors bing
games at $6: 30$ p.m. every games at $6: 30$ p.m. every
Thursday at the Joy Thursday at the Joy
Manor Bingo Hall, on the Mouth side of Joy, east of south side of Joy, east of
Middlebelt. Proceeds are used by the club to sponso Little League baseball teams, the Salvation Arm
School for the Blind. 422 School for the Blin
5025 or $729-8681$.

## - BINGO AND SNACKS

 The auxiliary to VFW Po snacks and provides char ty games at 6;30 p.m. every Thursday in the post hall, on Wayne Road at Avon-- BHAMROCK BINCO There will be bingo at a.m. Wednesdays at the
Knights of Columbus Hall Knights of Columbus Hall
35100 Van Born, east of Wayne Road, Wayne. Doors open 9 a.m. Food available. Proceeds go to
- SMOKELESS BINGO "Smokeless" bingo meets at $6: 30$ p.m. every Tuesday at St. Simon and Jude Pa
ish Hall, 32500 Palmer, ish Hall, 32500 Palmer, Offered are three jackpots
of $\$ 400, \$ 300$ and $\$ 200$.
- NO SMOKE No Smoking" bingo will be 1 p.m. every Tuesday at he Friendship Center, 119 N. Newburgh Road,
Westland. Residents from Westgate Towers; Taylor Towers, Greenwood Towers, Liberty Park, Presbyterian Village and
Carolon Condos, etc, are Carolon Condos, etc. are el
igible for transportation to bingo if they have a minimum of five players. 722 .
- binao

Pope John XXIII assembly of the Knights of Colum. bus Council 1536 hosts bingo games at $6: 45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. is on 28945 Joy , Westland. is on 2894.
525.0585.

- emao

Wayne Civitan bingo is at lizabeth between Mich on an Avenue East and Michigan Avenue West next to the Farmer Jack Wayne. Money raised ects in the community, such as youth, park equip ment, Special Olympics, First Night Wayne and reading projects. Informa:
tion, 728.3915 .

## maycies

Westland Jaycees host bingo games at 6:30 p.m Manor, 28999 Joy, Weat and. Thiree jackpots pay ing $\$ 250, \$ 300$ and $\$ 300$,
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RECREATION - INDOOR GOLF Play indoor golf at Wes
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For reservations, call 721 . 6660 .

## - basketbatl

Registrations beeing accept ed for men's and women's Westland Parks and Rec reation Department, 3665 - square dance Beginner square dance Tuesdays in Bailey Recre ation Center (behind City Hall), on Ford Road, West land. Fee $\$ 3$ per person weekly. Mike Brennan 274

- FOR DISABLED PEOPLE A recreational get--ogethe for teens and adults who
are disabled will be the are disabled will be the
second Friday of each month at the Westland Bailey Center. 722-7620


## IOPEN SWIM

The Wayne.Westland YMCA has daily open
swim available $7-8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ Monday through Friday and 1.3 p.m. Saturday.
Family swim is $8.8: 45$ p.m. Friday and 3.4 p.m. Satur day. The YMCA is at 827 S. Wayne Road, Westland. 721.7044.

## - WOLVERINE PACERS

 race-walking club, meets 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thurs day, and 9 a.m. Saturdaysin Levagood Park Dearborn. Gary Gray (313) 464 -
8890 .

## - skatino starts

 The Westland Sports Are-na has opened its annual skating and drop-in hockey programs in the arena on Wildwood and Hunter.
Open skating is noon-1:45 Open skating is noon $1: 145$
p.m. weekdays and $1-2: 45$ p.m. weekends. Drop.in hockey will be 10:11:45
a.m. weêdays. 729-4560.

## ON THE ROAD

- actravel.

Garden City Travel Club rector Laree Yard at 622. 4446.

## CLUBS IN

 ACTIONCIVIL AIR PATROL Volunteers meet $6 ; 30.9$
p. m. Tuesdays at Fair Ha ven Baptist Church in the basement, 34850 Mar . quette, $1 /$ milte east of Nervices, cadet program, aerospace education, agea 13.17 for cadets. The program is for people age 18 .
and older. 729.2665. and older. 729.286 Moonliters Camping Club

Tuesday of.m. the last Canfield Com month at ter, 1801 N. Beech Daly, Heights. Family camping with all ages, scheduled campouts during the camping season. Harvey
and Marion Grigg, 427and. Ma
3069.

## - WEEXENDERS

 The Weekenders family campers meet the secondWednesday of the month in Franklin High School, on Joyeast of Merriman. 531-2993.

## - TOASTMASTERS

 Toastmasters Internation al Club No. 6694-28 meets 6 p.m. Thursdays at Den. ny's Restaurant, 7725 N . Wayne Road, Westland,for people who want to practice and develop pub lic speaking skills. 421. 0264.

- HOLY SMOKE MASTERS The Holy Smoke Masters Toastmasters Club meets at 6 p.m. Thursdays at Ryan's Steak House, Wayne Road. It offers an eight-week seminar on
public speaking called public speaking called "Speechcraft." The fee for
Speechcraft is $\$ 30.455$ Speech

1635. 

## - DEMOCRATS

Garden City Democrats. meet at $7: 30$ p.m. the third
Thursday of the month at Thursday of the month a
Maplewood Community Center, Room 5. Alice Leclercq, 421-1169, or Billy Pate, 427-2344. The Garden City Eions meet 7 p.m. the first and

## Courts, roads in reform package

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Michigan would have a unified
trial court system under a plan puabed by Rep. Michael Nyo chalt of the House Judiclary Commiltee.
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is achieved. County road commis. sions and drivers want more mioney for roads. -
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Nye, R-Litchfield, has his plan on the front burner. Here are
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his ante in November Michigan Bar Journal:
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plus a few leftover municipal plus a fow leftover municipal
courts. All are elected separately. How are elected sepa-
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All three could handle name changes, marriages and equity All judges would be elected to All judges would be elected to
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> Q. What kinds of electora Units are you thinking about? Would would happen with the Dem? A. Each county would be called unit. Exceptions: Detroit would be a single unit
Q. You are recommending
another penny Increase In the another penny Increase In the
sales tax thit voters would be asked to approve. Why?
A. The state would pick up the additional cost of judges' saparies
out of the general fund. The state would also have to replace funds for libraries that come from court fines. At the same time, I would rec.
ommend the total elimination of the gas tax (supporting raads and public transportation). That reve nue, the library revenues and
other lost revenue could be re placed with a one-cent increase in the sales and use tax: The sales tax increase would
Q. What is your formula for distributing that $\$ 1.1$ bullon from the sales and use tax? A. Roads would get 93 . percen alent of 22.7 cents of the fuel tax - 15 cents we'te levying cuirrently plus an extra 7.7 cents.
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\section*{Dean of college centers to leave Schoolcraft job}
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dean of ollege centers dean frolege centers. ob, which she has held for about a year, ending a long tenure with the college where she's served in
various jobs for the past 18 years. thous jobs for the past 18 years. Thomas says she has a lot of
mixed emotions about leaving Schooleraft. She's following her husband, David, to Austin, Tex. as, where he is eerecutive senior vice president of IXC Corp.,
velecommunications and long dis. telecommunicat
tance company.
He moved there six months ago "It's real important to get the
family back together," Thomas said.
"I couldn't say enough positive a real loss to see her go to Texas, Conway Jeffress, vice presiden or instruction, said.
Thomas was noticed on each of Jeffress said. She did an excellen ob in her work with Continuing Education Services, which in. creased from 1,700 or 1,800 stuher tenure, Jeffress said.
When the Radcliff Center job opened up, "I didn't think there would be anyone more outstandsaid. Radeliff Center is a satellite campus in Garden City
Saundra Florek, dean of marketing and development at the


\section*{Noreen Thomas}
eaving a big loss for the college. "She really cares about the peo ple who work for her," Florek said, calling her a hard worker who makes wise administrativ decisions. Florek remembered that Thom as had been put in charge of the henation of Radcliff Center Shen it was newly purchased by Schoolcraft. After coming back to ironically, she ended up going back to the center as dean.
Thomas, who plans to leave at the end of February, said she's
loved her job as dean of college
centers. With a large percentage
of the population taking classes at college centers tand the clagises of classes offered, the job was "never the same." "
The dean of college centers is responsible for operation of the Radcliff Center and other college centers, including those at Gar
den City Junior High School den City Junior High School
Plymouth Canton High School and the Summit on the Park in Canton Township.
The college has begun a nation 1 search for her replacement, bu placement to be on board before she leaves.
The deadline for applicants is
The dean is responsible for coordinating the master clasi
schedule for the Radcliff Cente and other satellite centers, sub mitting budget proposals, admin istering operational and capita outliay budgets for Radcliff; devel lations, and providing a market ing strategy.
The starting salary range is
\(\$ 68,791-\$ 76,000\) 668,791-\$76,000.
As for Thomas' professional educational working on a Ph.D. in ministration leadership and adMichigan, and she's found of Michigan, and she's found the
University of Texas at Austin of fers the same program. "So I may be a full-time student for a
A native of New York, Thomas
has two sons, ages 15 and 10 .

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\section*{Pet store trip offers short lesson}


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Board says no way to gas, oil drilling


Holiday light show plays host to groups
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Angela Hospice of Livonia, De. poit Recreation Centers, Childeten's Hoapital of Michigan paInts and their families and sev. Hol other groups have driven Cit, the holiday light show in Hipes Park. \\
The This is what it is all about," Whd Hurley Coleman, Wayne Opunty Parks director, in a press Waldey It in great to bring some Hopoties. Wo hope Wayne CounCy Elahtrest becomen a holiday atition." \\
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LightFest. Scnior groups, church groups, youth groups . . . from all over the metro Detroit area. We even had e group from Ohio come through,": said Tessie Pitese, Wayne County parks manager of recreation. \\
LightFest is open nightly from 7-10 p.m. through Jan. 1. Traffic enters Hines Drive at Merrmiman road in Westland and proceeds east, exiting at Warren Ave, juat Heights. Pood concesslons and a gift bhop area are available at the Warrendale picnic area at the exit. A \(\$ 5\) donation per car ralses finds for the parks. \\
For are information call Wayne County Parks at (313)
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Noctumal pet: Golden-colored hamsters are short tailed mammals that first came into contact with humans around 1930. A researcher first discovered this animal in Syria.
store. Most people feel that dogs
were domesticated about 12,000
俍 years ago. More than 400 breeds of dog now known originated lieve that a Chihuahua has the
same basic genes as a mastiff anda a wild wolf. Even while you're shopping at the mall, you can still observe
some natural history in your lo. cal pet store.

Ficano to revelers: Don't drink, drive

Wayne County Sheriff Robert
Ficano urges people to use comFicano urges people to use common senise when celebrating this had better beware - well get you New Year's Eve. road. Do yourself, your family and "If you're planning a holiday the other guy a favor - stay so-
party, at the office or at home, or ber when you drive - during the if you go out to cole or at home, or Year's Eve, use common sense and designate a driver who will stay sober, and get you home in
one piece," Ficen release.
More More than 50 percent of all fa-
tal traffic crashes involve a driver who is under the influence of al. cohol. New Year's Eve is one of
the most lethal nights in that re. the most lethal nights in that re-
spect. he said. Ficano aliso cites the state's
drunken driving laws as another drunken driving laws as another
St. Vincent de Paul accepts car donations used cars to fund programs the Donated cars will be sold, gencamps, food depots, and employ. ment agency, all services specifically designed to help the needy.
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heip put our services to the poor et us expand to meet the need, said James R. Carron, executive To donate a used car call (2886) or (313) 972-3100. All 1995 onations to the socie.ty are ta


\section*{New roads completed; county to take jurisdiction}

BY BETH SUNDRLA JAChman

A plan for Wayne County to ac. cept Jurisdiction of some now
roads and change the names of roads and change the names of
several roads sparked discussion among Wayne County commis. sioners,.
At the
At the board of commissionera' Dec. 21 meeting, commissioners
voted to accept into the file a list of roads the county will take over as of the end of 1995 , but only after commissioners questioned the
plan and why it came before the plan and why it came before the
commission at the last meeting of the year.
"Why is
Why is this at the last minute
and why didn't this go throug and why didn't this go through
compittee?"' Commissioner Edna committeas Commissioner Edna
Bell asked.
And, Vice Chair Kay Beard, DAnd, Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-
Westland, asked if local mayors Westland, asked if local mayors
and township supervisors are and township supervisors are
aware of the changes, ond wonaware of the changes, and won-
dered if local councils and boards
of trustees would be required to of trustes would be required to
take action. Several administration employ.

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\section*{Perot's Reform Party} plans petition drive



The following sections of roads courts, and part of Stratford Drive
in Canton Township will become and Gyde Road in Straitord in Canty roads: Valentine Court, Nowland
Drive, and part of Verdun Cout Drive, and part of Verdun Court,
Palmer and Sheldon roads in Nowland Estates Subdivision; Crestview Drive, Dunston Road and Woodale Way and part of
Foothill, Millbrook and Palmer Foothill, Millbrook and Palmer
roads in Brookside Village Subdivision Number 5;
village Subdi-
Visige Leigh, Northgete, Southgate,
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and part of Beck Road in Huntington Place Subdivision; Gerald Court in Pine View Es tates Subdivision;
Glastonbury and Yarmouth Glastonbury and Yarmouth
drives and part of Beck Road in drives and part of Beck Road in
Pinewood Subdivision Number 1 Robert Court in Kingston Es: tates Subdivision;
Lancelot Court, Lancelot Drive and part of Amber Drive and and part of Amber Drive and Camden Park; Lotz Road in Morton-Taylor Road in Bi- Baron Drive in Admiral IndusNumber 2;

courts and part of Yarmouth Drive in Pinewood Subdivision Number 2 . The follown reads in Plym outh Towinship will become coun ty roads:
\(\square\) Greystone Boulevard and Tje mont Lane in Greystone Estate Subdivision.
- Hollymood Drive, Lochness, Whithorn and Willoway court
and parts of Edinburgh and Lath eron drives in Heather Hills SUb division Number 2 .
Road names to be changed \(n\). clude: Stratford Court in Strat Township will now be known as Belford Court, Midway Street in Sunflower Village Subdivision Number 4 in Canton Toynship
will now be known as Noth Pointe Drive; Orchid Avenue it Sunflower Village Subdivision Number 4 in Canton Township will now be known as Lyndon Ay
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\section*{Act responsibly}

\section*{Speed, alcohol are deadly duo}

Ngood time to talk about the dangers of drinking and driving. It's an issue that unfortunately just won't go away, although w can report some progress on the legislative and educational fronts.
There are reasons that this year's plea is more compelling - about 70 of them. We'
referring. of course, to the push in Michireferring. of course, to the push in Michi-
gan and other states to raise, or abolish. gan and other states to raise, or abolish,
freeway speed limits in the wake of the re peal last month of the 55 mph federal
speed limit.
In Michigan, a bill to raise the maximum seed on all freeways - including some urban stretches -- to 70 mph has stalled temporarily in the state Senate. The proposal ailed on Dec. 12 after numerous amendments were added and senators couldn't gree on where lower himits would stil be he bill. the binl Yes, these are separate issues. The 55 mph y as an energy conservation tactic. The feder al law was eased several years ago to 65 mph n "rural" interstates.
But statistics show the lower limit, along with improved auto safety, has helped push down the number of traffic fatalities nationwide to about half the 55,000 deaths reported
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The reality is Michigan will likely increase arge extent ignores. The public, which to a wants it; and traffic engineers tell us the fre ways were designed for responsible drivers do ing \(65-70 \mathrm{mph}\).
That means efforts to curb drinking and riving will take on added importance, possi

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bly by early next yea
Personal responsibility is a big factor here The designated driver idea is good in theory More people, older adults as well as 20 -some hings, need to put it into practice. The Observer supports legislation that cracks down on drunken driving without "Zero Tolng on civil rights - last year's ing drivers under 21 for example And we ing drivers under 21 , for example. And
will continue to urge prosecutors and district judges to take their responsibilities in this area seriously. Even the toughest new laws will fail to make a difference if the ju dicial branch doesn't place equal emphasis on the issue.
Educational programs, from those sponsored by MADD and SADD to police depart ment presentations at local high schools, must also continue
Lastly, corporate America needs to jump on the bandwagon - and we're not talking about just throwing in a few catchy phrases at the end of a beer commercial. Companies hard look at the way they promote their products. The image they create should b one that encourages responsible use, no reckless consumption.

\section*{Good news for suburbs in '96}

C
erful holiday news comes to the sub job and population forecasters of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments. After two decades of stagnant population changes and a loss of manufacturing jobs, things are looking up, literally, from now to 2020 .
SEMCOG's regional development forecast now circulating to cities and townships, shows a positive economic future"- an 18 .
percent growth in jobs and a 13 -percent growth in population in the quarter century ahead.

Job growth will be particularly strong in suburban Wayne County (18.3 percent), Oakland County (29.7 percent) and Livingston County (83.2 percent)

Among the top 10 job growth communities will be Canton Township (119 percent), Rochester Hills ( 100.5 percent), Bloomfield Township ( 96 percent), Novi ( 67.1 percent Troy (1
cent).
Sad to say, Detroit is projected to contin ue losing jobs, and manufacturing will de cline - no surprise there. But services, retail and finance are projected for healthy. increases.
Significantly, the percentage of working. age adults holding jobs will increase from 81 percent in 1990 to 88 percent in 2020
In the population charts, Livonia is likely to

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dip below the 100,000 mark, and Southfield hip below the 100,000 mark, and Southne shrinking family size. Westland, Canton, Farmington Hills and Troy will continue to see more faces'; as will northern Oakland communities.
The nature of public services will change. Households with children will decline 5 per cent by 2020 . Better health care will mean more older folks, particularly in the 85 -and-up ategory Elementary schools will be convert Bilnior citizen centers
Builders of houses and apartments should continue to prosper as population
rises and average houschold size shrink from 3.49 people in 1960 to 2.66 today to 2.47 in 2020.

Now if we can refrain from paving over too many farm fields and slicing up too many lakes with powerboats, we may have nice environment in which to enjoy our pro perity.

Community Voice



Academic testing: Local teachers and students, like those above, worked boost their reading and math scores in the annual Michigan Educational Assessment Program tests

\section*{LETTERS}

\section*{Attack unwarranted}

Inever ceases to amaze me! When someone intent on making a political attack, virtually anything is a suitable basis for doing so - even a decidedly non-partisan, "good government" p
server.
Even though Mark Tooze makes a variety Even though Mark Tooze makes a variety
of comments about me and my record, resders should not be misled by the authoritative air of his delivery. For example, while Tooze forcefully reports that I supported the 1993 budget act, he is obviously ignorant of the fact I wasn't a member of Congress until 1995. Even though he claims to te among those "are watching and listening carefully to what both sides are saying and doing, his vigilance making accusations about me in the newspape Readers should also be suspicious of his Readers should also be suspicious of his again, the facts don't support his statements. He tries to argue that my actual votes are not consistent with the arguments put forward in my column.
Untrue!
Not only have I repeatedly cast votes in support of ethics and campaign finance re form, I have personally set standards above at
For example, as a state legislator, I voted against a pay raise and then, after it passed,
returned it to the state treasury. Before I was elected to Congress, I pledged not to accept gifts, meals, or travel from special interests. I have voluntarily kept to this standard and sponsored legislation that would have placed the same requirements on all members. - In fact, Speaker Gingrich's amendment to the recently passed "gift ban" was identical to my proposal.
Similarly; I have co-sponsored most of the thics and "perks and privileges" bills in the campaign finance reform.
I recently sponsored a bill to make House members more accountable for after-hours use of C.SPAN - which costs taxpayers around \(\$ 7,000\) an hour - and, because of my strong sense of outrage over the recent shutdown of the federal government, I pledged to return my salary for those six days.
Mr. Tooze's claim that I argued that 'Democ rats had been disadvantaged. and that my reform bills were or right this wrong is simply that I was critical of both parties and urged bi. partisan responses to campaign and ethics re partisa
forms.
It
It seems to me that what was actually writen in the column was of little interest to Mr .

Tooze - my party affiliation, rather than my arguments, are what count to him. While he is certainly free to dislike that I for a Democrat, Mr: Tooze is way out of line for faulting me on reform! I would hope that my Wayne County constituents would recog what it is.

River, an Ann Arbor Democrat in her
first term, represents Garden City and West land.

\section*{Abortions knocked}

1\(s\) far as the debate on partial-birth late-term abortions go, one can only onder what goes on in the minds of who defend them.
When I think of how far the feminist moveB Anthas declined from the precepts of Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, I am truly made sad. Those pioneer foremothers in the movement called abortion "child murder. Todays women's movement so-called lead ers have recently said that these late-term abortions are necessary to "ensure a woman's right to choose

I am saddened when I think of my sisters in the womb who are six and seven months along the womb who are six and seven months along
- fully developing females - whom some -fully developing females - whom some Lastly, I am saddened that our U.S. Rep: Lynn Rivers voted against the partial-birth late term abortion ban. We must defend our sisters (and brothers) who are developing in the womb.

Gena Giannuzzi, Westland

\section*{Letter generates laugh}
- ooking at the letters to the editor in the Dec. 14 Observer, I saw Walter Warren's name on the first letter. I thought to myself Not again. Why don't they let him write a column of his
little space."
Then \(I\) read the opening sentence of the sec ond letter, "Just once P'd like to open one o your newspapers and not see a letter from Walter Warren,
I have to say I laughed out loud (Letter writer) Mr. Anderson was very kind in his in wondering why he is published so not alone Anyway, thanks for the laugh. I needed Anna Pettibonie, Garden City

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Philip Power

\section*{Accountability is important for all our schools}
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Now comes Randy Bos, superintend. ent of Montabella Community Schools, who wants to convert all five schools in his tiny (1,500 students) mid-Michigan district into charter schools. \\
"This would force the school district to take the responsiblity that it should have and add some accountability to what we're dolng here," said Bos, who plans to submit his proposal to the school board in January. \\
Pardon me, but up to now I had thought that local school boards and superintendents were supposed to take responsibility and accountability for what kids learn without having to convert their public school districts into charter schools: Or am I missing something? \\
Charter schools are an experiment in school reform that authorizes independent schools to receive the same amount of per-pupil funding that is
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Charter schools are an experiment pendent schools to receive the same
provided regular public schools in the schools operetion in Michigan, with another 20 or so authorized to open next year.
The theory is that chartering some
independent schools would break the independent schools would break the
monopoly on \(\mathrm{K}-12\) education now held by public schools, provoke experimen. tation and provide parents with greater school choice. I'm afraid the fact is the
lots of folks who are hot for charter lots of folks who are hot for charter.
schools want little more than to get schools want little more than to get
your and my tax dollars to pay for pri vate schooling for their kids. That's why the year-end educational squabble in Lansing between the Senate (very conservative, very ideological) and the House (more moderate, more
narrowly divided) was so important. The folks in the Senate wortant.
The folks in the Senate were hellbent to take off all restrictions on the
number of schools to be chartered. Th House eventually watered down most

of the radical Senate notions. I think allowing uncontrolled numbers of charter schools poses two enormous problems: per-pupil grant paid to charter schools comes from public tax dollars: But boards of charter schools are privately
appointed rather than publicly elected appointed rather than publicly elected.
How do you get public oversight of the expenditure of public funds?

Educational standards. With a lot of kids attending a bunch of independent hater schools, how do you know that each kid is getting an education that's up to standard? The Senate was adamant in wanting to do away with the
mandated statewide curriculum, and so Michigan is now one of only three states in the nation with no - none! minimum standards for what our kids re supposed to learn in school.
It's ironic that the scores for this year's round of MEAP (Michigan EdU ational Assessment Progzam) tests were released recently. In general, they
showed that most school districts have improved in reading and math over the past few years as teachers began to ad just their classes to meet the demands public testing.
We regularly publish the local MEAP test results, school building by
school building, in this newspaper Nothing we do gets a bigger response
from our readers, and this kind of in-tense interest translates - surprise! into pressure for school improvement Next year, the MEAP will be augmented with a battery of tough new tests, including an entirely new profi-
ciency test for 11th-graders. This test, designed to assess what klds really. learn before they leave school, will in urn drive the system of state-endorsed diplomas. So the process - testing what kids learn, publishing those results in the Observer Newspapers and letting the pressure improve the work of teachers and school officials - gradually is im proving our schools. Isn't that the kind of responsibilitypecting from the public schools all along?
Phil Pow Phil Power is chairman of the compa: ny that owns this newspaper. His \(953-2047\), Ext. 1880.

\section*{Accusations of racism don't fill bill for state legislator}

If being called nasty names could hurt, state Rep. Deborah Whyman would be covered by y a dung heap. The second-term Republican from Canton Township is taking verbal abuse such as one rarely sees in the polite corri
dors of the State Capitol.
"She's
"She's a racist," Rep. Ed Vaughn, D. 'If she's not a racist, she certainly appears to be one.
She's trying to position herself as a force for, "the racist far right. She's a participant in the dumbing down of
America. She plays to dumb folks and blames the victims," Vaughn went on "The only plausible explanation for this rather astonishing proposal is race," said Robert Sedlar, a Wayne
State University law professor "The minute we get any inkling th they're trying to take our court away, we'll use every legal resource to fight
it," said Recorder's Judge Kym Wor-
"I'm sick of these people coming int
Detroit and telling us that we can't Detroit and telling us that we can't
think for ourselves," said Geraldine Block, a retired Detroit teacher who uses the mail and talk radio to bash Whyman.
Now, Why
Now, Whyman votes with evangelicals like Alan Cropsey, Harold
Voorhees and Jack Horton on school and abortion questions. But racist? Her desk is next to my press box sta. tion, we chat a good bit, and I've yet to hear her whisper a racist comment. In fact, those who make snide refer
ences to "These People" and "They" are the ones we should suspect of pre judging people on the basis of race. A lady who's never shirill and who does her homework, Whyman is spon-
sor of House Bill 4952 , to consolidate sor of House Bill 4952, to consolidate
Detroit Recorder's Court (with its Detroit Recorders court (with its
criminal jurisdiction) into Wayne Ci cuit Court. If enacted, HB 4952 would correct one flaw in a pattern of flawed
state laws - the tendency for Lansing


\section*{to write one bill for Detroit and one for} the rest of the state. In the other 82 counties, circuit cour handles all criminal cases, as well as divorces and civil suits worth more than \(\$ 10,000\). Only Detroit has a sepa-
rate criminal court. rate criminal court.
Ann Arbor doesn t have a separate
court from Washtenaw County; Flin inn't separate from Genesee County;

\section*{Binaw County; ditto with Bay City and} Bay County; ditto with Kalamazoo and
Kalamazo County; ditto with Grand Kalamazo County; ditto with Grand
Rapids and Kent County; ditto with Muskegon and Muskegon County; dit to with Midland and Midland County. The Legislature made a big, fat mis ake when it created a separate court
for Detroit; just as it erred when it cre ated a separate class of school district for Detroit, and separate income tax provisions for Detroit, and separate
dozens of other things for Detroit. ozens of other things for Detroit.
Detroit isn't unique It's a city with Detroit isn't unique. It's a city with
about half the county's population. It has a large minority population. It's an has a large minority population. It's an
old city. But it absolutely isn't unique, o way.
In the last decade, the Supreme Court has shifted jurisdiction of suburban criminal cases out of Wayne Cir-
cuit Court and into Detroit Recorder's Court. A' handful of circuit judges have been rotated onto the Recorder's bench
to help out. But essentially we have an
nfair situation.
If I were a black Detroiter, I would raise an eyebrow if my neighbors wer judged solely by white suburbanites. And Whyman's constituents raise an eyebrow at having their criminal cases judged in Detroit Recorder's Court. Since Whyman's bill hit the Judic
ary Committee - with a ton of cosponsors - the Supreme Court has changed the rules and ordered subur: ban Wayne County crimnial cases back into circuit court. So is HB 4952 even necessary? Absouldel, because the
again.
Black Detroiters don't want to see their voting strength diluted by a countywide election. We all appreciate that view. Whyman's research shows that
fair numbers of blacks have been elected to Wayne Probate Court and to countywide posts.
It's too bad she has had to take all
that abuse.

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\section*{OBITUARIES}

Pearl NEIL
Services for Pearl Neil, 76; were riday, Dec. 22, from the Price Funeral Home with the Rev. Burial was in White Chapel Me morial Cemetery, Troy. Mrs, Neil, formerly of Garden ity, died Dec. 20 at the Autu Warren. Mrs. Neil was born in Cleator Moof, Cumbertand, England in O19 and was man. Ontario, in 1946
She is survived by a daughter, Nancy Oison (David) of Roches-
er Hills, gister, Klarence Keat of Redorofi end grandchildren Sarah Matthew Olson.
Memorials can be sent to the hichigan Cancer Foundation, 831 Hu HOMAS RICHAROSON Services for Thomas Richardson,

69, of Garden City were Thursday Dec, 21, from the John Santelu \& Son Chapel with the Rev. Stoven Schafer of Mt. Hope Congrega--
tional Church officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, Gay. lord.
Mr . Mr. Richardson died Dec. 18 in
the Macomb Hospital Center in Warren.
He had worked in the rental ruck/trailer and moving equipment business. He was a member City, No. 587 .
Survivors include hls wife, Anni, daughters, Lori (Tom) Karsons, Kevin (Ksthy) and Kise) sons, Kevin (K8thy) and Kris
(Sandy); and six grandchildren. He is also survived by a
brother, Jim Beranek of Mt. leasant, and eight sisters: Catherine Hafner of Chelsea; rene Rodriguez of Ann Arbor Barb Renfrow of Flint; Doris Shi-
nabarger of Prescott: Florence

Hayton of Hillsboro; Texas; Ruth
Hofler of Hollywood, Winnie Aguilar of Durend and Memorials are suggested to the Fund.

\section*{MAKY ROBERTS}

Services for Mrs, Roberts, 75, were Friday, Dec. 22, from the ohn Santelu \(\&\) Son Chapel with
the Rev, William Dankowsil of Evergreen Lutheran Church off. ciating. Cremation was arranged. by Southern Michigan Services in Mre. dent of Wayme County She lived In Westland for three yeers after iving In Garden City
Survivorì include daughters, Donna (Paul) Henson of White
Lake and Carol (Eugene) Seku. towski; and four grandchildren Jennifer, Michelle, David and towski
Jennif
Lisa.

Memorials are suggested to the Communits
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or Westland were Friday, Dec, 22 from the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home and St, Theodore Church.
Burial was In St. Hedwig Ceme. tery in Dearborn Helghts. Mr. Vandervennet, 68 , died Dec. 20 at Garden City Osteo.
pathic Hospltal. pathic Hosplital. He had worked as a bricklayer.
Survivors include
has ricla; brothers, Willsominomin, Edward, Frederick, \(\mathbf{j o w h o t w a t ~}\)
 Laird and Mary Lowt \({ }^{2}\)

\section*{JOAN WEYHE}

Services for Joan Wed Ke of Weas: the Uht Funeral Hon't in th buit al in Cadillac Memoriflat Gaidens West, Westland.
Mís. Weyhe, 72 , died Dec. 19 in
Unlursity Hosital University Hospital.
She had worked as
Survivors include daughters
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Carol Green of Westland, Cheryl Neubecker, Ann Ables, Renee Boyko, and Colleen Clark; Bon,
Richard Weyhe; brother Robert Richard Weyhe; brother;
Meyer, and six grandehildren.


\section*{How to beat holiday blues}

Has the holiday season ar-
rived without you? Since we can't control the season's arriv all, it's not unusual for adults to
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day crowd, said an Oakwood day crowd, said an Oakwood
Healthcare System spokeswom \(\xrightarrow{\text { an. }}\) These tips from Oakwood
behavioral medicine promer behavioral mediche profession
als might help you pick up you als might hets sirits and see you through.
sper Since "tradition" is one o the hallmarks of the holidays,
you might feel acutely sad if it's you mighit feel acutry out sit's
not possible to carry out not possible to carry out some
of your usual traditions, said of your usual traditions, said
Oakwood's
Suzanne Truskowski:
"If you have recently lost a loved one, if the holiday season is the anniversary of such a
loss, of if your living situation has changed in the past yea and you are awiay from loved
ones, remember that you can ones, remember that you can
start new holiday traditions.

If you are feeling blue, it's difficult to have much enthusf. asm for. . gift-glv Ing or party goling.

They may not seem like much They may not seem like much
ot first, but if you are able to repeat them over the next few years, they'll begin to feel comfortable: If you are feeling blue, it's difficult to have much enthusi. asm for social expectations
such as gift-giving or party going, she said "Participate at a level that not to isolate yourself entirely. A little participation might lift your spiritis.
"The holid
"The holiday season is a good good book or quiet music. Write
letters to friends and loved ones instead of sending cards. By staying involved in some activi: ty, you may find your mood lift-
ing. vice programs for people in need over the holidays. Taking time to participate, if only for a few hours, can be a good way out of
the holiday doldrums and help bring season's greetings to others. Talk things out "Many adults experience holiday blues. If you are not able to way, or feel that the "bluese" might be drifting into depres. sion, seek help.
"Remember,
"Remember, we can't control
he season's arrival, the season's arrival, however,
there are some things we can do to pick up our spirits and see us through the season."
Oakwood owns and operates
he former Annapolis Hospital the former
in Wayne.

\section*{Writing workshops are scheduled}

The Western Wayne Michigan
Alliance for Gifted Education will hold tew Youn
shops Jan 13 .
The workshops will be taught
by Jan Jones, author of "Secrets of a Summer, Spy" and "Creating the Page Tumer:
Young Writers.'
Jones will cover a variety of lit erary topics, including hash-for
wards and flashbacke, the arts of description, dialogue and action.
She ll also show techniqua diting and rewriting.

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\section*{MILITARY NEWS}

Delayed enlistment
Cystal Nelson has enlisted in the Air Force's" "delayed enistment program. She is scheduled for enlistment in the Regular Air graduation from the Air Force's six-week basic training course in San Antonio, she is scheduled to receive technical training in the.
general career field. She will earn credits toward an associate de. gree in applied sciences through the Community College of the Ai Force while attending basic and son, a 1996 graduate of john Glenn High School, is the daugh er of Robert and Paula Nelson or Westland:
Henry Honeycutt has enlisted
in the Air Force's "delayed enlis ment" program and 's scheduled for enlistment in the Regular Air Force January 1996. Upon Grad
uation fom the Air Force's six. week basic training course ins. Antonio, he is scheduled to receive technical training in the electronics career field. He will.
earn credits toward an associate degree in applied sciences degree in applied sciences
through the community College of the Air Force while attending basic and technical training
schools. Honeycutt a 1995
graduate of John Glenn High
School, is the son of Henn Michele Priestley of Westland.

\section*{-1 THEY ENLIST:}

Rochelle Farmer has enlisted in the Air Force. Upon completing military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, she is scheduled to receive technical. training as a diet therapy appren.
tice. She will earn credits toward an associate degree in applied sci ence through the Community Col lege of the Air Force while attend ing basic and technical training
schools. Farmer, is a 1995 gradu. ate of John Glenn High School and the daughter of James and and the daughte
Pamer.
Rebecca Cannon has enlisted In the Air Force. Upon completing the Air Force's six-week basic
military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, she i scheduled to receive techinical raining in the electronics career field. She will earn credita toward ence through the Community Co lege of the Air Force while attend ing basic and technical training schools. Cannon, the daughter of
Gail Stewart of Garden City, is a

1995 graduate of Westland Lu heran High Sckool.
David Holmes has enlisted in the Air Force, Upon completing: military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, he is
scheduled to receive technical training in the mechanical care field. He will earn credits toward an associate degree in applied sc ence through the Community Col ing basic and technical training schools. Holmes, the son of William and Carol Holmes of Westland, is a 1995 graduate of John
Glenn High School Glenn High School.
Daniel Babcock has enlisted in the Air Force. Upon completing
the Air Force's six-week basic military training at Lackland Ai Force Base in San Antonio, he is scheduled to receive technical munications apprentice. He will earn credits toward an associate degree in applied science through the Community College of the Ai technical training schools. Babcock, the son of Harold Babcock of Taylor and Joan Burns of
Westland is a Westland, is a 1991 graduate
John Glenn High School

 about 1995, but with 1996 everything can be new, just like gifts about to be unwrapped, 80 much potential there. So, I say, hurrah for 1996! Oh, speaking of babies as the New Year's obstetrician's office. Today, Dec. 28, happens to mark my 28th week. This appointment today to check in on my baby, just three days before the New Year, got me thinking. It got me thinking round in an obstetrician's office. New life and resh hope constantly walk into this office, it's just that kind of business.

See FAMILY ROOM, 14 A

\section*{BYMAAY RODRIQUE}
t's New Year's Eve and the kids are still in the hoidiay mode. Beoptions for the under 18 crowd? If youre 11 years or older, and have the stamina, consider the allnight party at Skateland West,
37550 Cherry Hill, Westland. The hours are 9 pm to Cost is \(\$ 15\) in advance and \(\$ 18\) a the door. A balloon drop is planned or mid a and pop dinner at 2 a.m.
"We've been doing this for 20 a.m. can pay \(\$ 10\) and stay for the
ears now, we've got it down pat," New Year's Eve Party -9 p.m. to years now, we've got it down pat," security lowed to leave the building without a parent." Call (313) \(326-2800\) for more information. has big plans for an all-night akate 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. New Year's Eve. Cost is \(\$ 20\) and includes party hats, balThe and a continental breakfast. The skate rental is an additional
\(\$ 1.50\). Those who can't stay until 7

12:30 a.m.

There will be full adult sion and minors will not be allowed to leave after 12:30 a.m. unless accompanied by a parent or guardian. The arena, at 36635 Plymouth Road, Livonia, also has public skating 8 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday for \(\$ 5\) per person and
matinee sessions 2.5 p.m. Saturday matinee session \(\$ 2.5\). p.m. Saturday skate rentads are available: stan dard precision for \(\$ 1.50\), premium

Red Baron for \(\$ 3\) and in-line for \(\$ 5\). Call (313) \(421-3540\) for more information The Skatin' Station II at 8611 Ronda Dr., Canton, also is planning
a New Year's Eve celebration 8 p.m. a New Year's Eve celebration. 8 p.m.
to \(1 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}\). for young skaters and their families. Admission will be \(\$ 8\) for in dividuals and \$20 for families. Skate rentals will be \(\$ 1.75\) per pair.
Skaters will be tre and pop, a balloon drop at midnight with many of the balloons containSee Activities, 14A

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\section*{Family Room tom poge 13 A}
of New anyway, I was in the Office to be exact. And, this morning week between Christmas and New Year's and school is on recess,
Tony, Carmen, Joe and Jack wanted to come along. The best part, according to them, is hearing
the heartbeat of their new baby brother or sister.
The next best part is the weigh. in of Mom, And this weigh-in happens to occur smack dab in
the middle of the most eatingest the middle of the most eatingest
holidays of the year. So that makes it very funny, To them. They watch as I gingerly step up with a lab coat stands by holding a chart and making pencil marks on the page. And my children, very observant and notoriously bad secret-keeping creatures they
are, take it all in. It's all rather humiliating. The children snick. er. The nurse won't let me take my shoes off. I wear my thinnest
socks and I get my hair cut the socks and l get my hair cut the
week before. Nothing works. Today's visit was with the

\section*{Activities}
ing cash prizes and skat.
ing passes, video game, skating ing passes, video game, skating
and basketball contests, party
hats and favor hats and favors. skating sessions for kids \(1-4 \mathrm{pm}\) daily, except New Year's Day
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6400 for more information. 6400 for more information.
In the city of Wayne it's Night, a non -alcoholic New Year's Eve celebration for the entire family. First Night originated in
Boston and there are now mor Boston and there are now more
than 100 such celebrations in the U.S., Canada and Australia. More than 50 entertainers will
perform at 10 locations from 6:30 perform at 10 locations from 6:30
p.m. to midnight. Downtown p.m. to midnight. Downtown
Wayne is along Michigan Avenue Wayne is along Michigan Avenue
east of \(1-275\). Cost is \(\$ 5\) for every-
one - seniors, adults and chilone - seniors, adults and chil-
dren. Buttons will be on sale at the Wayne Community Center at Howe and Annapolis roads, and
Wayne City Hall, Wayne Road outh of Michigan Avenue.

But still, I ask the most stupld questions and you'd think after as much experience as l've had; i wouldn't have any questions and that I might even be able to answer a fow.
nurse practitioner, not the doctor, nurse practitioner, not the doctor,
which is fine. Shees really nice and patient with me. But still, 1 ask the most stupid questions and you'd think after as much ex. perience as I've had, I wouldn't
have any questlons and that might even be able to answer a few. But somehow the miracle of
birth still remains a miracle to birth still remains a miracle
me, even mysterious at times. me, even mysterious at times. cess. So I ask stupid questions and
get compassionate answers. get compassionate answers.
Another highlight is when Another highlight is when my
blood pressure is checked. Or maybe, Issould say, lhewlight- -1 fear terrible results all the time. hat s because parking places
hide from me, Joe and Jack hide hide from me, Joe and Jack hide
from me, Joe and Jack operate the
> elevator with all those interestin rod pationsl, dond then there are the automatic doors. They close wil ly-nilily on toddlers who aren't
very tall or weigh very much. And very tall or weigh very much. And
I worry. A lot. And so the blood pressure cuff nearly Alies off my arm in pieces. It nearly spontane ously combusts. Or at least
feels as if it that could happen. feels as if it that could happen.
And this time, even before showing up for my appointment in the office, I had to report to the
lab for the glucose test. Yucky. lab for the glucose test. Yucky
That's when you have to drink this horrible grape or orange solu tion liquid stuff loaded with sug. ar. It sort of slides down the
throat. It's nasty It's yery icky It makes me giddy. I apologize to makes me giddy. I apologize to
the children for the giddy part;
they say they don't even notice
anything different. Oh, boy.
Anyway, the bottom line here is Anyway, the bottom falling fust
that this appointment fall days before the New Year which i often symbolically depicted by bannerdraped bables, is a good ime to think of frees beginnings
and new possibilltes and new hope
The The birth of the new year IB, in
deed, juat days away, The birtho dhis new baby that just bith of his new baby that jus got exa
mined today ls just weekk away And the feeling of great hope and wide eyed optimism is running very high, this 28 th day of Decem
ber. I hope that's the way it is fo ber. I hope that's the way it is for
you, too.
1 wish you all a very happy hopeful, and healthy 1996 !

If you have a question or com ment for Karen Meier, a Plymouth resident, call her at \(953-2047\)
mailbox number 1883, Touch. Tone phone, or write her a The Observer Newspapers, 3625 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.
from page 13A
- First Night originated in Boston and there are now more than 100 such celebrations in the U.S., Canada and Australla.


New Year's Day. Both Dearborm attractions are open until 5 p.m. and feature special festive touch.
es for the holidays. 8 "We're not open in but we'd like everyone to come by from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. either day," said Diane Thomas, a spokes.
woman. "We have our holiday woman. "We have our holiday program. We're all decked out."
The Detroit Institute of Arts wraps up its special family pro. gramming on 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 31 . On the agenda
are a drop-in family workshop (participants can learn about line, color and texture then create paintings after viewing a special collection), family videos (includ
ing "Midas and the Golden Touch" and "The Tiger and the Brahmin') and music from the Renaissance performed in the Italian galleries: All programs are
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THURSDAY DECEMBER 28, \(1995^{\circ}\) PAGE 1 SECTION \(B\)


Longevity Secrets: Ninetyseven year old Olive Har
rington credits her long rington credits her long
life to not drinking, not life oo not drinking, not
smoking, eating oatmeal every morning, and loving

Loving art is her setere to LO IGEIITY

Students make sacrifices for'Amazing'shou

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What
What a difference a year makest Last enjoying a holiday break from school, This year, their holidays are being upstaged by "Jogeph and the Amazing. Technicolor Dreamcoat.
The students are members of the four neea choirs three from Onkland County
selected to perform in this Andrew Lloyd Webber musical, playing now through Jan 28 at Detroits Masonic Cemple Theatre. stage began for these studenta (and hun dreds of others from choral groups throughout Michigan who competed for the prized chorus roles) as early as August, when choir directors iormed groups to rehears
and audition singers. Final quditiona we
hard work paid off for angers from Abbott Middle School, West Bloomfield; the GreenRoeper School, Birmingham. The fourth choral group is the Bethosda Christian Church/Junior Choir, Sterling Heights. The four winners wore selected.from
among 10 finnlists including the Redford Youth Theatre, Redford.
Ench choir of approximately 23 atudents is teamed with another cloir. They then otate porformances with the other two cholr team.
"Many hours went into preparing the kids for the audition," said Rebecca Klier, ning in Aus vocal music teacher. "Begingave up tho the atudents and parents Howrsals three days a week," she sald "However, all agreed that it was too good of
an experience to pass up."

Now that her group has been turned over to the "Joseph" professionals, Klier said
that thas been like "sending the kids off to that ig has been like "sending the kids off to
college." And what an institution of higher learning they ve gone tol.
The students are getting the opportunity to work with such professlonals as Donny
Osmond, a figure in the entertainment industry for 25 years, who stars in the title \({ }_{1}^{\text {role. }}{ }_{1}\) did
"I didn't even know who Donny Osmond was before this," said Mike MacCallum, 11, a member of the Greenfield Honors Choir, and that when he was about my age, he even had his own television ahow, he said.-
Now that he has seen "Joso Now that he has seen "Joseph" on the
stage, Mike agrees with his parents that Omond is a star, "He is really goodl"

See THEATER, Inside


On stage: Donny Osmond (center) with company in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.:


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is not only to the community but is not only to the community but
to history." said Wilshaw at a to history " said Wilshaw at a
dedication ceremony in late OctoCity Librarian Michael Deller
are sculpture's importance.
with the library. The fact that the man's holding a book shows the
sharing between generations and that with books you ca
centuries," Deller said.
The sculpture, which took one tion, cost \(\$ 26,000\). The City of Livonia did not provide any monthe bronze was made possible by
funding, donations and untold hours of work volunteered by
members of the Livonia Arts Commission, Friends of the Livo-
nia Library who made the dog possible, Sheridan Construction,
and Livonia's department of com.
munity resources. A \(\$ 13,000\) Michigan Equity Grant approved last April laid the groundwork
paying for half the sculpture. is especially proud of the fact that
 no property tax money was used.
"It brings still another en-
hancement to the city. There's a hancement to the city. There's a
sense of focus. It's a nice addition to our artworks in the city," May-
or Bennett said. Added Janet Bennett, his wife,
I think children in particular will love it."

From the initial sketches Varga
made of the sculpture to a maquette and full-size clay model, proval of the Livonia Arts Commade minor changes until the fi-

\section*{New gallery features wood sculptures}

Artbeat features vanous hap penings in the suburban arts.
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WEW OALLERY IN TOWN

The response to Greg Every's hand carved decorative wood fig. ures has been so overwhelming,
he's opened the Western Wood he's opened the Western Wood Inkster in Livonia. The 600 -quare-foot showroom features easonably priced wood sculp.
ures hand-carved by artists from Thailand. Previously, Every housed the
att in a Livonia warehouse stack art in a Livonia warehouse stack-
ing golfing figures, carousel hors. ing golfing figures, carousel hors-
es, cigar store lndians and cows, cigar store Indians and cow
boys, bears, dogs. totem poles,

\section*{Theater}
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Claudia Shepherd jurored the ow awarding prizes in wet and categories. \\
Nancy Pitel placed first in dry her colored pencil and wateror "Mike's Baby." Coming in cond was Henrietta Or- \\
Chowski of Dearborn Heights a pastel. Placing third was izabeth Simon, colored pencil, estland. \\
First Place, wet went to June rta, Dearborn Heights, for an painting of a lighthouse. Ken rbb took second for the acrylic, agoon 4240," and in third was eg Locke of Westland also for acrylic. Taking Honorable
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\hline \multirow[b]{7}{*}{- story ceiling. While the 2,400 uare foot cement space proved cient for storage, customers uld not see the carvings through wooden crates.} & \\
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\hline \multirow[b]{7}{*}{nen took Best of Show at the rden City Fine Arts AssociaHoliday Exhibit \& Sale Dec 3 in Sheridan Square. Her oil nting of a horse titled "WorkHunter" also wis voted the} & \\
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WIsdom of the Ages: Frank Varga created this City of Livonia sculpture under the direction of the Livonia Arts Commission, with funding from government grants as well as from nonprofit organizations and commercial ventures.
artist cast the work. Hours and hours of refining and polishing
went into the sculpture after the actual costing. "I wanted to portray wisdom and innocence. All art should find something pleasant, to take in the
human aspect of youth, life, and human aspect of youth; life, and
all of God's creation," said Varga. I hope people take away with hem the fact I wanted to portray a joy of love within the family.
structure."

Born in Budapest, Hungary in
1953, Varga studied on scholar. 1953, Varga studied on scholar: Artes in Florence, Italy before serving an apprenticeship under hationally secclaimed sculptor. Frank Varga has created hunrank varga has created hun-
dreds of sculptures ranging from a few inches to 50 feet including a 30 -foot full figure bronze of Pope John Paul II in Hamtramck. But
it was Varga's sculpture of a man was Varga's sculpture of a man Newspaper
dia; Norma McQuen, Garden
City, acrylic, and Reforo Rossetti, oil. INA NEW LlOHT
Jim Pujdowaki is excited about the show coming to University Woods next year. Egg tempera paintings by Vic Vicini of Livonia render a fresh slant on portriature from Jan. 12 to Feb. 12 in the up.
per school lobby exhibition area.
"There's a lot of figurative work "There's a lot of figurative work
in outdoor settings, a park and waterscape. In one painting you can see parto of a portralt in a mir. ror, leaving the viewer to wonder, said Pujdowksi, exhibit curator. 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday For more information call (313) F84.4444.
itting on a park bench feeding piSouthfield that caught Wilshaw's eye and started the ball rolling.

Linda Ann Chomin of Canton ownship is a free-lance writer rtistic Expressions column ap. Irtistic Expressions column ap ainment section of The Observer .

Another member of the Green.
field group Lindsay Dates, 11, also wasn't familiar with th show's star, but she did know the
musical. She's been singing the musical. She's been singing the
"Joseph" songs ever since she was five and watched her older Alster perform the role of the narrator in a school production of the show.
"I can't believe I now have "I can't believe in now have
chance of being in my favorit play, especially gince 1 loye sing,
ing and I love being on stage, ing, and I love
Lindsay said. The Greenfield group is teamed the many houri the choirs and spent together in rehearsals an on stage have resulted in new
friendahips. "This is one of the friendehips. "This is one of the
best things about beling in
Ioseph,":"Mike MacCallum said.

This combined group, which is
called the "Isis Choir," had the opportunity to sing on televiato at the Thanksgiving Day Parade in Detroit.
"We real "We really are getting the op. porces,", sald Mlike Haber, 13, a nember of the Abbott Middle Shool choir.
According to Mike, who is an member of the Oakland Singers for four years, the muslic and songs are the best thing about
being in "Joseph." being in "Joseph."
"The muslc is ing and challenging. And it'a fun to do, even though some of the notes are hard to sing." he said,
Another member of the Abber Another member of the Abbott
cholr, Michelle Wilde, 13, finds
the hardest part of being in the according to him, he finds being a stuff to remember" " "We have many different move- harder that he ever expected, thal ments, and sometimes 1 gel ner. vous and I Worry that I'm going to Rita Jury, Abbott's choral d rector, knows that Mike and M1. chelle, as well as the other cholt
members, need not worry about members, need no
making mistakes.
"Each of these talented klds hines. They have the enerery, and ability to do a fabulous job," she
sald. "And they are all strongly sald. "And they are all strongly
involved in the performing arts curriculum at school."
Adam Wilmers, 10, The Roepper School, is thrilled to be in "Jo. seph" because he plans a career
as a stage professional, Although, with
gy,

\section*{DIA programs focus on family fun}

The Detroit Institute of Arts,
5200 Woodward, is offering a variety of holiday programming. ty of holiday programming.
A family guide to works in permanent collectlon relating to ceremony and celebration is avall able at the Informatlon Deak. For more information, call (313)
833.7900 A family workshop noon and 2
p.m. Thureday, Dec. 28 in the p.m. Thursday, Dec. 28 in the
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through a series of short oxercises
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knight during medleval and Re aissance times.
Another drop.in workhop, noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 31, In
the Education Studio, comporary mastera and is in con. nection with the speclal exhibi Art Works: The PalneWebber Collect
tere.".
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will be given 11:30 am, (with a Anne and Rob Barns perform p.m. Thurgeday and Saturday, Ellzabeth I of Ereign of Queen p.m. Thurday and Saturday, Ellzabeth I of England 2.4 p.m.
Dec. 28 and 30 . \(A\) docent tour of Tharsday, Dec. 28 , in Gallery the show takes place \(11: 30 \mathrm{am}\). to \(\mathbf{8 3 8 0}\). A variety of Instrumentu 1:30 p.m. Fitday, Dec. 29, with a and the music of the period aro
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has not dampened the fun, he is having.
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spent in rehearsal, both very ex. ting and very tiring. 'm am elther giving a pert mance, of trying to keep up th my studies; especially biolo.


STREET SCENE

\section*{Music '95:} Critics pick year's best

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Best records of 1905
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- arious artists, "American Folk Blues Festiva - \({ }^{\text {'62 }}{ }^{\prime} 65^{\prime \prime}\) five.CD box set, (Evidence) 3. Mimi Harris and the Snakes, "Paradise," 4. Jim Lauderdale, "Pretty Close To The Truth," (Atlantic)
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Bros.) Bros.)
9 . Molly and The Heymakers, "Big Things," (Mouthpiece)
10. Forbidden Pigs, "The Other White Meat," (Triple X)

Mark E. Gallo


Ginger: They make the grade with their album "Far Out.
Top 10 albums of 1995 in no particular order. 1. Lisa Loeb and Nine Stories, "Tails" (Geffen) 3. Clutch, "Clutch" (East West)
4. Charm Farm, "Pervert" (PRA)
5. Blur, "The Great Escape" (Virgin)
6. Catherine Wheel, "Happy Days," (Mercury)

8: Ginger, "Far Out" (Nettwerk)
9. Speedball, "Do Unto Others ©...Then Split" \({ }^{(E n e r}{ }^{\prime}\) ) (Energy)
(Blue Thumb) Brooke and The Story, "Plumb"

Top 10 records
Daddy Stitch, "The Douglas Chapter," (Skillet) 2. Rolling Stones, "Stripped," (Virgin)
3. Pretenders, "Isle of View," 4. Morrissey, "Southpaw Grammar," (Reprise) 5. AC/DC, the single "Hard As A Rock"" from the 6. Edwyn Coltins, the single "A Girl Like You" from the album "Gorgeous George," (Bar None), 7. Grant Lee Buffalo, the single "In My Room" from the "Friends" soundtrack, (Reprise)
8. Specula, "Erupt". (Scat Records) 8. Specula, "Erupt," (Scat Records)
9. Matthew Sweet, "100 Percent Fun," (200) 10. Various artists, "Rock Baby Rock It: Sun
Rockabilly, Vol. 2," (Sun)


Boy George
1. Blur, St. Andrew's Hall in Detroit, Monday, 2. Soul Coughing, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, Friday, June 9. . Orange 9 mm , St: Andrew's Hall, Friday, March 4. Wilco, 7th House in Pontlac, Thuraday, June 5. Afghan Whigs, St. Andrew's Hall, Sunday, June 6. Mike Watt/Foo Fightora/Hoverctaft, Priday, May 5, St. Andrew's Hall.
7. Henry Rolling, apoken word performance, MaBey George, State Theatre in Detiot,
8. Boy George, State Theatre in Detiolt, Saturday,
9. Tom Petty, Pine Kriob Mublc Theatre in Clarkston, Friday, Sept. 1. 0. Clutch, Phoonix Plaza Amphitheatre in Pontiac, Thursday, June 22.
-Christina Fuoco

\section*{Band of the Year}

\section*{Speedball puts the pedal to the metal}

\section*{\(\underset{\substack{\text { By Chris Writina }}}{\text { Buoco }}\)}

Local rock act Speedball has a lot in common, with guitrisis/oocalist motorcycles. On its debut album "Do Unto Oth. pedal to the metal, speeding through its 10 songs with its relentlessly addictive guitar riffs and hook-laden
lyrics until it crashes head first into the end of the CD
The first single, "Hog," is a hard
rocking testament to motorcycle rid rocking testament to motorcycle rid-
ing. "Live fast, die young. Get on your ing. Live fast, die young. Get on your
hog and ride," Burns sings rolling his hog and ride, Burns sings rolling his
r 's. "God of Slumber'" is another highlight of the album with its Clutch like monotone vocals that build tension until they explode into the chorus refuse to feel the pain
Some things just never change Refuse to play the game.
That's exactly what Speedball is doing - refusing to play the music gimmicks and seeing if the audience catches on. Speedball lets the music and its on-stage fush of attitude d e talking.
of the Detroit rock scene and as a re alt. is The Observer. \& Eccentri Newspapers' 1995 Band of the Year. have a prime opportunity to catch on to Speedball's style of Motor City Rock ' \(n\) ' Roll when it goes out on tour opening for Motorhead. Canadian
got a sneak peek of the tour when that got a sneak peek of the tour when that
leg began Tuesday, Dec. 26, in Toron-

\section*{"Do Unto Others, Then Split" (ar-} guably the best album title of the year) was released nationally on New
York's Energy Records in late June Yorks Energy Records in late June through the country places them in the rock race.
It's been three long years of hard work for Speedball which besides for mer Westland and Garden City resi-
dent Burns includes drummer Mike Alonso, guitarist'till Kozy; and bassist/berking \({ }^{\text {ben }}\)

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Speeding along: Detroit rockers Speedball - from left, drummer Mike Alonso, bassist/backing vocalist Jeff King, guitarist Bill Kozy, and vocalist/guitarist Chuck Burns - are The Observer \& Eccentric Newspapers 1995 Band of the Year.
Alonso moved out west first in 1988 bum on Polygram Records. The fledg. "Do Unto Others, Then Split" was with his band Katmandu, which ling band gigged around the L.A. club recorded at Sabella Studios in Ros recorded an album for Epic Records. circuit until the pressures of being lyn, N.Y., with producer/mixer Steve Burns and Kozy, who are long-time under the record industry microscope Thompson at the healm. His credits ing year Alonso, moved the follow- got to them. The three remained friends in L.A. played guitar and sang in:", said and when Katmandu fell apart the Burns, a former drummer. "And here three, along with Alonso's roommate we are and l'm playing in Hollywood. King, got together and jammed. At We immediately started getting inter-
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project of Tracy Guns of L.A. Guns project of Tracy Guns of L.A. Guns that I was up to par with the rest of
called Killing Machine, and another the band. I needed time to grow as a band called Mother. singer/guitar player. It was easier to As the band practiced, Alonso said, it weir callingare.
"Every song we wrote just got cores Returning to Detroit has allowed Every song we wrote just got cool... the band to "discover our niche (and it," "Alonso explained last summer discover) exactly which direction we Eventually, Burns put the pedal to with it a little bit: Now we're focused the metal, spun his tires and lef Kill- on exactly what we want to sound
ing Machine, which released an ai.. like.".

Thompson at the healm. His credits includes Guns \(\mathrm{N}^{\prime}\) Roses, Metallica,
Soundgarden, Madonna, Yoko Ono, Blues Traveler, and Public Enemy. King said he's not sure when the King said he's not sure when the
band will start working on its new al. bum.
"It depends on when the record company wants to do it. We have the
material though.". material though. By thon, Motor City rock ' \(n\) ' roll
should be on the Speedball, Hoarse, Big Block and Plain play St. Andrew's Hall; 431 E. Conigress, Detroit on Sunday, Dec.
31. Doors open at 8 p.m. for the 18 and older show. For more information, call
(3i3) \(961-M E L T\) or \((810) 645 \cdot 6666\).

\section*{Sponge gives Big Block a helping hand}
\(\underset{\text { BY Christina fuoco }}{\text { Stary witer }}\)
A common complaint amongst Detroit bands is that there's no camaraderie between acts in the city. Big Block, the 1994 Observer \& Ec. centric Newspapers' Band of the
Year, got a phone call this summer Year, got a phone call this summer
that showed that the opposite was actually true.
"Out of the blue Vinnie called us from Europe and
be the States in a couple was going to
He said get your (stuff) together and come on the road with us," singer! guitarist Nick Lucassian said of the one-named lesd singer for the Detroit
band Sponge. bana sponge
"We dropped everything It was It was great to tour and everything but not that much came about from it. (But) We got a chance to experi-
ence touring as far as like connections ence touring as far as iike connections
with people that could possibly put us on the road to getting a record deal."
The band did 13 shows in 16 days with Sponge and Warner Bros. recording act Poster Children travell. ing from Ohio to Califomia. Inexperi-
enced with playitig venues the size of college basketball arenas, Lucassien said Sponge took care of them.
"They totally hooked us up with
everything that we needed. They everything that we needed, They
made sure - that everything was stralght su the that everything, was about too much," he said.
Playing those sized venues was
far cyy from the gigs they do here.
rar cty from the gige they do here.
"It was a big change from just play-
ing around here. You know on the weekends and doing showa. We just kept our heads together and really focused on the music.
New music will be Big Block's focus for 1998. As soon as the White Room Studio in Detroit rrees up from its commit tment to Detroit blues art
ist Robert Bradley, the band will step in to record its follow-up to "Guard. rail" (Rustbelt).
The new album will carty on Big charged, melodic rock.


Big sound: Big Block - from left, singer/guitarist Nick Lucassian, guitarist/singer Kenny Tudrich, drummer Scott MacDonald, and bassist Joe Proper - spent two weeks of the summer touring with Sponge and the Poster Children
"There's really no gimmick with us, and not that a cot of banis do. They alf sort of have that same fough sort
of rock grungy edge to it," Lucassian asid.
"We concentrate on our mèlodies. Most bands \({ }^{\text {a }}\) intenalty comes from
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"A lot of thes last two riences on that (Sponge) tour," \(L\) se. cassian asid. "It's about moving out and going forward. The enging (re. ferred to in the name) representa mo. tivation- getting in your car and
pulling it out of park and junt split. pulling it out of park and junt split-
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hind Big Block.
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Nick Lucassian

Kids win weekend at Sugar Loaf Resort

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Consisting of two nights resort Fodging and lift tlekets for a famity of four.
\(\because\) In addition to loding and lia aickets, their grand prize packages Thcluded Leelanau Sands Casino Super Gaming Player Pasabooks worth \(\$ 50\) each for mom and dad. neearby Suttons Bay
Ten runners up won prizes consisting of one night midweek resoit lodging and lift tickets for a The runners up were Jacob Agranove, 7 (West Bloomfield); Derrick Pass, 5 (Farmington
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(Bloomfield): Nikki Bieber, 6 (Redford); Miles Levin, 7 (Bloomfiedd Hills); Jim Albertus, 11 (Rochester Hills); April Loney, 9 \(\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { (Livonia), Sarab Broder, } 12 \\ \text { (Farmington Hills); Robert Lu- }\end{array}\right.\)



SPECIALEVENTS

\section*{New Year's Eve festival showcases over 30 performers}
 First Night, an alcohol-free New trumpeter Marcus Belgrave, Da-
Year's Eve festival of the arts, is vid Syme, and classical guitarist set for Sunday from 5 p p. m until Paul Vondiziano. midnight in a number of locations in downtown Birmingham.
First Night Birmingham/ will showcase over 30 performers for people of all ages. The headline act for children this year is Loretta Long, better "Sesame Street." Teens, adults and senior citizens will have a variety of music to choose from, including classical, jazz and int
'Button up’ for First Night
Admission buttons for First Night/Birmingham '96 (\$7, \$1
for children 5 and under) are for children 5 and under, are
on sale at AAA of Michigan/ Birmingham branch, the Birmingham/Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce, City of Birming-
ham/City Hall, The Community House in Birmingham, Crowley's in Birmingham, Jacobson's in Birmingham and
Livonia, and the YMCA in Bir-
mingham. For more informaAtter 3 call (810) \(540-6688\). After 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 31 ,
buttons will First Night Celeb be sold at the 350 Pierce, one door west of Merrill; at the Village Players Merrill; at the Village Players rian Church; and at Jacobsyn's parking lot. Fick up a complete program guide where buttons:
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event times and locations, are available where butcis are, are available where buttons are sold.
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Last year, almost 10,000 people. enjoyed the celebration.
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Community House; her visit is sponsored by Détroit Edison and fhe Detroit Edisoth Foundation.
will be: Marcus Belgrave, world
renowned jazz trumpeter; Pippin renowned jazz trumpeter; Pippin
Puppets, with shows for children Puppets, with shows for children;
Modesty Forbide, an Irish folk music group; the children's entertainer Chautauqua Express; Tinis Turner ," Elvis Presley and Tina Turner impersonators; and
the Magic School Bus, which provides interactive arts and science projects for children. Two interactive sculptures will n the Pinwhee, Move exhibit: "Amass to Crat" Sayegh; and "Amass to Craft," by Maria Amass
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\section*{MOVIES}

\section*{'Sense and Sensibility' glorious ode to anticipation}

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John Monaghan
- magic bag theatre 22918 Woodward (north of 9
Mile), Ferndate. Call (810) 544 3030 for information. ( \(\$ 6\) ) "Spike and Mike's Sick and 8. 11 p.m. Dec. 30; 8 p.m. Jan. 1-2. An odd way to spend the holidays,
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of Shakespeare's classic tragedy Starts Friday.
m maple theatre 4135 W. Maple, Bloomfield. Al
titles play through at least next Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call ( 810 ) 855.9090 for in formation. ( \(\$ 6 ;\); \(\$ 2.95\) twilight)
"Grumpier Old Men" (USA.
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started once again, this time by Ann-Margret and Sophia Loren. "Nixon" (USA - 1995). Anthony Hopkins stars as the fallin presi:-
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and varied film stocks, resulting in a movie both tedious (at almost three -and-a.half hours long) and
fascinating. Ed Harris and James fascinating. Ed
Wood co-star.
Wood co-star.
"The American President",
(USA-1995). Michael Douglas plays the widowed Commander in
Chief who tries to balance his and a blossoming romance with an environmental lobbyist (An-
nette Bening) An nette Bening). Another crowd.

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603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Call (313) 668 -8397. ( \(\$ 6 ; \mathbf{5} 5\) students
seniors) "Restoration" (Britain - 1995). Through Dec. 31 (call for show-
times). In the court of King Charles II, a notorious womanizer
and drunkard (Robert Downey,



Mixing sense with sensibility: Elinor (left to right, Emma Thompson), Marianne (Kate their new home in "Sense Winslet) and Mrs. Dashwood (Gemma Jones) get used to and Sensibility."
films, is about the relationship \(\quad 17360\) Lahser Road, Detroit (313) between a Jewish comedian and a \(\quad 537-2560\). (Movie tickets \(\$ 2.50\), \(\begin{array}{ll}\text { non Jewish woman. "Annie Hall" } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Friday nights } 7: 30 \text { p.m. organ } \\ \text { presents a hiliarious and expan- }\end{array} \\ \text { overture, film } 8 \text { p.m. Saturdays }\end{array}\) sive view of American culture and organ overture \(1: 30\) p.m., film 2
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"People sometimes complain if P'm not waitressing their table. I'm the owner. I understand what Tony and his mother-in-law Labibe, do all the cooking in the potlessly clean kitchen Tony built when he bought the restau rant \(21 /\) years ago. Although they
each have their own "duties," Tony lays claim to the popula amb shanks, which he simmer eaf, then bakes in a special to eaf, then bakes in a special
to sauce until fork-tender. "He does the best lamb shank nd baked chicken," Nauf said Friday is the lamb shanks and Both specials are served with ric pilaf and oven roasted potatoes and carrots.
Tony, a barber and beautician
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before his natural passion for aged a Lebanese restaurant i Paris for several years before com Ing to the United States. Pari-
sians approach dining more surely, and many appetizers are placed on the table before the main meal is served. Special Maza for Two is Clee
patra's adaptation of this custom. It consists of nine differ ent appetizers, from hommus with tahini and baba ghannouige Labibe's delicious specialty) to
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beh balls. "Poople really love it, Nauf said. "Usually they just or der this."
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Tony's penchant for fresh vege. sends him to the market every day "They know me at Randaz.
zo's like they know the flag,". he
 said. He also uses only
meats and fresh olive oll. "This is a second life for me," he said. It's obvious he's delight illy enamored with his profes We make a great hommus and
We loves tall baba ghannouge There are deli cious dishes on the menu all the
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(Siah Tawook) and the Sish KafThe menu also includes a num ber of vegetarian entrees, Includ
ing Stuffed Grape Leaves and ng Stuffed Grape Leaves and
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8 Dh District Cout in was dininig recently westland friend and court officer, Andrew patra's They're regulars at Cleo
patra's. come here two or three times
a week. This is an outstanding


Taste of Lebanon: Tony and Nauf Abou-Dib inside the dining room at Cleopatra's This small, attractive Lebanese restairant has a loyal following.
place, This place is a jewel," said good customer," Spisak said. pine nuts and served with stewed Bokos over a fresh fattoush salad Spisak, a potato lover, ordered vegetables. "It's always good. And
and a baba ghannouge appetizer. the Baked Potato Kibbeh, two their lamb shanks are just fabu "You kniow when they bring his layers of mashed potatoes stuffed lous. This is a place waiting to be
pita bread toasted that Chuck is a with ground meat, onions and discovered."

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Badger trio drafted

\(T\)hree players from NCAA men's soccer
champlon University of Wisconsin were re cently drafted by the National Professional
Soccer League:
Forward Travis Roy (Livonia Stevenson) was
taken by the Milwaukee Wave whiere ex-Badger taken by the Milwaukee Wave whiere ex-Badger
Jefr Gold ( Plymouth Silen) now eff Gold (Plymouth Salem) now plays.
The Tampa Bay Terror selected defender Scott The Tampa Bay Terror selected defender Sco Milie Gentule (Churchill).
-The Detroit Rockers, featuring former area tandouta Lars Richters (Stevenson/Yale Uni-
verity) and Dominlo Sclcluna (Redford Cathol Central/Oakland University), return to NPSL action, 7:30 tonight at Cobo Arena to face the Kansas City Attack. They will also meet the Wichita Wings, \(7: 05\) p.m. Saturday at Cob Pack Deal - four reserved seats, four hot dogs rour Cokes, one game program for \(\$ 29\). Individual tickets are priced at \(\$ 15\) reserved and any Ticketmaster location, by phone at \((810) 645\) any Ticketmaster location, by phone at (810) 645 -
6666 ; or at the Joe Louis or Cobo box offices on the day of the game.
Fans can also take advantage of discounted rral admission by calling the Rockers office at eral admission by

\section*{Youth soccer champs}

C \(\begin{aligned} & \text { anton Quest, an under-13 Premier League } \\ & \text { girls soccer team, recently captured the un }\end{aligned}\) der-13 first division session at Total Soccer in Southfield and the under- 14 first division indoor session at Worldwide Sports Center in Ann
Arbor. Members of Quest, coached by Ellen Schroeder
nd Pat Hogan, include: Stephanie Altepeter, Rahell Berezak, Beth Burgess, Lacey Catarino, Jad Fukuda, Liz Gizicki, Brandi Groves, Leslie Hogan Amanda Lentz, Meghan Meier, Kelle Mullin, Sar ah Pack, Danielle Portelli, Terry Schroeder and
Ashley Williams. The team manager is Scott Ashley Williams. The team manager is Scott
Weiger.

Matmen earn medals
\(\neg\) ayne Memorial wrestlers took home six Invitational on Dec. 16
Juniors Patrick Grrecki (215 pounds) and Rich. ard Watson (130) each took thirds; Mark Keninedy (171) and Sean Mcinerney ( 160 ), fifth; and Na
Garison (125) and John Nichols (119), sixth.

\section*{Sunday Health Club}
choolcraft College will have a Sunday
Health Club Jan. 7. through March 31, dividual and family memberghips are vailable. Members may use the swimming pool, handball, paddleball, racquetball, wallyball curt, two gyme for baske ball, wheyball and jog ging, weightlifing equipment
Call (313) \(462-4413\) to join.
Sirteen-week court reservations also are avail able throughout each week for handball, paddle. ball, racquetball and wallyball courts. Call (313) 462.4413 for specinic dates and times There also is a aign-up for mini co-ed recreation
oilleyball leagues, held \(10: 30\) a m. to \(12: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}\). Sundays, Jan. 7 throug Feb. 11. Call ( 313 ) 462 .
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\section*{Winter recreation sports}

The Canton Parks and Recreation Servces recreational basketball for Oanton resiField Elementary School. Canton residents inter ested may register in person or write to Canton Parks and Recreation Services, 1150 S. Canton number is (313) 397.5110.
Deadline for registration is Monday, Jan. 8. -1 Teen (ages 13-18) Ski Trip to Alpine Valley, ponsored by the Canton Parks and Recreation residency requirement. Cost for teens with their own equipment is \(\$ 22\). Cost for those needing rental equipment is \(\$ 29\).
Fees include bus transportation, all area lif tick. Fees inclue bus transportation, all ar
ets and rental equipment (If needed). The bun leaves the Canton Township Adminis. tration Building parking lot at \(5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}\). and returns approximately at midnight.
Registration besins Monday, Jan. 8, and ends Thursday, Jan. 18. Register in person or by mall
at Canton Parks and Recreation Services 40000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Mich. 48188. Call (313)

\section*{Avery Baseball Clinic}
- very's All.Stat Bahebanl Camp will be held at Madioon Heighto Bishop Foley Iligh School. The camp director is Mark Avery,
There is a camp for catching (aren 11.18) and hitting (with wooden bath, ngea 13.18). Coat for catcher's camp is \(\$ 200\); cont for hitter'a camp is \(\$ 140\). Former Detroil Tigera bullpen catcher Dan Whitmer is on ataff for the catcher's camp; James
town Tigers head coach Bruce Fields is one of the intructors for the hitter's camp Call ( 810 ) \(268-0707\) for more information.

\section*{1995: A year to remember}

Observerland sports fans had much to celebrate in th. ast year, including state ual; and even four national champions.

By Tteve Kowalski
Betore we welcome the New YearOK, some of you aren't looking as back at the top sports stories for 1995
1. Four former Observerland soccer stars' from Livona are
NCAA national champlons: Maybe Livonia, long a hotbed of soccer in the state of Michigan, will now be known
nationwide for its prowess in the sport.
Livonians Travis Roy (Stevenson)
Mike Gentile (Churchill) and Scot Lamphear (Churchill) started for the University of Wisconsin's NCAA D
vision I national champion soccer team. Ragen Coyne (Steven son) contributed to Notre Dame's na ional crown on the women's side. 1.0 semifinal win over the Universi y of Portland. The Badgers'went on to defeat Duke, \(2 \cdot 0\), in the final. Lamphear anchored a defense tha
didn't allow a goal in five NCAA playoff games and drew an assist on one of the goals against Duke.
Coyne had one goal and eight as.
sists this season for the Irish, who sists this season for the Irish, who completed a \(21-2-2\) record and thei
championship run with a 1.0 win ove the University of Portland in the \(f\) nel.
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2. Livonia Stevenson junior
swimmer Anne Aristeo, double state champlon, Olymple hopefil Wirls high school season started in th


Final letdown: Redford Bishop Borgess seniors Maxann Reese and Adriane Bryant (No. 24) onsole each other following the Spartans' surprising loss in the Class C final against Lansing Catholic Central.

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son with fond memories, advancing to straight state championship, this he state final before losing to favored time at 215 pounde
"It was a fairy-tale ending, like I 1994. Martin's prowess helped th wote my own script," Johnson said. Spartani advance to the Final Four II didn't realize we could do it until leam started jelling i" 4. Redford Bishop Borgess upset In Its bid to win a third-straight Class C Eirls basketball champlon shlp: It seemed improbable that any
one would stop Redford Bishop Bor gess' quest for a third-straight Class C state championship in girlí basket
ball but Lansing Cotholic Central ball, but Lansing
managed just:that

\section*{managed just that
The Spartans,}
previous state tournament games by an average margin of 37 pointa, lost to
CC, \(51: 46\), in the champins CC, 51446 ; in the championship gam at Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena:
It was the 700 th career win for CC Paul Cook, who won 635 as a boys coach. CC held Borgess' Miss Basket ball winner Maxann Reese to nine points, and the Spartans missed thel
last 11 attempts at the free-throw last 11
line.
"The These girls are so apecial, I can
even begin to describe the feelling ven begin to describe the feeling,
said Cook, 68 , "This ranks right there with theie' 80 state champlonship (as coach of Lansing Eastern), the '67' upset. of East Lansing and Art
Brandstatter. Games you are never pposed to win."
b. Cralg Martin wins his second wresting champlonshlp: Thdividua wresting champlonship: The Livo
nla Stevenson senior won his final 88
consecutive high school matches and
for the first time as a teaminal finishing "Arth overall,
"At first, it's just every kid's goal,"
Martin said after his \(4-3\) win over Brighton's Scott Niles in the finals. To win it a second time, it's just an unbelievable felling. When I first
started wrestling, it was kind of a far started wrestling, it was kind of a far-
fetched dream., had some, great cochehes and it just worked out."
B. Redford Catholic B. Redford Catholic Central sentor cross country runner Joe Leo
leaves 'em behlind: Leo capped an already wondrous high school cross country career by placing fifth at the Foot Locker National Championships
in late November. Leo was invited to In late November. Leo was invited to ond-place showing at a Midwest qualifier.
He was a two time regional cham-
pion and this year won the Class pion and this year won the Class A
state team race in a time of 10 min utes, 42 seconds.:
7. Redford Cathollo Central finIshes an undefeated football reason and wins a Class AA state tille: The Shamrocke beat Holt, 24.0 , at season and win their third Class AA state championihip in the last. Bix years. " which beat Sterling Heights
CC, round enjoyed a 313.49 edzo in tota yardage. Senior fullback John Spol
sky led CC with 109 yards on 22 car
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ries and one touchdown. The Shamrocks were ranked 10th in the final
USA Today national poll that came out this week "I kept telling myself before the
game, don't think of fancy plays, juit
give it to John" CC coach. Tom Mach give it to John," CC coach Tom Mach
said. "He was the around. We needed to give it to him.". ive plach, the master of conserva hat? The Shamrocks had to overcome rounds of the playoffs.
In a 14.6 first-round win over Livonia Stevenson, the Shamrocks made a goal-line stand and drove 92 yards for
a late touchdown in the fourth quar. ter to hold off the gallant Spartans. A week later, in the regional final played in rain and freezing tempera-
tures on a muddy field at Pontiac Ures. on a muddy field at Pontiac
Wisner Stadium, CC's decision to insert junior tailback Greg Alcala into the starting lineup after several weeks on the bench paid off.
The Shampocks scored two touch.
downs in the fourth quarter, includ. ing a long run by Alcala, to rally for a 21.14 win over defending champion Troy, the state's preseason No: 8. Borgess' Maxann Ree nemed Mlss Basketball for 1995: Observerland to win Miss Blayer from since 1987, when Plymouth Salom' Dena Head eamed the honor, Reese Won in a landsilde, collecting 629 \(\frac{\text { itor. }}{\text { Soe TOP sTOAES } 2 C}\) Soe TOP STORIES, \(2 C\)

Aristeo's outstanding summe qualified her already for the Olympi
Time Trials, to be held in March. Sh qualified by finishing seventh in the 200 meter butterfly, one place behin Sanders, and 11 th in the Summe the nationals last summer As for her season at Steyenson? Al
she did was win two events at th she did was win two events at the
state meet for a second consecutiv state meet for a second consecutive
year, leading the Spartans to

Despite a sore shoulder, Aristeo on the 200 yard individual medle than her winning time in 94 ; and th 500 freestyle in 4:59:26, more than seven seconds slower than her win ing time the year befor
3. Ken Johnson goes out a Minner at Plymouth Salem: Th gave Ken Johnson the best retirement present he could ask for a state championship.
Johnson, who tire the anounced plans it finished his farewell tour with a \(22-3\) record. The Rocks beat Portage Norther 1.0 in the championship game. A brawl took place after th thrilled about getting caught in the milddle of Salem's celebration: Two previous Salem boys teams ning the titte.
Johnson also retired as coach of the Salem girls team, which gave him his
only other state title \(\ln 1987\). The

\section*{McDonald scores 23 in CC's win over OLSM}
\(\underset{\text { BTANE WRITER }}{\text { By }}\)
Redford Catholic Central boya basketball coach Rlck Corntti received one of the things he wanted
from Santh - \(A\) perfect 5.0 atart for his to The Shamrocks won their fith straight game
Friday wlit an impressive 56.49 vlctory at Orc
hard Lake St. Mary's in a Catholic League crosso hard Lanke St. Mary's in a Cathollic League crosso ver game
"One of our goals was to be 5.0 at Christmas, elght players coming back who played a lot lag eight players coming back who ph.
year. I thought wed loe a good team.
The Eaglet, who dropyed to \(2 \cdot 1\), posed CC 's Shammockn shut down highty-touted Kylo Jones. The nophomore ruard scored 10 points, but only
five in the first three quarters. five in the firat three quartere.
a win ovor Birmingham Bidther Rice.
Much of the credit for shutting down Jones went to senfor guand Juailin Hoener, according to senior guard Chris Mialak.

\section*{BASKETBALL}
"You can't stop a player like Kylo but you can
contain him and Justin did a great job on him," Misiak sald.
The key point of the game was the third quarter The key point of the game was the third quarter
which CC dominated. The Shamrocks, who held a slim 24:23 advantage at halfime, outscored St. Marys 17.8 in the third quarter.
in the third quarter," St. Mary's coach Dennis Butcher said. "We talked alout it at halftime but to Catholic Central's credit they got the ball down CC opened the third quartor with a 10.2 run, sparked by consecutivo baskets by aenlor center Mlchael Jordan,
The Shamrock
The Shamrocks oxtonded their lead to \(41-31\) at the end of the third quarter on a three pointer by St. Mary's put on a late charge but never came closer than six points. A triple by CC senlor for-
ward Rlchard Turk (Beven points) with \(8: 56\) re.

\section*{Shamrocks the cushion they needed}

McDonald led all scorers with 23 . oming in the first quarter. Jordan added 19. 10 Marc is a good ehooter and we're always trying to get him the ball," Misiak sald. "Everybody has been scoring for us and we've been getting good
balance. If Marc lisin't hitting, someone elso usual.

In addition to Jones' 19, Juan Pegues, Brlan Caddieth and Sterling Mintzer chlpped in with eight each f
rebounds.
After leading 16.15 after one quarter, St. Mary'隹解e aputtered in the second and thind quarters as the Eaglets scored only 15 points \({ }^{\text {w }}\)
ing 26 percent from the floor (six-of-23).
The Shamrocks tightened their man deferise, half steals. which wo don't want to be in,"," Butcher said. "We want to puah the ball but they forced us to play half-court. They did a good job controlling the

\section*{Top stories from pose \(1 C\)}



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Park Community College from
the late '60s. to the mid- 80 s. He
also spent several years as coach also spent several years as coach
of St. Mary's College in Orchard of St. Mary's College in Orchard
Lake before the school voted to drop the basketball program following the 1992 season.
"It was elusive, because you
wait \(31 / y^{2}\) years to get it," said wait 31/2 years to get it,", said
Donahue, who coached the last three seasons at Redford Bishop
Bargess. Bargess.
Some more to remember Jack Reardon retires as
Livonia
Stevenson football coach: The only varsity head
football coach in the history football coach in the history of
Livonia Stevenson announced his Livonia Stevenson announced his
retirement in early February retirement in early February
Reardon had a \(168.97-1\) overall record, guiding the Spartans to 13 division or league titles, two state playoff berths and two undefeated His last team was one of his best as the Spartans finished the 1994 season with a \(9-2\) record, los. ing in the Class AA region
to Westland John Glenn.
"His trademark was discipline, his honesty and straightforwardness," \({ }^{\text {. Stevenson Athletic Direc }}\)
tor Roger Frayer said. "They dor Roger Frayer said "They
don't make guys like that any. more."
Obser Observerland lost another long.
time coach, Weatland time coach, Westland John Glenn's Norm Hoenes, to retire-
ment later in the spring. Hoenes
took his team to three Final Four appearances, including consecu hive trips in 1993 and '94
Lloyd Carr named U
of Mlchlgran's head football coach: The former Westland John Glenn football cosch from the '70s was named interim coach
at U.M in the spring after the re at muval to he incident in a Southfield
due
restaurant restaurant.
Carr, the
Carr, the father of former CC quarterback and current U-M re-
serve signal caller Jason Carr, led serve signal caller Jason Carr, led
the Wolverines to a 9.3 overall record and a berth in the Alamo
Bowl. He was rewarded late in the Bowl. He was rewarded late in the
season with the job on a full-time basis. Western Golf \& Country Club
(Redford Township) profes (Redford Township) profes-
sional Ray Bolo wins his sec-ond-stralght Michigan Seniors PGA title: Bolo made a Jack Nicklaus-like charge in the last
two holes to win his second-
wraight Michivan PGA Seniors straight Michigan PGA Seniors
Tournament Championship in
July at Siver Lake Country Club Julyament Silver Lake Country Club
in Rockford. in Rocklord.
Bolo saved par after a poor tee Bolo saved par after a poor tee
shot on the 17 th hole and eagled the 18th hole to finish the 36 -hole
tournament at 2-under par 142 70.72 ). The Plymouth Canton and Saem athletic departments un-
dergo major changes: Two long. serving members in the Plymouth Canton and Salem athletic departments; Paul Cummings and
Gary Balconi, retired. Brian Wol. Gary Balconi, retired, Brian Wol-
cott - a former All Big Ten pitcher while at Michigan State University, who most recently worked in the Birmingham
School District - succeeds Cummings as ditector of athletics of both schools.
Balconi's replacement as Sa lem's athletic coordinator, mean-
while, is John Robinson, whose latest position was as coordinator of district athletic trainers for the Farmington school system.
Another change occurred in the
fall of ' 95 as Sue Heinzman took
over as Canton's athletic coordinator when Jim Finn left.
Garden Clty senior
swimmer/soccer player April
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Rowland makes great progress
after going into a coma follow-
Ing an automobile accident: On
the morning of Tuesday, Sept. 26, Rowland was involved in a two-
car accident on her way to school with a classmate. She suffered with a classmate. bid on the brain, a brifered pelvis, gashes on her leg and was in a coma six days.

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On pace: Livonia Stevenson sophomore Kelly Travis placed fifth in the individual race to lead the Spartans to a second-place finish in the team race at the Class A state meet.
site of the nationals.
Schoolcraft College coach Tom.
Teeters also guided his team to a Teeters also guided his team to a regional championship and a
berth in the National Junior Col. berth in the National Junior Col-
lege Athletic Association national tournament in Miami, Fla.
Llyonla Franklin's best boys
soccer season: The Patriots, behind All-Observer first-team
players Eric Bownan and Roberplayers Eric Bowman and Rober-
to Vega, upset Redford Catholic
Cent Central and Livonia Churchill en route to their first-ever Class A
district champioship. district championship.
It finally took Livonia Steven son to knock off the Cinderella Patriots, masterfully coached to a \(15-7\) overall record by Dave He- title.
The death of Dan Krueger,
former CC wrestling star: The forrer CC wrestling star: The
CC and Plymouth/Canton communities mourned the loss of Krueger (8on of Plymouth Salem.
wrestling coach Ron Krueger) who died in an auto accident in September. Krueger was a freshman wrestler at Eastern Michigan and a runner-up at the 1994 state
Lutheran Westland, Livonia Stevenson cross country teams: The Lutheran Westland boys cros8 country team and the Livo.
nia Stevenson girle cross country nia Stevenson girls cross cuntry
team fished second in Class C and Class A, respectively, at the state meet.
Brad Polk
divradually to lead the Lutheran Westland boys and sophomore

Kelly Travis was fifth individual\(y\) to lead the Spartans. Bernie Holowicki returns to coachind The fomer CC coach coach, replaciky Me Sharpe, who was fired.
Farmington Hills Harrison shut out of playoffe: The Hawks bon another Western Lakes title but uncharacteristically wer
shut out 40.0 by eventual Class A state runner-up South Lyon in the first round of the playoffs. It was the Hawks worse loss in nearly three decades. They were trying
to win their third straight state Llvon
Leam: The Ladywood volleyball second-best Blazers beat the area's em , soundly in the Clauth Sa rict and advenced to the semif nals before losing to Port Huron Redford Unlon's new hockey program: RU, aided by its Extrathe first season will be 1996.97 with Pete Mazzoni as the head coach. With Farmington opening new arena with two rinks, talk tart a hockey program. Plymouth Canton boys bas the 95.96 season with an upse win over Wayne and are undefeat ed heading into the Christmas Break. Win '96? Only the will tell.
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The rifle and pistol range at the Bald Mountain Recreation Area is open \(10 \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{m}\), to sunset on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Call (810) \(814 \cdot 9193\) for more information.
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tario. Call (810) 477-3816 for more information.
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\section*{New gardening books} give us fresh insights


Books can take us
many places even as many places even as we relax in our own homes. After the first read they can be enjoyed again and again as we gain insight into other people's lives and places to visit and learn new things.
MART Author Tovah Mar-
FOLET tin takes us on a 80 . journ through "Tasha Tudor's Garden". (Houghton Mifflin, \$35) as she relates personal anecdotes about this well-loved artist and garden-

Along the way we learn much about her secluded lifestyle and the old-fashioned flowers that she takes into her home to paint, and about the vegetables she grows and shares. We are introduced to her many animals - her corgi dogs, a pet parrot, a one-eyed cat, the Nubian goats she raises and others. This charming month by-month visit is enhanced by the fabulous photographs.
by Richard Brown. This is a book to treasure and revisit often:
More than just a how-to book, the coffee table-sized "The Book of Rhododendrons," Marianina Kneller (Timber Press, \$45), is resplendent with colorful botanical portraits of the many genera of these plants. Kneller has captured all the intricacies of each individual flower to enable one to study them in detail.
Divided into three sections, the book follows methods used by the taxonomists of the Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh, for classifying the species. Rhododendron specialists from around the world have written the text that accompanies each drawing. A must-have for growers of these plants, it can be studied and enjoyed for many years.
"The Art of French Vegetable Gar dening," Louisa Jones (Artisan-Workman, \$35), illustrates that vegetable gardening can be beautiful as well as practical. It zeroes in on the potage, or kitchen garden, as Jones carefully ex-

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plains how to achieve a garden that enriches the eye as well as the palate. This book will inspire new thinking when vegetable gardena are planned.
Formal (in neat arrangements) and Romantic (often small with less struc ture) vegetable gardens were visited and photographed throughout France where the gardoners shared their growing ex pertise. The thorough appendir in cludes quick, classic French recipe suggestions as well as a list of gardens that are open to the public. Great refer ence.
Guides
"The Garden Tourist '96: A Guide to Garden Tours, Garden Days, Shows and Special Events," Lois Rosenfeld (The Garden Tourist Press, \$14.95), gives the latest information about these events in our country and around the world. Listinga are arranged by state; also other countries. This will be the first "ticket" you'll need to discover exciting garden happenings.
Order from: The Garden Tourist, 330 W. 72nd St., Suite 12B, New York, N.Y 10023 (phone (212) 874-6211). Include \(\$ 2.55\) for a single copy; wholesale inquires are invited
Speaking of tours, three new "Eyewitness Travel Guides," Amsterdam, Ireland and Great Britain (Dorling Kindersley, \(\$ 22.95\), \(\$ 24.95\) and \(\$ 29.95\), respectively), are filled with what to do and see, where to stay and eat, and more.

Each boox is lavishly illustrated with details that enable the traveler to pin point specific interests. Cutaway draw. ings of buildings, castles and historic sites eliminate the need for additional guides. Information about using local currency, telephones and public transportation ensure a smooth transition from one country to the nert. Well done
"The Gardener's Guide to Britain," Patrick Taylor (Timber Press, \$19.95), has also been a great resource for me as I have prepared my trip to Great Brit ain next May. Each region of the coun. try details the many places to visit and explore. Maps are included.

Interest is growing about our trip to Great Britain May 20-29, 1996. We will travel to London, Cardif and Edinburgh. This 10-day, custom-designed tour includes two nights in each of these capital cities so that we will have to explore and enjoy their hospitality. As we travel through these beautiful countries we will stop at designated sites to enjoy additional gardens, manor houses and castles.
Visit the Chelsea Flower Show or choose another option - we want you to enjoy this first-class trip.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave hier a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859. Her fax number is (810) 644-1314.


\section*{New showroom has it all - including the sink}

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ner selling plunibing supplies wholesale for more than 70 years, Advance Plumbing and Heating Supply Co has opened a retail showroom in Walled Lake The 3,000 square-foot store at -1977 Maple Road, between Decker and laggerty, features hundreds of faucets and displays of working showers, whirlpools, toltets and sinks. "You can actially see how everything works," says Jefr Moss, viee president. Iligh end brands include Kohler, Grohe, Delta and Mocn.
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\section*{Plant to show special bloom}

After 20 years of growth, the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens' Agave pedunculifera is finally preparing itself to bloom in the Desert House of the gardens conservatory.
This succulent is an unusual plant. Instead of blooming yearly, it grows for 20 years or more before it sends up a flowering stalk.
First noticed in early October by the Botanical Gardens' horticulturist, the quick-growing stalk, now nine feet tall, can grow several inches in a day. Depending on the species, these flower stalks may be from six to 30 feet tall.

There is one sad note to this exciting occurrence. Once the plant has blos: somed, the mother plant dies. All of its available energy is spent producing the towering flower stalk. Future plants grow from seeds, bulbils and vegetative offshoots called pups.
The agave may be viewed 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily Admission to the conservatory is \(\$ 2\) for adults, \(\$ 1\) for schooLage children, free for preschool children. Complimentary admission is of fered 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday and Saturday.
To get to the gardens, take US-23
north and exit on Plymouth Road. Turn right, take Plymouth Road east one mile to Dixboro Road and turn right. The gardens are \(1 / 4\)-mile on the left side of Dixboro Road.
Mature agaves don't automatically bloom when they reach a certain age. The prevailing weather plays a role in stimulating flowering. When the conditions are likely to allow successful reproduction and set seed, the plant will bloom.
Agaves grow in habitats that lack abundant rainfall, or in which water drains away quickly.

\section*{Seminars slated}

Engish Gardens will conduct free educational seminars this January and February on topics ranging from winter survival for house plants to do-it-yourself landscaping.
The weekly seminars, open to the public, will take place 7 p.m. Wednesdays at the West Bloomfield store, 6370 Orchard Lake Road, north of Maple. For more information, call (810) \(851-7506\)
Topics, speakers and dates are: "Winter Survival for House Plants," Diane Tuccini, Jan. 10; "Attracting Birds to Your Yard," Bill Stafford, Jan. 17; "Arranging Silk Flowers and Plants," Donna Matte, Jan. 24; "Herbs/Seed Starting," Katie Krisko, Jan. 31; "Using Ornamental Grasses in Your Garden,'" Kevin Collins, Peb. 7.


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Shake the shivers with savory soups, stews
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Watch your footing, it's winter in Michigan! We relish the thought of returning home to the warmth of our surroundings, and a meal that restores our confidence in the knowledge that winter is just one of the four seasons.
Perhaps it is our environmental desire to formulate body temperature through palate. One-dish winter warmers, soups and stews then become the perfect fix for cold winter nights. These meals can be easy and almost complete within themselves add some piping hot bread and you're ready to eat.
My favorites are meaty stews and thick soups - the kind you can almost walk through. At any given time you will find in my freezer at least 30 French jars with plesstic lids filled with scrumptious soups and stew - winter and summer.
Having these one-dish meals handy eliminates any excuse my busband may find for eating something naughty something that's not within the framework of his diet - or saying, "there's nothing to eat!" In the winter my stash of soups are great to pop into the microwave and heat up. Eating on the run, or entertaining last minute guests is no problem. These are meals on their own.
Sometimes for a special treat I'll use shrimp, scallops or combine them with fish. You can make the base for this soup (the tomato portion) ahead and freeze. Then add fish or seafood when you are ready to ues.

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FISH SOUP \\ Its tablespoons ilght olive oll, butter or margarine
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2 large Spanish onlons, chopped to 1 -Inch dice
1 cup celery (also the leaves) chopped to 1 -inct dice
\(3-4\) ctoves garic, peeled and minced
64 ounces (2 ptus.cans, 28 ounces each) seasoned diced tomatoes, preferably Del Fratelli
1 cup dry white whe (table wine will d0)
1 cup tresh parsley, minced
Sea Salt and freshly ground pepper - to taste

1/2 teaspoon thyme
4.teaspoon crushed fennel seed

2 pounds fish of your chotee (cod and sole are nicely mild, partially frozen so you can out the fish into 1 inch dice)
In a large heavy casserole French oven, Dutch oven or stock pot over medium heat, melt or heat oil, butter or margarine and saute the onion, celeryh and garlic until the onion is transparent and celery is tender.
Add to the pot; the diced seasoned tomatoes (liquid included), wine, parsley, sea salt (to taste), pepper, thyme, and fennel. Corer the pot with a lid and simmer for 30 minutes. This soup base can be cooled and frozen at this point to be used at a later date.
If serving immediately, add fish and continue to simmer for 10 minutes or until fish is opaque and flaky.
If adding cooked shrimp do not cook for any length of time. Just let it warm through. If adding frozen shrimp or seafood make sure tomato mixture comes
to a boil, add shrimp and let it boil again. Remove from heat and let stand for a minute or two. Serve hot with piping hot. crusty bread smothered with garlic butter. Serves 8-10.
Look for Dei Fratelli tomatoes at Shop. ping Center Markets and Strawberry Hils.
This interesting stew has a subtle hotness and gets its thick chewy texture from the posole (a type of hominy). Serve topped with chopped green onions and homemade cornbread croutons. You can substitute beef ot venison for the bison.

\section*{Blue Corn Posole Bison Stew}

12 ounces blue com posole (avall:
able at gourmet food stores)
\(1 / 2\) teaspoon sall (for water)
11/2 tablespoons light olive oll
I medium Spanish onion, peeled and cut into \(\dot{x}\). Inch dice
3 garic cloves, peeled and minced
\(21 / 2\) pounds bison/ouiffalo meat cirt into small cubes
4 tresh Jalapeno chilles, stems removed; seeded and thinly sliced (wear nubber gloves)
128-cunce can seasoned diced tomatoes (Del Fratelli if possible)
3 tablespoons sun-dired tomato paste
1 bottie ( 12 ounces) light beer
3 tablespoons dried ciantro
1 teaspoon dried oregano
1 teaspoon cayenne pepper
Sea salt to taste
Juice of one trest lime ( 1 t/2 to 2 tablespoons)
Tabasco or other riot sauce (optional)
Chopped green onion for top (optional)
Rinse the blue com posole and soak it
for 24 hours (in enough water to cover the blue corn). After soaking, rinse again and place in a large casserole (French oven, Dutch oven or stock pot) with enough water to completely cover the posole. Add \(3 / 2\) teaspoon of salt and cook over medium. heat for two hours. Turn of heet and let posole remain in the water until ready for use.

Heat the olive oil over high heat in a large casserole. When the oil is hot, add the onion and minced garlic. Cook until transparent.

Add the meat and lightly brown. Re move any liquid and discard. Add the sliced jalapenos and mix well. Add the tomatoes (liquid included).
Drain the blue corn posole thoroughly and add it to the meat. Add the tomato paste, 6 ounces ( \(1 / 2\) bottle) of light beer and the cilantro, oregano, cayenne and salt. Cover the casserole with a lid and \({ }^{-}\) cook over medium heat until the meat is tender (depending on what cut of meat you use, this could take from 1-3 hours).
During the cooking proces8, add the other 6 ounces of light beer and the lime juice. When the meat seems forkstender, readjust spices and add any additional salt or Tabasco to taste, Serves 6.8.
Recipe from: "The Buffalo Cookbook," (Hancock House Publishers, 1995).
Blue corn posole - natural blue corn kemels, can be purchased from gourmet food and specialty shops or directly from: Los Chileros de Nuevo Mexico, P.O. Box 6215, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502, (505) 471-6967.

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\section*{Redecorating a home doesn't have to be expensive}

Home Depot offers some quick re modeling tips for your home.
"The biggest misconception is that decorating is expensive," said Troy Cipriani, Home Depot store manager. "A \(\$ 2\) brass switch plate and a \(\$ 10 \mathrm{win}\). dow valance can make a room look to. tally different."
- Add romance to curtains. Scarf valances, the yards of fabric you see draped around curtain rods, can tum your formal "Don't sit in that chair" living room into a comfortable and ro. mantic living space. They range from \(\$ 39\) to \(\$ 270\).
Homeowners with bigger windows and budgets can try the fancier swags

\section*{CLARIFICATION}

The woman in the photo in the Dec. 7 At Home cover story should have been identified as interior designer Kasey Werner:Pierson.
and jabots, which range from \(\$ 150\) to \(\$ 200\) per window.
- Rail against boring walls. For less then \(\$ 100\) you can add chair railing to an average size dining room. Not only will it give the room a traditional feel, but it will protect your walls from dings and dents caused by chairs and other objects.

E Reinvent your walls. What can you do with walls? Add a fresh coat of paint or a couple of new pictures? Wallpaper borders are easy and transform drab walls into something from a designer showhouse. A 15 -foot spool sells for about \(\$ 4\).
For a bold, rich feeling, install crown molding along the seam between the wall and celling. It sells for about \(\$ 1,50\) a foot.
- Add class with brass. Improve the look of your dining room by installing brass fixtures. Start by replacing your plastic or wood switch plates with brass models, ranging from \(\$ 2\) to \(\$ 20\) each.
Check your dining room light fixture.

Chances are it isn't in the same time or design period as the rest of the room. For a more timely and elegant look, replace your existing fixture with a brass chandelier.

You don't need to spend a lot of mon. ey. Polished brass chandeliers witih five lights cost about \(\$ 60\). Bigger rooms can handle a nine-light, crystal chandelier with gold plating for about \(\$ 800\).
- Dress up windows. Apartments usually come with the standard minially come with the standard mini-
blinds. Most of us don't even consider
adding to this Twenty minutes is all it takes to hang balloon valances alone or over, existing blinds. Depending on the size of the window and the brand of the valance, the price range could be as little as \(\$ 10\) to \(\$ 20\).
Don't stop inside your home. Even if you plan to be in your home for another century, try one simple exterior project. Replace the front door. Changing the design or just the color will make a big difference. Insulated steel doors can be bought for less than \(\$ 200\) each.

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Designs have reel style
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\section*{Movies inspire furnishings by area artist}

\section*{By MARY Kizmic}

Naomi Siegel has assembled a roster of movie stars and other entertainers that would make studio heads drool and fans converge in an instant.
Such greats as Shirley Temple and Laurel and Hardy aren't on the silver screen this time. Their images adorn a variety of furniture and accessories designed by Siegel. who has put her artistic talent and her love of movies to creative combinations.
\({ }^{1}\) I think film all the time Siegel said from her Bloomfield Hills home, which is filled with samples of her movie-inspired items.
- Siegel's pieces include book. shelves, tables and chairs and are works of art in their own right: One table bearing a large Shirley Temple paper doll figure is a comment from Siegel.
"Shirley lived for most of her years as a paper doll. Ithought of writing a book about her but this was more fun."
Finding an obituary about Bill "Bojangles" Robinson inspired another table; this one featuring a collage of photos of and articles about the dancer.
"I research probably everything that I work on."
Siegel has many talents. She is a painter, cinematographer and co. owner of Telespot Productions, a public relations agency. Formerly she was the public information director with the Oakland County Health Department, and held similar posts with the Michigan Cancer. Foundation and WWWW radio. Siegel was president of the Detroit chapter of American Women in. Radio and Television in 1971-72 The artist sees the world through multicolored glasses, She can turn the ordinary into the special. An example of her imaginative touch is how she painted the blades of a small electric fan 80 it resembled a flower. Her "Pandora's Box" is a painted box with slender drawers filled with meaningful items.


That's entertalnment: And that's stylish, when Naomi Siegel puts movie motifs to decorative use. This cabinet features photos of Laurel and Hardy on the doors and a collage of other stars on the top.

To make art sing and make you feel alive \({ }^{n}\) is her aim.
"Tribute to George Gershwin" is a little chair with elegant tails as if dressed in a formal suit. A low cabinet features photos of Laurel and Hardy on the doors and a collage of other entertainment stars on the top. A beveled mirror called "Hooray for Hollywood" features fireworks like beams of light.
Among the hues are magenta,
blue, gray and black:
"Art deco colors are right for the era."
Siegel has used nore recent
movies as motifs as well. A table was inspired by "Fiddler on the Roof. "The Gods Must Be Crazy" sparked an accessory bearing fabric with a leopard spot pattern, a tribal statue, a 35 mm film canister and a Coke bottle.
"Some of it is just plain fun. I keep reading about the 1930s.
For her furnishings, Siegel starts with quality furniture pieces. After her creative treatment they are dazzling but durable.
"One of my friends said put glass on (the top) ... He's not a homemaker" \({ }^{n}\)

- Movies and movie stars have inspired Naomi Siegel of Bloomfield Hills in designing furniture and accessories that bear images of Shirley Temple and other Hollywood legends. Staff photo by Dan Dean.

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\section*{Keep pets safe in winter}

The Pet Practice encourages pet owners to follow these safety tips to protect pets from the harmful elements of winter.
- Keep pets warm. The best way to do this is to keep them indoors; for outdoor pets, a protective shelter is necessary. The outdoor shelter should be supported three inches above the ground for ultimate warmth and should measure only a foot longer and three inches higher than the pet's body. This may appear too small for the pet, but making it snug allows the animal to warm itself from its own body heat.
Avold freezing temperatures. Don't leave young animals outside during freezing temperatures. Carefully observe pets when they are outside and watch for behaviors like shivering to make sure they don't exhibit signs of distress. Older pets in particular are more susceptible to cold weather dangers because their temperature-regulating mechanisms worsen as they get older. All pets are at risk during the winter, but younger pets, older pets and pets with thinner hair have the greatest risk during cold weather due to decreased insulation.
- Increase pet's caloric intake. During winter months, consult a veterinarian about the possibility of increasing the pet's caloric intake. On average, pets need 50 percent more energy in the
winter, which comes from the food they eat.
- Feed cats a diet low in magnesium. A diet low in magnesium prevents the buildup of crystals in the urine of cats, which is one of the causes of feline uri nary syndrome, especially during winter months.
- Prevent pet's water from freezing. Keep the pet's water supply replenished to keep it from freezing. During the win ter, never let pets drink or eat out of a metal container. Instead, use a plastic container that will prevent an animal's tongue from sticking to the metal.
- Keep antifreeze out of pet's reach. Hose down areas where an antifreeze leak may have occurred. A pet's contact with antifreeze can be deadly. If an animal drinks (or even licks) antifreeze, its kidneys could shut down. If a pet has ingested antifreeze, call a veterinarian immediately.
- Beware of burning salt and leemelting chemicals. Avoid the pet's contact with these products, as they burn feet or paws. Be sure to wipe or wash the pet's feet immediately if they are exposed to salt or chemicals.

Clean the snow out from between the pet's toes. Prolonged periods of snow in between a pet's toes while playing outdoors can lead to frostbite.


Max: Max is a 9-month-old male-neutered Shepherd mix. He is a very sweet dog who is already housebroken. He still likes to jump up sometimes so he would be best suited for a home with children over age 10. He loves everybody he meets and will show you much affection. Max (No. 62689) and other pets are available at the Michigan Humane Society Rochester Hills shelter, 3600 Auburn Road. Call (810) 852-7420 between noon and 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Friday and \(10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}\). and \(4: 30 \mathrm{pm}\). Saturday-Sunday.

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Great Indoors: Detroit's Fisher Building has perhaps the most striking and dramatic interiors of any building in the city. Shown here is one of the many painted panels in this grand building.

\section*{The great indoors offers fine photo opportunities}


Photography is so often regarded as an outdoor activity that many amateurs overlook the photographic possibilities to be found indoors. The world contains many rooms, new and old, humble and grand, that may reveal a little of the way people live or provide a scene as attractive as a landscape.
Begin by analyzing the character of the room and selecting its most important features. In a house, it may be a curved staircase or a vaulted ceiling with dramatic beams, In a public build. ing, look for a row of columns, a marble státue or perhaps a painted fresco.
Select a vantage point that best shows the interior. Maybe it's from the bottom of the stairs looking up at an unusual angle or looking dọm from an upper balcony
Most often, a wide angle lens between 17 mm and 28 mm is in order. They not only enable you to get more of the inte. rior in the viewfinder, but they give you the all-important advantage of tremendous depth-of-field. This way, you can place foreground subjects such as a vase of flowers or figurine in the foreground to add extra interest to your shot and fill the empty space at the botiom of the
viewfinder. You'll need a small aperture that will require a longer shutter speed but so what? Nothing's moving - just get out the trusty tripod.
Make sure if shooting acróss a room that the camera angle is perpendicular to the walls. This way vertical lines won't converge, they'll be straight up and down.
The best lighting for dramatic interi ors is natural light coming in from win dows and skylights, Be sure to use day light balanced color film in your choice of slides or prints.
If there is no window light to illumi nate your interior, artificial light is re quired. Use either flash or tungston lights and make sure you're using the right film for proper color balancedaylight with flash and tungston film with tungston lighting.

The keys to effective interior photog raphy are composition and selecting the best camera position As in all good photography, you want to produce a meaningful photograph with impact. Try to capture the essence and personality of the interior you are photographing.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then his mailbox number, 1873. His fax number is (810) 644-1314.



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 "I began to search for the meaning behind the workings of the world," writes the author of "Tying Rocks to Clouds" (Quest Books, 1995, \$22). "I didn't underatand why there should be such pain and suffering."
But questions posed to friends and relatives about the meaning of life and death usually drew blank stares or embarrassed stammers. A traffic cop who once pulled an errant Elliott over for speeding told him bluntly, "The purpose of life is to survive it."
Maturity only intensified the au thor's quest for meaning. As yet devoid of academic and profesional credentials, without even a decent typewriter to record his request, the psychology major decided to address his questions to people who had a reputation for wisdom and spirituality. He composed a list that included the likes of Mother. Tere. sa, the Dali Lama, B.F. Skinner, Rabbi Harold Kushner, Norman Vincent Peale and a host of others.

Whether nervy or just plain naive, Elliott dared to ask each person on his list for a personal interview. Some greeted his request with silence; others with refusals, pleading illness, time constraints or lack of interest. Yet as positive replies began to trickle in, Elliott organized his life accoordingly.

To raise money for travel, the wouldbe author worked the night shift in a psychiatric hospital, moved Into a trailef park to cut expenses and sold his blood for needed cash.
"Tying Rocks to Clouds," subtitled "Conversations with Wise and Spiritual People," is a compilation of Elliott's interviews, representing a wide spectrum of religious and philosophical thought, from Eastern mysticism to Western rationalism. In addition to the luminaries already mentioned, Elliott spoke with Dr. Elisabeth Kubler-Ross, famous for her work with death and dying, Robert Schuller, minister of California's Crys. tal Cathedral and Sunday telecast "The Hour of Power"; Swami Satchidananda, founder of the Integral Yoga Institute; and Albert Ellis, author and creator of the Institute for Rational Emotive Be havior Therapy.
Besides the fundamental questions about the purpose of life and the origin of evil, Elliott approached his interviewees armed with a battery of 24 in . sightful questions: "If you were on your deathbed, what advice would you give to your ton or daughter? Do you think
there is a basic difference between maleness and femaleness; besides the body? What are the three greatest probtems in life? What do you feel life still has to teach you?"
The responses from world-famous thinkers and doers are thought-provoking and uplifting Yet there is much more to Elliott's book. Interspersed among the interviews is the story of the author's gradual emotional and spiritual transformation. It begins with the image of a self-effacing hero worshipper, content to dissect life rather than live it, and ends with a man confident of his worth, able to acknowledge that the al: ienation he feels from life can be overcome only when he no longer needs to question its meaning.
Paraphrasing Zen philosopher Toni Packer, Elliott writes, "When there is no feeling of separation, then there is just living, just life, no one standing outside of it and worrying about the 'meaning of this.'
"Tying Rocks to Clouds" is a bedside book, not to be read in one sititng, but to be sampled and savored a bit at a time. The metaphor of its title reveals the author's intention: to connect the real with our vision of the ideal. The "wise and spiritual people" of this book give no pat answers; they stress the need for each of us to embark on a personal spiritual joumey. And perhaps, as Elliott and others have reminded us, the best answers are in the quesitons hemselves:
From the book:
"The only thing that counts in life is love - not just how much love we can give, but we must learn how to receive it, because we can only give as much as we allow ourselves to receive." Dr. Elisabeth Kubler-Ross
"Religion is not so much a matter of having the right answers, but of being part of a community through which we grow to be human," Rabbl Harold Kushner
"Do everything for God. . . God has given you many gifts - use them for the greater glory of God and the good of the people." Mother Teresa
"We don't do anything because of what is going to happen; we do things because of what has happened." B.F. Skinner:
"Humans take their preferences, desires, wishes, wants and likes (almost all of which are fairly legitimate), and they foolishly change them into Jehovistic commands, demands shoulds and oughts, which really don't exist in the universe." Albert Ellis
Esther Littmann, a resident of Bloomfield Township, is a lecturer of English and German at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield. As an only child, Littmann grew up regarding books as substitutes for siblings. You can leave her a message from a touch. tone phone at (313) 963-2047, mailbox 1893. Her far number is (810) 644-1314.

\section*{Auction, preview set}

An auction will take place 6 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Jan. 10:11, at the Frank H. Boos Gallery, 420 Enterprise Court in Bloomfield Hills.

A three day preview will be noon to 8 p.m. Friday and Monday, Jan. 5 and 8, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 9. For more details; call (810) 332-1500.
The auction will feature property belonging to the estates of Professor Fer-
dinand Mauser of Detroit, Fern Gearhart of Charlotte, Mich., and Dr. Ellen Haines of Detroit, as well as nu. merous other estates and private collections.
Included will be a very large collection of more than 500 items of 19 th and 20th century American and European glass, furniture, painting8, sterling silver, walking sticks, rugs, decorative arts, Steuben glass and collectibles.

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\section*{Schostak adds staff}

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limiting the duty to disclose to "professional sellers of residential housing."
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Some builders place a two-way fireplace between the kitchen and family room to accent the sitting room. "A lot of plans we're modifying because people want more living len Whitefield, vice president for the Selective Group New Home Center in Southfield.
"People spend a lot of time there, she said. someone may be doing homework, someone may
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ment can easily be created, offering a safe en vironment while still providing privacy. The basement comes with a partially completed bathroom, extra storage and a separate en
trance. curb appeal, showcased by the beautiful vaulted entry, multi-paned glass floods the entry with sunlight, fashioning a welcome at.
mosphere for your guests. Horizontal siding mosphere for your guests. Horizontal sidin
accents the trim lines of the outer design. The main floor of the Tundra has an open configuation that doesn't waste any of the
available 2.110 square feet of living space available 2,110 square feet of living space.
Facing directly into the entry is a huge great Facing directly into the entry is a huge great
room. This is the primary gathering area in the house and has windows on two sides.
There is access to a side deck; where warmer There is access to a side deck, where warmer
weather will find the sun seekers.
The walk-through kitchen adjoins the din. ing room, allowing the cook in the house to save steps while serving meals. For a quick
snack or less-formal dining, there is a handy sating bar. In addition to buitt-in appliances
eat
the kitchen he kitchen features a roomy walk-in pantry.
The elegant master suite is situated to the
left of the entry. Iolated for privacy, the maser suite amenities include a large walk-in
closet, vanity and private bathroom with an oversized spa tub. The two secondary bedEams are at the opposite end of the house.
Each has abundant closet space, and they share a full bathroom and linen storage. A spacious utility room, with deep sink and
freezer chest, completes the design. Placement freezer chest, completes the design. Placemen
of the utility by the garage is a big plus when it comes to unloading groceries.


Flexible plan: The Tundra has a lot of space that can be developed for different needs.


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\section*{Wood shake roofs are crowning glory of restored houses}
(AP) - The crowning glory of The felt paper interweave is an old-house restoration is a ne
coof of wood shakes or shingles The standard roofing material
The or of Colonial times continues to be used today in many parts of the
country. Originally, the type of wood used was dependent on what was available locally. For or ample, red cedar was plentiful on
the West Coast, swamp cedar in he west Coast, swamp cedar in cedar in New England and
cypress in the South. Today you'll till find a variety of woods used such as red and white cedar, white pine and oak. If it's installed and maintained properly, you can expect a wood
roof to last a long time. Although 25.30 years is a good minimum,
we've seen some 70 -year-old roofs we've seen some 70-year-old roofs
that are still functioning properly. Understanding what's involved will go a long way in helping you decide if a wood shake or shingle oof is the rightit choice for you.
One of the secrets of a success. ful wood-roof application is ade.
quate ventilation. Because of the quate ventilation. Because of the able to circulate underneath it to prevent moisture buildup and it
resultant rot. Historically, an open-sheathed roofing system wa sised, which accomplished thi Today, this is still method of installation. But keep in mind that the rough, uneven nature of shakes demands some extra protection. When installin hakes, the open sheal the feit
should be interwoven-with the paper so the tips of the shakes are up underneath the felt. This proides extra protection from driv
ing winds and rain, but still al. lowe adequate ventilation at all sually not necessary with shin. gles, since they lie flat. If an open.
heathed roof isn't a practical op. sheathed roof inn't a practical op.
tion for you; the shakes or shin.
 horizontal furring strips that al. low an inch or 80 of air to move etween the bottom of the shin. sles or shakes and
solid sheathing. Another important factor is al. lowing for the natural expansion of wood. If space is not left for this and the shingles or othakes
are, butted up close together, you're likely to get a failure, or crack, in the nail line. Usually, leaving one-quarter-inch space or keyway between each shingle, and
about one-half-inch space between shakes is enough to allow for any movement.
When actually fa When actually fastening shin-
gles, the shingle, ideally, should sles, the shingle, ideally, should
hang on its nails. The nailheads hang on its nails. The nailheads
should be driven so theygre ust
flush with the shingle surface.
 in, as you run the risk of punch. ing a hole which will allow the Two naile to lift right of the roof:
naid be used per piece, placed about three quar. abs-inch from each side, 1 .inch
above the next butt line for the next row will be. Covering the nailheads like this helps prevent them from rusting and staining
the roof surface. The seams should line up for three courses, preventing
water from
water from wearing a channel or
path in the roof. path in the roof.
Before starting
Before starting the job, always eroofing to see what require. ments there might be in terms of products used. By Popular Mechanics for AP
Special Features

\section*{Buyers are looking for quieter houses}

It wasn't evern noon and already
Dana Housland had fielded phone calls from two cllents in search of some quiet. The ouner of a large open-plan house in As.
pen, Colo., was bothered by reverpen, Colo., was oothered by rever
berating footsteps. The coller from Vail, Colo,, wanted to minimize plumbing, and heating new home theater.
The scenario is repeated almost daily, ayas Hougland, an acousti.
cal engineer in Denver, Colo cal engineer in Denver, Colo., who architectural dicoustics for the Acoustical Society of America. A noigy home is becoming a no
no. Whether an open.plan layout no. Whether an open-plan layout
or overcrowded lives set nerves a or overcrowded lives set nerves a-
jangling, the need for the sound of silence is rising, especially among the affluent.
Floors that
Floors that don't squeak, appli.
ances that are seen but not heard ances tall ate seen but not heard
and walls that don't talk are held up as models by those in pursuit of quift homes.
of 'I don't want to hear my own teen a agera, says Hougland, a
princlpal In the firm of David \(L\). Adams Associatea. Through the \(1970 \mathrm{~s}, \mathrm{a}\) lot of the
residential construction residential construction was
almed at firat-time buyers, and speed and cost were factore. To. day, the market is In luxury homes, and insulation again
unwanted sound Is important. In. a survey conducted fo Owens:Coming Fiberglas in To. ledo, Ohio, more than 40 percent of prospectlve home buyera said sound barriers in interior walls and foors. As a result, the company is promoting Its thermal insulation as a sound insulation, too.
Jim Schmledeskamp, a company apokesman, says a 1095 booklet titled "Qulet Please" refers to the insulation as a "comprehensive ecoustical control sybtem."
Prior to the postwar build boom in the 1950s, Hougland saya interior noises weron't much of a problem because walls were built of plaster on lath. That's far too casenwouldn't meet modern - building codes.

Instead, there are newer prod. ucts and techniques to create
sound barrers euch as Bound barriers auch ab light-
welght concrete for subflooring
and metal channels for walls that decouple joists and wallboard The door, a first line of defense against unwanted noise, has also
changed. Hollow-core doors replaced solid wood doors as an in.
dustry standard in the early 1950 s because they cost less. Unfortunately, they filter out less noise.
Several Several companies now sell sol-
id-core doors with a molded fibe id-core doors with a molded fiber-
board filler for better sound insulation. Premdor, a Tampa, Fla., manufacturer, says prices start at about \(\$ 75\), compared with about
\(\$ 25\) for hollow doors. Solid wood doors start at about \(\$ 100\). Quieter appliances are other allies in the war against noise in the homic: Older dishwashers can be loud enough to stop conversa.
tions. Upscale European brands such as Miehle and Bosch intro. duced the concept of the quiet
dishwahher about fie dishwasher about five years ago.
American makers were quick to Americ
follow. the Quiet operation has become the main selling point for high
end dishwashers in the last year or so," sayg Mark Buss, vice pres.
ident of Jenn-Air Co ident of Jenn-Air Co. In Indianap. Jenn
Jenn-Air recently Introduced
three UQ - ultimate quite models that the company says are 60 percent quieter than its other
dishwashers \(\$ 650\) each, they're about \(\$ 500\) to than ether Jenn Ali models, Although many new dishwas ora are quiteter than their prede. cessoris, there's no industry standard to measure the differences,
as there is with energy efficiency as there is with
measurements.
"At this point, consumers are
at the mercy of the seller and "If thacturer," Hougland says. "If they say it is quilet; you have
to take their word for it", Dlahwashers may be but refrigerators are noliglor than ever becaune of recent changes in clency, says Tracy Haak of the Absoclation of Home Applance Manufacturera in Chicago. Other major appllances due to
be Ahushed are home. laundry he ahushed
equipment.
"It wouldn't nurprise me if clothes washers recelved more attention, now that they are moving
out of the basement and into the out of the basement and into the
kitcefien and the bathroom," Haak
says.

\section*{Precision Tune shop owner stresses service}



Getting in tune: Mike Ciesla, ser-
vice mana. ger, and Ka thy Spencer owner, have recently
opened a new opened a new
Precision Tune at the corner of
Five Mile and Middlebelt roads
Livonia.:

\section*{Lack of balanced budget hurts economic growth}

\section*{No New Year's plans? Join celebration on-line}
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ment's forward.
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shown that the shown
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plunged to plunged to a \(20-\)
month low in Oc -
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serve Governor
Susan Phillips recently stated that fragile con sumer spending should still cre-
rise if a budget agreement was not
achieved.

The segments of the economy that might be most affected would
include autos, major appliances and other consumer goods. This could further fuel the slowdown
in the economy and eventually in the economy an
lead to a recession.
What the politicians in Washington do about the budget will have an effect on consumers. It
could cost more to borrow for the purchase of big ticket consumer items such as cars, televisions
and stereos. Reluctance on the
part of the consumer to buy will
low down the economy; which Went. Wall Street will also take no. tice. The prospects of a slowing
economy translate into lower corporate profits and lower stock porate profits and lower stock
prices. Recent sharp downturns in the markets are a validation of
this concern. this concern.
Short-term r Short-term recent interest rate
reduction and the fact that the parties in Washington are meeting, the economy and Wall Street should be stable. Long term, be-
yond 1996, lack of a balanced budget accord in Washington
could cause interest rates to re-
verse course. Higher interest rates verse course. Higher interest rates could put a significant damper on
economic growth. economic growth
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of month\(\underset{\text { to clear of an }}{\substack{\text { agan } \\ \text { time }}}\) other corner of my desk. Before
tossing away another pile of messages and
notes, let me pass on some of
the goodies that haven't called for a. complete col. worth sharing anyhow. All made? I plan to spend elans ning with friends ahd hope you have made simllar plang. What. ever you do don't spend Now healthy. But for those with a fixatlon, who inaist on being slck any. how, thien you might as well che out First Night New York '96. Year'a Eve colebration with some. thing for everyone. Whether you want to waltz in Grand Central Terminal, enjoy an evening of jazz
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Apple Computing Company's
QuickTime Livel site will host
"Bill Graham Presents San Fran: cisco New Year's Eve on Dec. .1
The live, interactive SFNYE gite will feature seven blocka of \(S\) an Francisco waterfront and bands
such as Santana and the Gin Blossoms. There also will be images from Nei Year's Eve at New
York's Time Square taking ad vantage of QuickTime Livel's di.
sital camera. Point to http:/I live.apple.com.
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Apple Computing Company's QuickTime Live site will host"Blil Graham Presents San Fran. cisco New Year's Eve on Dec, 31. The live, Interactive SFNYE slte will feature seven blocks of San Francisco waterfront and bands such as Santana and the Gin Blossoms. There also will be Images from Now Year's Eve at Now York's Time Square taking advantage of QulckTime Livel's digltal camera.
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organizations in the world. The
newsletter deals with euthanasia, assisted suicide, the Hemlock So ciety, Derek Humphry, Dr. Jack
Kevorkian etc. When found nothing on Dr. Jack but should we be surprised that he is elusive on the Net as well? What I did find was an article on "Ethics
in Medicine," one on "Deciding in Medicine," one on "Deciding
How We Die," and another on "Medicine - A Divided Profes. sion." There also were poll results from Canada and legisiative ac-
tion in New Hampshire. If you are not suffering from the holiday blues than on Dec. 26 , point to http://www.efn.org/(tilde)ergo/ rights news.html
- The Internet is filled with sev eral computer-topic magazines (ezines). An easy way to access them is to visit a site I discovered that has links to the top 100 computer related. Internet Vagazey of fers a list of 100 computer-related ezines, including BYTE Maga2ine, Boardwalk, Info World, In.
formation Week, Internet World, Mac Week, Net Guilde, PC Maga, Mac Week, Net Guide, PC Maga. UnixWorld, WebMaster Magazine, Wired, and 87 more Point to
http://www. internetvalley.com/ topl00mag.html.
- Michrel Lisaack has' spent the
last year uncovering a \(\$ 1\) billion raud involving major Wall Street ness. He spent 14 ypal bond busivestment banker at \(S\) mith Barney where te helped finance the activities of state and local govern mints through the sale of tax-exempt bonds. He now is working on a doctorate in business iadmin -
istration at Henley on Thames in England, Europe's largest management school with more than 500 MBA students.

Anyhow, Lissack is writing a dissertation on how information overload is dealt with in the con-
text of decision-making and is working on decision-making, and is Rose ntitled "The whistle. blower." If you point to http:// dex.htna your.com/munibond/inarticles and will find news clips, scandals in the municipal bond market maintained by Lissack

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- MEW YLAR'S SERVICES A New Year's Communion service
will be held at 6 p.mi Now Year's Eve, Dec, 31, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile Road, Livonia. In addition to the
liturgy of the Eucharist, familiar Christmas hymns will be sung. For more information, call (313) 464.0211.
St. Matthew Lutheran Church will have three services New Year's Eve and New Year's Da There will be services at 10 a.m. and \(7: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}\) (with Communion) on Dec. 11 and at Ja.m. (with
Communion) on Jan 1. The chummuion) on Jan 1. The
church is at 5885 Venoy, West land. For more information, call 313) 425.0261 . Main Street Baptist Church and music at \(8 ; 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}\). New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, at the church,
8500 N . Morton Taylor Road, 8500 N. Morton Taylor Road, Canton. There will be a break at
10:30 p.m. for snacks and refresh ments and then a return to the auditorium at \(11: 30\) p.m. to watch and welcome the en ew ear. 453 .
more information, call (313) 4785., Merriman Road Baptist Church's New Year's Eve celebra Hion will be 6:30-8:30 p.m. Dec. 31 , with participants gathering at the
church, 2055 Merriman, Garden City, for a fifth Sunday sing to celebrate the coming of the New Year. There will be special music Child care provisions will be usual, For more information, call (313) 421-0472.

St. Paul's Evangelical Luther-
an Church will have its an Church will have its New. Dec. 31 at the church, 17810 Farmington Road, Livonia. For
more information, call (313) 261 more information, call (313) 261 -
1360 . At Newburgh United Methodis Church, there will be a 10 a.m. Eve, Dec. 31, at the church, 3650 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. For at (313) 422-0149.'
At Faith Lutheran Church, New Year's services will be at 7 p.m. New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, and Jan. 1, at the the church, 30000 Five Mile, Livonia. For more in-
formation, call (313) \(421-7249\).

\section*{- RADIO SHOWs}

The radio series "What Is This Christian Science and Who Are These Christian Scientists?" is:
being broadcast at \(9: 30\) a.m. Sunbeing broadcast at \(9: 30\) a.m. Sun-
days on WAAM-AM 1600 . Topics include "What Proof Do You Have That Christian Science Heals?" on Dec. 31; "How Do
Christian Scientists Feel About Christian Scientists
Modern Medicine?" Care in Christian Science as Reli able as Medicine?" on Jan, 14;
"How Do Christian Scientists "How Do Christian Scientists
Feel About Jesus?" on Jan. \(21 ;\) and "What Kind of Faith in God also can be heard at \(8: 30\) a,m.
Sunday on CKLW.AM 800. The Sundays on CKLW-AM 800 . The sefies is produced by the Chris. han Science Commitee on sored by local Christian Science churches, For more information, call \(1 \cdot 800 \cdot 886-1212\)
- MEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION

Ward Presbyterian Church will celebrate New Year's Eve, Sun. day, Dec. 31, with an evening of rellowehip. It will begin at \(9 \mathrm{p.m}\). featuring Robin Hibschman. A buffet will be available at 10 p.m. hy advance reservation only. The Wenteng will conclude with a Watch Night Service at 11 p.m.
Chimes will ring in the New Yea and close the servico juat after midnight. For more information,
all (131) 42.1826 call (313) 422.1826:

\section*{- simale point}

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church will have its Firat Friday Night Live at 8 p.mi. Frlday, Jan. 5 , In Knox Hall. Au.
thor Tom Jonea will dliscuss "Sex and Love When You Are Single Again." Dinner will be served at. 6:30 p.m. on a first come first, served basis in the Fellowship
Hall Cost will be 85 and child Hall. Cost will be blate.
care will be available. Other activities include Talk it
car Over at \(7: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}\). Friday, Jan. 12 , in Knox Hall, James Hoover will
discuas the new tax laws and discuss the new tax laws and
amendments. The Frtday, Jan. 26, guest will be Dr. Don Verhultz who will share a new llfeatyle. Free child care will be provided. There's also BYOS (Bring Your
Own 8 Beakera) for adults only at 8 p.m. the second and fourth Satunday of the month at the Livonía Family YMCA, Stark Road north of Schoolcraft, and volley-
ball in Knox Hall at 8:30 p.m.


20 and countlng: St. Michael Lutheran Church and School recently recognized John Wolf (right) for his 20 years of teaching in Lutheran schools, the last seven at
St. Michael's. Joining him were Richard Krepsky (from left) and Cynthia Mehdi Khan, who have joined the staff part-time.
Wednesdays:
For more in
Singe Pinformation, call the Single Point office at (313) 422 .
1854. - COMmUNITY PARTY Chist Our Savior Lutheran Church will host a New Year's
Eve dinner party for the commu nity following the ' p.m. worship service New Year's Eve, Sunday,
Dec. 31. There will be a buffet Dec. 31. There will be a buffet,
dinner, disc jockey, non-alcoholic dinner, disc jockey, non-alcoholi
beverages, games, dancing and beverages, games, dancing and
the usual countdown to midnigh Tickets are \(\$ 15\) per person and are available by calling Bob at
(313) 522.6830 or Jackie at (313)
- NEWBURG NIGHT OUT

Newburg United Methodis Church's mid-week evening of ed-
ucation, fellowship, drami ucation; fellowship, drama and
music will get underway Wed music will get underway Wednes.
day, Jan. 11 at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Dinner will be served 5:30-6:30 p.m. at a cost of \(\$ 2.50\) for adults and \(\$ 1.50\)
for children 10 years and under for children 10 years and under
(reservations are not necessary) Educational opportunities include Noah's Ark for pres-
choolers, Comparative Religions, choolers, Comparative Religions,
the Church Studies Homosexuali ty, Teaching Your Child Values, Faithlink, Meit of Faith (Promise Keepers) and quilting. Musical opportunities includ gartners through second graders gartners Chreugh second for third
the Children's Choir for through sixth graders and the Youth Choir for seventh through
12 th graders. Drama 12 th graders. Drama opportunienth through 12th graders and children's drama for third through sixth graders.
For more informat For more information, call the
church at (3i3) 422-0149

\section*{T 7BTH ANNIVERSARY} Former members of Redford Lu-
theran Church are invited to co theran Church are invited to com Grand River Durch at 22159 Jan. 21, to celebrate 75 years of
A service of praise and thanksgiving at 10:30 a.m. will have the Rev. Cedf. Mehl, for-
mer pastor of Red as the guest speaker. Following the Holy Communion service; a luncheon buffet will be held in Mossner Hall at 1 p.m. There als ment and reminiscing with pres. ent and former members. Reservations for the luncheon are necessary and must made by Jan. 15 by calling the church
at (313) 535.3733 .

\section*{- lituray on tape}

The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom is available on video tape for a cost of \(\$ 15\), plus \(\$ 3\) pos tage, from Holy Tranisfiguration
Orthodox Church, 36075 w, Sey en Mile, Livonia 48152. The tape make a great gif for a shut-in or
those unablo to attend the litura those unable to attend the liturg The tapes also can be given to
those people who are either ing or expressing an interest in ng or express
the Orthodox falth.

\section*{- sellina 000 ks}

St. Aldan Church is selling 1996 Proceeeds will be used to send members to the annual CYO
Rainbow Youth Conference Books can be purchased in the parish office, Farmington Road in Livonia, For more information, call (313) 425.5950. Church also is reining Methodis selling Entertainment pasabook for \(\$ 40\). They are avallable by calling Jim Robinion at ( 810 )
347.1635 or the chuch 347.1535 or the church office at
(810) 474.3444 :

VOLUNTEERS SOUQHT St. Paul's Presbbtevan Church of
Livonia is looking for peoplec in
terested terested in drama within the church setting to be a part of its "In The Spotlight", group. For
more information, call (313) 422 . Richard Hutchison.
\(\square\) CONFIDENTIAL HELP Life Care Ministries of Livonia
offers a free, confidential Chri tian telephone listening service a.m. to 11 p.m. by calling (313) 427-LIFE Monday through Satu day. Life Care Ministries can be
reached through P.O. Box 530611 reached through P.
Livonia 48153-0611.
- CHARISHATIC PRAYER A charismatic prayer group meets
at 6 p.m. Sundays in Patio Classroom 1 on the ground floor of the Onom inersity Center at Madonna
Univer University, Schoolcraf and
Levan, Livonia For Levan, Livonia: For more infor-
mation, call Shawn at (313) 464 -
- LOOKING FOR A CHURCH? An open invitation is extended to
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St. Richard's Church, 35637 Cherry Hill, Westiand. For more
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