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MONDAY

Council: The Westland City Council will have a 6:30 p.m. study session on voting equipment. It will be in the council chambers, City Hall, Ford near Carlson.

School board: The Wayne-Westland Board of Education will meet at 7 p.m. at the school board office. on Marguette east of Newburgh.

TUESDAY

Chamber: The Westland Chamber of Commerce will host a Business Luncheon 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Joy Manor, on Joy east of Middlebelt in Westland. The speaker will be Ron Howard of VR Metro Malls. discussing the Internet. Price is \$15. For reservations, call the chamber at (734) 326-7222 by noon Monday.

Mayor's vision for city changes

Westland Mayor Robert Thomas, in a surprise move, has announced his desire to cancel a May 9 incinerator tax election and put longsought city projects on the back burner.

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFT WRITER dclem@oe.homecomm.net

Mayor Robert Thomas, in a major policy shift, has unveiled plans to eliminate a local incinerator tax, reduce water-sewer rates and abandon proposals for a new recreation complex and City Hall.

"I had some sleepless nights over this

one," he said Friday, "but I decided it was time to shift gears."

Thomas, in a three-page letter to Westland City Council members, announced a startling departure from his earlier vision for Westland.

"This is just a sea of change," Councilman Glenn Anderson, a Thomas critic. said.

Thomas, renewing his pledge to give

residents "the best service possible at the lowest cost," has proposed the following:

Canceling a special May 9 election for a 1-mill incinerator tax renewal. The tax would expire in June 2001, returning \$60 a year to the owner of an average \$120,000 home.

Reducing water-sewer rates – currently \$4.46 per 1,000 gallons - by an estimated 5 cents up to 20 cents. The city would swallow any rate hike from Detroit this year, rather than passing it to residents.

Ending a special taxing district, or Tax Increment Finance Authority, north of Ford Road. This move would

free up \$1 million a year in combined general operating and sanitation revenues, helping to compensate for \$1.2 million in losses from the incinerator tax.

Shelving plans for a new recreation center and City Hall, leaving those projects to "the great thinkers of tomorrow.

Placing more emphasis on road improvements, including this summer's resurfacing of Wayne Road from Glenwood to just north of Nankin Boulevard. Thomas also touted the reconstruction of Donna Street between Ann

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Recall language denied

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

Recall organizers suffered a second defeat Friday as the Wayne County Elections Commission rejected seven petition proposals aimed at ousting Westland City Council member Sharon Scott.

The latest setback came 23 days after the commission quashed the recall group's first petition, saving it contained unclear language.

SATURDAY

St. Pat's: The Eighth Annual St. Patrick's Dinner Dance & Auction 6:30 p.m. March 18 will benefit Community Hospice & Home Care Services. It will be held at the St. Mary Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman in Livonia. Former Detroit Tiger Dave Rozema will appear. For ticket information on the event, call (734) 522-4244.

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Looking for a new job? Find a great one that's just right for you in the **Employment Section** of today's **HomeTown Classifieds**

Man's best friend: Penny, a 1'z-year-old Brittany spaniel, looks for a treat as owner Mike Nailor of Westland gives a command to lay down,

Dogs learn everyday etiquette

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI SPECIAL WRITER

on't expect Henry, Chelsey and their classmates taking a manners course at the Bailey Center to say "please" and "thank you" at the end of their seven-week course.

ANIMALS

But they'll likely learn skills the people they live with will appreciate much more.

These "students" are canines who

will understand that when friends come to call, it's not polite to jump all over the visitors. Biting is definitely out of the question. And going for walks doesn't mean dragging the two-legged person on the other end of

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"I've won two rounds," Scott said Friday, although she conceded that her foes will strike a third time.

It didn't take long.

Immediately following Friday's meeting'in Detroit, recall organizers filed five more petition proposals aimed at ousting Scott for her role in the controversial firing of city Clerk Patricia Gibbons.

One proposal simply states: "On Jan. 18, 2000, Sharon P. Scott voted not to reappoint the Westland city clerk."

The elections commission rejected identical petition wording Friday, but only because the county failed to give Scott proper notice it had been filed against her.

The commission scrapped six other petition proposals as unclear.

"I was disappointed that the recall (language) didn't go through," recall leader Marian Greenfield said. "I don't understand it, because Sharon did wrong, and it is costing the taxpayers."

A decision by Scott and three of her colleagues to fire Gibbons and replace her with a higher-paid interim successor, former Clerk Diane Fritz, has cost the city. Greenfield said.

Recall organizers also are planning a recall campaign against council members David Cox, Charles "Tray" Griffin and David James, but the trio started

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Technicolor moving operations from Westland site

BY MATT JACHMAN STAFF WRITER mjachman@oc.homecomm.net

A major manufacturer of videotaped feature films is expanding its operations in Livonia.

Technicolor Packaged Media Group plans to move its area warehousing and distribution arm - and between 600 and 700 employees - to the new

Livonia Corporate Center in April, said Michael Wang, vice president for distribution.

Called Technicolor Distribution Services, the operation will take most of the 752,000-square-foot Building 3 at Livonía Corporate Center, the industrial side of Millennium Park, which is being built at the site of the former Ladbroke Detroit Race Course at Mid-

dlebelt and Schoolcraft Road

The company already has a manufacturing facility, Technicolor Video Services, on Seven Mile in Livonia. About 200 million tapes - titles such as "Saying Private Ryan" and the latest "Austin Powers" movie - are produced there each year. Wang said. By volume. it is the largest video duplication plant in the world, he said

The move to Livonia Corporate Cen ter is a consolidation of warehousing and distribution operations now located at Newburgh and Palmer in Westland and at the Gateway Industrial Center, near 1-96 and the Southfield Freeway, in Detroit A packaging assembly fine will remain in Detroit.

No jobs will be lost because of the

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Junior Miss

Two Wayne-Westland high school seniors are competing in Alpena, Mich., for the title of Michigan's Junior Miss.

Brooke Robertson from John Glenn High School, Wayne-Westland's Junior Miss, and Melissa Jennings from Glenn, first runner-up, are representing the community. They leave soon to begin interviews and rehearsals, with the main event March 25.

The winner of the Michigan Junior Miss title competes in America's Junior Miss National Finals in Mobile, Ala., in June. The program includes competition in talent, scholastic achievement, physical fitness, interview skills and overall presence. Twentyone high school seniors from around the state are vying for more than \$10,000 in cash scholarships

and more than \$200,000 in college scholarships. Robertson will perform a cheer monologue for h



Alpena dignitaries and community groups. Michigan's Junior Miss Courtney Cagnon captured the honors last year and will be on hand in Alpena to pass on the tifle

Those who would like tickets should call Pat Her matz, (734) 721-5220. Information on next year's Wayne-Westland Junior Miss program is available in school offices

Spring Ball

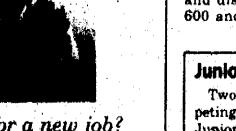
The Westland Community Foundation will present its fourth annual Spring Ball Friday, March 24. at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy, West, 1997;34) 728-5533, Tom North, (734) 421-1300, John

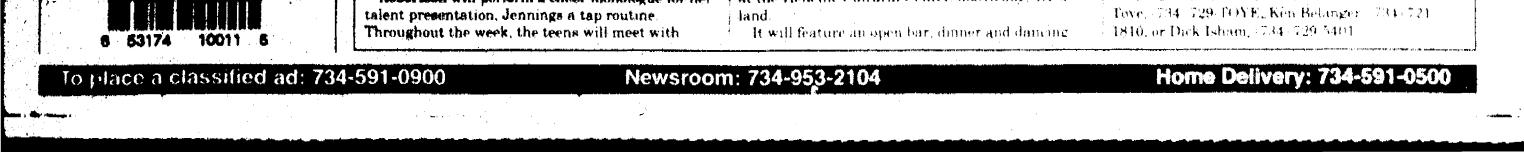
Dress will be casually elegant/black the optional Dinner/dance tickets are \$75 per person, with raffle tickets \$25 per ticket. The prize will be a Hawaiian trip for two

For reservations or information, call (734) 595. 7727

Gölf fun

The Westland Rotary Charities Gulf Outing will be held Thursday, May 18, at Golden Fox, west of Plymouth Participants will play 18 holes of golf, with registration 8 30-10 30 a.m. and an 11 a m shotgun start. There will be a continental breakfast lunch and beverages at the turn, and a filet mignon dinner/banquet. Registration forms will be mailed in early April For information, call Kim Shunkwiller







Feeling proud

Teamwork helps them solve lots of cases

BY LEANNE ROGERS STAFF WRITER lrogers@oe.homecomm.net

One thing about working for the Metro Street Enforcement Team - there's a lot of variety in their cases over the course of a year.

During 1999, MSET officers investigated robberies, racketeering, helped track down a murder suspect who had fled the state and completed a case that led to the closing of an adult theater - a closure that brought in \$1 million in forfeiture money.

"We had a pretty good year. We had 166 arrests; that's a record year," said Westland police Lt. Gary Sikorski, who supervises MSET.

With officers assigned by Garden City, Westland, Inkster, Wayne and the Wayne County Sheriff's Department, MSET handles their own cases and assists their member departments as needed.

By being able to jump in to help on a case, Sikorski said MSET brings additional manpower along with some specialized investigative tools.

In one high-profile case, MSET officers executed search warrants on banks and telephone services at the home and business owned by murder victim Veronica Kuclo-Raub and her husband, Peter, who was sought as a suspect.

"Our officers have very specialized investigative techniques - some tricks of the trade," said Sikorski: "Like in the Raub case. They did an outstanding job tracking him cross-country. If the areas of the investigation aren't local anymore, we'll go statewide and nationwide. We don't heaitate."

Raub was traced to Chicago where MSET officers assisted Garden City detectives in canvassing the area where his van had been abandoned. Initially heading to Las Vegas, Raub was eventually located in Los Angeles. He's currently in the Wayne County Jail awaiting trial.

"We're prepared to handle homicides, but when they get more complicated and we have to track someone out of state, I can't staff a bureau for that," said Garden City Police Chief David Harvey. "MSET did a lot of cases and has been a good tool for us."

Thanks to MSET's investigation into lewd behavior complaints and the resulting prosecutions, the Melody Theater in Inkster was closed. Part of the settlement with the owners resulted in the building being demolished, the property deeded to the City of Inkster and \$1 million being forfeited.

"This was the first continuing criminal enterprise case we did and we had no idea it would be so large," said Sikorski. "It just kept getting bigger as it went along. We had targeted the theater with the idea of shutting it down."

The difference this time was that the investigation focused on the owners of the theater, not just the patrons.

"We're real happy with them. The most horrendous case we had was a murder, but we've had other cases," said Harvey. "The Melody Theater affected us. It wasn't just people from Inkster who were arrested there."

Another change during 1999 was the addition of a Wayne County Sheriff's deputy to MSET and participation in the federal Southeast Michigan High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program.

A federal program, HITA provides funding to task forces for different levels of drug enforcement. Working as part of the streetlevel enforcement efforts, MSET has received money for overtime, vehicles and other equipment.

Due to participation in HITA, Detroit police and federal law enforcement agencies. all the MSET officers are now sworn county deputies and U.S. marshals.

"We're entering the second year of our joint effort. It's been excellent. It's worked out extremely well," said Sikorski. "We'll have bigger joint operations."

They take financial incentive out of crime

BY LEANNE ROGERS STAFF WRITER lrogers@oe.homecomm.net

Here are some other noteworthy efforts by the Metro Street Enforcement Team during 1999:

Two days before Thanksgiving, the owner of a Wayne Party Store was robbed of \$55,000 in cash while leaving a credit union at Palmer and Newburgh roads in Westland. The money was to be used to cash checks for Ford plant workers. "We got the case and in 14 hours we had one robber in custody," said Westland police Lt. Gary Sikorski, who supervises MSET: "Initially, there were very few leads, but MSET continued to work it and assist the

ki said, which had only a paper license plate. Officers traced the paper temporary plate to an auto dealership, but it had a false name and two bad addresses.

At the dealership, however, Sikorski said a former employee was identified as someone who might have been responsible for the improper temporary plate.

"He was picked out of a photo lineup as an armed robbery suspect," said Sikorski. "We got a home address in southwest Detroit and he was under arrest that evening." It turned out that the suspect had a minor role in the robbery, he said, although his arrest and confession lead to the arrest of three other suspects. "It was dogged police work. It's a multiplication of manpower,' Sikorski said. "MSET has no other investigative duties (like

the detective bureaus). The officers can be creative and resourceful. They are a very bright bunch of guys. They are willing to stick with it day or night."

In December, MSET officers assisted Garden City police in investigating a strong-arm robbery which began as a pigeon drop. The victim, an elderly woman, resisted giving the suspects \$12,000 in cash which she had withdrawn from the bank.

"MSET heard the information

items, MSET raided Cherry Hill Beauty Supply in Inkster, a second store in Oak Park and a home in Farmington Hills. More than 1.700 items of counterfeit clothing and \$28,000 in forfeiture money were seized.

The forfeiture relating to the Melody Theater case totaled \$1 million - 10 percent to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office and the balance divided evenly among the four municipalities.

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on the radio and got the registration on the car," said Sikorski. "They went to Detroit and set up surveillance."

Two suspects were arrested and about \$5,400 of the missing money was recovered.

In a racketeering case involving counterfeit logos on Tshirts, hats, pants and other

"Criminal investigation is our main purpose. We became selfsufficient on smaller forfeitures. said Sikorski. "I'd rather err on -the side of the individual. Forfeiture is a very effective tool. You take the financial incentive out

of criminal activity. "I wouldn't want to lose that."

OBITUARIES

HAZEL M. BISSETT

Services for Hazel Bissett, 87, of Westland were March 6 in Uht Funeral Home. Officiating was the Rev. Robert McDonald. Mrs. Bissett was born Sept. 4, 1912, and died March 3 in Livonia. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her son, Edwin Jr.; daughter, Phyllis Taylor; 13 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and 14 great-greatgrandchildren.

Mrs. Bissett was preceded in death by her husband, Edwin, and daughter, Leora Cope.

TERRI J. LIPKE

Services for Terri Lipke, 41, of Wayne were March 10 in Uht Funeral Home, Officiating was the Rev. Jack Baker.

Mrs. Lipke was born June 4, 1958, and died March 6 at her residence in Wayne. She was a waitress at Rex's in Wayne.

Surviving are her husband, Paul; sons, Ryan and Derrick, mother, June Derby of Westland; brothers, Ted (Donna) Gagnon, Gene Derby and Carl (Jennie) Kuehnel: sisters, Linda (Rav) Dillon and Toni Anderle.

WILLIAM J. VERES

Former Livonia resident William Veres, 75, of Charleston. S.C., died March 7. He died at his home in Charleston after a one-year battle with cancer.

He was an Air Force veteran and served during World War II Surviving are his wife, Jeane; son, Russell (Fedel) Veres. formerly of Honolulu, Hawaii; daughters, Cynthia (Zack) Nichols of Big Pine Key, Fla., and Beverly (Steve) Lovelly of Westland; and three grandchildren, Jason, Brandy and Billy. Mr. Veres has surviving family living in Clinton Township, Mount Clemens, Shelby Town ship, Sterling Heights, Belleville. Roseville and Rochester.

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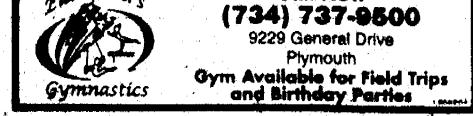
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Listening: Owner Lorna Johnson of Westland has her dog, Tremor, a bullmastiff, sit at the class. Not pictured with Lorna Johnson is her husband. Arnold. The Johnsons, active with the Pet-A-Pet organization, volunteer their time taking their pets to visit nursing homes, hospitals and assisted living facilities.



STAFF PHOTOS BY TON HAWLEY

Calm: Brian Williams of Westland gives his dog, Sadie, a treat at the class. Behind is Brian's wife, Megan. The couple said they want to take the class to calm their golden retriever down.



Society classes are available in Westland, Farm-Ington Hills and at the Michigan Humane Society pet education center in **Rochester Hills.** For more infor-

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the leash. That's especially true of Penny, who likes to pull her owners, Marianne Nailor, her husband, Mike, and two children, Susanna, 16, and Joshua, 5, down the street. The whole family attended the class.

"She takes us for a walk for the most part," said Marianne Nailor. explaining that she also hopes to teach Penny not to run away every chance she gets.

Last Wednesday was the first day of school for the 15 pups enrolled in "Manners for Life," which is geared for dogs at least 5 months old. Based on positive reinforcement techniques, there were a lot of sweet bribes passed out during the onehour class as instructor Linda Thomas described what she expected the dogs to do.

"This week, we see what the dogs are really like and week after week we see improvement after improvement." Thomas said.

Owners, like Cheryl Messer of Westland, weren't expecting the type of behavior that would get their names in the "Guinness Book of Records."

"She goes out in front and I just want her to listen," Messer said.

Simple measures

The same was true for the Darany family of Dearborn. They weren'tlooking to teach their pooch, Oliver, any fancy tricks.

"We want him to come when you call him to come and we want him to stay when he's supposed to stay,' George Darany said. His wife. Maria, and children, Adam, 14, Leah, 12, and Madelaine, 8, were also on hand to pick up ideas.

In fact, Oliver owes his life to the Daranys, because they saved him moments before he was to be euthanized at the Humane Society.

Tom and June Holdsworth of Westland adopted their dog from the Humane Society, too. Taking the class was the logical next step. Tom Holdsworth explained.

"We think it's a good idea to have a well-behaved dog." he said. "We think the world of the program the Humane Society runs."

of the room with her father, Dan, and puppy, Sosha. The Livonia residents want their 10-month-old Doberman pinscher to stop jumping on family and friends when they come to their door.

As far as Jill and Victor West are concerned, their puppy, Buddy, couldn't be cuter and a lot of people seem to agree. In fact, his appearance in the window of their business - Vanessa's Flower Shop in downtown Plymouth - has increased foot traffic by 20 percent. They want to make sure his behavior is the best it can be since he's in the shop a lot.

If Buddy is a working dog, it's nothing like the schedule Tremor, whose registered name is Actions on the Richter scale, keeps. This bullmastiff's owners. Arnold and Lorna Johnson of Westland, are members of the Pet-A-Pet organization. The Johnsons volunteer their time taking their pets to visit nursing homes, hospitals and assisted living facilities.

In fact, Lorna Johnson tells a story about how one of her dogs was visiting a nursing home and a woman walked by and told the canine to get out of her way. Johnson later learned that these were the first words spoken by the woman during her stay at the facility. In fact, it was considered quite a breakthrough.

Tremor's date book next week included being taken to visit a second-grade class on Tuesday and a psychiatric ward on Wednesday.

'Feel special'

Across the room, Laura Major fed her dog. Henry, a few treats and explained that she enrolled him in the class, because she wanted to make him "feel special." If he learns to listen to her commands and turns into a well-mannered dog, that would be great too, according to the Livonia resident.

Sitting next to each other. Brian and Megan Williams of Westland and Dan McManus of Canton simply hoped their pets would settle down at the end of six weeks.

The classes are provided by the Michigan Humane Society through Rochester Hills. For more informa Danielle Sollars sat in the corner Westland Parks and Recreation at tion, call (248) 650-1059

the Bailey Center in Westland for \$100 if the dog was adopted from the Humane Society or any other; shelter. Otherwise, the cost is \$120. "English is a second language for

dogs," explained Lori Kane, Michigan Humane Society director of animal behavior and training.

"Their first language is body language - they key off your body language, because that's what they do with other dogs," she said. "It's amazing how quickly they catch on considering that we don't always teach it consistently. In one hour, we can't train your dog for you, but in one hour we can train you to teach your dog at home."

Other classes offered by the Humane Society include "Puppy Classes" for dogs under 5 months. Instruction focuses on socializing puppies with other dogs and people; encouraging environmental confidence and addressing other common puppy problems, like house training and inappropriate chewing.

"K9 Kollege" builds on basic and advanced obedience commands, like coming when called.

" Tricks for Treats' is a fun class," Kane said, teaching dogs how to shake, wave, give a high-five and crawl. The class includes playing games, like "Lassie Says." to reinforce basic obedience skills, like sitting, down, stay and recalls.

Private consultations, that usually take about two hours and cost \$120, are recommended to deal with more serious concerns, like aggression and separation anxiety.

"I want a dog that's good to be around. No one wants a dog that's annoving," explained Livonia resident Lorraine Borovsky who was with her dog, Archimedes.

The Humane Society classes are available in Westland, Farmington Hills and at the Michigan Humane Society pet education center in

mation, call (248) 650-1059.

City provides reminders on trash, recycling topics

37137 Marquette, will be available for use by Westland residents starting Friday, April 7, until Saturday, Nov. 4. The city will have free dump days Friday and Saturday, April 7-8.

Hours will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. No commercial vehicles or contractors will be allowed. Identification is required.

The fee paid will be based on the type of vehicle items are brought in, with \$13 charged for cars or minivans, \$23 for a small pickup or van, \$31 for a standard pickup or 4 X 6 trailer, and more for larger trailers.

Regular garbage picked up at the curb will not be accepted at the site. Car or truck parts will not be accepted at the site. To schedule removal of household items from the curb, call the Department of Public Service. (734) 728-1770.

Tree branches, shrubs, stumps, dirt and roof shingles will not be accepted. Used motor oil will only be accepted Friday and Saturday by an attendant on duty.

In other developments:

Westland will begin the Department of Public Service compost season Monday, April 3, and continuing through Friday, Dec. 15. Compost will be picked up the same day as regular trash.

Compost must be in cans or brown paper bags specifically designed for yard waste. Leaves and other yard waste put in plastic bags will not be picked up.

Compost should be separated by at least 10 feet from regular trash. All brush or limbs must be in bundles of three-foot lengths and cannot weigh more than 40 pounds. Cardboard boxes containing compost will not be picked up.

 Westland will begin chipping trees Monday, April 3. Scheduling will begin Monday, March 27. To use the service, call (734) 728-1770. The last call will be taken Friday, Sept. 29, for chipping Friday, Oct. 6.

Beginning Saturday, April 1, through Tues.

The City of Westland Rubbish Transfer Site. day, Oct. 31, summer hours for the City of Westland Recyclable Materials Drop-off Center will be 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Items accepted include glass bottles and jars, newspapers, aluminum (metal that won't stick to a magnet), metal/steel that will stick to a magnet, plastics, batteries and used motor oil.

Bottles and jars should be washed, with lids and metal rings removed and put in the metal bin. No plate glass is accepted, as are no ceramics, Pyrex cookware, dirty containers or mirrors.

Newspapers should be neatly stacked at approximately 6-15 inches. They should be tied with twine or packed into paper bags. Newspapers must be dry and have no mold. No junk mail, catalogs. phone books, magazines, office/computer paper or cardboard will be accepted.

Cans only are accepted, no scrap metal. Out-ofstate beverage cans with no Michigan deposit are accepted, although foil and foil containers are not.

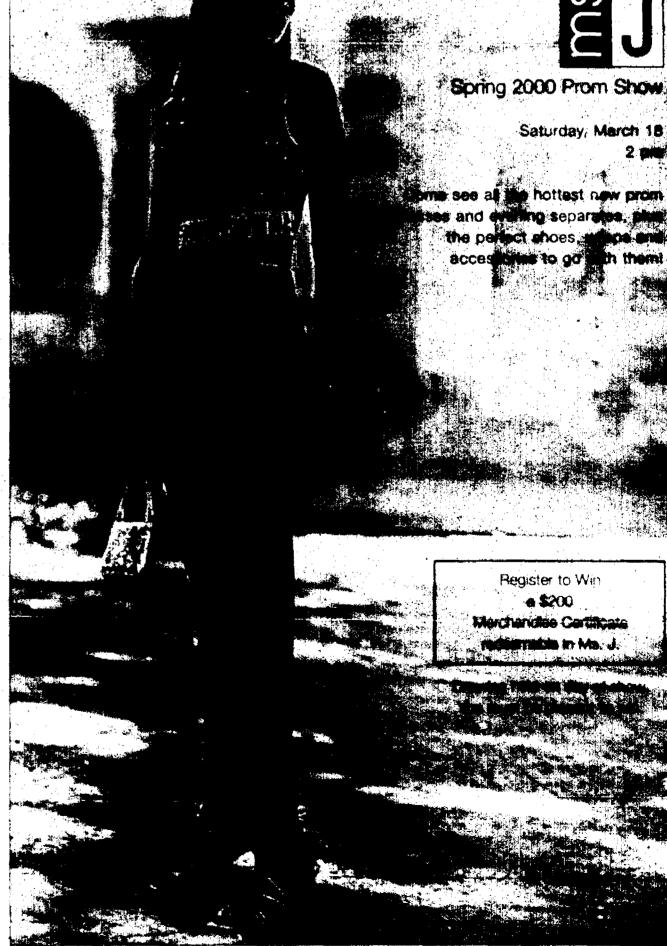
Cans should be rinsed, with the labels removed, ends removed and flattened. No paint or aerosol cans are accepted.

Plastic drink jugs and colored laundry detergenttype jugs, cleaned, are accepted. Lids, plastic bags, caustic material containers (such as drain cleaner) and oil/antifreeze containers are not accepted.

Batteries (flashlight-type, dry cell, watch, camera, hearing aid and others) are accepted, Battery receptacles are at City Hall; the Friendship Center, Westland library, Dorsey Center and cable TV facility.

No medical waste is accepted

For information on curbside recycling, call (313) 561-0303. Hazardous waste should not be disposed of until you contact either Painter & Ruthenberg at (313) 561-0303 or the Department of Environmental Quality at (800) 662-9278. In addition, the Central Wayne County Sanitation Authority periodically offers a site for hazardous materials disposal. The number is (313) 292-8877





The Livonia Chamber of Commerce's Livonia Economic Development Partnership and the Michigan Manufacturing Tech-Manor in Livonia.

The summit is designed to continuous improvement for enhancing business operations Web site at www.minte.org/sum help companies learn more about. integrated business and process. The luncheon speaker is Dwight mit. A not for profit organization. Carlson, founder, chairman and management systems, and how to use continuous improvement former president of Perceptron the MMTC is a member of a for sustaining growth and Inc. Carlson will provide his perstate and national manufactur: ing extension partnership dedi increasing profit margins. It spective and experience on cated to belong companies with empowering and mentoring for runs from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and features four tracks on Smart - teamwork management and technology Planning, Smart Business, The registration fee is \$95 per issues

Smart Manufacturing and Smart People. Each session runs 45 minutes.

The keynote speaker is Jack Chamber members receive a spe-Tyson, director of quality and nology Center (MMTC) are cocial discounted fee. sponsoring The Work Smart continuous improvement at Lear Summit on April 13 at Laurel Corp: He will share his experi-For information or to register. call Marva Bartell at (1-888) ences and discuss the keys to 414-6682, Ext. 4058, or visit the

person, or \$80 for two more people from one company, which includes breakfast, lunch and networking reception. Livonia

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Arbor Trail and Joy Road.

Thomas, in his 11th year as mayor. unveiled his far-reaching proposals in the same week he was threatened with a citizens' recall campaign.

Thomas drew criticism after his senior citizen resources director was caught gambling at a Detroit casino during work hours and after his personnel director confessed to posing as a Westland resident and sending out an e-mail to try to thwart a City Hall protest.

Thomas denied that the political turpaoil played a major role in his policy shift, saying he reached his decisions after some "soul-searching."

Thomas said residents, particularly senior citizens on fixed incomes, have told him they want tax relief rather than glitzy new buildings.

The end result of these proposals will

be good for our taxpayers," Thomas said in his letter to council members.

Council President Charles "Trav" Griffin said he will place on the council's March 20 agenda a proposal to cancel the May 9 incinerator tax election.

"I think the atmosphere has to be appropriate to get positive things done. but I think the atmosphere now has become so had that good, positive things ... will probably not happen," Griffin said.

"So I'll be supportive of the mayor's plan." "I would have loved to see a new rec

center," Griffin said, "but in this poisonous atmosphere it's not going to happen."

Councilwoman Sandra Cicirelli embraced the mayor's plans.

"I'm in support of all this," she said. "I think this is certainly in the taxpayers' best interest."

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Council members Anderson and Richard LeBlanc, who opposed a 27-cent water-sewer rate hike last year, said Thomas seems to be borrowing ideas they've touted for years.

"I've been pushing to terminate TIFA for four years," LeBlanc said, adding later, "I'm glad that Mayor Thomas now sees that TIFA termination is a viable alternative and that he agrees with me." However, LeBlanc said he wouldn't

favor using all TIFA revenues to compensate for the incinerator tax.

He said some of the money should be used to improve roads, renovate fire stations and enforce city ordinances. He also said officials will have to address the need for a new City Hall.

Anderson said he has repeatedly called for tax relief and that the administration has ignored his views. He said he believes

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the political turmoil engulfing the city has left Thomas shaken.

"I think the mayor is scared to death." Anderson said, adding that it seems suspect that the proposals follow threats of a mayoral recall.

But Thomas, in his letter to the council, indicated that he is simply listening to residents.

"I have always promised residents that I would listen to their opinions and concerns," he said. "I also promised that I would always try to give them the best service possible at the lowest cost to the taxpayer. I have not forgotten that commitment I made to them over a decade ago."



Robert Thomas Westland mayor

CITY OF GARDEN CITY SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 16, 2000

Present were Mayor Showalter, Councilmembers Lynch, Briscoe and Gora. Absent and excused were Councilmembers Kaledas, Wiscek and Dodge.

Also present were City Manager Kocsis and Deputy Treasurer Smith.

• 02-00-050

Moved by Lynch, supported by Briscoe, RESOLVED: To call for a Public Hearing on the CDBG Program for February 28, 2000 at 6:50 p.m. AYES: Unanimous ABSENT: Councilmembers Kaledas, Wiacek and Dodge.

The meeting was then adjourned.

ALLYSON M. BETTIS, Treasurer/City Clerk

Publish: March 12, 2000

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF WAYNE

THE CITY OF WESTLAND. a Michigan Municipal Corporation, Plaintiff

DONALD L. ADLE, DONNA J. ADLE. and MARNETT WILSON and unknown heirs, devisees or assignees, Defendants,

ANGELO A. PLAKAS AND ASSOCIATES, P.C.

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new terms Jan. 1 and are protected during their first six months in office.

The six petition proposals rejected as unclear Friday alleged that:

Scott "is not representing the wishes of the citizens of Westland."

She "violated the public trust."

She "abused her position."

She "knowingly hindered the public's rights."

She "has failed to respect the responsibilities of her elected office ... and has placed a financial burden on the citizens."

She "voted not to reappoint a qualified city clerk and voted to appoint a retired city clerk at a considerable added expense to the taxpayers of Westland."

Scott described herself as "happy" about Friday's decisions, but said she is saddened by the anger and heckling from recall supporters who have packed recent council meetings.

"I just wish the recall people would not be trying to turn our city council meetings into a Jerry Springer show," she said. "I shall try to do the best I can while I'm sitting there to keep our city in a positive direction."

One recall leader, Brenda Gracin, said she

and others will try to refrain from public outbursts. But she accused council members of baiting recall supporters by treating them unfairly at council sessions.

Meanwhile, recall attorney Lyle Dickson predicted Friday that proposed recall language against Scott will be approved when it goes before the elections commission for a vote on March 23.

"This is just a short delay," Dickson said of Friday's rejection. "I have confidence that one or more (language proposals) will be approved at the next meeting."

Recall supporters would have to collect more than 5,000 signatures of registered voters to have their petition language placed on an election ballot.

"This will go forward no matter what," Gracin said of the recall.

Recall supporters say that Gibbons was unfairly ousted as clerk: Griffin and others say her job performance was lacking.

In other developments:

Gracin said citizens are considering civil "legal recourse" against Griffin, Scott, Cox and James for allegations that they violated the Open Meetings Act by deciding privately to fire Gibbons. Such action would follow a ruling by the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office that cleared the foursome of wrongdoing.

Three candidates to replace Gibbons will be interviewed by council members during a 7 p.m. meeting Monday at City Hall. The candidates are Deputy Westland Clerk Joann Seaberg, Plymouth Clerk Linda Langmesser and retired Wayne Clerk Norma Collop.

Gibbons' successor could be hired as early as March 20 if a council majority can agree on a candidate, Griffin said.

City Attorney Angelo Plakas defended his opinion that Griffin acted within his authority as council president by placing Gibbons on paid leave Jan. 14, four days before the council officially ousted her.

Two former council presidents, Sandra Cicirellí and Charles Pickering, said Plakas' opinion was wrong in saying that they made unilateral decisions on issues such as the clerk's pay increases. Cicirelli and Pickering said that, unlike Griffin, they held discussions with the full seven-member council.

"Clearly the city charter does not give the council president the authority to do what he (Griffin) did," Pickering said.

Angelo A. Plakas (P 18934) Mark A. McConnell (P 46434) Attorneys for Plaintiff 35330 Nankin Boulevard, Suite 702 Westland, MI 48185 (734) 421-5510

> ORDER TO ANSWER BY PUBLICATION WITH MAILING REQUIREMENT EXCUSED

At a session of said Court Held in the City of Detroit, County of Wayne, State of Michigan ON: FEB. 16 2000 PRESENT: HON: HONORABLE DAPHNE MEAN CURTIS CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

On November 15, 1999, an action was filed by the Plaintiff, the City of Westland, against Defendants, DONALD L. ADLE, DONNA J. ADLE, and MARNETT WILSON, in this Court to quiet title on two parcels of real property located in the City of Westland described as:

LOT 179, CARVER SUB (28999 Richard)

Lot 179, Carver Subdivision No. 2, as recorded in Liber 70, Page 79 of Plats, Wayne County Records. That the City of Westland received its interest in the above described parcel under a tax deed and/or quit claim deed from the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources, dated the 24th day of August, 1999, recorded on Liber 411 of Deeds, page 383, in the Land and Mineral Services Division Records. Upon information and belief, the Plaintiff believes that the Defendants, DONALD L. ADLE, DONNA J. ADLE, and MARNETT WILSON, at one time claimed or may have claimed. an interest in this property which, by virtue of the tax deed and/or quit claim deed from the State of Michigan to the City of Westland has expired. AND-

LOT 90 CARVER SUB (28999 McDonald)

Lot 90, Carver Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 70, Page 12 of Plats, Wayne County Records. That the City of Westland received its interest in the above described parcel under a tax deed and/or quit claim deed from the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources, dated the 24th day of August, 1999, recorded on Liber 411 of Deeds, page 383, in the Land and Mineral Services Division Records. Upon information and belief, the Plaintiff believes that the Defendant, DONALD L. ADLE, at one time claimed or may have claimed an interest in this property which, by virtue of the tax deed and/or guit claim deed from the State of Michigan to the City of Westland has expired.

The purpose of this action is to declare that the Plaintiff, the City of Westland, is the fee simple owner of said property and that any interest of Defendants may have had in said property has expired. Upon consideration of the Verifies Motion of Plaintiff, and the Affidavit

in Support thereof, attesting to the fact that the Defendants, DONALD L. ADLE, DONNA J. ADLE and MARNETT WILSON, in this action cannot be personally served with a Summons and a copy of the Complaint herein because their present whereshouts are unknown, and they have no last known address, and that publication of notice of this action in a newspaper shown anarous, and that publication or notice or this action in a rewepaper of general circulation is most likely to give notice to these Defendants, and it appearing to this Court that Plaintiff, after diligent inquiry, has been smalle to associate the Defendants' residence either within or without the State of Michigan, and it further appearing that personal service of the Summons and Complaint in this action cannot be made on the Defendants for the above stated reasons, and that publication is the best means avail-able to apprise Defendants of the pendency of this action.

PT 18 MERCENT ORDERED that the Defendents, DONALD L. ADLE, DOMNAJ ADLE, and MARNETT WILSON, shall on or before the 14th day of April, 2000, purve an answer on Mark A. McConnell, attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 35330 Nankin Blvd., Suite 703, Westland, Minhigun, 40185, or take such other action as may be permitted by low. Refere to comply with this Order may result in a judgment by default against the Defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint fied in tes Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be published over a weak for three consecutive weaks in the Wastland Observer, a news-paper of general disculation hereby designated as must likely to give notice to the Dadardant manual above. Publication shall court within the County of Wayne, State of Midnigan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the first publication of this Order be made within five (5) days from the date of entry of this Order; and that mailing a copy of this Order be dispensed with because Plaintiff cannot, with reasonable difigunce, accurtain a place where the Defendants would probably receive this matter transmitted by smill.

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industry's peak season, between Thanksgiving and Christmas, up to 450 temporary workers a day will be needed, he said.

Some custom packaging, displays of videotapes done to meet the specific requests of stores, will also be done in Livonia, Wang said.

one roof was behind the decision to move, Wang said. Technicolor has grown dramatically in the past eight years, he said, and relationship with city, and the

the area map with different facilities, until now.

"It doesn't make any economic sense operating out of five buildings," Wang said.

The company has the first right of refusal for the remaining space at Building 3.

"I would not be surprised if we A need for more space under start looking for additional space. as soon as we move in there," Wang said.

Wang cited Technicolor's good

***SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES BOARD OF EDUCATION** Livonia Public Schools **15125 Farmington Road** February 21, 2000

*The following is a summary, in synopsis form, of the Board of Education's regular meeting of February 21, 2000; the full text of the minutes is on file in the office of the superintendent, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, and in the principal's office of each school, and is available on request.

President Timmons convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m., in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia. Present: Kirsten Galka, Frank Kokenakes, Daniel Lessard, Joanne Morgan, Patrick Nalley, Kenneth Timmons. Absent: Dianne Nay.

Team Effort Award: Trustee Dan Lessard presented the Team Effort Award to the Riley night custodial staff. Doug Glasgow, Steve Mac, Charles Pollitt, and Scott Valley for the outstanding way they clean and maintain their building, as well as meeting the needs of the public who use the building.

Read Across America Resolution: Motion by Nalley and Galka that the Board adopt a resolution recognizing the contribution made to children's literature by renowned author, Dr. Seuse, and the focus on reading to children on his birthday.

Jay Young, director of Community Services, introduced Karen Zyczynski (donned with Cat in the Hat hat), LEA president, addressed the Board to state all the activities that each building will be participating in during the month of Marcha Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmons. Nays: None.

Audience Communications: David Marlowe, 36860 Sunnydale, addressed the Board regarding the hockey incident involving CHS and SHS hockey teams. He stated that the decision to penalize for misconduct should be on an individual basis, not on a team basis. Chuck Nebus, 16727 Blue Sitios, addressed the Board regarding the SHS hockey team. He miked why SHS was penalized five games while CHS was penalized four games. He also seled that the team be informed as to what or if they could play in the state tournaument play off games. John Gotsis, 34839 Bretton, owner of the Golden Lastern Restaurant, informed the Board that he would like to upate one percent of their daily sales to seven elementary schools of Livonis: Boshanan, Hoover, Kennedy, Marshall, Roosevelt, Case, and Hull. Kevin Whitehead, 35666 Minton, thanked the Board for taking the initiative to pase the resolution for the bond issue for the physical education facilities.

Annousd Minutes of 27700: Me. Galks asked that the minutes of February 7. 2000, be anousded to include the date of January 15, 2000 in her comments regarding the survey article in The Detroit News/Free Press.

Motion by Galks and Kokennikes that the Regular Minutes of February 7. 2000 include the date of January 15, 2000 in the comments of Ms. Galka in Reading from Board Members. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmions, Nays: None.

Contenue Againstian Motion by Lessard and Morgan that the Board approve the following concent against items as recommended by the superintendent: IV.A Amond the Minestin of the Regular Meeting of January 27, 2000. IV.B Minestee of the Special Meeting of Pebruary 7, 2000. FV.C Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of the Pebruary 7, 2000, IV.D Minutes of the Cloud Sensies of February 14, 3000. VIA Move that general fund theck and 590658 through 331600 in the amount of \$4,066,161.60 he approved for payment. Also, move that general fund wire transfers in the amount of \$1,091,738.29 be approved. VLB Move that the Beard of Education of the Livenia Public Schools School District approve the purchase of paper for the at mole the Lowe bloc dz Seaman Patrick, for \$79,817.38; from Unisource for \$1,200.00; from Western States for \$2,114; and from Xpods Paper & Graphics for \$1,037.81. Ayes: Galks, Kokonakos. Lossard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmons, Nays: None.

move, Wang said. During the space constraints forced it to dot presence of the manufacturing plant here, as reasons the company chose Livonia.

> "We are deeply involved in community activities. I think part of our mission here is really to grow the business for the local economy," he said.

> Livonia was competing with Memphis, Tenn., and Dayton and Toledo, Ohio, for a new Technicolor facility, said Jeff Bryant, the city's economic development director. A move to Dayton or Memphis may have

meant the loss of the duplication plant here as well, according to Bryant:

Bryant praised a number of people and organizations, particularly the Michigan Economic Development Corp., Wayne County officials and the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation, which is working on bus routes to bring in Technicolor workers, for their efforts in attracting Technicolor.

reconvened at 7:48 p.m.

Gift-Holms Middle School PTSA: Motion by Galka and Lessard that the Board accept the generous gift of \$23,200 from the Holmes Middle School PTSA for enrichments to the programs and school climate at Holmes Middle School. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmons. Nays: None.

Gift-George W. Auch Company: Motion by Nalley and Morgan that the Board accept a cash donation of \$1,000 from the George W. Auch Company. Ayes: Galka, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmons. Nays; Kokenakes.

Purchase of Two-way Radios: Motion by Nalley and Galka that the Board authorize the purchase of 100 Motorola No. SP-21 two-way radios from ComSource, Inc., of Livonia for the low bid amount of \$18,299 Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmons, Nays: None.

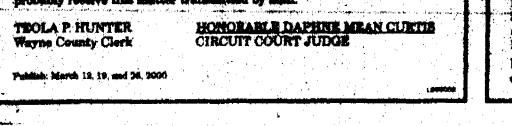
Ratification of the AFSCME/LCEA Contract: Motion by Morgan and Kokenakes that the Board enter into a four-year contract with the AFSCMEACEA union which was ratified on February 11, 2000 by AFSCME/LCEA members. Said contract is to commence July 1, 1999 and expire June 30, 2003. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmons. Nays: None.

30-Year Employee: The Board unanimously accepted the proposed resolution of appreciation for 30 years of full-time service with the district for Lawrence Winger.

Leaves: Motion by Lessard and Morgan that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and approve the requests for leaves of absence for: Colleen McAlinden, personal leave; Susan Wilk, extension of child care leave; for the 2000-01 school year. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Timmons, Nays: None,

Reports from the Superintendent; Dr. Watson commented on the recent hockey incident between Churchill and Stevenson and announced that Churchill and Stevenson hockey members have been notified that they will be allowed to participate in post season play-off tournaments; invited parents of tenth grade students to attend a meeting on March 23, 7-8:45 p.m., at the Dickinson Center dealing with Preparing For Life After High School; read a letter from Robert Bennett, former mayor and president of the Livonia Symphony Society, stating how much the society appreciates the cooperation and help the members of Churchill's staff have afforded them throughout the season; received a letter from Mary Buda, MSC coordinator. indicating Dr. Kathleen Nolts, former MSC student at Churchill, is a distinguished lecturer at The University of Michigan and an outstanding professor at the university; congratulated Dan Freeman, athletic director at FHS, for his attainment of Certified Athletic Administrator, described the Business Education Alliance project "Teacher Connection" and mentioned he was in receipt of a letter from Larry Spiegel who indicated he had a great wisit with staff at Frost MS; introduced the video produced by Collette Bauman on the visually impaired program; and thanked the LEA for the Dr. Seuse neckties and pins honoring Read Across America.

Hearing from Board Members: The Board discussed the MASB Legislative Conference and Midwinter Conference in Lansing; discussed the discipline actions taken on students and the policies that support it; reported on the bond issue for our field houses and athletic facilities, along with the millage renewals; reported that both teams, CHS and SHS, will play in the post-season tournaments and hockey is not being considered to be dropped as a sport for LPS; thanked the businesses and parents for supporting the schools as partners; new link up for elementary students sollinchool.com congratulated the PTA for their Founders Day Dinner celebration; thanked the LEA for sponsoring Read Across America; thanked Mr. Gotsis from the Golden Lantern Restaurant for offering one percent of the sales for seven of our schools; thanked Holgies PTSA for their generous gift, congratulated the Riley custodial staff; discussed the reassignment of the chair for the Financial Committee and the Livonia Liaison; thanked the camera crew James Bacheller, Anna Duplantis, and Adam Guth.



Recomm President Timmons recessed the meeting at 7:40 p.m. to congratulate the recipients of the Team Effort Award. The meeting

Adjournment: Motion by Morgan and Lessard that the regular meeting of February 21, 2000 be adjourned. Ayes Galks, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan. Nalley, Timmons, Nays: None

President Timmons adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

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Mayor of Livonia

Local leaders oppose Motor Carrier Bills

would be an unacceptable price

Canton Township Supervisor

already has the most liberal

weight restriction truck laws in-

America. He shared this infor-

mation as well as many other

statistics with senators who are

enforcement, this committee

should be looking at reducing

truck weights and improving

truck safety inspection pro-

"Instead of discussing carrier

now considering the bills.

grams," he said.

BY LAURIE HUMPHREY STAFF WRITER lhumphrey@os.homecomm.net

Eighteen Wayne County community leaders came together with a strong message for Lans-

"The public policy being proposed is so bad, so ill-founded...it seriously compromises the best interest of the citizens in this state," said Jack Kirksey, Livonia mayor and chairman of the Conference of Western Wayne. CWW is an organization of the elected leaders of Western Wayne County, with 750,000 constituents.

CWW representatives argue that House Bills 4927-4932, also known as the Motor Carrier. Bills, will endanger the lives of people who drive on local roads and will lead to the deterioration. of our roads.

The Motor Carrier Bills, which have already passed in the House of Representatives, deny local governments the opportunity to enforce safety and weight regulations for the trucking industry within community limits.

Enforcement will become the responsibility of the State Police.

Additionally, the money collected in fines will no longer go to local governments for local amenities, but will be directed to three specific areas: County libraries will receive 40 percent. county courts will receive 30 percent and local governments will receive 30 percent to be used only for road repair. The bills restrict local governments from using any of the money to fund the expenses involved in safety road inspections.

Implications of the bills will be far-reaching according to Kirksey

"Local governments, with the passage of these bills, will no longer have the funds to be able to provide this essential citizen safety service. This diverting of

II 'This is another example of unnecessary and inappropriate involvement of the state into local matters.'

to pay."

local fines will significantly reduction of highway safety reduce local motor carrier enforcement," he said.

The legislation originated with a state representative from a Tom Yack said that Michigan rural area of northern Michigan. Sponsored by Rick Johnson (R-LeRoy), the Motor Carrier Bills are now before the Senate and could be voted on as early as next week.

Wayne County Commissioner Kay Beard, (D-Westland) does not support the bills. She contends that if the bills pass, there will be less enforcement, which could encourage some trucking companies to load more cargo on the trucks. The heavier the truck, the more room they need to come to a stop before hitting whatever is in front of them.

"I've been concerned that these larger vehicles cannot stop intime. It's something all of us on the Commission are wary of," she said. "We need to be vigilant on the safety factor."

The legislation was proposed after trucking companies complained about being unfairly targeted in certain communities. Some truckers claimed to have been ticketed in more than one city on the same route for the same problem.

Kirksey countered, "If there are communities who are irresponsibly enforcing motor carrier operations, deal with them directly. Don't attempt to change the system to correct the actions of a few government units."

He alleged that this proposal is "designed to benefit the trucking industry" at the expense of residents welfare. "The resulting

Yack has a large stake in the passage of these bills. Canton is divided by Interstate-275, and has portions of Ford Road and Michigan Avenue in its bound-Jack Kirksey aries

> "We are also home to an active landfill. Trucks from Canada, Michigan municipalities and private waste firms deliver waste to this landfill via I-275, Michigan Avenue and Wayne County. roads," he said. "To my knowledge, no state motor carrier officer has ever been seen enforcing the state of Michigan weight or safety regulations on these roads.

Larger fight

These bills are part of a larger fight between local government and Lansing. If these bills become law, they will be another example of Lansing taking control of local issues from local officials.

"This is another example of

unnecessary and inappropriate involvement of the state into local matters," said Kirksey.

This on-going argument has inspired some municipal leaders to support a ballot initiative. which would amend the state Constitution. The Michigan Municipal League is actively seeking signatures to put the amendment question before voters in November. About 80,000 signatures have been collected, but 325,000 are needed by July -10.

The MML is proposing an increase in the amount of support needed at the State level to make a bill a law. The Constitution currently requires a simple majority vote, but the amendment would require support from two-thirds of each house in the legislature. The CWW will vote on supporting the ballot initiative, called Let Local Votes Count, at their meeting next month.



Mayor Jack Kirksey, as chairman of the Council of Western Wayne County, has taken an active role in opposing the Motor Carrier Bills, which he calls a danger to the public.

Task force holds hearing on senior long-term care

A special legislative task force studying ways to make it easier for senior citizens to receive long-term care and stay in their homes longer will be holding a public hearing 9-11:30 a.m. Monday, March 20, at the Thomas F. Taylor Towers, 36500 Marquette, Westland, said state Rep. Eileen DeHart, D-Westland, cochair of the task force.

"Senior citizens in our community have made it clear that they would prefer to stay in their homes as long as possible, and not go to a nursing home," said Rep. DeHart. "This task force is studying how we can help make that possible for Michigan seniors because they deserve a secure retirement."

The task force will examine proposed tax credits for families who care for elderly relatives at home, expanding the Michigan Emergency Prescription Program, providing coverage for inhome and emergency prescription fees, legislation to require criminal background checks on home health care workers, and having state-required training for in-home health care workers.

"The task force is interested in hearing the community's thoughts on these issues, as well. as any ideas residents have to help seniors stay in their own homes longer." said Rep. DeHart. "My colleagues and I are interested in any proposal that makes it easier for families to take care of elderly relatives at home."

The task force is in the midst of a statewide tour to listen to Michigan residents concerned about long-term care for senior citizens. The task force will make specific legislative recommendations later in the year."

Schoolcraft hosts college reps on bachelor degree programs

That bachelor's degree you have always wanted isn't a dream. Area colleges offer accelerated bachelor degree programs for motivated adults with work experience and well-developed writing skills. Find out about these programs Saturday, March 18, at a special forum at Schoolcraft College.

The seminar will feature presentations and meetings with representatives from the following institutions: Central Michigan University, Cleary College. Concordia College, Detroit College of Business, Northwood University, Rochester College, Saint Mary's College, Siena Heights College, Spring Arbor College, University of Detroit Mercy, the University of Phoenix, William Tyndale College and Wayne State Universi-

as business and health administration, trade skills and industrial professions, offer upper division courses during the evening and weekends: Students may receive as much as one year of credit for work experience or training and life activity.

Each institution's programs are different, so it is advisable to listen to all presentations. There will be time to ask questions, browse, collect materials and speak with program representatives. The seminar is free and open to the public, but reservations are required Presentations begin at 10 a mi in room. 200 of the McDowell Center.

For information or to make reservations, contact the School craft Counseling Center at (734) 462-4400, ext 5213. Schoolcraft College, is at 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven The programs, in fields such Mile Road just west of 1-275

Meeting on vouchers Monday

The Western Wayne County - Wayne Road Westland cacross Republican Club will host an - from the YMCA-Participants can order dinner informational meeting on the pros and cons of Kids First Yes' - from the menu-For more information, call Valschool vouchers ballot assue 7 p.m. Monday, March 13 of the Wolf at 234-222 0467 or Ida Golden Plate Restaurant 6046 Shelly at 734 722 8448

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Virgil Smith announces he'll run for prosecutor

BY KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

State Sen. Virgil Smith formally announced his candidacy for Wayne County prosecutor Thursday.

The announcement from the longtime Detroit lawmaker. who is trying to succeed the retiring John O'Hair, was widely expected.

Smith, 52, who has represented the Second Senatorial District for the past 12 years, ran against O'Hair in the 1992 and 1997 elections, and was narrowly defeated each time.

Even without O'Hair in the running, this year's election promises to be a difficult one with Livonia's Michael Duggan and Plymouth's George Ward expected to be Smith's main opponents.

All three men have powerful backers in the political world.

Duggan, who has already announced his candidacy, has the support of Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara.

Ward, who has said he will officially announce his candidacy on March 20, has been an assistant in the prosecutor's office for 14 years. O'Hair has endorsed Ward to be his successor.

Smith, who also spent 12 years as a state representative prior to being in the Senate, has secured the backing of **Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer** and former Attorney General Frank Kelley.

"I want to fight for our children, for those who are trying to do the right thing and for those who have lost their way." said Smith, who made his announcement at Detroit's **Dave Miller UAW Retirees** Building.

"I want to ensure that our children, youth, and seniors feel safe to live, work, play and worship in their own neighborhoods.'

Prospective candidates still have until May 16 to file their candidacy for the office.

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Visitors can drop in from noon to 3 p.m., tour the campus, talk with current students and explore the range of programs available to lifelong learners.

The College's various divisions will present information for graduating high school seniors, adults who have not attended college or have some college but have not earned a degree, for those seeking personal enrichment classes, and for parents interested in summer enrichment courses for their children.

Prospective students can learn about admissions, financial aid, scholarships, career planning, tutoring, student activities, athletics, distance learning and Continuing Education Services.

The event includes free materials, a lab with computer-based course sampling, and faculty members available to answer any questions. Public safety will

display the police, fire and EMT vehicles. Culinary arts will have a table display. Computer assisted drafting and electronics will demonstrate software, and computer graphics technology will host a hands-on workshop. Biology will demonstrate techniques used in DNA fingerprinting, and Continuing Education Services will have materials available on its program for gifted and talented children. A group of students from communications arts will provide story telling for younger visitors.

Schoolcraft sets April 9 open house

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ing a college degree.

For information, call the Office of Admissions at (734) 462-4426.

Seminar focuses on mental health and substance abuse

Madonna University will offer a substance abuse course this spring. "Dual Diagnosis: Substance Abuse and Mental Health" will be held 6-10 p.m. Friday and 8:30-5:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7-8. This is an introductory class to understanding the assessment and treatment of individuals who have a dual disorder of mental illness and chemical dependency. The non-

credit fee is \$100. Students can earn 1.5 continuing education units.

Madonna University is at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia. Students may register by mail, fax and in person. These courses are also available for degree credit, even if you are not an admitted student at Madonna University. For information, call (734)432-

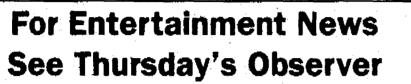
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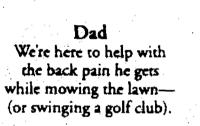
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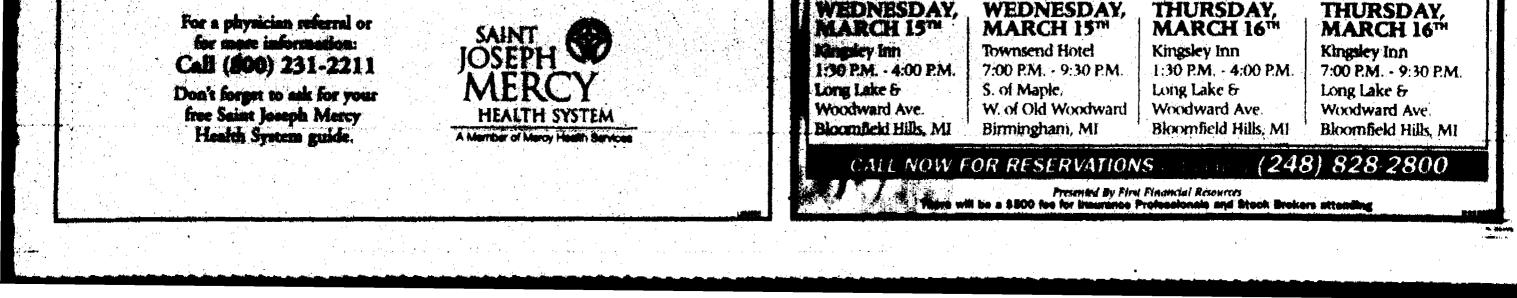
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Airport awards runway job to two Macomb contractors

By KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

Last week Metro Airport officials accepted a \$44.77 million bid for the construction contract of the main 4-22 runway, a key component of the massive Midfield Terminal project.

The low bid was proposed by the joint venture of Dan's Excavating and Ajax Paving, both Macomb County-based contractors.

The 10,000-foot-by-150-foot project will account for 95 percent of the take-offs and landings at the new mile-long terminal that has a price-tag of \$1.2 billion.

"This runway is going to give. us a superior airfield and make us very competitive with other major airports," said Michael Conway, Metro's information director. "It is the piece of the puzzle that is going to guarantee the success of this airport."

Although signatures are still needed from the county's purchasing department and executive office before it becomes official, Metro officials and representatives from Dan's and Ajax expect to begin construction on the runway sometime in April. It is scheduled to be completed in December, 2001, the same month the entire Midfield project is expected to be finished.

However, the bidding process has not been without its share of controversy. Claiming they had miscalculated the breadth of the project, county officials rejected a previous round of bids made last November.

John Carlo Inc., a Mt. Clemens-based contractor, which had presented the previous lowest bid of \$66 million, challenged the legality of the re-bidding pro-CESS.

Noting the county had the legal right to reject all bids, Wayne County Circuit Judge Kathleen Macdonald threw out the challenge in early February. That decision opened the way for the county to accept the new bid.

Metro officials believe their decision to reject the previous round of bids was fair because an entire taxiway was eliminated and the building materials were overestimated.

"We felt the scope of the project changed significantly enough that the prudent thing was to re-bid it," said Conway."

Attorney Sam Damron, who represents John Carlo, said the company is waiting for the county to make an official announcement on the new bid and may take further legal action at that time.

In the meantime, representatives for Dan's and Ajax are happy about getting the contract and are ready to get moving on the work

"It is unfortunate the way the bidding process went," said John Otto, vice president of Dan's Excavating, which had also proposed a bid last November. "Wayne County probably could have handled the situation a little better, but this is the type of project we excel at and we're excited about moving forward."

The \$44.77 million contract is only one part of the larger \$119 million runway project, which also calls for property acquisition, drainage, wetlands mitigation and road relocation.

The construction of the runway will disturb 168 acres of existing wetlands. Because of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality requirements, the airport replaced them by adding 277 acres of wetlands to the Crosswinds Marsh Wetland Interpretive Preserve in Sumpter Township.

The new runway will also force the county to relocate portions of both Wayne and Goddard Roads, which will be moved at separate times to minimize traffic problems

"We will be building the new runway and doing road relocation at the same time," Conway said

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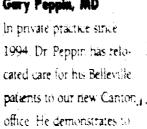
For the convenience of our new and existing patients Dr. Najor will be practicing in both our AIIM Canton office as well as in our Eastside Ann Arbor AllM office. We warmly welcome her to Canton!



Laniere Najer, DO Formerly a senior physician of the Henry Ford Medical Group and a registered nurse at Harper Hospital, Dr. Najor brings ten years of experience

and & track record of exceptional patient care to our practice. With IHA since 1998, a warm and caring approach characterize all her interactions Dr. Najor is currently accepting new patients. beginning at age fourteen

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Airport recommends vendors

Metro Airport officials presented their recommendations for the new Midfield Terminal's 80 retail and restaurant operators to the county's Commission on airport's revenue will nearly Roads. Airports and Public Ser / double because of the new retail vices.

The presentation took place

more local flavor, including The - nearly half of the new shops are Ford Museum.

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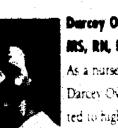
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approximately \$10 million for the airport today," said Wayne County Executive Ed McNamavendors included many familiar ra. The midfield concessions alone are estimated to earn in excess of \$22 million."

Officials also boasted that

McNamara said. The commission is expected to-

make a decision soon For more information and a complete list of the vendors. check the airport's website at www.metroasrport.com.

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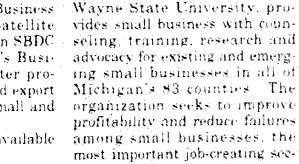
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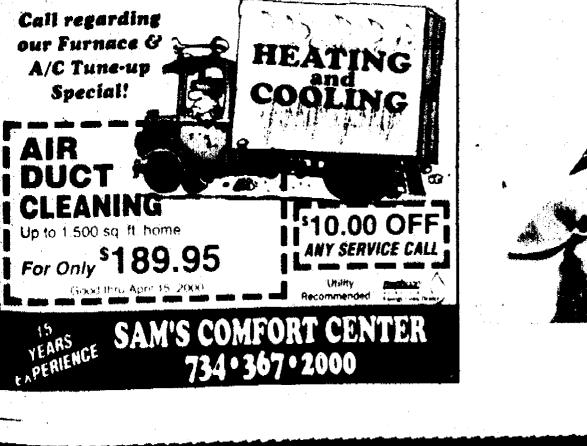
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Man charged

BY SUE BUCK STAFF WRITER sbuck@oc.homecomm.net

When a 12-year-old Plymouth Township girl confided to a friend that she had been sexually assaulted, that friend relayed information to a Plymouth-Canton school district counselor, who then called police Feb. 4.

As a result, Plymouth Township resident Brent Anderson and his girlfriend, the mother of the alleged victim, could go to prison.

Anderson and the woman, whose identity is being withheld to protect the daughter, were arraigned Wednesday and face a preliminary exam March 20 before 35th District Court Judge John MacDonald.

"We took the report, and then did the investigation," said Jamie Senkbeil, Plymouth Township community resource officer.

At the arraignment, Anderson was charged with five counts of criminal sexual conduct in the first degree, which involves penetration. The felony charge carries up to a life sentence. Anderson was also charged with one count of criminal sexual conduct in the second degree, which involves contact only. Magistrate Eric Colthurst set bond for Anderson at \$500,000 cash.

The girl's mother was charged as an accessory. Colthurst set bond for the mother at \$20,000, or 10 percent. Police emphasize that the mother is not being charged with having sexual contact with the victim.

"My client vehemently denies any truth to the accusations," said Benton The Observer & Eccentric/ SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2000

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Bowlers and businesses spared nothing in

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CARRIER OF THE MONTH: WESTLAND

Margaret L. Mueller, 11, of Westland is the Westland **Observer Carrier of the Month** for March. She is a fifth-grade homeschooler.

She is the daughter of John and Claire Mueller and has three siblings, Joseph, 19, Elisabeth, 17, and Matthew, 7. She has delivered the newspaper since February 1999 in Surrey Heights.

Her interests include reading, sewing, drawing and cooking. She likes "delivering papers and meeting nice people on my route," has learned to keep track of money and likes the chance to earn money.



Margaret Mueller

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WAYNE/WESTLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT Westland, Michigan 48336 SECTION 00010 **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Sealed bids for Bid Package #9:

TMP Project #98041 - Wayne Memorial High School Remodeling Wayne-Westland Community Schools will be received until 1:30 P.M. local time on Tuesday, April 4, 2000, at which time they will be opened and read publicly at Wayne-Westland Community School Board of Education. 36745 Marquette, Westland, Michigan 48185. Bids received after this time and date will be returned unopened. Faxed proposals will not be accepted. This Bid Package will consist of a separate sealed bid for the following Bid Divisions

Bid Division Description

- Asphalt Paving 102
- Selective Demolition 103
- 108 **General Trades**
- 109 Roofing
- 112 Waterproofing
- Hollow Metal, Wood Doors & Finish Hardware (Supply) 113
- 114 Aluminum Windows, Entrances, Glass & Glazing
- Metal Studs/Drywall/E.I.F.S. 115
- Acoustical Treatment 117 118
- Carpet & Resilient Flooring 120
 - Painting
- 120A Electrostatic painting
- 124 Wood Flooring **Toilet Partitions** 125
- 126 Metal Lockers
- 128Plastic Laminate Casework
- Hydraulic Elevator Modifications (Alternate) 129
- 138Stage Curtains, Rigging & Tracks
- Plumbing 140
- 142 HVAC
- 143 Electrical
- Auditorium Seating 144

Bidding documents prepared by TMP Associates, Inc. will be available for public inspection at the office of the Construction Manager, McS/EV, 25950 West Five Mile Rd., Redford, MI 48239, the FW Dodge Plan Room. Southfield; the Construction Association of Michigan Plan Room, Bloomfield

land, Garden City, Redford Union and South Redford school

Richardson, an attorney for the girl's mother. The mother was expected to be released soon from Wayne County Jail, Richardson said.

John McWilliams, Anderson's attorney, called the charges "the accusations of a child that can be recanted."

In conjunction with the Westland Police Department, a warrant was written up for Anderson and the girl's mother, according to Senkbeil.

"The reason why Westland was involved in this is because the victim talked about an isolated incident that occurred in Westland," Senkbeil said:



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CITY OF GARDEN CITY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES **FEBRUARY 14, 2000**

Bresent were Mayor Showalter, Councilmembers Kaledas, Wiacek, Dodge, Innch, Briscoe, and Goral Absent none.

Also present were City Manager Kocsis, Treasurer/City Clerk Bettis, City Attorney Cummings, Department of Public Services Director Barnes, Parks and Recreation Director Whitson, Community Center Supervisor McKarge, Fire Chief Hines, Police Chief Harvey, and DPS Streets, Sewer and Water Supervisor Morton

The Mayor announced it was time for Public Discussion for items not on the agenda.

No comments were received from the public.

◆ Item 02-00-038 Moved by Kaledas; supported by Lynch: RESOLVED; To approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 7, 2000. AYES: Unanimous, ABSENT: None-

◆ Item 02-00-037 Moved by Lynch; supported by Briscoe: RESOLVED. To approve the Accounts Payable of February 14, 2000, as listed. AYES. Unanimous ABSENT: None

The Mayor announced it was time to receive communications from Boards and/or Commissions.

No communications from Boards and/or Commissions were received.

◆ Item 02-00-038 Moved by Kaledas; supported by Gora: RESOLVED: To award the bid for 26 chairs to Staples, Inc. the sole bidder in the amount of \$3,494.00. AYES: Unanimous. ABSENT: None-

◆ Item 02-00-039 Moved by Wiacek; supported by Dodge: RESOLVED: To approve the resolution to support MML "Let Local Votes Count" Home Rule Petition Drive as follows:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUES "LET LOCAL VOTES COUNT" HOME RULE PETITION DRIVE

- WHEREAS, the City of Garden City, like other local governments across Michigan, are empowered to enact and enforce policies, ordinances and contracts to maintain and enhance the health, safety and welfare of local residents; and
- THEREAS, historically, the City of Garden City, and other municipalities throughout Michigan have exercised home rule decision making authority to address the wishes and desires of local residents in a manner that reflects their local values; and
- WHEREAS, recent actions by the State Legislature to restrict, preempt or override municipal policies, ordinances and contracts has sharply eroded municipal home role authority; and
- WHEREAS, the Michigan Municipal League has proposed an amendment to the Michigan Constitution to require a 2/3 vote of each chamber of the Michigan Legislature on any legislative bill that seeks to restrict or preempt the powers and authorities of cities, villages, townships, counties and municipal authorities under home rule, and
- WHEREAS, the MMUs "Lat Local Votes Count" campaign is gathering the signatures of at least 302.711 registered Michigan voters to place the proposed Constitutional Amendment on the November 7 statewide election ballot, and

- of Garden City to sign the petitions to place the proposal on the ballot.
- Unanimous AYES: None ABSENT:
- ◆ Item 02-00-040 Moved by Dodge, supported by Wiacek RESOLVED To support

RESOLUTION FOR

- CLEAN MICHIGAN INVITATIVE RECREATION BOND PROGRAM WHEREAS, the City of Garden City has prepared and adopted a Recreation
- Plan which has been approved by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources:
- WHEREAS, the City Recreation Plan, identifies specific projects to be implemented during the next five years in its Capital Improvements Schedule:
- WHEREAS, the Capital Improvements Schedule includes recreation improvements to the Civie Arena, including addition of four 141 main hockey locker rooms, locker rooms for females on male teams, officials room, renovation of existing locker room into two (2) figure skating rooms, coaches room, warming room, rework and upgrade the building electrical system.
- WHEREAS, a public hearing was held in consideration of the City's application for financial assistance under the Clean Michigan Initiative Recreation Bond Program on January 18, 2000 before the City of Garden City Council and Recreation Commission.
- WHEREAS, the City Recreation Commission recommended to the City Council that an application for financial aid under the Clean Michigan Initiative Recreation Bond Program be filed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Garden City Council concurs with the recommendation of the City Recreation Commission to submit an application for funding assistance.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Carden City well undertake Recreational improvements at the Civic Arena, provided the Clean Michigan Initiative grant application submitted on April 1, 2000 is funded, and the City commits to provide a local match equal to thirty percent (30% for the total project cost as detailed in this grant application.

All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescanded.

AYES Unanimous

ABSENT: None

 Item 02-00-041 Moved by Lynch, supported by Kaledas, RESOLVED Te. adopt attached resolution for the retention of City records.

◆ Item 02-00-042 Moved by Briscoe: supported by Dodge Council requested that both the City Attorney and auditors receive the proposed receiver schedule

- RESOLVED To table item 02-00-041 until March 13, 2000 AYES: Unanimona ABSENT None
- The Council as a Whole discussed the following items.
 - Code Master 100 Monitor/Defibrillator
 - Police Department Purchases 2. Support Equipment for Departmental Issued Subarms.
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 - 3 Marquette Park , Project Agreement and Resolution

Hills: and the Daily Construction Reports Plan Room, Detroit

Bidders may obtain one (1) set of bidding documents by contacting the Construction Manager, McS/EV, at (313) 535-6213. (Note: Bidders are issued 1/2 size plans. Plan scales are to be adjusted accordingly.) Additional plans may be ordered and purchased directly from Dunn Blue Reprographics Technology, (248) 353-2950. Bids are to be submitted in a scaled envelope supplied by the Construction Manager, McS/EV. The bid division(s) being bid is (are) to be identified on the outside of the envelope. There will be a Pre-Bid Meeting held on Thursday, March 16, 2090 @ 1:30 P.M. at the Wayne Memorial High School cafeteria. All bidders are encouraged to attend.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond in the amount of at lest five (5) percent of the amount of the bid, payable to Wayne-Westland Community Schools, as a guarantee that if the proposal is accepted, the bidder will execute the contract and file the required bonds within ten (10) days after notice of sward of contract.

If awarded a contract, the successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond, Wayne-Westland Community Schools reserve the right to reject any or all bids received and to waive any informalities and irregularities in the bidding.

This project is to be bid at the prevailing wage rate.

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b. Waiver of Noise Ordinance 8. Housing Rehab Case #0029

* Item 02-00-043 Moved by Kaledas; supported by Lynch RESOLVED To approve the purchase of a Code Master 100 Monitor/Defibrillator from Laerdal Medical Corporation in the amount of \$7,447.50 AYES: Unanimous, NAYS: None

◆ Item 02-00-044 Moved by Dodge; supported by Lynch: RESOLVED. To approve Consent Agenda "A":

- a. To award the bid support equipment for departmental issued sidearms to C.M.P. Distributors, Inc. in the amount of \$3,904.28
- To award the bid for Reloaded 40 Caliber Ammunition to h Michigan Ammo Company, Inc. in the amount of \$8,960.00. To award the bid for New 40 Cabher Ammunition to C.M.P. Ċ. Distributors, Inc., in the amount of \$3,164.00

AYES Unanimous ABSENT. None

+ Item 02-00-045 Moved by Dodge: supported by Wiacek, RESOLVED. To approve the resolution that the City of Garden City, Michigan, does hereby accept the terms of the Agreement as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and that the City of Garden City does hereby specifically. agree; but not by way of limitation, as follows

- 1. To appropriate the sum of one hundred five thousand three hundred thirteen (\$105,313) dollars to match the grant authorized by the DEPARTMENT and to appropriate such additional funds as such by necessary to complete the project.
- 2 To maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents, and records. to make them available to the DEPARTMENT for auditing at reasonable times.
- 3 To construct the project and provide such funds, services, and materials as may be necessary to satisfy the terms of said Agreement.
- 4. To regulate the use of the facility constructed and reserved under this Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms
- 5. To comply with any and all terms of said Agreement including all terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Resolution
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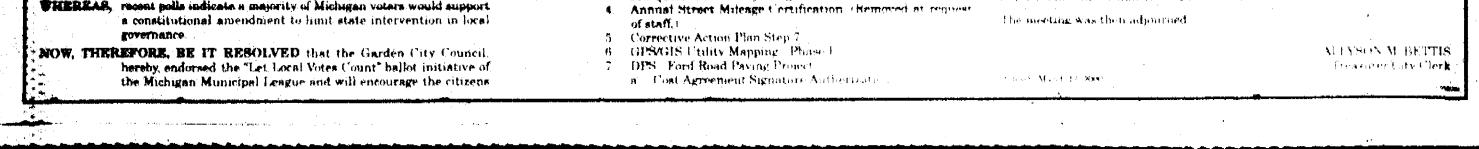
ABSENT None

◆ Item 02:00-046 Moved by Lynch, supported by Gera. RESOLVED: Regrant permission to proceed with the GPS Mapping Phase 1 The cost is not to exceed \$121,700 00 AYES, Unanimous ABSENT None

◆ Item 02:00-047 Moved by Dodge, supported by Birscon RFSOLVED. To. apprive the cost agreement for the Ford Road Paving Project and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign such agreement. Account 202 202-337.045 in the amount of \$7,100 (8) AYES Unanimous ABSENT None

• Item 02-09-048 Moved by Lynch, supported by Kalislas, RESOLVED, Towaive the thity's noise ordinance for the Ford Road Paving Project and also that we formally restrict construction traffic from our local streets to help present the noise problems AYES Unanimous ABSENT None

◆ Item 02-00-049 Moved by Dielge supported by Kaledas, RESOLVED, Te award the lud for Housing Rehab their #002% to Complete Construction Services, Inc. in the amount of \$4,770 OF AYES, Unaumous, ABSENT, None



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Knights rule tourney

The Livonia Knights, a Pee Wee AA travel hockey team, defeated Belle Tire, 3-1, to captured the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association championship March 5 at Port Huron's Glacier Pointe Arena.

The Knights beat the Copper Countv Cougars (6-1), Monroe Hawks (5-1), Sault Ste. Marie (6-1) and the Port Huron Flags (3-2) en route to the finals.

Members of the Knights, who advance to Oswego, N.Y. for the nationals, include: Matt Fortier, Garrett Radford, Sean Sachau, Adam Stoner, Steve Slivoski, Chris Fairbanks, David McGrorty, Craig Dulman, Chris Barczuk, Jim Nawrocki, Kevin Horal, Tony Swarthout, Jeff Paison, Zac MacVoy, Justin Bolla and Steve Mnich.

Coaches include Pat Fairbanks, Doug Blanzy, John Swarthout and Kevin Fairbanks. The team manager is Jim Radford.

Coaches honor Howton

Former Wayne Memorial football coach Chuck Howton is among 20 honorees at the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame banquet Saturday, April 15 at Crisler Arena in Ann Arbor.

Howton, who retired two years ago, finished with a 60-57 varsity record with the Zebras in 13 seasons, including one state playoff berth (1992).

Cocktails will be served at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. The program starts at 7:30 p.m.

Franklin falls prey in regional Rocks solid;

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BY BRAD EMONS SPORTS WRITER bemons@oe.homecomm.net

There was happiness on one end of Joy Road, sadness on the other end.

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Plymouth Salem proved the fourth time could be a charm, repeating as Class A regional volleyball champions Saturday at Saline with a 15-8, 15-12 victory over Western Lakes Activities Association nemesis Livonia Franklin.

The Patriots, who beat Salem three times during the regular season, bow out at 45-8-2 overall and regional runner-up to the Rocks for the second straight year.

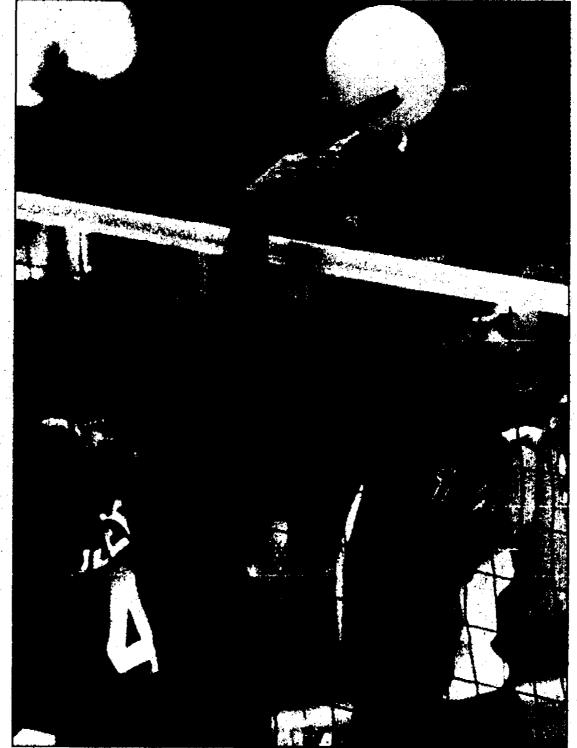
Meanwhile, Salem, 44-11-1 overall, advances to the state quarterfinals, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Eastern Michigan University's new Convocation Center. The opponent will be the Temperance Bedford regional champion.

Salem did in the Patriots with soft serves just over the net, stellar digging and well-placed tips.

Senior Amanda Suder led the Salem hitting attack with 12 kills, 21 digs and five ace serves. Denise Philips added eight kills, while setter Jill Dombrowski had 25 assist-to-kills.

Franklin's senior hitting tandem of Tera Morrill (eight kills) and Andrea Kmet (nine kills) were often neutralized by the off-speed shots and the serving of Suder and Kelly Jaskot.

"We were trying to pull their hitters up to the net and get their weaker passers involved," Teeters said of his strategy to beat the Patriots. "Tera is not only their best hitter, but she's also one of their best passers. We also decided to put Amanda (Suder) against their setter Lyndsay (Sopko) because it was a better matchup. We didn't block Tera, instead we had Amanda digging against her. "We knew the matchup was not 'Suds' versus Tera because we knew Lyndsay liked to get Tera the ball." Jaskot got on a roll in the first game, serving at one point eight straight points. She also had a five-point run in the second game to help overcome an 8-1 deficit.



Effective placements: Plymouth Salem's Amanda Suder (left) tips

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Suder, however, countered with 18 kills and nine aces for Salem. The 6foot Philips and Dombrowski contributed 14 and eight kills, respectively. Sarah Jensen also provided some soft rolls in the middle.

"We ran out of subs and we had to have Jill hit and Jaskot to set," Teeters said.

Adrian coach Mike Watkins, whose team bowed out at 44-18-4 overall, was happy with his team's play, but disappointed with the outcome.

"Maybe after we won the first game we woke them up because they (Salem) didn't make as many mistakes." Watkins said. "We changed our defense. to cover the short tips. We figured if you tip on us, you can beat us. We just couldn't stay with what we wanted to do:

"We also faced a lot of jump serves, which we don't see a lot of it. Sometimes you panic when you see something different."

While Salem was taking 1 hour and 40 minutes to oust Adrian, Franklin was having an easy time with Ypsilanti-Lincoln, a team with a 9-24-7 record,

The 5-11 Morrill had nine kills and six aces, while 6-2 Kerstin Marshall, a junior, added six kills as the Patriots prevailed 15-4, 15-5.

"We knew they hit the ball well, but we didn't expect them to be that efficient running their offense." Lincoln coach Michael Armstrong said. "We really haven't been a strong blocking team and we ask a lot of our defense to dig against their hard hitters.

 "Their setter is very good. They have a lot of options. She (Sopko) did a good 300 of spreading her passes around. The regional final marked the final appearances for six Franklin seniors including Morrill, Sopko, Kmet, Rachel Bramlett, Alexis Bowman and Monica Little. The six helped Franklin to 82 wins in two years, including two district and two Western Division titles. "This group of seniors exuded confidence, intelligence and court sense unparalled for most senior classes," Diegel said. "They have led the team in friendships, played with intensity and have exhibited a touch of class in anything they do.

Featured speaker for the Hall of Fame banquet is University of Michigan coach Lloyd Carr.

Tickets are \$20 per person. Checks should be made payable to the MHS-FCA and sent by Friday, April 7 to: Ivan Muhlenkamp, Ticket Chairman, Hall of Fame Banquet, 21000 Lakeview Avenue, St. Joseph, Mi. 49085.

For more information, call Don Lessner at (734) 671-6072.

Football conference

The Michigan High School Football Coaches Association will stage its **Team Leadership Conference 2000** Saturday, July 29 at Michigan State University's Wilson and Holden halls.

Registration is from 8-9 a.m. followed by the conference for high school players and coaches from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The purpose of the conference is to provide leadership skills for both players and coaches to enhance their programs:

Pre-registration is \$40 (if postmarked by Saturday, July 15 or \$50 a the door. No phone registrations will be accepted. Included in the cos is continental breakfast, lunch, T-shirt, resource materials, ticket and program for the MHSFCA All-Star Game at Spartan Stadium.

To register, mail to: Fred Davis, 794 Fairway Court, Gaylord, Mi. 49735. Checks should be made payable to the MHSFCA.

For more information, call (616) 546-3205.

Stampede of Races

The second annual U-M Heart Care/Domino's Stampede of Races will be Saturday, April 8 at Domino's Farms in Ann Arbor.

The first entry deadline is March 13. Fees are \$15 for the 20- and 10kilometer races, along with the 5K run/walk. Cost is \$5 for the Mitral Mile and Mini-Mitral (400 meters).

Entires may be printed off the event web site at www.AthleticVentures com or enter online with a credit card.

For more information, call (734) 332-3981.

Youth baseball tryouts

Tryouts for the Westland Federation Wildcats, a 12-year-old Little Caesars travel baseball team, will be at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14 and Friday, March 17 at the John Glenn High School gymnasium,

For more information, call Shawn Dunford at (734) 595-3496.

the ball past Livonia Franklin setter Lyndsay Sopko. "The frustrating aspect of their game plan is that we had prepared for it," Franklin second-year coach Mary Helen Diegel said. "We were aware of it

> their offenses and defenses. "They could not be more prepared. but in tense situations like this you have to play with experience and from motor memory.

as far as the different tactics, as well as

"Salem had an 'on' day and we just didn't execute."

In the morning semifinals, the Rocks had a difficult time disposing a scrappy Adrian team for the second time this season, 13-15, 15-9, 16-14 (capped by two Jaskot ace serves at 14-all).

The Maples, who lost to Salem in three games at the Bedford Tourney, were led by 5-foot-11 junior Catherine

Shamrocks reach state finals again

BY KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

Dominating every aspect of the game, Redford Catholic Central trounced Troy 6-1 in a Division 1 semifinal game Friday at Flint's IMA Sports Arena.

The victory moved CC (25-2) within one win of clinching its second consecutive state title, and fourth in seven years.

Led by senior Dave Moss's hat trick and a punishing defense, the Shamrocks opened the game up with a fourgoal second period, giving them a 5-1 lead and crushing Troy's spirit.

Despite being outshot 14-3 in the first period, Troy was able to keep heavily-favored CC in check. Troy goalie Jim Geldhof made several good saves in the period, but Moss was finally able to break the spell with a 4-on-3 power-play goal at the 12:45 mark.

However, Troy bounced right back on a goal by Kyle VanderBussche with 18 seconds left in the period. The goal seemed to give the Black Hawks the momentum going into the dressing room

"They played well in the first period,"

Whatever Geldhof had been able to do to them in the first period, the Shamrocks solved the problem in the second.

Right from the opening face-off, they turned up the pressure. Brett John scored at the 6:25 mark, and Moss scored less than 70 seconds later.

At the same time, CC totally stifled Troy's offense. For much of the game CC goalie Ben Dunne saw little action. The Shamrocks held Troy to just five shots in the second period, and Dunne didn't face a shot until less than a minute remained in the third.

For the game, CC which also got goals from captain Brandon Kaleniecki and Mike Ratigan, outshot Troy 37-9. The Black Hawks finished the season

with a 18-6-4 record. "We wore them down. There's no question about that," CC coach Gordon St. John said. "We were able to get the puck down low, and we hammered it well."

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Shamrocks goal: Catholic Central's Dave Moss (No. 44) fires the first of his three goals past Troy Unified netminder Jim Geldhof as CC's Jim Spiewak (No. 12) jockeys for position.

Troy's frustration began to show as . they were skating off after the second period, when Geldhof shattered hisstick against the boards. It continued into the third when Derek Cox and Ryan VanderBussche were sent to the dressing room early after drawing game misconduct penalties for their rough play.

"This is not the way we wanted to finish the season," Troy coach Todd

Whitelaw said. "I think we were a little starstruck, and got caught watching them too much. We were too wound up, and took ourselves out of the game."

Despite the impressive victory, the Shamrocks, who play Alpena in Saturday's final, downplayed its significance. "We still haven't won anything vet." Moss said

Editor's Note: Saturday's state final will appear in Thursday's Observer

Schoolcraft's Brown, Bigby hailed

Schoolcraft College's Robert Brown collected sevaral post-sesson honors, including nomination for NJCAA All-American honors.

A 4-mot 4 sophomere forward from Oak Park, Braves was named to the MJCAA Division I All-Region 13 team, the All-Michigan Community Colinge Athletic Association team and first-team All-Sentern Conference.

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Several other Ocelots collected honors as well-Lamar Bigby, a 6-5 sophomore guard, collected All-region, All-State and All-Bastern Conference honors as well. The Detroit Northern product averaged 16.7 points, 5.7 boards and 3.4 assists per

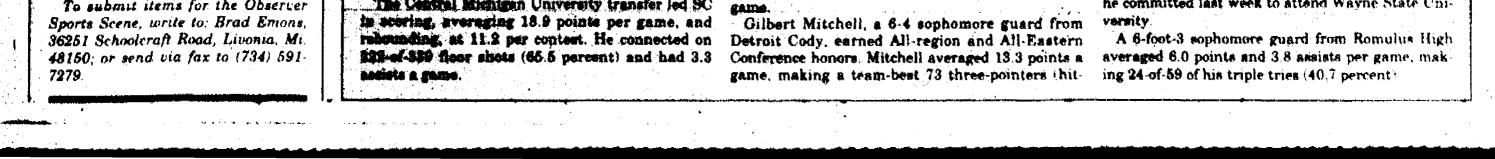
ting 40.8 percent).

Last but hardly least, SC coach Carlos Briggs was named Eastern Conference Coach of the Year after guiding the Ocelots to a 24-7 record and a conference championahip.

Ocelots' Kirkland commits to WSU

Reggie Kirkland chose to stay close to home when

said Moss, who also had an assist. "We couldn't get anything by Geldhof."



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITT HELL

Ex-North American players saluted on 25-year-old team

The North American Hockey League has named its alltime all-star team, dating from the league's inception in 1975. Seventeen former NAHLers have gone on to play in the National Hockey League.

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Of the 18 players on the alltime squad, several have local ties. The most recent is David Legwand, the Plymouth Whaler standout who is cur-

rently playing with the Nashville Predators.

Others named to the team defenseman Don ате McSween, a Plymouth native who played at Michigan State and for the NHL's Anaheim Mighty Ducks, and goalie Brent Johnson, a Farmington native who played for Owen Sound in the Ontario Hockey League and the NHL's St. Louis Blues.

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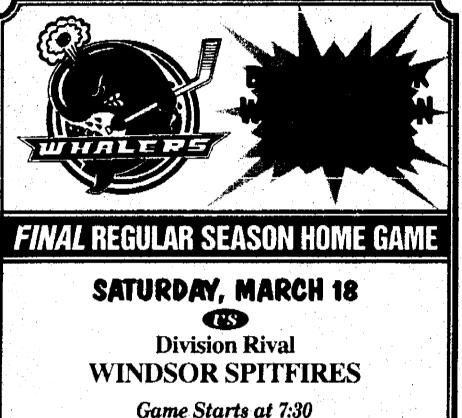
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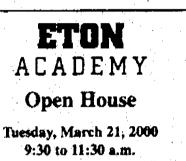


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Crusaders show success on Florida swing

Madonna University was in the process of winding up a very productive spring baseball trip in Cocoa Beach, Fla.

The Crusaders defeated Way-



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nesburg (Pa.) College, 4-3, Friday to improve their spring mark to 10-3-1. Earlier in the day Madonna played a seveninning, 10-10 tie with West Liberty State.

Nick Newman got the win in the second game, hurling two innings in relief of starter Jeremy Stevens. He gave up two hits, including and walked three but the three runs he allowed on a three-run home run were unearned.

Madonna had taken a 4-0 lead after he came in to pitch. Newman was 2-0 with a 3.27 overall.

Roy Rabe (Livonia Stevenson) and Bob Hamp had two hits

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allowing 13 hits, walking two and fanning two. He was touched for seven runs, two unearned.

James O'Connor (Redford Catholic Central) worked an inning and gave up an unearned run while Derick Wolfe and Rabe each got an out.

The Crusaders scored a run in the bottom of the seventh to create the 10-10 tie.

Neil Wildfong (Plymouth Canton), Todd Miller, Wolfe, Jason Brooks and Lightle had two hits apiece for Madonna.

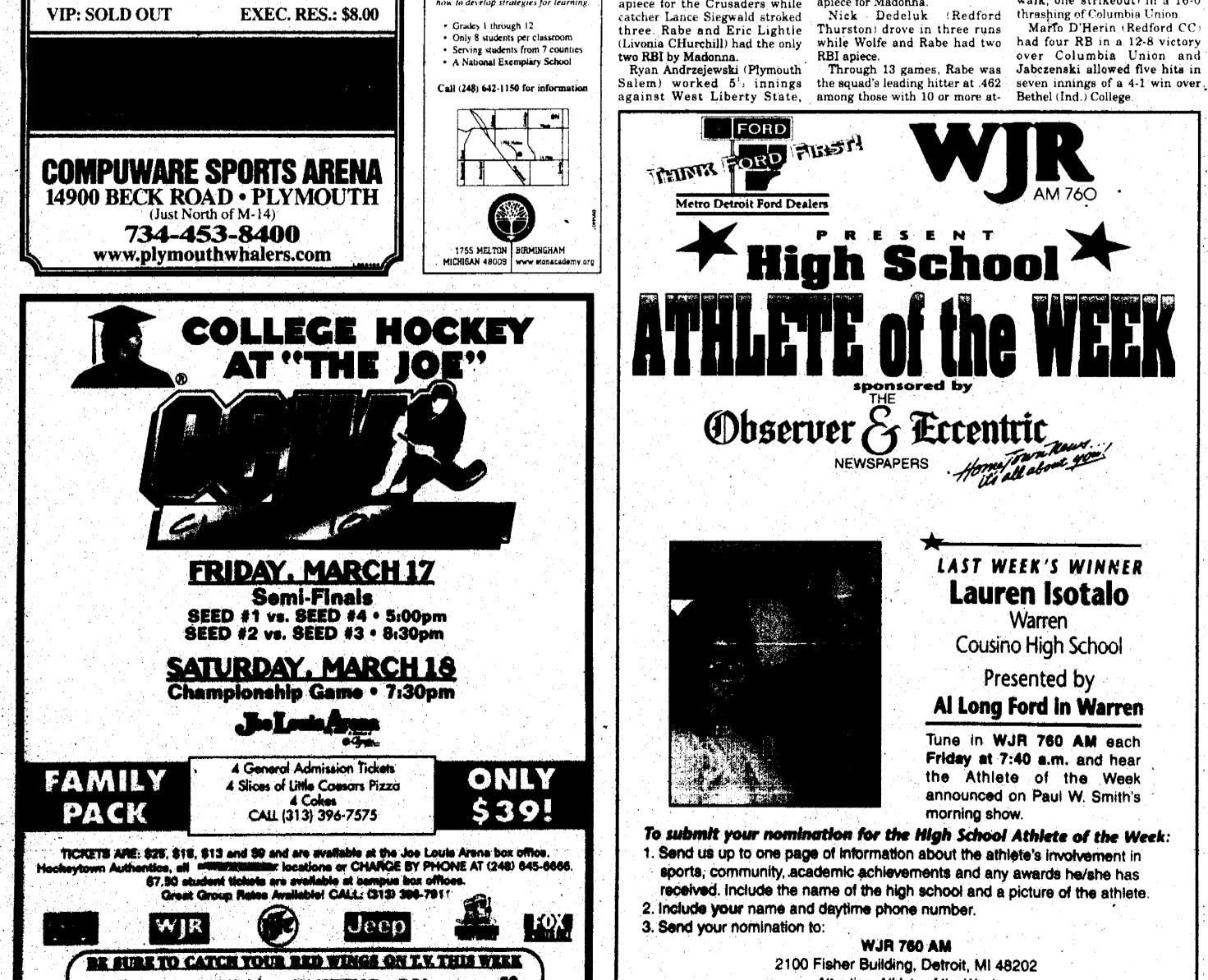
bats. Dedeluk was next at 429 while Brooks had a .410 average.

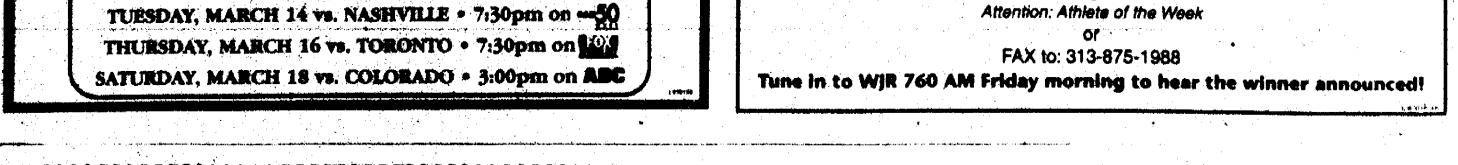
The team was batting .339 but only had two home runs, one by Dedeluk. Brooks and Todd Miller led the team with 10 RBI apiece.

O'Connor had a 1.80 ERA to lead pitchers with 10 or more innings pitched. He was 0-1.

Mitch Jabczenski was 1-1 with a 2.13 ERA and Stevens had a 2-0 mark with a 2.57 ERA. The staff ERA was 3.10.

Highlights from earlier in the trip included a three-hit fiveinning shutout by Westland John Glenn's Dale Hayes (one walk, one strikeout) in a 16-0:





Borgess prevails in finals

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK STAFF WRITER

Redford Bishop Borgess is on its way to the regionals. Detroit Benedictine took the long way home.

Bishop Borgess tumbled Benedictine, 62-51, Friday night to capture the District 75 title in the Class C segment of the state high school basketball tournament.

The next task for the Spartans will be in the Riverview Gabriel Richard regional against the winner of Saturday's night's district final at Flat Rock between the host team and Gabriel Richard.

"We told the kids that the road doesn't do anything but get harder from here," coach Charles Albright of the Spartans said. "This was just one piece of the puzzle and we've got two pieces ahead of us."

Also in the Gabriel Richard regional is Detroit St. Martin de Porres, a chief Class C contender and always a favored rival of the Spartans (10-12). It's not unthinkable to forecast a Borgess-de Porres regional final.

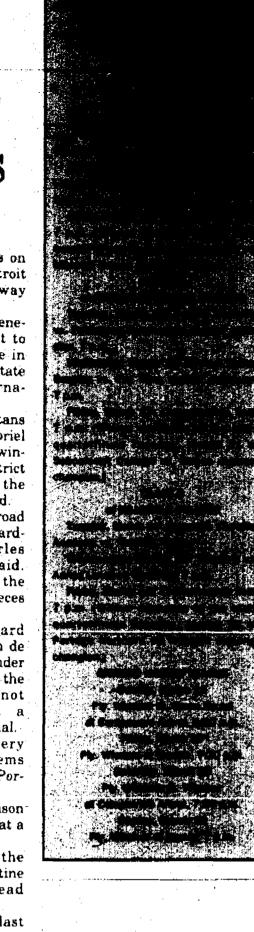
"This is the way it is every year," Albright said. "It seems like we always run into de Porres. We look forward to it.

"But at this stage of the seasonyou have to take it one game at a time and take it from there."

The game turned late in the second quarter when Benedictine (13-8) watched a 22-14 lead unravel.

The Ravens missed their last eight shots of the quarter and six free throws in a row before finally hitting one with no time showing on the clock.

Albright scolded his team about its lax rebounding at one point and the Spartans immedi-



Lahser nips Falcons for district title

BY DAN O'MEARA STAFF WRITTER domears@oe.homecomm.net

Pressure? No problem for Bloomfield Hills Lahser junior James Mathis, who scored the last point at the free throw line Friday to give the Knights a thrilling, 48-47 win over Farmington.

His three-point play in the final seconds enabled Lahser (17-5) to win its first district championship in boys basketball since 1996.

The Knights will play either Southfield-Lathrup or Birmingham Groves in a regional tournament game 7 p.m. Wednesday at Lathrup.

"The beauty of it is we didn't do anything different than we did the other 21," Lahser coach Chris Drogosch said, "I told the kids we had a good shot at winning, and we just had to keep playing hard."

Farmington's C.J. Whitfield had just made two free throws with 20 seconds left to give the Falcons a 47-45 lead.

On the ensuing possession, Lahser senior Brandon Cassar spotted Mathis open underneath the basket and delivered the ball from the wing.

Mathis made the layup and was fouled with 5.2 seconds on the clock. After a Farmington timeout, he converted the free throw for the winning point.

"Fortunately, I think two (Farmington) guys fell down and James was wide open," Cassar said. "I was surprised he was that wide open. I just tried to get it to him as quick as I could, and he finished beautifully."

was able to give me the ball in that situation," Mathis said. "I knew I had to go out there and be a captain and sink the free throw.

That was the first of two big plays for Lahser at crunch time. The first was a three-pointer by Cassar with 1:37 to play that: tied the score at 45.

"It was supposed to be a pick and roll for (senior) Joe (Finland) or James," said Cassar, who shot the ball from the same spot he later passed to Mathis.

"I was spotting up on the block. My man got caught in a double pick; and I was wide open. When I let it go I thought it was way right, but it edged in."

"Those were two of the set plays we've run all year," Drogosch said, adding Finland set screens on both. "They're nothing I drew up special. Joe, James and Brandon executed so well."

Following Cassar's three, Farmington made a turnover and Lahser decided to play for the last shot, but Whitfield stole the ball and was fouled going to the hoop.

After Mathis' three-point play and a Farmington timeout, Whitfield dribbled up court and was fouled on the floor with 1.7 seconds left. The Falcons attempted to inbound the ball, but Finland knocked it away as time ran out.

Mathis and Finland scored 12 points and had 13 rebounds apiece to lead the Knights, who also had 11 from Cassar. Junior Ryan Cassar tossed in five.

Senior Justin Milus scored a game-high 16 points for the Fal-"I was thankful my teammate cons (17-6). Junior Matt Mikel

had 13 (all in the second half) and Whitfield 10. Senior Chad Seaborn added six.

The Falcons took a 38-30 lead into the fourth quarter, but the Knights closed to 39-35 when Finland made three of four free throws - the last two on a technical foul.

He missed the first but was given another two-shot opportunity when a Farmington player raised his arms while Finland was shooting. That's when Farmington coach Denny Mikel received the T for being out of the coach's box.

"I was trying to get an explanation from the official why they were giving the shooter two more shots," Mikel said, "Usually, they warn you or tell you to back up (when the coach is out of the box), but he didn't do that in that situation."

A 6-0 run on baskets by Finland, David Kemsley and Mathistied the score at 41, but Milus and Whitfield answered with deuces to give the Falcons a fourpoint lead with 2:45 remaining. Another Finland free throw made it 45-42.

We stayed with man and probably should have gone zone," Mikel said. "We didn't want to give them any open shots on the perimeter, but they ended up dumping it inside."

Lahser played well in the first half, leading by eight late, while Farmington seemed to struggle. But the Falcons got within two at halftime, 23-21, as Milus (four) and Whitfield combined for the final six points.

"We just didn't seem to get in sync," Mikel said. "We were hoping to get up on Lahser and have

them play catchup. We never did and weren't able to use some strategy.

"We would've liked to use more zone but were afraid to. We staved with man and, for the most part; the kids did a good job.'

The Falcons turned it around in the third quarter, hitting seven of nine shots (78 percent) and outscoring the Knights, 17-7. Matt Mikel had 11 points, including three triples, in that period.

"I felt pretty good when we were up by eight," Mikel said. "We were playing better and had momentum going our way. To their credit, the Knights) came back and played us tough.

"In a game like that, whoever gets the breaks at the end is going to end up winning the game. The kid hit the foul shot; that was a big-time free throw."

"When we got down 10, we took a timeout and said we knew we were going to face some adversity," Drogosch said. "We said 'Let's put that behind us;' and the kids responded very. well

The last time the Knights, Division 3 champions in the Oakland Activities Association. won league and district titles in a the same year was 1976.

"Other years we lost to West Bloomfield in the first round," Cassar said, "After we got by Harrison, we knew we had a chance.

"After the last four years, 1 think we turned a lot of peoples heads this year. We played Lathrup and Groves this year, and I think that's a very winnable, game



ately picked it up. They were outboarded, 14-4, in the first period and 50-33 for the game but from the mid-point of the second quarter on it was fairly even.

"The first half they were really killing us on the boards," Albright said. "The second half, we got a few key rebounds."

Donald Didlake made two free throws and a three-point play and Khalil Mims closed a 15-1 run with four straight free throws to help Borgess regain the lead, 29-23, entering the third period.

A key factor for the Spartans was the play of 6-foot-2 junior Jose Kincannon, who played both ends of the court at 150 percent of speed.

"He brought us back," Albright: said. "He just plays hard. He gives us so many extra possessions.

"He's relentless. Sometimes we have to tell him to slow down. He plays too fast and too hard."

Kincannon scored nine points, third high on his team. Kendrell Jones scored 14 and Didlake led with 22.

Angelo Bell led the Ravens with 18 points, including a bundle of key hoops while scoring nine points in the third quarter. Junior Brandon Proby was next with 13.

Bell made a basket with 4:58 left in the third quarter, making it 34-29, and got into what looked to be an edgy but friendly smacktalking contest with Didlake before completing his three-point play with a free throw.

Bell got another three-point play to cut the deficit to 34-33 but Didlake answered with a critical triple from the right wing to stabilize his team.

"I knew we were in trouble." Albright said, "when I looked up in the stands and saw my mother telling me what to do."

Benedictine got within two, 37-35, with 3:10 left in the third quarter but Borgess made 4-of-6 free throws and Jones hit two baskets to send the Spartans into the final period with a 47-39 leed.

"We had to settle down." Albright said. "There was a lot of emotion in this game.

"A lot of these kids went to grade school together, live in the same neighborhood and just know each other real well: The biggest part of this game was setthing everybody down."

Free throws played a big part. Borgess was sharp at the line until the final two minutes, making 21-of-34 overall

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Missing six free throws in a row in the second half of the second quarter hurt the Ravens and going 12-for-32 from the line in the game wasn't helpful either

CLASS B DISTRICT BASKETBALL FINAL Top-rated St. Mary's Prep rolls by Redford Thurston

ach Brian Bates knew Orchard Take St. Mary was arguably the set team in the state.

Redford Thurston basketball host Eaglets were Friday night why they're the best," said as OLSM cruised to an easy 75-42 win in the Class B district final.

He found out just how good the "We had a first-hand look at"

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The Board of Education of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, Wayne County, Michigan, will receive sealed bids for the resurfacing of the North High School track located on the athletic field of North High School.

Specifications and bid forms will be available at a MANDATORY pre-bid walk-through on Tuesday, March 14, 2000 at 9:30 a.m. beginning in the receiving room at Grosse Pointe North High School, 707 Vernier Rd., Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.

Sealed bids will be due on Monday, March 27, 2000 at 10:00 a m, at the Administration Building of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education, 389 St. Clair, Grosse Pointe, Michigan 48230 at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. This project will not be funded by federal or state monies.

Please direct questions to Tom Gauerke, Assistant Principal of Grosse Pointe North High School, at (313) 342-2214.

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Bates. "Personally, I think they were at the top of their game tonight. They hardly missed any shots. They must have shot 70 percent tonight. When they did missed, they got the rebounds. "Our tallest player (Jesse Doo-

ley) was shorter than their shortest player."

St. Mary (23-0) turned a 26-6 advantage after the first quarter into a 55-19 rout by halftime. The mercy rule went into effect for most of the second half as the Eaglets improved their lead to 62-27 by the end of the third quarter

"We went right in against them and drove the lane and took our shots," said Bates, "but we didn't hit them early and kind of got down a little mentally. We were scrapping and we boxed out, but we were just undersized.'

Dooley and Joe Wilson led the Eagles with nine points each, while Jared Kazmierczak added eight. Kazmierczak and Dooley also had six rebounds each.

Maurice Searight led OLSM with 24 points, while Jermaine Gonzalez had 13.

"We got a lot of open looks, we just couldn't knock down our shots." said Bates after his team ended its season at 11-11. "Maybe we were a little intimidated. There were a lot of nerves there; we'd never played that type of competition.

"We played hard, but it was a combination of their quickness and their caliber of play."

final 16 minutes or his family would be the assuredly eclipsed the century mark in mission

The most revealing stat from the mane factor son Christian (7-16) finished with mass turnovers (22) than field goals (20). The district title was the second managed free for the Engles, who will take their 18-s record and 16-game winning streak to Hilledale Dollege Tuesday for the regional opener against

Reading. Tip-off is set for 7 p.m. Thursday's win wat the first scare grow of nine PCA services. Starting with the scare grow of Isensee's departure at the 4.40 means are the fourth quarter, each senior was taken out of the game and honored with a standing system by the appreciative crowd.

"Dorric (Isensee) told me the other day that he and the other seniors had only lost three home games since they were in the sighth grade," Taylor said. "There's a love affair there between our fans and this senior class, which was obvious by the reaction the crowd gave the players when they were taken out of the game.

"They deserve everything they get, too, because they're hard-working kide."

Jackson Christian coach Bob Stanton was not about to disagree with that nesessment.

"They're a very solid team." Stanton said. "If they keep hitting their three-point shots like they did against us, they're going to be tough to beat."

Stanton said his team wasn't intimidated by PCA's gaudy record and lofty stature among the state's smaller schools.

"I think our kids were fired up more than mything," Stanton said. "But emotion can and take

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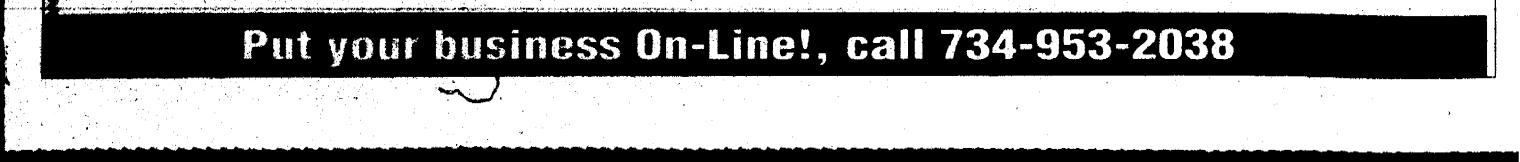
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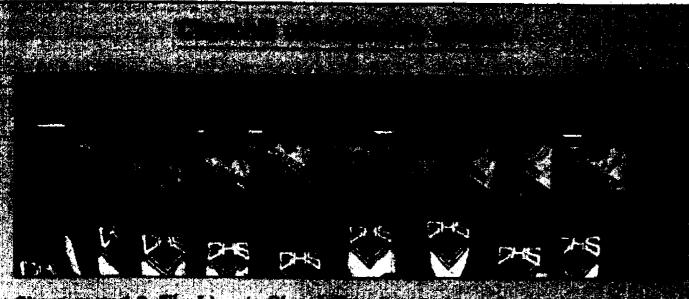
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SPORTS ROUNDUP

STING SIGNS REDFORD CC ICERS

Two current members of Redford Catholic Central's hockey team have signed tender agreements to play next season with the St. Louis Sting of the North American Hockey Lèague.

Senior forwards Brandon Kaleniecki and Dave Moss will play for the Sting, coached by former Detroit Red Wing Rick Zombo in 2000-01.

Through 24 games this year. Kaleniecki had 24 goals and 29 assists while Moss had 12 goals and 23 assists.

PISTONS/SHOCK CLINIC

Members of the Detroit Pistons and Detroit Shock will puton a basketball clinic Saturday. at Ward Presbyterian Church. located at 40000 Six Mile (west of Haggerty) in Northville.

Boys and girls in the third-toeighth grades are encouraged to attend. Cost is \$15. Session I (grades 3-5) will run from 2-3:15 p.m. Session II (grades 6-8) will run from 3:30-4:45 p.m.

(no additional charge). The clinic includes five follow-up Saturdays of open basketball practice, from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Fundamental basketball skills will be emphasized (ball-handling, passing, shooting, defense and rebounding).

For further information, call (248) 374-5937.

SPRING HOCKEY SIGN-UP

Registration is now underway for adult spring recreational hockey leagues.

The Rockets (over 21 years) will play Sundays and Thursdays at the Artic Pond Arena in Plymouth.

Meanwhile, the Plymouth Masters (over 40) will play Sundays and Wednesdays at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

The Golden Eagles (over 49) will play Sunday and Wednesday nights at the Artic Pond.

The season runs April 2-May 11 To register, call or FAX name and address to John Wilson at (248) 471-0658, or E-mail him at:

softball leagues.

Practices will start within a month. There will be one game per week.

For more information, call (734) 480-4984.

ALL STAR GYMNASTICS

All Star Gymnastics will hold auditions for two competitive cheerleading squads.

Girls in grades 6-9 and both girls and boys in grades 10-12 may audition.

Tryouts will be at 8 a.m. Sunday, March 10 at All Star Gymnastics, 235 E. Main Street, in Northville.

For more information, call 248 380-5330.

HARRIER COACH WANTED

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The Westland Javcees are seeking participants for its adult 21-and-over women's and men's

distance running and ability to convey that experience to high school athletics.

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Those interested should contact Salem varsity coach Dave Gerlach at (734) 416-7708.

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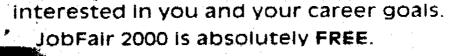
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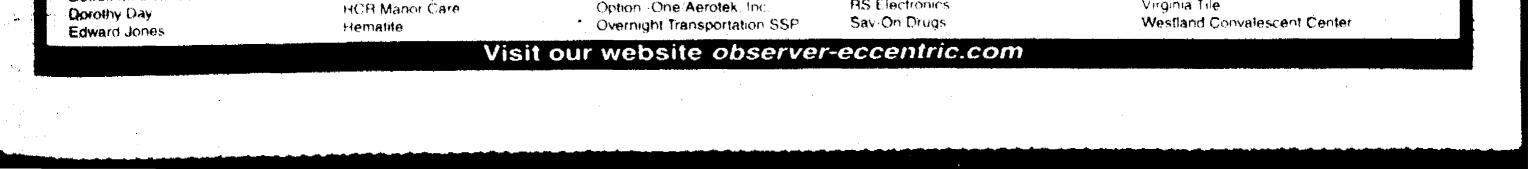
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Former Westlander captures top cash prize



Blue Ribbon Group scratch tournament took place March 5 at **Taylor Lanes.**

After three games of qualifying, Linda Batke of Redford hit the first ten strikes in the third game to finish with a 289. She lost in the match

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play finals but the big game gave her an award for 100 pins over

average, which for her was 182. Linda runs the night snack bar at Mayflower Lanes.

Brandon Hildebrandt, the 14-year-old who won the last Bacardi/Brunswich Blue Ribbon Group tournament, made the last cut to match play but was defeated by another previous champ, Donald Parks.

Meanwhile, Tina Barber-Judy, a longtime Westlander who now lives in Dearborn, was able to qualify eleventh in the 12 match-play spots.

She took care of some very strong competition including Don Parks, who was consistently in the pocket but was unable to get the carry.

A Bacardi/Brunswick ried her hits to emerge on top and receive the first-place check of \$1,000. Her husband, Joe Judy, and two of their daughters, Amy and Amanda, were there to root her on to victory.

> The next Bacardi/Brunswick Blue Ribbon event is slated for Saturday, April 15, at Roosevelt Lanes in Allen Park.

Call (313) 381-0222 for more information and entry forms. •The Mid-States Masters held its new

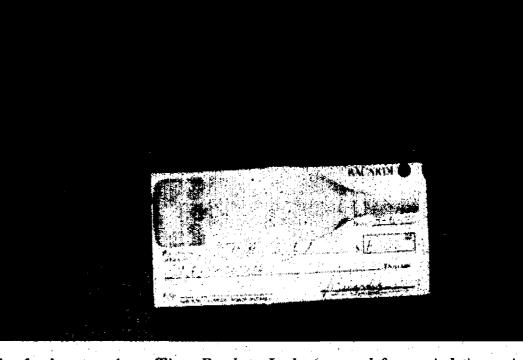
222 division competition March 4 at the Super Bowl in Canton. Gerald Johnson of Detroit took home

first-place money while Matt Dalley of Plymouth came in second, 233-212. Dalley came out of the 212 division to

help support this newly created division.

Local qualifiers for match play were Joe Fitzsimmons of Waterford (7th): Derrick Jasper of Livonia (10th); Tim Banyi Jr., of Westland (14th); and Don Potts of Plymouth (16th).

Others who made a good showing were Ron Burgess of Plymouth (22nd); Michael Ksiasek (25th); Ed Dudek (27th); Gary Duarard (32nd); Steve. Demeter (35th); and George Fineran (39th), all of Livonia; Pat Engebretson (29th) of Westland and Chuck Morris of Garden City.



A winning number: Tina Barber-Judy (second from right) receives the first-place check from Al Harrison (right), Vicky Ingham (sec-ond from left) and Michael Capaldi.

 The Greater Detroit Bowling Association held a caucus last Tuesday to discuss and coordinate the voting of the delegates to the ABC national convention in Albuquerque later this week.

Delegates from all local associations -

will be on hand, with results appearing in next Sunday's Observer.

Cloverlanes. All-Star •The Bowlerettes continue to rack up big scores as Sandy Schultz rolled her third perfect game and Tamika Glenn of

Farmington Hills shot the lights out with 231-279-278 for a series of 789.

Karen Martin kept her hot streak going with a 277 game and Kalley Ross chipped in with a 289 game.

The league bowls at 8 p.m. Mondays at Cloverlanes in Livonia. Fans are welcome to come on down and watch these great bowlers in action.

 The Wayne Westland Metro Bowling association and the Tri-City Womens Bowling association held the 17th Annual Mach Memorial Youth Scholars ship Tournament on Sun., Feb. 27, at Town 'n Country Lanes in Westland.

Top finishers in the Girls Division were winner Laura Engebretson of Westland, 574 plus 252 handicap for 826 and a \$1,000 scholarship; runnerup Amber Trongo of Garden City, 500 plus 222 handicap for 722 and a \$500 scholarship.

The Boys Division winners were winner Kevin DeMara of Westland, 699.** plus 150 handicap for 849 and a \$1,000 scholarship; runnerup Steve Reitzel of -Canton, 666 plus 150 handicap for 816 and a \$500 scholarship.

Amber Henn of Westland had high game in the girls division with 234/579 and Bill Collins of Garden City tied for boys high game at 267 and a 708 series.

Tina made some great shots and car-

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> > **Country Lanes (Fan**

Deer management questioned

A group of OUTDOOR concerned INSIGHTS hunters is taking the Department of Natural Resources and the Natural Resource Commission to task over the way the state sets regulations regard-BILL ing fish and PARKER game manage-

ment.

the current antlerless permit situation, which the DNR claims is needed to reduce a statewide deer population of approximately 1.8 million deer to a more manageable size of 1.4 to 1.6 million. Hunters claim there are many areas of the state that can't handle unlimited antlerless permits and that the DNR is not managing the deer, but slaughtering them to appease the Farm Bureau and state insurance companies.

Whitetails Forever has a legit-Whitetails Forever, which imate point in that there are started out as a small group of areas of the state where the deer ings will not solve any problems, population is but a skeleton of what it was just five or six years ago. There are areas that were closed to antlerless hunting three years ago but have been open to unlimited antlerless killing the past two years.

I'll tell you what will happen. The anti-hunting crowd, knowing it's opinions will be a matter of public record and factored into the final decision, will show up in force.

Anti-hunters are activists. They write letters, call logislators, show up at meetings and voice their opinions. Most hunters and anglers, on the other hand, aren't activists, don't write letters and don't show up at meetings.

Changing the Legislative Procedures Act to force public hearand may create some. It will only complicate the entire process.

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Standing Repeatable: Curt Lawless, 299/598.

Sunday Wite Mixed: Garland Goodwin, 299/711: Yavonne Griffin, 257/695; 8'Jai Currie, 208/876. St. Anim's Bon: Mike Kowalshi, 246-

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Mayflower Lanes (Redford)

Good Neighbors: Alicia Wafer, 208/536; Kathy Risch, 204/510; Pauline Polk, 518.

Wednesday Senior Men's Classic: Bill Newbrough, 270/661: Gabe Fazekas, 237-258/698; Wil Suokas, 243 258 249/750; Jee Buzanowski, 259/642; Jim Waldrep, 268/528; Chuck Ruel, 257-234-219/710.

Monday Seniors: Mike Lucas, 280-243/753; Deve Makowiec, 268-254/724; Jim Zellen, 279/696; Frank Federico, 245/688; Howard Davis, 242/666.

Detroit Diesel Trio: Bill Newbrough, 270; Chuck Clement, 279/731; Doug Ellison, 723.

Friday Seniors: Tom Hay, 258/701; Ray Olson, 267 (10 strikes in a row)/700; Jim Rosni, 257/640; Howard Davis, 238/665; Bob Brennan, 235/631.

Garden Lines (Garden City)

Friday Ladies Classic: Sue Siemiesz, 213-245-246/704; Chris Griffith, 234-233/656; Kathy Mermigas, 197-246/622.

St. Linus Classic: Dave M. Bazner, 245-247-247/739; David B. Bazner, 215-279 236/730; Allen Joshn, 268-245/702; Dave Clark, 237-255/668; Bob Rayl, 220-245/665.

Suburban Prop. Travel (men): Rudy Kramer, 258/869; Tim Magyar, 246/704; Jack Oliphant, 246/815; Greg Gumtow, 246/619; Nom Lapbele, 235/061.

Suburban Prop. Travel (ladies): Gloria Muttz, 211; Margy Brothers, 194; Barb Hermindet, 192 Pat Russell, 191; Judy Washington, 190/541.

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St. Colottes Men: Tim Hicks, 208-224 266/708: Clem Diglio, Jr., 267; Mike Ksiazek, 267-225-245/737

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Super Scal (Cairton)

Buburban Prop Trevel (men): Grug Gurntow, -277/984: Bob Pittmeny, 256/614; John Hutey, 247/650; Tim Magyar, 246/675; Jaff. Bernatt, 246.

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Greenfield Mixed: Debra VanMeter, 213-215/638; Ken Smith, 226-246-236/708; Phil Szonye, 218/627; Tom Gdw, 219-256 243/718: Ryan Wilson: 216-221-263/700: Lynne Wegener, 209, 586. Temple Isreal: Walter Eittman, 257-678:

Dan Bagdade, 256; K. West, 269-691; R. Klein, 258; D. Abramson; 258, 652

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Wednesday Nite Ladies: Jennifer Chinn 220; Linda Grant, 212

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Loon Lake: Dave Ampisch. 255/ 633; Jim Wilson, 245/635; John Kovacs, 246.

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University Men's: Larry Kubert, 390; Chuck Rosin, 279/723; Keith Guertin, 269; Ron-Mathison, 267

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Country Couples: Phil Hicks, 247; Keith Suda, 245/638.

Bhirts & Skiets: Alan Hedger, 246/540; Terry Mechlett. 222/007

Farmington Schools: Howard Hardy. 234/602; Mike Foon, 231/544.

If you watch them close you will see some of these actions Though a cold spell may make "encouragement." Sometimes Thernton, 215/536; Judy Washington, chases and the duration of the Country High School: Mike Thomas E/O Double Trouble: Andy Barratt chase is an indication of how two or three crows will be in the - knowing Michigan weath 212/559: Junit Harding, 211/608; Janice 233/633: Keith Herman, 222/618; Jenny serious the animals are about area of the nest. These satellite hirds and other animals will BERADE: Tim Maner, 244/889: David Fish Ream, 200/575; Mary Baratta, 192/506. Long, 236/588; Kory West, 248/588; Brad 226/806: Jeff Straight, 218/572; Sherry their intentions. birds can be young from the precontinue their efforts to raise Mender Canton Bunlers: Jos Cabrers, Weker, 233/612. Small animals like sourrels vious year. They will help with many young as possible. 1. Martinet, 77.2/1006 224/028 BOD WEREN NC. 200. BRI SAWK M Revi Berel and song birds do not live very raising their parent's next brood. Spring foretells the period of unday Barbing Mean Joe Kovatch. 198; John Cell, 195/521; Petricia Bird, 187. le Letheren: Lynn Lewis, 2\$7/708; plenty which has been produclong. Fox squirrels may live During the nest building peri-278/708; Mille Geylleor, 229/825; Fred Puncil/Mills Kalth Kingsbury; 248/638. Rip Grighon, 646; Clark Stone, 827; Al Hunt about six years, while chickadees od, birds are nervous about tive for past generations. Hadler, 225/588, Pat Stover, 224/552; \$88 Taxab Louise \$20; Tim Watther, 615. average about three years. predators scouting the area for Lesonberger, 223/566.

deer hunters from Gratiot County, has blossomed over the last few months.

The group, which is receiving legal council from Fred Trost, producer of "The Practical Sportsman" TV show, claims to be circulating petitions in 70 of the state's 83 counties in an effort to change the Legislative Procedures Act.

Subsection 207 (D) of that act exempts the DNR and NRC from holding public hearings before setting regulations.

Public opinion is welcomed at the monthly NRC meetings, but Whitetails Forever wants to force the NRC to hold public hearings so every opinion expressed at these hearings will become a matter of public record and will have to be considered in the decision-making process.

Senator David Jaye (R-Macomb) has jumped on the Whitetails Forever bandwagon and is considering sponsoring legislation to change the act,

Opposing views

Whitetails Forever is opposed to the DNR issuing unlimited. antlerless deer permits and holding an extended antierless-only deer season throughout most of the Lower Peninsula over the last two years.

That doesn't make much sense to me.

Complicating the issue

But to change the way the DNR and NRC manage wildlife over one controversial issue doesn't make sense to me either.

Whitetails Forever claims it doesn't want to take away any power from the DNR or NRC, and that it just wants to force the state to listen to hunters and anglers.

The problem is that changing the Legislative Procedures Act through an act of legislation simply brings more government and more complications into the picture.

If public hearings were held on every rule or change, game management would be sacked in the backfield. What now takes 60 to 90 days to accomplish would take months to get through a public-hearing process.

And what happens the first time a not-so-hot topic arises and hunters get back to their typically apathetic ways and fail A lot of hunters disagree with to show up at an NRC meeting?

The vote is in

In 1996, state voters approved , Proposal G, which gives the Natural Resource Commission the authority to manage our fish and wildlife. Public comment is welcomed at monthly NRC meetings.

For those doubters who claim the DNR and NRC don't work with or listen to the concerns of sportsmen; I say that's not so.

For proof, look no further than the recent passage of a preference permit system for bear hunting. It took some time, but patience and perseverance paid off for bear hunters, who now have the permit allocation system they wanted.

I hope Whitetails Forever realizes what it is asking for and reconsiders. On paper, changing the act looks like a good idea, but the ramifications of such a proposal could backfire and slap hunters and anglers in the face.

(Bill Parker writes a weekly outdoor column for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Hunters and anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Bill Parker, c/o Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009)

When a predator, like a hawk.

is spotted, crows will call to rally

others in the area to deter it

from getting closer. Crows mob-

bing a hawk near a nest make a

loud raucous call that warns not

only crows, but other kinds of

birds in the area that danger is

Chickadees hearing the calls of

crows will become aware of the

threat, but do not have to worry

too much. They can continue

their flights of fancy and subtle

posturing which alerts other males that they should stay

away, or where the nest hole

Singing, raising the feathers

on top of their head, quivintant

their wings, all mean something

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Spring brings new mating season

Spring is defi-NATURE nitely in the air. NOTES Squirrels are chasing each other, crows are building nests, chickadees. nuthatches and cardinals are singing or posturing to each other. All these TIM activities are NOWICKI signs that a new season of reproduction has arrived.

Squirrels spiraling down a tree

trunk like the stripes on a bar-

ber's pole is a sign of amorous

actions. Males may be chasing

females, or males may be chas-

ing other males from the area so

they will have exclusive rights to

Watching the intensity of the

the females in the area.

During their short lives they must make the most of each reproductive season and raise as many young as they can. That means they are very serious about protecting their investments

I enjoy watching crows build a

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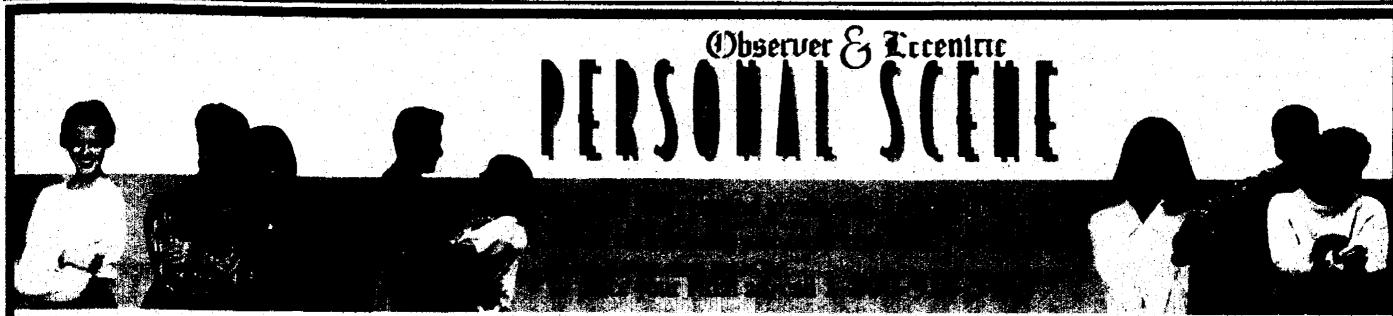
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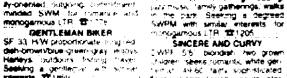
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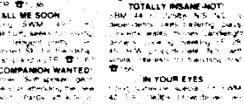
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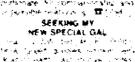
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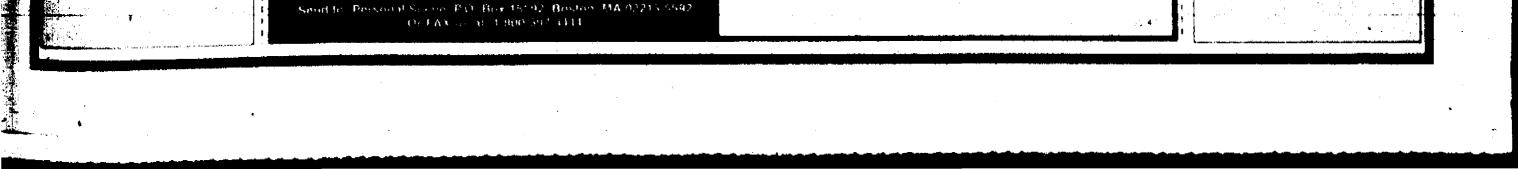
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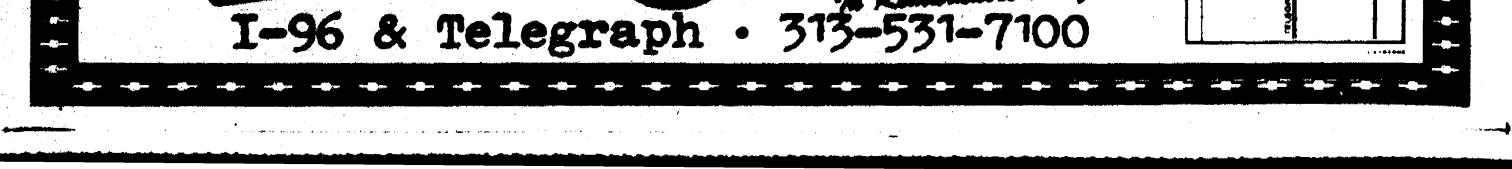
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LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Master class features former CAPA student

G ail Mack had tickets to see "Fosse" long before she knew her former student of Reuter, was one of six principal dancers in the production, which continues through March 19 at the Fisher Theatre. Mack frequently goes to see shows at the Fisher, Gem and Fox to stay on top of her job as director of the Creative and Performing Arts program at Churchill High School in Livonia. But she never would have had the opportunity to coordinate a March 2 master dance class with Reuter if it hadn't been for Mary Murphy.

It was during a November class trip to Chicago to see "Fosse" that the CAPA dance instructor discovered Reuter doing some of the same steps he'd done in the CAPA production of "Sweet Charity."

Still, students weren't expecting Mack to begin the master class by reminiscing about how Reuter locked students in a props cabinet when a substitute teacher was filling in for one of her theater classes in the 1980s, Reuter's come a long way since his days in the CAPA program. This year the program is training 150

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BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WHITER lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

inda Simmons is a little nervous, but nonetheless thrilled about the Great Lakes Region American College Dance Festival coming to Wayne State University March 15-18. More than 700 students and faculty members from 16 universities throughout the Midwest and Canada are participating in the event that exposes dancers to the latest techniques and choreography in master classes, lectures and performances. A faculty concert, Michigan Choreographers Concert and Gala Concert cap the festiviand affirm the role of dance in higher education.

An honor

"This is an honor for us," said Simmons, the WSU dance professor coordinating the festival. "We're excited about showing off the dance department at Wayne and all the great artists in the area. With our Michigan Choreographers Concert we wanted to showcase Michigan and show them our very best."

Simmons, and the staff of the university's dance department, invited established companies such as Eisenhower Dance Ensemble, Rochester Hills: Peter Sparling Dance Company.

on Friday, March 17 at the Detroit Opera House. Ann Arbor based-Bichini Bia Congo Dance Theater will add cultural diversity to the concert with its Congolese-flavored fare.

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Patterson and Darby

During the festival, faculty and student dance companies will present two choreographed pieces from each of the schools for judging by Luke Kahlich, dance professor at Temple University in Philadelphia; Gina Gibney, director of the all-female ensemble Gina Gibney Dance in New York; and legendary dance/choreographer Carmen DeLavallade.

The best of the student and faculty choreography will be presented at a Gala Concert on Saturday. March 18 Ann Arbor; Detroit Dance Collective at the Bonstelle Theatre on the WSU campus. Several of these companies will go on to compete in the national festival in Maryland in May. Wayne State's dance department will perform "Sand People of the" by faculty member Erica Wilson-Perkins, and the student choreographed piece 'Her," by Megan Brunke of West Bloomfield.

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Festival debuts avant-garde productions

BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER fprovenzano@oe.homecomm.net

Nearly everything about the Ann Arbor Film Festival is avant-garde --from the defiant sensibilities of the films to the actual location of the screening room, where an annual media preview of the entries is held.

Clearly, Ann Arbor isn't Sundance. Festival organizers loathe notions of commercial popularity or mainstream



Film spectrum: Over six nights, 114 experimental films will be shown at the Michigan Theater. Shown above is a scene from "The Bottomless Cup".

acceptance. The intent is to prod. provoke and challenge.

Experimental isn't just a concept used by filmmakers. It's the operating philosophy followed by festival director Vicky Honeyman, who graduated in film studies from the University of Michigan in the late 1960s; and maintains the fervent idealism of the counter culture. By day, Honeyman is a hair stylist. Every other waking moment she gives shape and style What: 38th Ann Arbor to the longest Film Festival running experi-When: Tuesday-Sunday. mental film March 14-19 competition in Where: Michigan the country. Theater, 603 Liberty held this Tues-Street, downtown Ann day through Arbor Tickets: \$7 per show: Sunday at the \$12 for two shows; \$15 1.700-seat for three shows; \$50 for Michigan Theseries. For information ater in downcall (734) 995-5356 town Ann Schedule: 🗰 7 p.m. Tuesday, Arbor. March 14 - Opening

Livonia high school students in theater, dance and music.

Sharing experiences

"I think it's wonderful that students who've gone on to success come back to share their experience," said Mack. "For the dancers in CAPA it gives them the chance to dance with professionals and find out what's involved. For theater students, it exposes them to dance and musical theater."

After a brief introduction, a video of the production featuring "Big Spender" and "Mein Herr" was shown. opportunity to find out what it takes to become a professional performer.

ater? Yes, he earned a bachelor of fine arts in musical theater performance at Western Michigan University. Bowen, originally from Maryland, has a degree in dance and choreography. Savelli went straight from high school to performing with a ballet company.

tioning in New York City? Bowen worked as a waitress on Second Avenue before she got a break. Reuter advised students to get a job and save money before leaving Michigan.

How did they get the job dancing in the production that showcases the works of legendary choreographer Bob Fosse? Through open calls. Before

Reuter and cast members Linda Bowen and Jennifer Savelli then led 40 CAPA students through a combination of steps from "Bye, Bye Blackbird." Afterward, during a question and answer session, students had the

Did Reuter have a degree in the-

How did they survive while audi-

Getting the job

the event founded in 1973 to support

This is the first time WSU is hosting and Onyxx Dance Company of Detroit to present the best of Michigan dance



PHOTO BY DAVED SMITH Multi-media: Peter Sparling Dance Company previews the first section of "Possible Dances."

Great Lakes Region Amerian College Dance Festival 🗰 Faculty concert 8 p.m. Thursday, March 16: at Bonskelle Theatre, 3424 Woodward Ave., Detroit Michigan Choreographers Concert 8 p.m. Friday. March 17, at Detroit Opera House, 350 Madison

Ave: EFestival Gala Concert, 8 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at Bonstelle Theatre

Ticlists: \$15-\$20 for individual concerts, \$40 for ali 3 concerts. Call (313),577-4273.



PHOTO BY TON KRAMER **Passing Through:** The Detroit Dance Collective performs a work by Barbara the Peter Sparling Dance Selinger.

Preview

On Friday, March 17 the Peter Sparling company will preview the first section of "Possible Dances" which is scheduled to premier June 30 at the Ann Arbor Summer Festival in the Power Center. Set to poems written by Sparling and a score by Paul Epstein, the work features dancers moving to the sounds of nature. Sparling, who spent his teen years in Ply-

mouth, will read the text for this multi-media piece.

"Every poem is a dance in a way," said Sparling, a University of Michigan dance professor who for the last couple of years has been working on his poetry during a summer writers retreat at Cranbrook Educational Park in Bloomfield Hills. "It's through imagery and the flow that a poem comes. alive."

Tim Smola, a member of Company, is looking forward

Against the current

Last year's preview venue was in the back room of Honeyman's hair salon a few blocks east of Main Street, which, by any standard, is a

bit cramped.

Reception, programing

💼 7 p.m. & 9:30.p.m.

Wednesday, March 15

📕 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m. &

11 p.m. Thursday-Friday.

🛢 2 p.m.; 7 p.m. & 9 30

p.m. Saturday, March

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p.m. Sunday, March 19

begins at 8 p.m.

March 16-17

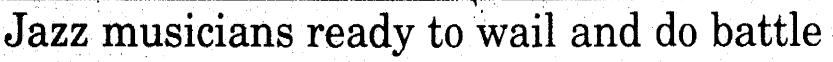
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Certainly, there's been an in-yourface hipness to previewing films in a room where you can also get your roots: retouched and a few inches taken off the sides.

This year's preview was held next

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CONCERT Please see EXPRESSIONS, C2



BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAPY WRITER Ishomin@ee.homecomm.net

Midge Ellis remembers a time in the 40s and 50s when jazz greats such as Gene Krupa, Oscar Peterson and Ella Fitzgerald traveled all over the world just to play in a Battle of the Bands. Perched on a revolving stage that individually showcased each group, the hands would lay down licks, one as hot as the next.

On Sunday, March 19, Ellis is sounding the battle cry as a fund-raiser for the Michigan Jazz Festival at Schoolcraft College, Larry Nozero, Matt

What: Jerry Nozero, Matt Michaels with Johnny Trudell, and Tom Saunders Detroit Jazz Afficitors go horn to horn in a "Bettle of the Bañde.'

Whee: 3 p.m. Sunday, March 19. Where Clarenceville High School Auditorium, 20155 Middlebelt, south of Eight Nile Road, Livonia. Tiolists: \$15, call (248) 474-2720 of (734)

Michaels with Johnny Trudell, and Tom Saunders' Detroit Jazz All Stars will go horn to horn playing everything a Battle of the Bands at Clarenceville High School in Livonia.

Ed Love, WDET jazz DJ and newlynamed programming director for the Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival, will emcee the battle.

"We're trying to bring that idea back," said Ellis of Livonia. "It was justthe most fun. They would take turns wailing. It's a lesson in improvisation. and that's the mission of the Michigan Jazz Festival -- to educate."

Matt Michaels remembers those days too. He and his trio with guest trumpeter Johnny Trudell will play jazz in the swing style. The trio, with various guest artists, can be heard every Wednesday night at Ron's Fireside Inn. in Garden City.

"We're offering a choice of what they like," said Michaels, a Southfield reseSaunders has quite a large following for Divieland."

Saunders began playing coronet 54 from be-bop to swing and Dixieland in years ago. For more than 20 years the jazz veteran's Surfside Six band was a staple in clubs around the Detroit area It was during this time, Saunders met the legendary Wild Bill Davison, the musician who most influenced his style Saunders went on to tour Germany Switzerland, Ireland and England with Davison. He returns to Germany for a week of performances this summer after touring Switzerland for three weeks as leader of the Wild Bill Davison Legacy band.

But before he leaves. Saunders and Detroit Jazz All Stars Al Winters, trombone, Bob Pinterich, drums, Bill Meyer, piano. Don Bayberry, bass, and clarinetist Jim Wyse of Livonia will battle it out with Michaels and Nozero.

"We all know each other so still be fun," said Saunders "Each band will play a man set and then their versionof one specific song. I got hooked on dent and instructor at Wayne State Dixieland as a little kid. My brother University, "Guy Lombardo, Harry played it. It was in the bouse all the James, they all would engage in these time. I like it because it - happy There'll be three different styles. Tommusic



Hot jazz: Tom Saunders and

Churchill High School a few dance steps from the musical "Fosse."

Stoppin' out: Greg Reuter

shows CAPA students at

STAFF PROTO BY PAST. BUILDENAM

459-2454. Proceeds go to the Michigan Jazz Festival (Sunday, July 16 at Schoolcraft College) and the Clarenceville Schools Alumni & Friends Foundation

his Detroit Jazz Allstars put their Disceland-music on the line in a "Battle of the Bands."

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they reached the stage however, -dancers spent eight hours a day, six days a week in rehearsal with Fosse protégés Ann Reinking and Gwen Verdon. When students asked if he had to give up his social life Reuter replied, "there are sacrifices and you have to take care of yourself." While on the road, dancers work six nights a week with one day off. But Reuter never discouraged students. He told them if they're serious about a career in theater to go for it. That his "biggest lesson is that there's room for everybody in this business,"

"These kids are great and it. brought back a lot of memories." said Reuter afterward. "We wanted to give them exposure to the material so they could get a taste of what Fosse is all about."

Mack and Murphy were beaming with pride at the speed with which students caught on to the

I 'I really enjoyed the master class. I learned i like this type of dancing.'

Meghan Dolan CAPA student

steps. Reuter said he was exposed to different dance styles by Murphy who was excited by his visit. She said, it was a feather in the cap of the dance program which brings in guest artists several times a year.

Murphy was most pleased to hear Reuter's answer to the importance of ballet in becoming a dancer on Broadway. The CAPA dance program is based on ballet with explorations of modern dance, jazz and tap.

"I'm thrilled for my students,"

said Murphy, who directs CAPA students in their Jazz Blowout dance concert Friday-Saturday, March 17-18 at Churchill, For tickets, call the CAPA office at (734) 523-8841. (CAPA will present "David and Lisa" at the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford May 11-14.) "He offered them hope of being able to obtain a dream whether it's in dance or theater."

Junior Meghan Dolan was one of the CAPA students who saw the production in Chicago and had the opportunity to work with Reuter on stage in the dance session.

"I really enjoyed the master class," said Dolan who began tap lessons at age three. "I learned I like this type of dancing."

Jessica Reschke, a second year CAPA student, thought the information was something she'll eventually be able to use. A dance student for 14 years.

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Reachke's goal is to one day dance on Broadway.

"I liked it because it was like an audition and gave me a feel for what I'm up against," said Reschke.

Leah Trzcinski, now in her fourth year of CAPA, echoed Mack's sentiments about Reuter's visit.

"It's really good to see CAPAtrained kids come back and give to the program."

"Fosse" continues through Sunday, March 19 at the Fisher Theater. Detroit. Tickets are \$37.50-\$65.50 for Friday-Saturday, \$35-\$62.50 Tuesday Thursday and Sunday evenings. Call (248) 645-*6666*.

Have an interesting idea for a story? Call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@oe. homecomm.net



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

All That Jazz: "Fosse" cast members Jennifer Savelli (right), Greg Reuter and Linda Bowen answered questions after a master dance class at Churchill High School.

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to returning to the festival he participated in as a University of Michigan student. Smola's senior thesis was presented during the festival at Northern Illinois University two years ago.

"I enjoy the festivals a lot," said Smola, a Garden City resident. "There's a wide range with so many different colleges participating. You get to see what kinds of pieces other colleges are doing."

Like Smola, Anne Bak had her work chosen to be performed at the festival held at Oakland University in Rochester in 1993. This year, she's back as a member of the Eisenhower Dance Ensemble to perform "Catharsis," a dance choreographed by company founder Laurie Eisenhower. The large ensemble work is set to music by Phillip Glass with Brian Enoband David Bowie. "Not only does it give you the opportunity to take classes from dancers around the region but also to have adjudication and a gala concert that shows the best," said Bak, a Lake Orion resident who's also associate manager of Eisenhower Dance Ensemble.

Paula Kramer is excited about the Detroit Dance Collective previewing Barbara Selinger's "Passing Through" at the Michigan Choreographer's Concert. The work premiers at an April 8 Music Hall concert which celebrates the company's 20th anniversary. Founded at the Midwest Dance Center in 1981. the company was in residence for 14 years at Oakland Community College in Royal Oak before moving to Detroit's theater district three years ago.

"It's fast paced with intricate patterns and set to the music of J.S. Bach," said Kramer, coartistic director of the company with Selinger, a Farmington Hills resident. "It's a full-out moving piece that shows off technical skills."

Kramer and Selinger will be teaching several of the 40 master door to Honeyman's salon in a relatively spacious converted storage room with well-preserved hardwood-floors. A screen was hung above a steam radiator that defied any attempts to be regulated.

Several armchairs were placed randomly in the room. Apparently, publicity agents and Hollywood producers weren't notified. Two years ago, Honeyman recalled, no one even showed for the screenings. This year, there wasn't enough press for a euchre game.

A tepid média response hardly deters festival organizers, most of whom are volunteers with a passion for film and an againstthe-current sensibility.

Longtime volunteer Michael Woodruff, who takes pride in the title "festival handyman," is a performance artist whose work can be seen in and around the Michigan Theater during the sixday festival. A Birmingham Seaholm graduate of 1983, Woodruff considers avant-garde film a breeding ground for ideas that eventually make their way into the mainstream.

Experimentally intriguing

Notable films in this year's Ann Arbor Film Festival include:

"Zyklon Portrait by Elida Schogt" — A chilling account of how the Nazis used Zyklon B in gas chambers. The clinical tone presents an eerie resonance of the rationalization of those who committed genocide.

The Light in Our Lizard Bellies" by Sarah Abbott - Follows a highly erotic dancer. Shot in black and white to the rhythm of breathing and chanting.

Sunday Afternoon" by Paul Charney and Marc Vogel — A comical dialogue based on the intention of language.

The Bottomless Cup" by Paul Bonner — A Kafkaesque/Twilight Zone story about a man who stops at a roadside diner for a wake-up cup of coffee and never leaves.

"Grace" by Lorelei Pepi — Looking at the electric energy fields of the body in a highly-sensual exploration of the body.

The Day Stashi Ran Out of Honey" by Sonia Bridge - An allegory of the subtle relationship between the mundane of daily life and the bombardment caused by war:

"Edgeways" by Sandra Gibson — A highly-experimental exploration of color and sound utilizing hand-painted cells.

M "Abandoned Dolls" by Karl Staven — A Toy Story with a

four-person review committee that watched each of the 380 submitted films.

This year, to broaden audience appeal, a screening room at the Michigan Theatre will feature documentaries, animated works and narrative films. In addition, four hours of film will be available for viewing at universities around the country.

All entries have been shot, edited or transferred to 16-millimeter film, which is probably most recognized as used in newsreels. The type of film is about half as wide as the 35-millimeter film used in feature movies. The choice of 16-millimeter filmais also a practical consideration since it is relatively affordable for student filmmakers, said Honeyman.

Idea is the art

classes being given each day during the festival.

"The level of dance at colleges is getting close to professional." said Kramer. "The fun of the festival is the young people joining together. When that happens there's sparks flying everywhere."

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"A lot of the hip stuff you see

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makers," he said.

seedy edge. Dolls with missing and broken parts appear forlorn amid abandoned urban setting.

> - Frank Provenzano, Staff Writer

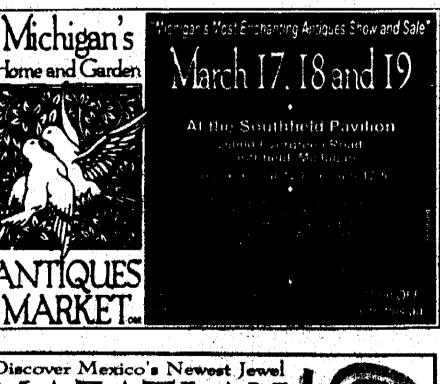
on MTV, commercials and (wide-A list of past entries in the fesdistribution) films originated intival read as a Who's Who of the work of experimental film-American Film, including Brian DePalma, Andy Warhol, Gus Van Sant and George Lucas.

> Over six nights and 24 viewing hours, 114 films will be shown, ranging in length from one minute to two hours. The films cover a range of topics and

genre and medium.

Over nearly four decades, the festival has persevered despite operating on a shoestring hudget. This year's festival is funded largely by a \$12,000 National Endowment for the Arts and \$24,000 state grants and corporate support. Last year's main corporate sponsor, Absolut, dropped out, leaving the festival to rely more heavily on support from the metro Detroit film/video production conunanity

What's strikingly absent in the festival is flashy, high-tech polished imagery. Of course, that's





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ART FAIRS & SHOWS

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PEWABIC POTTERY.

A one-day festival of ceramic, tiles from 10 a.m. 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 12 at St. George Cultural Center, 1515 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, (313) 822-0954.

AUDITIONS & CALL FOR ARTISTS

ART IN THE VILLAGE

Artists needed to exhibit their work at the 4th annual fine arts exhibit June 10-11 at Livonia's Historic Greenmead Village. Applications must be in by April 15. Applications and information may be obtained by calling-Debbie Dufour at (734) 466-2540.

ARTS AWARDS NOMINATIONS The Farmington Area Arts Commission is accepting applications for the Artist-in-Residence and "Distinguished Service to the Arts" awards for 2000, Deadline is Monday; March 21. For infor-

mation contact Ginny at (248) 682-6562. BOHEMIANS MUSIC COMPETITION

Deadline for the third annual Solo Concerto Competition for orchestral instruments is April 1: Prizes are \$500-\$1500 and Wayne State University will match each prize with a scholarship should winners decide to further their musical education at

WSU. High school and college students (between ages 16 and 22) throughout Michigan are eligible. Submit tape to Herbert Couf, President, c/o The Bohemians, 37685 Russett Drive, Farmington Hills, 48331 or email

CoufLinks@aol.com. LIBERTY FEST 2000

Call prartists for the ninth annual fine art and fine craft show on June 24 and 25 in Canton Township.

CONCERTS BRUNCH WITH BACH

The music of Mario DiFlore at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, March 12 at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS & STRINGS

The Soldier's Tale at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, Detroit (248) 362-9DCW. DETROIT CONCERT CHOIR "A Little Bit of Heaven" is 3 p.m. Sunday, March 19 at St. Mary's

in Greektown. For information call (313) 882-0118. DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Mary Black performs at 8 p.m. Thursday, March 16, Roberto -Abbado conducts the DSO March 17-19. Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5111.

FERNDALE MUSIC SERIES

Pamela Jordan Schiffer presents "Contemporary Song for Dummies" at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at Zion Lutheran Church, 143 Albany, Ferndale. (248) 546-2503.

NOONTIME CONCERT SERIES 2000 Vocalist Sylvia Inwood and

pianist Deborah Hochberg perform standards and theatre songs at noon, Tuesday, March 14 at the Detroit Public Library. 3rd floor (Fine Arts Room), 5201 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 833-4042.

LAKE ORION CONCERT SERIES

Theresa Weiss and Lois Kaare will perform musical theatre classics at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at the Orion Township Public Library, 825 Joslyn Road, Lake Orion. (248) 693-3009.

MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND

Presents "Irish Spectacular" a Celtic celebration with the Madrigat Chorale of Southfield at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 19 at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. 24350 Southfield Road. Southfield, (248) 424-9022.

Sneak preview

Gallery exhibits, art shows, classical concerts

MAKING CONTACT: Please submit items for publication, at least two weeks in advance to the event, to Noteworthy, The Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009 or fax (248) 644-1314



Good act: Bethanne Still plays Sarah in "Translations," a play by Brian Friel, and produced by the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance at Oakland University's College of Arts and Sciences. The production opens on Thursday, March 16, and runs through Sunday, March 26 at OU's Varner Studio Theatre. Call (248) 370-3013 or TicketMaster at (248) 645-6666.

WEST BLOOMFIELD COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Rita's songs and puppets for ages birth to 4 years. Classes are at the Sports Club, Farmington Road, West Bloomfield, Register at (248) 539 2290.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

Opens Saturday, March 18 -"Seeds of Expression," a multimedia exhibit through April 26. Opening reception is 6-9 p.m. Saturday, March 18, 47 Williams Street, Pontiac. (248) 333-7849. ORION ART CENTER

Opens Thursday, March 16

York artist at 7 North Saginaw (2nd floor), Pontiac, (248) 454-7797.

GALLERY AT

MARYGROVE COLLEGE Through March 24 --- Riverside: The Songbooks of Craig Matis and Cal Smith/Personal Views on Racism, Closing reception is 4:30-7 p.m. Friday, March 24. Also "The Saga of J Blue" by J.H. Dozier is a ten chapter suite of prints through March 24. Fourth Floor, Marygrove College, 8425 W. McNichols at Wyoming. Detroit. (313) 927 1336.

HABATAT GALLERIES

Through March 25 - New work by Therman Statom, 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 333-

DANIELLE PELEG GALLERY

Through March 31 --- Israeli artist David Gerstein, 4301 Orchard Lake Road, Crosswinds Mall, West Bloomfield. (248) 626-5810.

PEWABIC POTTERY

Through April 15 - Posey Bacopoulos in the Stratton Gallery and "Wood Fired, Salt Fired," a group exhibition, 10125 East Jefferson, Detroit, (3(3) 822-0954

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

Through March 24 - Personal Visions, a photography show in cooperation with Livonia Camera Club. 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth. (734) 416-4ART. POSA GALLERY

Through March 31 --- Featured artist: Phillip Krier. Portrait artist Lin Baum presents the portrait in an hour demonstration at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at Summit Place Mall, Waterford, next to Hudson's. (248) 683-8779.

THE PRINT GALLERY

Through April 3 --- Latin American artists including Lenora-Carrington, Remedios Varo, Frida Kahlo, Gonzalo Cienfuego and Fernando Botero. 29173 Northwestern Hwy:, Southfield, (248) 356-5454. SOUTHFIELD CENTRE

FOR THE ARTS

Through March 31 --- Group exhibition: Images of the Mind. 24350 Southfield Road. Southfield. (248) 424-9022. SPLASH GALLERY

Through March 25 - Radiance by Kpi, Detroit area artist. 7 North Saginaw, Pontlac, (248) 334-6825.

SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY

Through April 8 - Paintings by Elizabeth Murray, 555 South Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248)

March 12. Spring Fling, 11 a.m.- 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, March 18 & 19. 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3224.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Through June 4 ---- Van Gogh: Face to Face. Through March 26 --- Robert Frank: The Americans, Through May 31 -- "Glass, Glass, Glass; From the DIA's Collection." 5200 Woodward Ave.; Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Sonny Eliot is the celebrity tour guide for "On the Air!" exhibit from 1-3 p.m. Sunday, March 19. The exhibit runs through April 30 at the museum. Woodward and Kirby, Detroit. (313) 833-1805. TROY MUSEUM

Through March 30 -- "Going West-Michigan Cavalry in Indian - ::-Wars." 60 Wattles, Troy. (248) 524-3570.

THEATER

JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE

Arthur Miller's "Broken Glass" through April 9 at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield. Opening night today at 7:30 p.m. Show dates March 15-19, March 22-26, March 29-April 2, April 5-9, Tickets \$15-25, To purchase tickets call (248) 788-2900.

GEM THEATER

"Escanaba in da Moonlight," a comedy by Jeff Daniels, extended through June 25, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesdays; 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays; 3 p.m. Saturdays; and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays, 33 Madison Ave., Detroit. \$24.50-\$34.50. (313) 963-9800

THE KING KORN TRIO

A romp back to the 1950s presented in the McAuley Theatre of the University of Detroit Mercy March 30-April 16. Tickets \$10 for regular admission, for information call (313) 993-1130.

Application deadline is April 15. (734) 453-3710.

METROPOLITAN SINGERS

The adult choir of mixed voices is looking for new singers, especially ment to sing blues, pops, hit tunes and folk tunes. Choir meets 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Birney Middle School Vocal Room, 27000 Evergreen, Southfield.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE **COMMUNITY CHOIR**

Auditions for new members by appointment. This year's reperioire includes music by Bach, Mozart; Brahms and Rachmaninoff, Call (248) 349-8175. To schedule an audition call Mark Perrine at (313) 937-0975.

CLASSES

ART CLASSES

D & M studios offers fine art classes for preschooler through adult. Classes held at three locations: 8691 N. Lilley Road; Canton; 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton; 525 Farmer, Plymouth. (734) 453-3710. DETROIT BALLET

Classes in child and adult classical ballet, tap, and jazz. Adult beginners welcomed. Classes offered at the Betty Johnston Dance Studio in Farmington Hills at Folsom and Nine

Mile. (248) 474-3174. EISENHOWER

DANCE ENSEMBLE All levels of classes for recreational and professional students, including modern, ballet, pointe, tap and jazz for children ages 3 and older. 1541 W. Hamlin Road, between Crooks and Livernois, Rochester Hills, (248) 852-5850.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER Adult art classes every Monday. Wednesday, and Friday, 9 a.m. to noon. Woodcerving classes at 9 a.m. Monday-Friday: 15110 West Ten Mile Road, Oak Park. (248) 967-4030. KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES Advanced and professional classical ballet program, 9:30 a.m. Monday

Friday; intermediate level, 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. 5526 W. Dreke, West Bloomfield. (248) 932-8699.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Registration begins March 14. for spring classes for children and adults. Tour the van Gogh exhibit at the DIA on Wednesday; May 10. Registration is taking place now at PCCA, 407 Pine Street, Rochester, (248) 651-4110.

PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

The Plymouth Community Arts Council and the Livonia Camera Club presents a workshop on Glamour Techniques 7:30-9 p.m. March 15 and March 22. Held at Grant Elementary School, 9300 Hubbard, Livonia. (734) 416-4ART.

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PATRICKTIDE CONCERT

An afternoon of Irish poetry and song featuring Mary Callaghan Lynch, Caitlin Lynch and Patrick Lynch is at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at St. Regis Church located on Lahser Road

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between 14 and 15 Mile in Bloomfield Hills. (248) 647-4619. PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY

Scenes & Landscapes" is

Mary 8 p.m. Callaghan Saturday. Lynch March 18 at Our Lady of

Good Counsel Church, Plymouth. (734) 451-2112. UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY

Ali Akbar Khan, sarod accompanied by Zakir Hussain, tabla at 8 p.m. Friday, March 17 at Hill Auditorium, 825 North University, Ann Arbor, American String Quartet performs Beethoven at 4 p.m. Subuay, March 19 at Rackham Auditorium, 915 East Washington, Thomas Quasthoff. baritone with Justus Zeven on plane at 8 p.m. Monday, March 20 at Lydia Mendelssonn Theatre, 911 North University, Ann Arbor, J.S. Bach birthday celebration with the Michigan Chamber Players, 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 22 at Rack tom Auditorium, 1-800-221-1229

FOR KIDS

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER

Enjoy the West African Cultural Workshop, an event for the whole. family, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 18, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham, (248) 644-0866.

BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY HOUSE

Songs and puppets with Rita Kirsch. For ages birth to 4 years with a par ent. 380 S. Bates, Birmingham (248) 644 5832

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

- Kids can explore the history of traditional African musical instruments at the "Wiggle Giggle
- Dance Studio," 1-3 p.m. Saturday, March 18 at Woodward and Kirby, Detroit. (313) 833-

1262. KINDERMUSIK

Enroll anvtime for classes for newborns to children age 7

Annual photography exhibition through April 7. Opening reception 7:10 p.m. Thursday, March 16 at 115 S. Anderson, Lake

Orion. (248) 693-4986. REVOLUTION

Opens Saturday, March 18 -Scott Richter and Jim Chatelain: The Notebook Drawings through April 22, Artists' reception 5-7 p.m. Saturday, March 18, 23257 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 541-3444.



ASSARIAN CANCER CENTER

Through March 21 — Handmade guilts by cancer survivors and their families in the Nancy A. Fox Art Gallery, Center for the Healing Arts, Providence Cancer Institute, 47601 Grand River. Novi. (248) 374-5478. BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER

Through April 1 --- Michigan Fine Arts Competition, [5]6 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham, (248) 644-0866.

CARY GALLERY

Through April 1 --- Oil and water-color paintings by Sonia Molnar and Fran Wolok, 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester. (248) 651 3656.

CENTER GALLERIES

Through March 18 --- Sherry. Hendrick & Hugh Timbri: Fire + Water, 301 Frederick Douglass, Detroit, (313) 664-7800

COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY Through April 7 ---- MFA Thesis Exhibition featuring John Harkins. Harlan Lovestone, Loretta Markell, Frank Rouleau and Marsha Wright, 150 Community Arts Building, Wayne State University: Detroit. (313) 577 2423

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

Through March 31 -- "Visions of Peace and Evolution in the New Millennium," augulti media exhibit by 20 artists, 47 Williams St. Pontiac: (248) 333-7849 CREATIVE RESOURCE GALLERY Through March 27 Actwork of

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2060. DAVID KLEIN GALLERY

Through April 30 -- "New Photography II" photographs of 14 artists from around the world, 63 Townsend, Birmingham. (248)433-3700.

LAWRENCE ST. GALLERY

Through March 251-4th annual. exposures 2000 photography show of emerging regional professionals, students and amateur photographic artists at 6 N. Saginaw, (248) 334-1676.

LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION

Through March 30 - The Visual Arts Association of Livonia. Through March 30 - Michigan Doll Makers Guild at Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, Livonia. (734) 466 2490: Through March 30 ---Exhibition by the Palette Guild of Livonia in the Livonia City Hall Lobby: Quilts by Susan McClenaghan of Livonia: 33000 Civić Center Drive, Livonia. (734) 466-2540.

MANISCALCO GALLERY

Through March 25 - "Fantasia. groups works. St. Patrick's Day Salon with poetry, music and monologues is 3-6 p.m. Sunday. March 19, 17329 Mack Ave., Detroit. (313) 886-2993.

MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY Through April 6 --- "Personal Eavorites: Fine Prints From The Collection of Carl F. Barnes Jr. and Anna M. Barnes" at Oakland University, 307 Wrison Hali. Rochester, (248) 370-3005. MILLERS ARTISTS

SUPPLIES GALLERY Through March 25 --- Nevele Clouten's exhibit of sketches and watercolors, 279 W. Nine Mile, Ferndale (248) 414-7070

OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERIA

Through April 6 - "People, Plants and Culture," an exhibit of the arts. and drafts presented by the Arts League of Michigan 1200 North-Telegraph Road: Pontiac 112481 858 0415

ORCHARD LAKE SCHOOLS GALERIA

Through March 31 --- Graphics and ceramics by Appa Sikora and Lukasz Köstecki Orchard Lake Schools Galeria, Commerce and Orchard Lake Roads, Orchard Lake (248) 683-0.345 PAINT CREEK CENTER

FOR THE ARTS

Through April 1 -- Solo exhibition by Nancy Thayer and "Photography " an exhibition. showing the diversity of photog raphy as an artimedium, 407 Pine Street, Rochester (248)

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Through April 8 — Ceramic sculpture by Beth Katleman and "Past Form-Present Tense," found object jewelry by Boris Bally, Robert Ebendorf and Ramonal Solberg, 202 E. Third, Royal Oak, (248) 544-3388.

UZELAC GALLERY

Through April 1 - Off The Wall featuring six area artists exploring the third dimension in art. 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac, (248) 332-5257.

WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY Through April 1 --- First anniversary exhibition of small works. 215 East Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 761-2287.

WATERFORD CULTURAL COUNCIL Through March 31 - artwork of more than 50 elementary stu-- dents will be on display at Waterford Wendy's, 370-Elizabeth Lake Road. (248) 623-7907,

LECTURES ARCHITECTURE

Jon Kletzien lectures at 7.30 p.m. Thursday, March 16 at the auditorium at Lawrence Tech University, 21000 West Ten Mile, Southfield, (248) 204-2880.

BROWN BAG LECTURE Irish folk performance by Charbe Taylor at noon, Thursday, March 16 in the Information Technology, Auditorium, County Campus in Waterford (248) 858-0415.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER Writer's corner featuring Wayne: State University Professor Norma-Goldman is 10 a.m. Friday, March 17. Suzarine Seward from the speaker's bureau of the DIA will discuss "Women in Art" at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 23 6600 West Maple, West Bioomfield (248) 661-1000.

MICHAEL MEDVED

The film critic and author will speak about his new book Saving Childhood: Protecting Our Children from the National Assault on Innocence® at 7:30 .p.m. Tuesday, March 14 at Temple Israel, 5725 Walnut Lake West Bloomfield, (248) 661 5700

MUSEUMS

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

Through March 26 --- Joseph Grigely Publications and Publication Projects 1994 1999, Through April 2 Painting Zero Degree, group show by contemporary actists 1221 N Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, (800) GO-CRANBROOK

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY

The production of "Translations," a play about the clash between. the Irish of 1833 and their English landlords by Brian Friel opens Thursday, March 16 and runs through Sunday, March 26 in the Varner Studio Theatre on Oakland University's campus. (248) 370-3013.

STAGE DOOR PLAYERS

"A Night at the Theatre: Five Short Plays." 6:30 p.m. Sunday, March 12 at Birmingham Groves Little Theatre, 13.Mile and Evergreen VILLAGE PLAYERS

"Sherlock Holmes" March 17-

April 1 at 752 Chestnut, Birmingham, Tickets \$14, (248) 644-2075.

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Local bands get a shot at major Michigan entertainment venues

Local musicians, it's time to shine.

Palace Sports & Entertainment, Inc. is gearing up for its second annual Opening Act Contest, which gives local, unsigned and local-label bands a shot at warming up some of the hot summer shows scheduled for Pine Knob Music Theatre in Independence Township and Meadow Brook Music Festival in. Rochester Hills. According to a press statement from Tom Wilson, president of PS&E: "Most local musicians rarely get the opportunity to perform in front of a crowd the size of one found at Meadow Brook or Pine Knob."

Last year, more than 300 artists entered the contest. Winners included Sister Seed, The Atomic Numbers, Jimi Rutherford and Keri Noble. To be eligi-

BOOK HAPPENINGS

Book Happenings features events at suburban bookstores, libraries and literary gatherings. Send news leads to Keely Wygonik, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (734) 591-7279 or e-moil to kwygonik@ oe. homecomm.net.

PSYCHIC TALK

Olympia Entertainment presents "An Evening with Sylvia," part of Sylvia Browne's book tour and psychic lecture series. Included will be a discussion of the author's third book, "Life on the Other Side." Tickets are on sale now for the event; set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 26, at Cobo Arena. Tickets are \$25 and \$40. For more information, call the Olympia Entertainment event hot line at (313) 983-6611 or Joe Louis Arena, (313) 983-6606. For tickets, call (248) 645-6666.

ble for this year's competition, musicians must enter before Friday, March 31.

The requirements

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Artists must perform original material

Artists must be unsigned or signed only to a local label

Artists cannot be related to any PS&E employee or have previously performed at any PS&E venue

What to send in

Audio/video tapes or CDs must contain at least 10 minutes of original material

All music and lyrics must reflect a live performance

All submissions must include a biography and photo, contact name, address and daytime phone number. Materials

by Harold Frederick, The program. which features guest scholars from Madonna University and focuses on the changing concept of community; takes place 7 p.m. . Tuesday, March 14, at the library, 30100 Seven Mile Road west of Middlebelt, Call (248) 478 0700. AUTHOR TO SPEAK

Michigan outdoor author Tim Smith will make a special appearance in March at the Northville Barnes & Noble store. Smith, author of the Buck Wilder outdoor guides for children and a popular speaker for adult groups, will appear at the store 7 p.m. March 22. The event will consist of a Buck Wilder storytime. The store is located off Six Mile and

Haggerty. SPEAKER AVAILABLE

Mary J. Stevens, autobiographer of "It's All in Your Head," a book relating her experiences as an identical twin, nun, teacher, wife

will not be returned.

All submissions must be postmarked no later than March 31. Send it to: Opening Act Contest, The Palace, Two Championship Drive, Auburn Hills, MI 48326. Do not call.

E Finalists will be announced May 1.

The competition between eight finalists will be held Wednesday, May 24 at Meadow Brook Music Festival. Each finalist will perform a 10-minute live set. A panel of judges from the local entertainment scene will then choose three winners to open for various artists throughout the 2000 concert season. Those national artists are yet to be determined.

Enter today, and good luck.

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

The Flint African American Quilters' Guild will put on display a selection of legacy-inspired quilting styles and patters at the Southfield Public Library. The quilts can be viewed any time the library is open, from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday: 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; and 1-5 p.m. Sunday Call (248) 948-0470 or visit the Web site at 222.sfidlib.org.

CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP

Iris Underfood returns to Borders Farmington Hills 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 23, to conduct one of her patented creative writing workshops. There is no charge.

PARENT AWARENESS

Jaque Martin Downs, director of the Family Resource Center of Wayne-Westland, will speak about how to help children make the right decisions when faced with uncomfortable situations. The discussion, "Children and Peer Pressure," will take place at the Northville Barnes & Noble, Six Mile and Haggerty, 7 p.m. March 16.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

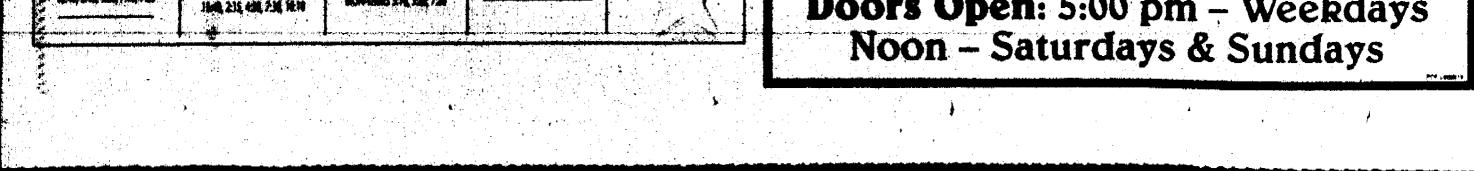
Reimagining Community - This winter book discussion series at the Carl Sandburg branch of the Livonia library will next examine "The Damnation of Theron Ware" and mother, as well as her "death" and recovery experience. To schedule speaking engagements or to purchase her book, email Stevens at stevmj@aol.com

YOU COULD WIN FREE TICKETS!

You could be a lucky winner of four tickets to the Indoor Super Fair at the Pontiac Silverdome. Each ticket is good for one complimentary unhimited inde pass. Here's how to enter: send a postcard with your name, phone # and address to: Super Fair c o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, (one entry, please), Winners will be notified by mail.



Doors Open: 5:00 pm – Weekdays



Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send Wayne County arts news leads to Art Beat, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft. Livonia MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

PREE CONCERT

Brazilian guitarist Fabio Zanon will perform Scarlatti sonatas and music by Sor, Brouwer and Miranda noon Wednesday, March 22 during a concert in the Forum Recital Hall at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Schoolcraft, between Six and Seven Mile Roads, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 462-4403.

Zanon made his orchestral debut with the London Philharmonic in 1998. In 1999, he recorded the soundtrack of the French film "Les Enfants du Siecle" and premiered new works in the Czech Republic and Lon-

don. His CD of Villa-Lobos' guitar works was hailed as a reference recording and his debut recital CD was chosen as the best CD of 1998 by Gramophone Magazine.

OPEN AUDITIONS

The Theatre Guild of Livonia Redford is holding open auditions for singers, dancers and specialty acts 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 25 at the theater, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford.

Performers should have at least 2-3 minutes of prepared material. All types of performers are encouraged to audition for this fund-raising event. Performance dates are May 5-6. Call (313) 531-0554.

GLASS BEADMAKERS WANTED

The Michigan Glass Beadmaker's Guild will hold an organizational meeting noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, March 26 in Room 251

of the Science Building at the 19. University of Michigan-Dearborn. Evergreen Road, between Ford Road and Michigan Avenue.

The program includes a beadmaking demonstration by Plymouth glass artist Don Schneider in addition to the organizational meeting.

If you can't attend and would like to be notified of future meetings/events, call Anne Sheppard at (734) 261-2150 or Don Miller at (313) 593-5262 or e-mail him at drmiller@umich.edu.

HONORS RECITAL DEADLINE APPROACHES

Students of voice, piano and all band and orchestral instruments are encouraged to audition for the 2000 Honors Recitals sponsored by the Schoolcraft College music department. Deadline for application is Sunday, March

-The competition culminates in performances on April 9 for cash prizes. The recitals are designed to encourage excellence in performance and teaching in the Detroit-Ann Arbor area. Students in elementary through high school are eligible for the piano competition, students in grades 5-12 for the instrumental division, and students grades 9-12 for the vocal category:

Auditions for the piano recital are Friday, March 31. Piano. instrumental and vocal auditions continue through Saturday, April 1. All auditions and honors performances will take place in the college's Forum Recital Hall. For information and an appli-

PHOTO SEMINAR Canton photographer Ted Nelson is one of the presenters at

cation, call (734) 462-4403.

the 37th annual Photo Seminar Friday-Sunday, March 24-26 at Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen at Ford Road, Dearborn.

Advance registration is suggested and will be accepted through Monday, March 20, For more information, call (248) 474-6509 or (810) 775-3165.

Nelson will talk about the "Nature of Kensington." Nearly 3 million people visit Kensington Metropark every year but only a few see what Nelson has captured on film - sandhill cranes poking through dewy fields at daybreak and the rising sun filtered through the wings of a damselfly. Nelson will also share his experiences of self-publishing his recent book "The Nature of Kensington."

ART PROGRAM

The Ann Arbor Women

Painters presents its third "Can We Talk?" program 7 p.m. Monday, March 20 at the Ann Arbor Public Library on Fifth Avenue at William, Ann Arbor: A panel of artists from the Ann Arbor Women Artists will talk about art related issues ranging from. how-to-do-it to current art -issues.

The public is welcome. Call-(734) 998-1123 for information.

WHITERS WANTED

Writers of all ages are invited to join the Plymouth Writer's Club which meets 7:30-8:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main

Aspiring writers of all experience levels are welcome to share their work. For more information, call Brian Anderson at (734) 416-0418.

Campaign aims to 'de-snob' culture, build regional cooperation

BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER FPROVENZANO@OE.HOMECOMM.NET

After years of political squabbling about the futility of regional cooperation and the cantankerous "Detroit versus suburbs" hogwash, the southeastern Michigan cultural scene is about to undergo a long-overdo makeover.

Stand up and take notice.

Here's the first glimpse at the changing metro-area cultural scene of the 21st century.

Talk of culture will have to be expanded beyond the tired political rhetoric and typical jabbering about auto industry trends and box scores.

Success also means the push for regional funding for the arts will be given a huge boost. Currently, the discussion to assess a half-mill tax on property owners. in Wayne and Oakland counties has been at a logjam

"Enrich Your Life"

OPINION

The bold initiative, optimistically entitled "Enrich Your Life," is a comprehensive multimedia campaign that will begin airing within the next week or two on TV and radio and run in newspaper and magazine ads.

region.

The campaign is expected to run at least a year.

Developed pro-bono by Doner Co. of Southfield, "Enrich Your Life" has a contemporary, edgy tone.

Heavy on humor and filled with irreverence, the campaign goes a long way to deflate highfalutin' notions of what is "art."

And, more importantly, the campaign makes an appeal that the arts (and cultural experiences) are for everyone, not just for the wealthy or "informed."

Hopefully, the ad campaign won't drip with the sappiness of the "It's a Good Time In Detroit" mantra intended to reinvigorate the perception of Motown as a happy place. Rather, the focus of "Enrich Your Life" should be on making a compelling case for the

strength of the region's culture, from exhibits at Cranbrook and the Detroit Institute of Arts to Detroit Symphony concerts to plays at Meadow Brook and lavish productions at the Detroit Opera House.

After years of self-doubt and poor self-esteem about the area's cultural offerings, it'd be unfortunate if the campaign message sounded desperate or too flippant.

Too much is at stake.

Follow the cue

For a moment, consider that the campaign will have the typical Doner magic.

What's needed for actual change in public attitudes?

First, the regional media must air and print the ads as public service announcements. That means local media must be committed to supporting the initiative

Of course, that means they give as much attention to the public service commitment as they give to titillating special reports during ratings month. Second, business and governmental leaders must follow the cue, and step up to the plate. Now is the time to raise the

level of debate about culture.

It's not enough to enjoy the humor of the ads. Nor will any worthwhile change occur if the catchy slogan does nothing to convince people of the deeper.

Raise level of debate

message.

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Frankly, promoting the arts and culture isn't simply hyping exhibits and concerts. Promoting the value of culture is a means to stand up for a higher quality of life and a more humane society.

Ironically, with the proliferation of the suburbs over the last five decades, the notion of a shared regional culture has diminished.

An ad campaign can't change reality. But it can get everyone talking.

. And talk in southeastern Michigan hasn't always come

easily.

Frank Provenzano is an arts reporter for the Eccentric News-

papers. He can be reached at (248) 901-2557.

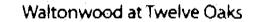


On Tuesday, 14 of the area's most recognized and attended cultural institutions will unveil a new, provocative advertising campaign aimed at transforming public perception about the array of cultural offerings of the

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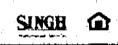
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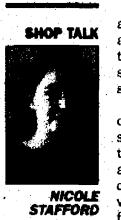


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How do you define shopping?



I've been waiting for a reason to write about my participation in a Gallup Poll survey on Internet shopping.

Since this section is called "Malls & Mainstreets," it's difficult to justify writing about shopping in cyberspace. (By the way, I'd like to hear from readers who have feelings one way

or the other about seeing Internet shopping information here. Send me an e-mail, drop me a note or give me a phone call.)

Anyway, there was a deluge of shoppers in downtown Birmingham earlier this week, apparently brought on by the unseasonably warm weather. Such an occurrence seemed to me to drive home the point shopping isn't just about buying or looking around for merchandise. Often, shopping is simply entertainment.

Anyway, a few days before Christmas. I received a telephone call from a guy at the Gallup Poll.

He asked about 10 questions. When was the last time I used the Internet? When was the last time I looked for merchandise on the Internet? Did I have Internet access at home?

He then asked whether I'd be willing to participate in a larger survey on web shopping. I said yes and listened to his instructions. He told me I would fill out the survey on the Internet. Written instructions and a pin number to access the survey would arrive in a

Sweet times Teens and retailers prepare for prom season



That all-important night in a young girl's life prom - is approaching quickly.

Malls & Mainstreets

Stafford, Editor 248 901 2567 astafford-on-homecommunet on the web http://observer.eccentric.com

And both retailers and teenage girls are in the throws of preparing for the event

Several prom fashion shows are slated at area





Good fit: Rochester Adams High School juniors Keely Gramling and Katie Potter try on prom dresses at Hudson's at Summit Place Mall in Waterford. Both young ladies are participating in Prom Gala 2000, a program sponsored by Mothers Against Drunk Driving and Healthy People, Healthy Oakland. Through the program area teens pledge to stay substance-free through prom season and appear in a prom fashion show and dance performance at an area mall.



few days, he said.

Since I regularly rely on the Internet for information about retailers and new merchandise for my job, I decided I was an excellent candidate for the survey. I probably knew things about retail cyberapace most people didn't.

Shortly after beginning the survey, I realized my knowledge about what retail offer on the Internet was unimportant to the Gallup Poll.

The survey was divided into retail categories, such as books, airline tickets, clothing, house wares and so forth. Each section began with the question: "Which of the following descriptions best fits your behavior when you shop on-line for ...?

"I'm usually just browsing, not really in the market to buy at that time."

"I'm usually getting information so that I can make my purchase elsewhere.

"I'm shopping and may or may not make my purchase on-line."

"I'm usually intending to make my purchase on-line."

Following was a list of web sites and a series of boxes that were to be checked based on whether I had shopped or purchased there within the last two weeks or last two months.

In other words, the survey taps into how different people define shopping.

Is it merely browsing or a process of gathering information, comparing products and price tags? Or is it a more complex decision-making process? Is it pulling out the credit card and buying something? Perhaps it is a combination of these actions?

Of course everybody defines shopping differently, and I'm fairly certain most of us don't really think about these distinctions. I mean who has time for a semantics debute concerning something as trivial as shopping?

But obviously, there are people probably the executives who head up apparel companies and publishing houses and so forth - who care tremendensly about these distinctions.

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stores and malls, including Prom Gala 2000, a runway presentation of prom attire and a dance performance featuring both guys and girls from local high schools who have committed to stay substance-free through prom season.

The program is being sponsored by Mothers Against Drunk Driving and Healthy People, Healthy Oakland and culminates in a fashion and dance presentation at 1 p.m. today (Sunday, March 12) on the stage at Oakland Mall in Troy.

For those who can't make the show, Jacobson's will highlight trends in prom attire at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 18 in the Ms. J department at their stores in downtown Birmingham, Rochester Hills and Laurel Park Place in Livonia.

The season's prom attire promises a substantial dose of color, especially different shades of pink. Bare shoulders, midriffs and backs that are discreet enough to keep parents happy also are in abundance, said Beverly Rice, Jacobson's senior vice president, fashion and merchandising. Separates, such as full skirts with cotton camisoles, and use of tulle are other promising trends, she said. "They're dressing up, you know," said Rice. "They're not slouching around.... It's a big occasion for most young people, and they want to dress up."

Sweet styles: Bare midriffs, shoulders and backs, feminine details and separates sweep prom looks, \$132-156 all at Jacobson's.

Pop singer Brandy visits Hudson's at Northland

Brandy style: Pop singer and television star Brandy is slated to visit the Northland Center

Jeans, teenagers and a role model. Gather them talking about DKNY's junior collection. together at the mall, and you have a winning event.

That's why DKNY, which is launching a collection of junior jeans, is following in the footsteps of other apparel companies who have targeted the youth market, and bringing pop singer and television star Brandy Norwood to the area.

Brandy, a Grammy Award-winning, pop R&B star with Atlantic Records, has been chosen to appear in the company's advertisements for the clothing collection and participate in their marketing campaigns. which means retail appearances across the country.

She'll visit metropolitan Detroit shoppers and teens at noon Saturday, March 18 at the DKNY Junior Jeans shop at Hudson's Northland Center store in Southfield.

Brandy is slated to spend about an hour signing autographs, shaking hands, conversing with fans and

The denim line is a new junior girls division for DKNY that targets teenagers, age 14 to 18, and seeks to appeal to the groups' urban and independent sensibilities.

The jeans, original styles designed specifically for a teenager's body and lifestyle, are available in different colors with a variety of embellishments. The label, which is accented with neon pink, says "DKNY//Jeans."

Coordinates for the collection are a mix of sexy and sweet: tie-dye halters, hook 'n eye ribbed tanks, plant tops, nylon surfer shorts, lace-edged white Capit pants and other trendy pieces.

For additional information about Brandy's appeart ance, call Hudson's at Northland Center, (248) 443-6000.

Rotail, style and special store events are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malls & Mainstruets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 Bast Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Pax: (248) 544-1314. Information must be received by 5 p.m. Monday for publication the following Sunday. W. MARCH 12

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ADDED ATTRACTIONS

ham, presents a trunk show of spring suiting and separates by Renfrew through March 19, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. on Thursday, 10 a.m. 6 p.m. on Friday and Sat urdey and noon-5 p.m. on Sunday. For details, call (248) 723-2880.

MEATS TRANK SHOW

Jacobson's in Rochester Hills hosts two trunk shows for men, the Hart Marx Collection, Men's Department, and the Johnston & Murphy Collection, Men's Shoes, 4-8 p.m. For details, call (248) 651-6000. FRIDAY, MARCH 17

GANOL PRIMITZ THURSE SHOW

Ros & Sherm, 6536 Telegraph Road in Bloomfield Township, presents a trunk show of spring and summor evening gowns by Carol Peretz with an appear-

View the spring collection of evening gowns by Tadashi at Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Galleria, third floor. For additional information, call (248) 643-3300.

DERBY EVENT

Wonderland Mall in Livonia hosts the Livonia Family YMCA's Indian Guides Pinewood Derby, 8 a.m. 4 p.m., Food Court. For details, call (734) 522-4100.

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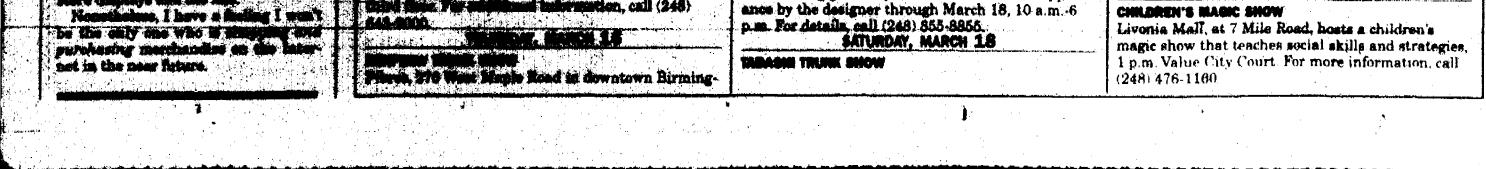
Shirt designer Craig Taylor visits Jacobson's in downtown Birmingham, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Women's Sportswear. For additional information, call (248) 644-6900.

JEWELRY TRUNK SHOW

Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, hosts a trunk show of the most recent jewelry collection by Robin Rotenier, 10 a.m. 4 p.m., Designer Jewelry, first floor. For more information, call (248) 643-3300

SUNDAY, MARCH 19

Hudson's store in Southfield on March 18 to promote DKNY's new junior jeans line.



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This interactive feature is dedicated to helping readers locate merchandise that's difficult to find through reader feedback. If vou ve seen or are looking for an item, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number. We publish readers' requests for merchandise twice. If you don't hear from us or see information about the item within a few weeks, we were unable to locate it. When we find an item owned by another reader, rather than for sale at a store. we will call you. But, please, be patient; we handle an overwhelming number of requests each week.

WHAT WE FOUND:

- Corn Huskers hand lotion can be bought at most Rite Aid. CVS, F&M, and Meijer stores. - The Beauty Boutique catalog carries some Adrienne Arpel cosmetics, (800) 497-.7463.

- The game Michigan Rummy, also known as Tripoli, can be bought at Toys R Us stores and at some Target and Kmart stores.

The perfume KL by Lagerfeld can be purchased at the Fragrant outlet at Birch Run. (517) 624-0134.

FIND & SEARCH NOTES:

- We did not find a company that will repair a Seeberg jukebox, so we are still looking for one

- We are no longer looking for an iron mangle: we had several readers with one available.

We have had many requests for Hudson's millennium Santa bears, but those readers with the bears no longer have any available.

– Jungle Gardenia perfume by Tuyache is no longer manufactured.

- Sutherland's restaurant served habbut not cod.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

tem generator for Walter.

- A Farberware or Revere stove-top percolator that is not electric.

- A store that sells Carter's all-cotton Spanky pants with a band leg.

- The 1930-40 Time/Life book series for Evelyn of Livania.

- A store where single serving salad dressing packets can be bought for Elaine, a resident of Garden City.

A store where Angel Soft & Gentle floral/colored toilet tissue is available for Kathy of Redford.

- A Samsonite metal card table chair in yellow and gray for children for Mary.

- A videotape copy of a television program aired on WDIV-Channel 4 on Thursday, Jan. 24, 2000 about events and influential people of the century.

Barney software by Microsoft called "Barney Under the Sea," "Barney Goes to the Circus," and "Fun on the Farm," for Colleen.

- A store that has a whistling tea kettle that shuts off when it reaches boiling point for Barbara of Trov

- A Detroit Brady Elementary School book containing poems and photos (1944-45) for Florence, who lives in Southfield.

- The game Scotland Yard for Debbie.

British Sterling men's stick deodorant for Shirley of Livonia. - A store that sells FINESSE hair brushes for

Judy New or used "Moon Glow" curtains, sheets, drapes and scarves made by Drapery Boutique for Debbie, a resident of Canton.

who lives in Livonia.

- A June, 1950 Grosse School Pointe High yearbook

- AGZALELAND lavenderwater after-shave for men for Mike of Plymouth.

- The front page or a section from the June 18, 1998 edition of The Detroit News & Free Press for Carol, a resident of Troy.

- An antique library-style dictionary stand for Joanne, a Bloomfield Township resident.

- The book "Alphie, the Christmas Tree," by John Denver for Cyndie.

- A store where a heating coil for use in a cigarette lighter that warms coffee can be bought for Regina, a Commerce Township resident.

- A 1939 Commerce High School yearbook for Grace, a resident of Livonia.

- A store where "Wibbles that Wobble" are sold for Marge of Canton

- A 6 or 8-ounce Vernor's ginger ale glass used for ice cream floats for John.

- A store where bed sheets for a 3/4 antique bed can be bought for Janet, who resides in Clarkston.

- A Foley pastry cloth.

- Solo soprano music for "Dancing Doll" by E. Poldini for Gail of Dearborn.

- A 1934 Ferndale Lincoln High School yearbook for Catherine, a resident of Novi.

- A video tape of the movie "Bus Top" for Heidi of Bloomfield Hills

A store that carries products from the Super Guard II Ideal Security Hardware Corporation, based in St. Paul. Minn. for Christine of Ortonyalle: A store where homemade, tightly-wrapped pizza rolls with a generous amount of cheese and pepperoni are sold for Kim of Livonia.

a la carte

Just friends: Friendship rings can symbolize the innocence of new romance, a special closeness between two friends or a promise made between two lovers. Whatever their purpose, they've recently gained in popularity, so Cartier has created an indulgent one complete with a 0.21 carat diamond and 18 karat white gold, \$1,750-2,575 at Cartier.



Simply luxurious: Neiman Marcus has launched an updated private label collection of goodies for the bath, including body lotion, shower gel and bath, guest and hand soaps. Look for new fragrances like tuberose, verbena, lavender and frangipani, \$15-32 at Neiman Marcus.

Tropical punch: The beautiful, vibrant colors of fruit are informing cosmetics collection this spring, as well as fashion. Stila's lineup includes extremely sheer eye color in shades of guava, kiwi and mango. Look for hues of melon, nectarine and raspberry in Stila's Lip Color lipsticks, Nail Shimmer nail polish and other products, \$12-17 at department stores.

Oakland Mall offers certificates on-line

Internet

But what about a gift certificate for a friend or family member who'd rather shop than unwrap a package?

Actually, several local shopping venues offer online gift certificate programs, including Oakland stion date, also bear a personalized message from Mall - the latest to extend the service to cus-

Sure, merchandise can be purchased on the with a credit card for between \$5 and \$50 in increments of \$5) by visiting the center's web site at www.oaklandmall.com.

The shopping mall is located at 1-75 and 14 Mile Road in Trov.

The certificates, which have a one-year expirathe purchaser. Mailing and handling costs are paid

- A company or person to appraise a small ceramic Chinese dog for Margaret of Canton

- A store that will repair a glass dish holding a prism for a lamp, for Julia, who lives in Westland.

-'A 1998 "Muffy Bear" Sugar Plum Fairy for Diane. - A used 32-volt Delco sys-

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Golden

This

 A gasket for a 4-quart Mirromatic pressure cooker for Agatha of Livonia. Two Millennium Barbie

dolls for Nancy, a Livonia restdent.

- Waterford's 1999 "Twelve Days of Christmas" ornament series for Helen of Livonia. - Coty's 24-hour cream lip-

stick in "Redstone" for Loss.

- A store where standard mattress sheets without elastic around the entire sheet are sold for Marie, who lives in Canton.

A store where a batteryoperated flour sifter can be bought for Sandra, who lives in Sterling Heights.

Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

tomers.

The Birmingham Principal Shopping District, the Somerset Collection in Troy and The Village shopping district in Grosse Pointe also sell gift certificates on-line

Oakland Mall's certificates are redeemable at any of the center's stores and can be purchased for by the purchaser.

The service is being provided through an agreement between Oakland Mall and Isiah com.

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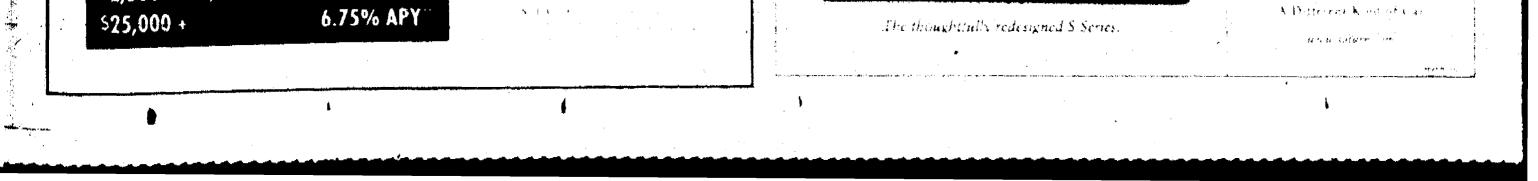
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A Different Kind of Compan



Couple's travels lead them into Michigan's past

Down the dusty washboard road and across the river brings you past a canoe livery and the remains of the old wooden bridge jutting out of the water. A few old deserted cabins, barely visible in the overgrown brush, lie behind a fenced off area on the other side of the river. Is that where the past is?

-from "Towns at the Turn" by Gene Scott

By DOUG JOHNSON STAFF WRITER

"Nothing in history stands still but it sure seems like it when you get there," explains Gene -Soott, Livonia writer and author of a new paperback book, "Towns at the Turn.

"The "there" is any of nearly three dozen towns, villages and mere crossroads in Michigan that are 100 years old.

Visiting them, researching their history and turning the information into a book was a labor of love for Scott, a retired reporter, editor, educator and public relations employee for the city of Detroit. His constant companion for travel and research is his wife. Barbara.

The writing/retirement project began in 1998. In May of 1999 the couple logged several thousand miles as they traveled around the state.

Goal

Their goal: talk to at least one person in every 100-year-old Michigan town. In one town they sat on a front purch and talked with three generations of people. As they reminisced, out of the barn came the family's patriarch



Gene Scott: The author is flanked by Painesdale residents Ruth Katalin(left) and Debra Pindral (right). Last July the little town celebrated its centennial.

- a fourth-generation individual. The family had run the same farm since 1906, according to Scott:

In another town they met a woman who offered to drive them around to point out the places of historical interest.

The project included trips to the Michigan Room of the Library of Michigan and to the famous Burton Collection at the Detroit Main Library, where there are massive genealogical records. The local Livonia library. helped, too.

Scott also talked to county and township people, postmasters, and local historical society members.

"Towns" takes the reader to 32 out-of-the-way places, many of them in the far reaches of the

Upper Peninsula.

"I got interested in this some time ago when I was working on my masters degree. I researched how eight Michigan towns worked." Also, Scott said, since he is involved in the Detroit 300 anniversary project and as a resident is aware of Livonia's 50 birthday as a city this month, he wondered about towns fin between."

Scott is quick to point out this book is not academic; it is, rather, a layman's effort to have some fun, some "nostalgic enjoyment."

Most of the surviving towns from the turn of the century were once logging towns or copper mining villages. Some were farming or even resort communities.

Criteria

The book provides vignettes of 32 locations. Also included are lists of ghost towns, and towns long gone from Michigan maps. To be in this book, Scott set several criteria:

The place still had to be on the map.

The county engineers decide what stays on a map and what goes. These towns had staved

There were road signs to the location. Some places are small indeed.

One town, Northport Point on the Leelenau Peninsula, only has seven families.

The Scotts' favorite Lower Peninsula town is Bentheim, where they spent time talking with Maurice and Henrietta-Heck, descendants of Germans who came to the area south of



Prosper didn't prosper: The Prosper Christian Reformed Church near Lake City apparently gave the tiny village its name.

Holland to farm. The couple delighted the Scotts when they rolled a 83-year-old Chevy softtop out of the barn and started it up. "We spent an hour and a half talking to the couple. They took us through one barn that had been built in the 1880s," Scott said.

Their favorite Upper Peninsula town is Ralph. Yes, the city limits sign says "Welcome to Ralph."

"Ralph is about 15 miles from Iron Mountain, Scott said, "Out on an old Federal highway." Hardest to find was Leota on.

dirt roads in Clare County northwest of Harrison. "It was all unpaved roads in and out," Scott said.

The book is illustrated with many vintage maps of the areas. and 63 photographs.



Painesdale:

One of the bigger "Towns at the Turn" is near Houghton and features this copper mining shafthouse.



Still running: The author's wife, Barbara Scott (in car), talks with farm wife Henrietta Heck. The Chevy is 83 years old and still runs.



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An audio-visual presentation (slides and sound) is available for community and service groups, presented free by Scott. The show takes about 30 minutes followed by time for questions.

"People are interested in the

method of research." Scott said. "More than the material itself. There is a lot of interest in: genealogy."

The book is available from Scott at 8861 Utah, Livonia MI 48150 Send \$10, which covers all costs. Phone (734) 523-7844.



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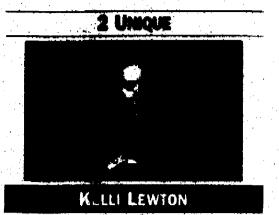
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Use Internet as essential cooking tool

he Internet is fast becoming a chef's best friend. With the click of a mouse I can find recipes, nutritional information, compare vendor food prices, look at equipment, and place food orders.

The Internet has also proven to be an essential teaching tool.

Students with Internet access can jump on their favorite search engine to do research instead of driving to a library. Anyone with an appetite for information about food can satisfy their hunger for knowledge on the Internet. How about an afternoon chat regarding dinner menus with someone in California, Florida or even Europe? The latest and greatest fads. recipes and other food related items are a keystroke away.

Be proactive

With quick access to information we can be more proactive about protecting our food sources. You can be an avid activist without ever leaving your PC.

Parents can easily access nutritional information and be assured their family is eating balanced meals. You can also learn the latest and greatest news about all those good-for-you and bad-for-you foods. The Internet has also spawned many home food endeavors from canning to bottling micro beer. My neighbors started roasting their own coffee beans after learning how from sources they found online. How about morel mushrooms or unique, hard-to-find spices delivered to your home in a day? You can order lots of food items online. The Internet has expanded the options for people who have a passion for cooking, and are searching for hard-to-find ingredients.

Healthy eating starts with the first meal of the day

on the web: http://observer-eccentric.com

BY PEGGY MARTINELLI-EVERTS SPECIAL WRITTER

arch is National Nutrition Month! Eating healthy foods and staying physically active contribute tremendously to your quality of life. There are no secrets as to what it means to eat healthy. The best advice can still be summed up in three words: balance, variety and moderation.

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Healthy eating starts with your first meal of the day when you "break the fast." It gives your body the fuel it needs to function throughout the day. It's no surprise to me that National School Breakfast Week (March 6-10) also fell during March, the month we dedicate to nutrition awareness.

Children and adults who skip breakfast tend to overcompensate and eat more over the course of the day. It is especially important for parents to eat a good breakfast because they are role models for their children.

Children who eat breakfast are less likely to miss school, be overweight or get sick. Breakfast eaters score higher on tests and have better concentration and muscle coordination.

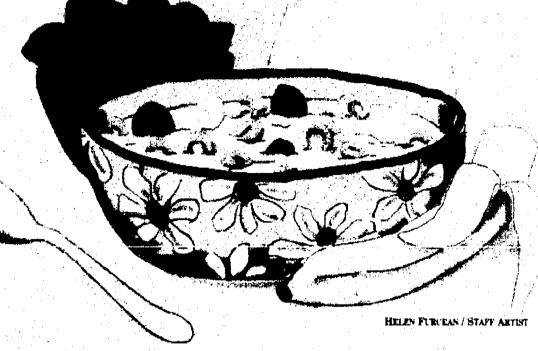
Eating breakfast as a family provides a good opportunity to spend quality time together. If you're not used to eating breakfast, you can acquire the breakfast habit in progressive stages. Start with a glass of milk, juice or a piece of fruit. Have a little something more - maybe a piece of toast or a hardboiled egg - a few hours later so that you complete your breakfast by midmorning.

Then as the days go by, add other breakfast foods to the early morning menu. You will soon have a healthy routine to start your day. Since no single food contains all of the 40 or so nutrients your body needs every day, it's important to eat a variety of foods.

Breakfast pleasers

The few minutes it takes to fix breakfast can result in several hours of greater efficiency and a better frame of mind in the morning. Chances are those extra few minutes of sleep will not benefit you as much as a good breakfast. Here are some quick and easy breakfast ideas to keep you going all morning:

Ready-to-eat cereal with fruit and milk



If your young child is over the 95th percentile for his/her age for weight on the growth chart and is having sweetened cereal for breakfast, then that cereal might be the only sweet that should be consumed that day.

Encourage kids to eat a variety of foods at breakfast. If you have time, make the "Egg Eyeballs" recipe inside today's Taste section. Arrange egg halves on a plate to make eyes. Complete the face with a half of a banana for a nose and an orange slice to make a smiling mouth. Toast quarters make good ears.

For those of us on the run, a healthy breakfast can be quick and easy with a little planning.

Try the breakfast sandwich recipe also inside today's Taste. We call it "The Count" because it is adapted from a recipe for Monte Christo sandwiches.

You can make a bunch of these in advance and freeze them. Pop one in the microwave to heat through and you've got a healthy sandwich to eat on the run.

Another quick breakfast idea is to make pancakes in advance and freeze in individual portions. Then just microwave and top with fruit.

The important thing is to eat a good breakfast to get your motor running. keep you healthy and maximize your potential all day long!

The Observer

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Sunday, March 12, 2000

Appetizing stops

Starchefs.com - Is an interesting and informative site for food professionals. novices and Starchefs.com offers information on a variety of topics including healthy cooking, tea, quick meals, Sunday dinners, and holiday baking.

I spoke with Ann Brody at Starchefs and she is confident they will be expanding to offer restaurant reservations, culinary tours and more. Guest chefs share secrets and tricks of the trade; Ann encourages all to stop by anytime, no reservations required.

Breadrecipe.com – Features a new recipe everyday. You can build your own bakery cookbook a day at a time.

Foodty.com – If you are looking for recipes from your favorite cooking show, you can always hop online to find them.

Epicuria.fr/anglais/index.htm - Here's where you'll find enchanting French recipes and some interesting ideas for wild game.

Nutribase.com – This site will help you find, calculate and convert various recipes to meet the nutritional needs of you and your family.

Gourmetspantry.com - Visit this site for help locating those hard to find food items.

Wholefoods.com - Whole Foods is a national chain with numerous stores right here in our area. They always have great, helpful, healthful hints on food and exciting recipes.

Beodstuff.com - You'll find everything from mountain teas to cheese importers here, and you can even send someone a veggie greeting card.

Foodweb.com - Just about anything you can imagine relating to food can be found here.

Alirecipes.com - This is an awesome Web site for anyone looking for a recipe. You can search for

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LOOKING AHEAD

d bagel with cheese **Fruit-filled** breakfast bar and yogurt

- **Toasted waffle topped with fruit and yogurt**
- Fruit smoothie (fruit and milk whirled in a blender)
- Peanut butter on toast
- Scrambled eggs and Canadian bacon on an English muffin
- Ricotta or cottage cheese mixed with cinnamon and served with canned peaches
- French toast with ham and canned pineapple

Breakfast and sugar

Watch any children's TV program and you'll see commercials for sweetened breakfast cereals, breakfast bars, toaster pastries and other sweet breakfast treats. We're a grab-and-go society that loves our sweets! From a young age, our children learn to prefer sweet tastes over others.

For most people, sugar in moderation is fine. Just remember that sweets are at the top of the Food Guide Pyramid and are really intended to be eaten in small quantities.

Breakfast around the world

Eating breakfast refuels your body with energy, vitamins, minerals and fiber. After eight hours of sleep and a "fast" (since last night's dinner was eaten some 12 hours before), adults need energy to help them function properly throughout the morning hours. Children need breakfast for the same reasons and to help them grow.

All over the globe, youngsters eat breakfast. Here are some examples of breakfasts around the world, which may be very different from what you eat – or maybe not:

China: Rice, dried pork, pickles and soybean juice - eaten with chopsticks. England: Grilled kidneys, tomatoes, sausages and eggs.

Italy: Fresh rolls with chocolate butter spread, hot milk with a little coffee in it, blood oranges and yogurt.

Japan: Roasted seaweed dipped in soy sauce, boiled rice, pickled radishes and salted plums.

United States: Cereal, milk, juice, toast (is this close to what you ate today?).

Peggy Martinelli-Everts, R.D., a Clarkston resident, is a registered dietitian and director of clinical operations for HDS Services, a 34-year-old Farmington Hills-based food service and hospitality management and consulting company, specializing in foodservice management for hospitals, long-term care facilities, businesses, primate clubs and private schools. HDS Services has approximately 230 management accounts throughout the United States and Japan. See recipes inside.

Here's some trivia to munch on

Since it is National Nutrition Month, here is a little nutrition trivia to munch on while you're eating your breakfast.

A food that is labeled 98 percent fat-free doesn't necessarily contain only 2 percent fat, the 98 percent fat-free claim refers to the weight of the food, not its calories.

If a food is labeled fat-free, it contains three grams of fat or less per serving. Read the Nutrition Facts label for grams of fat per serving.

It is not true that fresh fruits and vegetables contain more nutrients than canned or frozen. Whether canned, fresh or frozen, they contain about the same amount of nutrients. Canned and frozen produce is generally processed at their peak and may contain more nutrients than fresh produce.

However, canned or frozen produce may have added sugar or salt, which something to consider when purchasing these items.

People are not born with a preference for salty foods. It is learned. If you slowly cut down sodium intake, your desire for salt will decrease.

Wour stomach does not shrink when you eat less. It expands to handle large amounts of food. As the food moves through your digestive system, your stomach returns to its normal size and stays there until your next meal.

Brown bread does not necessarily have more fiber than white bread. If the bread ingredient list states it contains whole wheat or other whole grains, then it probably has fiber. The brown color is likely from caramel coloring found in the ingredient list. Check the Nutrition Facts label for the number of grams of fiber per serving.

If you're looking for calcium-rich foods, cottage cheese is not a good source. A half cup of cottage cheese supplies only 65 mg calcium. On the other hand, eight ounces of milk or yogurt contains 300 mg calcium and one ounce of cheddar cheese contains 200 mg calcium.

The myth, "Feed a cold, starve a fever ... or is it starve a cold, feed a fever?" has no health benefit. To fight infection, your body needs a supply of nutrients, plenty of fluids and extra rest. A day's eating plan with variety and balance are as important as ever.

EATING HEALTHY

MURIEL

WAGNER

Wrap cube steak around a delicious veggie

MAIN DISH good for you, but getting your family HERACLE to eat them can be a chore..

> Here's a welcome remedy - a dish that disguises the vegetables with meat and a well-seasoned sauce. The dish is simple and quick and made with cubed steak. It cooks so quickly you need to watch that it's not overcooked. A 3-ounce portion looks larger because it's wrapped around a veggie filling.

The veggies I chose for the filling are mild flavored - tomatoes, carrots and spinach, all excellent sources of

vitamin C and iron. These vegetables also contain cancer-fighting antioxidants like lutein, lycopene and beta carotene.

Serve Stuffed Cube Steaks with my Super Fried Potatoes

Muriel Wagner is a registered distition who holds a

Everyone knows vegetables are Sunday of every month. Wagner publishes "Eating Younger," a quarterly newsletter with recipes and nutrition tips. To subscribe, send a check for \$13.50 to "Eating Younger," P.O. Box 69021, Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069.

EATING YOUNGER SUPER FRIED POTATOES

- 1 (1 pound, 4 ounce) Simply Potatoes (refrigerated)
- potato wedges found in the dairy case at your
- supermarket)
- "Litablespoon olive pillor canola oil

Preheat oven to 450 degrees F. Pat potatoes dry with paper towel. Spray a shallow baking pan (jelly roll pan) with nonstick spray. Spread potatoes in a single layer on the pan. Brush potatoes with oil using a pastry brush.

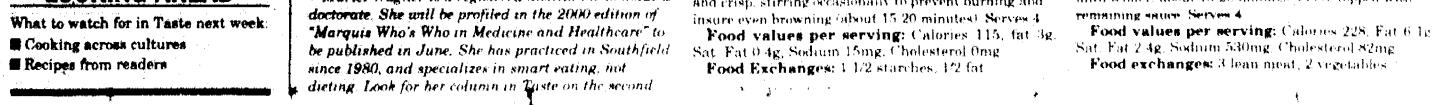
Bake at 450 degrees F until the potatoes are brown. and crisp, stirring occasionally to prevent burning and

STUFFED CUBE STEAKS

- 4 beef cube steaks (1/4 pound each)
- 1/4 cup fat-free Italian dressing
- 1 (8 1/4 ounce) can sliced carrots
- 1 (10 ounce) package frozen chopped solvach defrosted
- 1 large tomato (seeded and chopped)
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- 1 (15 ounce can) tomato sauce (garik: and herb fia) vor)

Brush steaks on both sides with Italian dressing. Mor carrots, spinach, onion, tomato and 1/2 cup of tomatosauce

Place one quarter of the vegetable mustive on each steak. Roll up, jelly roll style, secure with wooden tooth picks. Spray a nonstick skillet. Place meat rolls in skillet Pour remaining sauce over meat. Summer, covered, until tender, about 15/20 minutes. Serve topped with



Here's minestrone minus the fat of beef

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Beans are both vegetable and protein, the only food that falls into two groups on the USDA Food Guide Pyramid. They're low in fat and calories and rich in vitamins and minerals.

Minestrone Verde is a meatless soup with fresh green veggies. It is both quick and nutritious.

MINESTRONE VERDE

- 6 cups reduced-sodium vegetable broth
- 1 large onion, sliced
- 1/2 cup small or medium pasta shells
- 15-ounce can kidney beans, or 1 1/2 cups cooked, dry-packaged kidney beans, rinsed, drained
- 15-ounce can Great Northern beans, or 1/1/2 cups cooked, dry-packaged Great Northern beans, rinsed, drained

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2 cups slided zucchini

- 1 1/2 cups small broccoli florets
- 1 1/2 cups cut asparagus (1-inch pieces)
- 3 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh basil, or 2 teaspoons dried basil leaves
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh rosemary, or 1 teaspoon dried rosemary leaves
- 2 cloves garlic, minced

Salt and pepper, to taste

Shredded Parmesan cheese, as gamish

Heat vegetable broth and onion to boiling in large saucepan. Add pasta, reduce heat and simmer, covered, 5 minutes.

Add beans and vegetables to saucepan; simmer, covered, until broccoli is tender. 6 to 8 minutes. Stir in herbs and garlic; season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve in bowls; sprinkle lightly with cheese. Makes 8 servings of about 1 1/2 cups each.

Veggie burgers feature lentils and wheat germ

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

They grew up as food opposites, these British Columbians. Tanya Barnard believed meat was fuel for a strong body. Sarah Kramer didn't taste meat until she was 13.

Barnard and Kramer were sharing a house with some other people when the two women decided to take the plunge into veganism - no dairy, no eggs, no meat.

"Turning vegan was a much harder decision than becoming vegetarian because there were so many unanswered questions," Barnard says. "For example, if I didn't drink milk, where would I get my calcium? And what about iron and protein?" She also had to persuade her family to accept her decision as a healthy one.

It was an easier transition for Kramer, who grew up with a lot of vegetarian dishes, including Big Ben's Lentil Burgers. The recipe is in their cookbook. "How It All Vegan[#] (Arsenal Pulp Press, \$15.95 paper). The subtitle? "Irresistible Recipes for an Animal Free Diet." As for this entree, Kramer says, "We called them Big Ben's burgers because my younger brother Ben was a miniature human garbage disposal with a big appetite. This was his favorite meal as a kid."

Break your nightly 'fast' with these easy recipes

1 egg

turkey)

Olive oil sprav

two sandwiches.

4 slices Canadian Bacon (or sliced harn or

2 slices Kraft Free American Singles Cheese

Peel crust off of bread slices. Beat egg in a shal-

low bowl. Heat a non-stick griddle to medium and

spray with olive oil. Lay two of the slices of bread !

on a plate and place a piece of cheese and two

slices of Canadian bacon on each. Cover each sandwich with the other slices of bread. Using a fork,

crimp edges together so that the slices are sealed;

Dip the sandwiches in the egg to coat both sides.

Then place on griddle until browned. Flip and

brown the other side. Serve immediately. Makes

Note: You can freeze sandwiches and microwave

one minute on high for an individual meal on the

run. We suggest turning the sandwich pocket

every 15 seconds during cooking and making cer-

Nutritional information per serving: Calo-

Here's a kid-pleasing recipe, followed by a breakfast sandwich. See related story on Taste front.

EGG EYEBALLS

For each serving, use:

- 1 egg, hard boiled, shell removed
- 1 turkey sausage patty (we used the Turkey Store patties)

Preheat oven to 375° F. Wrap sausage patty around egg so that it completely covers the egg. Place eggs in baking dish and bake for approximately 30 minutes, until sausage is browned and cooked through.

Remove from oven. Place on paper towel to drain. Slice in half and position on plate with yoke side up as two eyeballs.

Nutritional information per serving: Calories, 162; protein, 11.5 grams, fat, 12 g, sodium, 271 mg, carbohydrates, 1 g. Percentage of calories from fat: 68.

THE "COUNT"

(AN ADAPTATION OF THE MONTE CRISTO SANDWICH)

A slices whole wheat bread (we used Healthy Choice Soft Honey Wheat)

See related 2 Unique column on Taste front.

4 Yukon Gold potatoes (cut into quarters)

1 tablespoon truffle oil (available in specialty

Rinse potatoes well before cutting. Place potatoes

in pot and cover with water. (Water should be 4 inch-

Cook potatoes until a knife inserted easily slides

2 Idaho potatoes (cut into quarters)

1 teaspoon pepper (freshly ground)

1/2 cup milk

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1 pound butter

1 tablespoon salt

TRUFFLED YUKON GOLD MASHED POTATOES

Try these potato recipes on St. Patrick's Day

1/2 cup fresh or dry bread crumbs

Boil potatoes till tender. Place hot potatoes in mixer. Add egg yolk, chives, butter, cream and salt and pepper. Mix ingredients. Roll truffle-sized balls of mashed potato mixture.

Divide cold salmon into 15-20 small cube size squares. Tuck a piece of salmon into center of rolled mashed potato balls, and roll again so salmon is not exposed.

Place potato balls in freezer (to temper) for one hour. Using standard breading procedure, roll frozen potato balls in flour, dip in egg, then roll in fresh bread crumbs.

Place breaded potato balls back in freezer and chill for 30 minutes.

Fry in oil of choice until balls are golden in appearance and float to top of pan.

Feel free to make potato balls in advance and hold

ries, 193; protein, 18 grams; fat, 6 g; sodium, 811 mg, carbohydrates, 19 g, percentage of calories from fat, 26.

Recipes courtesy of HDS Services.

with the cheese and bacon inside.

tain the egg is thoroughly cooked.



BIG BEN'S LENTIL BURGERS

- 3/4 cup wheat germ 2 cups cooked or canned lentils
- 1 cup bread crumbs
- 1/4 cup chopped onions 3 tablespoons ofive oil
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper

On a small plate, set aside 2 tablespoons of wheat germ for coating. In a medium bowl, stir together the remaining wheat germ, lentils, bread crumbs, onions, oil, salt and pepper. Divide and shape into 4 patties. Lay each in wheat germ, coating each side.

In a lightly oiled frying pan on medium-high heat, cook the burgers for 5 to 10 minutes, flipping occasionally. Serve like a bun with condiments of choice.

Makes 4 patties.

the oven for 5 minutes. (This keeps the potatoes from being runny!)

Drain potatoes, place on a cookie sheet and roast in

Place potatoes in mixer with a paddle attachment. Mix until smooth, slowly adding heated milk and butter.

Season with salt, pepper and truffle oil. (Amount of truffle oil added will be dependent on your personal taste.)

ST. PADDY'S POTATO SALMON CROQUETTES

- 2 large peeled idaho potatoes
- 1 egg yolk

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recipes by category, such as dessert, snack, breakfast, international, main dishes, side dishes, condiments, soups, salads, sandwiches, special diets and dinner in an instant.

Foodweb.com - Offers a variety of recipes and information about special interest topics associated with food, drink and eating.

🖩 Gourmetguides.com --Opens a window to domestic and international fare of many fla-VOTS.

Dean-deluca.com – Is one of my favorite online specialty stores.

Farmacopia.com - Meet farmers online who share information with consumers including tips and recipes.

Chef Kelli L. Lewton is owner of 2 Unique Caterers and Event Planners in Bloomfield Hills. A graduate of Schoolcraft College's Culinary Arts program, Kelli is a part-time instructor at the college. Look for her column in Taste on the second Sunday of the month. See recipes inside.

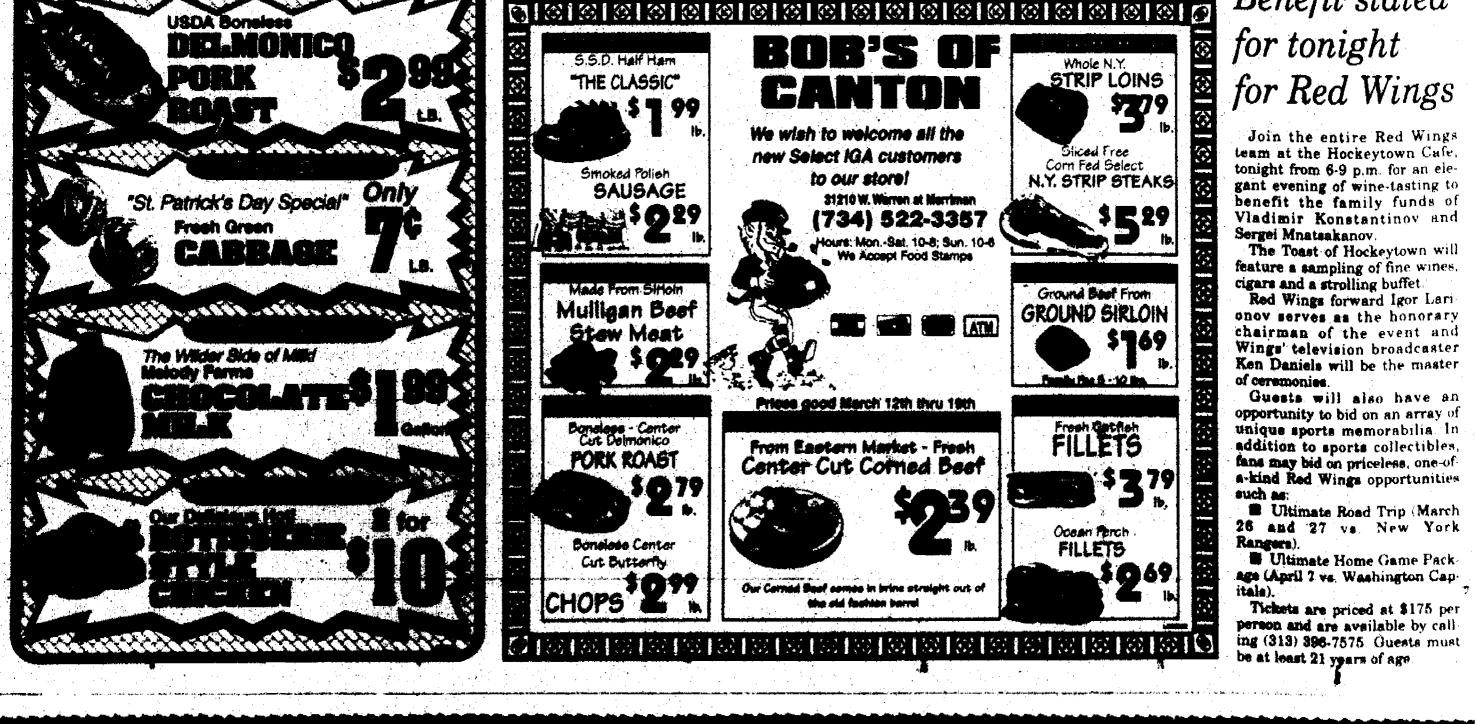
Benefit slated for tonight

Join the entire Red Wings

The Toast of Hockeytown will feature a sampling of fine wines.

Red Wings forward Igor Lari-

Guests will also have an addition to sports collectibles. fans may bid on priceless, one-ofa-kind Red Wings opportunities such as:



2 tablespoons heavy cream 2 tablespoons butter 1 teaspoon minced fresh chives Salt and pepper to taste 1 4-ounce fillet cooked salmon. 1/2 cup flour 2 whole eggs (beaten)

CORNED BEEF HASH 4 large Idaho potatoes, baked (skin on) 1/2 Spanish onion, diced 1/4 corned beef brisket (cooked), diced medium

sized 2 tablespoons butter

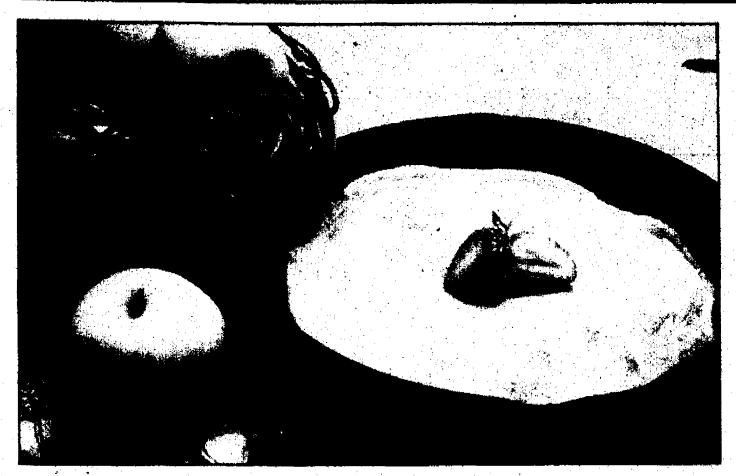
in freezer and fry when ready to serve.

- 1 tablespoon butter
- Salt and pepper to taste

Cut cooled Idaho potatoes in 1/2-inch discs. Melt butter in sauté pan.

Sauté diced onions until golden. Add potatoes, corned beef and second measure of butter.

Cook until crisp on side down; flip with spatula and cook other side the same. Recipes courtesy of Kelli Lewton.



Apfolfannkuchen: Eating this Apfelfannkuchen, a German apple-filled pancake, is like enjoying a buttery baked apple, an airy souffle and an egg custard, all at once.

Apple sweetens this pancake

The Apfelfannkuchen is a German apple-filled pancake that puffs up like a pillow. This huge pancake is cooked on top of the stove in a deep, cast iron skillet. Turning it can be hard without practice. To eliminate this challenge, this version is made starting on top of the stove, then finished in the oven, so turning it is not necessary. Eating it is like enjoying a buttery baked apple, an airy souffle and an egg custard, all at once.

"APFELFANNKUCHEN"----PUFFED APPLE PANCAKE

2 Golden Delicious apples. peeled, cored and sliced

water

1 tablespoori fresh lemon juice 6 tablespoons sugar, divided 1 tablespoon apple juice or

- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup reduced fat (2 percent) milk
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- 2 teaspoons confectioners

sugar

Preheat the oven to 425° F. In a bowl, toss the apple slices with the lemon juice.

Spray a medium cast iron skillet or other heavy, oven-proof pan generously with cooking spray. Place 2 tablespoons of the sugar, the apple juice and apples in the pan and set it over medium-high heat. Cook the apples, stirring occasionally, until they are slightly softened and caramelized in

places, about 7 minutes. Set aside.

In a medium bowl, whisk together er the eggs, milk, remaining 4 tablespoons sugar, flour and the vanilla. The batter will be slightly lumpy. Mix in the warm apple slices.

Add the butter to the skillet. Heat until the butter melts. Swirl the pan to evenly coat the bottom with butter. Pour in the apple batter and let cook for 1 minute over medium-high heat without disturbing it.

Place the skillet in the oven. Bake until the pancake is slightly puffed. When done, it will be dark brown around the edges and pale but dry in the center. Sprinkle the pancake with the confectioners' sugar. Cut into wedges and serve.

Each of the six servings contains 128 calories and 4 grams of fat.

Recipe courtesy of Dana Jacobi for the American Institute for Cancer Research. AICR's Internet Web address is http://www.aicr.org

WHAT'S COOKING

Send items for consideration in Cooking Class Calendar to Ken Abramczyk, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or e-mail kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net.

Wegetarian Cooking – Lenore Yalisove Baum, author of Lenore's Natural Cuisine, Your Essential Guide to Wholesome Vegetarian Cooking, conducts vegetarian cooking classes and has scheduled a session on soups for Wednesday, March 29 at Lenore's Natural Cuisine, 22899 Inkster, Farmington Hills, The class fee is \$35. Call (248) 478-4455.

Pasta Tips – Chef Dave Martinico will show how easy it is to make your own pasta and ravioli at 1-3 p.m. Saturday, March 25, at the Traffic Jam & Snug Restaurant, 511 West Canfield. two blocks west of Woodward at the corner of Second, near Wayne State University in Detroit. Recipes, lunch and a glass of wine are included in the \$50 class fee. Credit cards accepted. Call (313) 831-9470. III Pressure Cooking - Toula Patsalis, author of The Pressure Cooking Cookbook, will provide information on how to handle. operate and cook with a pressure cooker, including how to prepare vegetable soup with sausage bits, chicken with arborio rice and peppers and South Pacific bread pudding with pineapole sauce.

Kitchen Glamor stores at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at i-96), and 1 p.m., Wednesday March 15, at 26770 Grand River, in Redford. Call 1-800-641-1252 for informa-

tion.

Culinary Recipes - Chef
Dave Schneider, instructor from

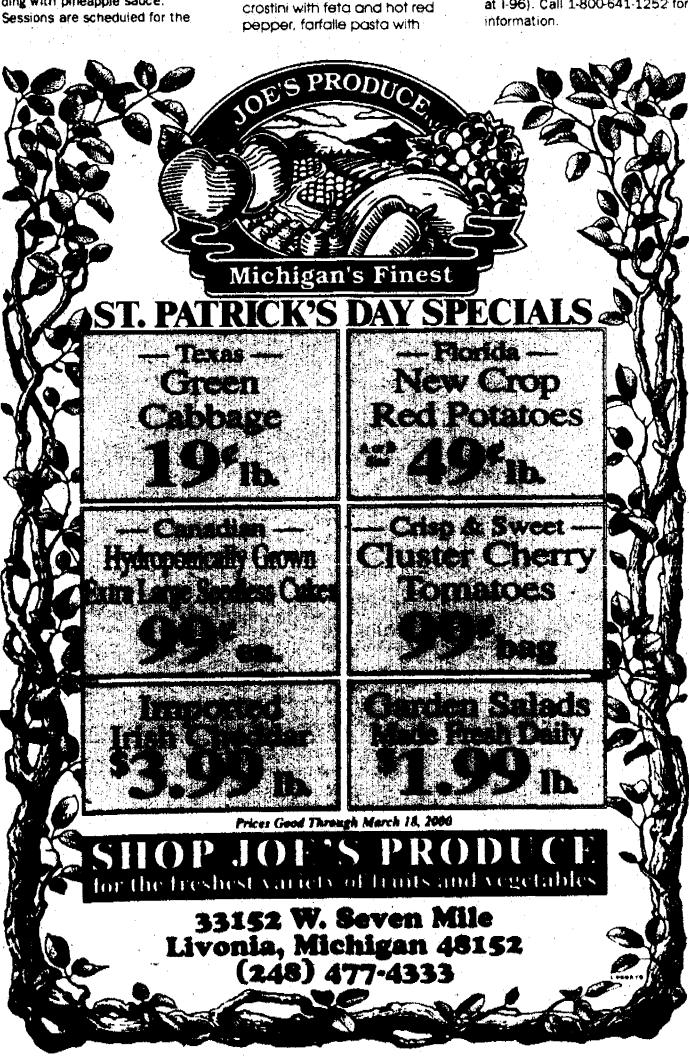
the Macomb Community College culinary arts program, joins the Kitchen Glamor stores to share tips and techniques about the Culinary Arts Olympics to be held in Europe. Schneider will teach how to prepare roasted garlic potato leek soup, roast. pork loin with gorgonzola and walnut crust, duchess potatoes with shiitake mushrooms. Sessions are scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 21, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-96); Wednesday, March 22, at 26770 Grand River in Redford, and Thursday, March 23, at the Orchard Mall northeast corner of Maple and Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield, Call 1-800-641-1252 for information. E Crostini and Pasta - Joanne Weir, former chef of the famed Chez Panisse and author of "Weir Cooking," will appear at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 22 at the Kitchen Glamor store at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at Iyo), to show now to prepare

olives, capers, tomatoes and mozzarella, and chewy chocolate walnut tart.

III Kids in the Kitchen - Home economist Dana Reynolds will instruct parents and grandparents with their children or grandchildren (aged 7-12) about the enjoyment of cooking. You and your child will learn how to wrap and roll phyllo pastry filled with berries and topped with ice cream and chicken fingers, southwest style, wrapped in tortilla and served with a variety of sauces. Class is scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday, March 25, at the Kitchen Glamor, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at 1-96). Call 1-800-641-1252 for information. Toa Party – Instructor Linda Kay Drysdale will take participants to the wonderful world of tea. She will offer suggestions for tea sandwiches, petit fours and mini fruit tarts at Kitchen Glamor stores. Sessions are scheduled



for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 28. at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Novi Road exit at I-96), and Wednesday. March 29, at 26770 Grand River in Redford. **Easter Eggs** – Learn how to make panoramic Easter eggs with sugar, royal icing and an egg mold with Audrey Edwards at a three-hour class at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 1, at the Kitchen Glamor, at the Novi Town Center (southeast of the Nov. Road exit at I-96). Call 1-800-641-1252 for information.







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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Women's health

U.S. Representative Lynn Rivers and Congressman John Dingell will host "Women's Health and Life Forum" 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at the University of Michigan, Dearborn Campus, School of Management lecture hall, 4901 Evergreen, Dearborn.

Topics include: financial planning, interpersonal violence, consumer protection safety, heart disease and healthy cooking, cancer, stress and depression, and caring for children and aging adults.

Keynote speakers include Florine Mark, president of Weight Watchers, and a news anchor from Fox 2 News.

Classes are limited to 50. Participants may register for two classes. To RSVP, please call Rivers' office at (734) 485-3741.

Holistic health fair

The association of Michigan Myomassologists Inc. will present its annual Holistic Health Fair 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, March 18, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 19, at the Livonia Holiday Inn, 17123 N. Laurel Park Drive.

The fair features massage therapists performing free 15-minute modified massages and special massage for the physically challenged. The fair's roster includes aura photographs, chiropractic spinal screenings, allergy elimination techniques and astrological profiles. Vendors will sell preventative health care products. Saturday's lectures, scheduled from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., feature reflexology, aromatherapy and natural approaches to menopause.

The health fair cost is \$5 to the general public and free to IMF members. For information, contact

CLIMB THE FOOD GUIDE PYRAMID TO GOOD HEALTH

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND STÅFF WRITER rskoglund@oe.homecomm.net

mericans suffer from a nutritional paradox: They know the value of nutrition and exercise in maintaining a healthy lifestyle, yet

their levels of obesity are at epidemic proportions. "We have a national epidemic in obesity," said

Dr. Diane Howlin, assistant professor of internal medicine in the U-M Health System. "In fact, within the last decade, the obesity rate has risen roughly 50 percent in the United States. This is a very serious problem, especially in Michigan."

Simply put, Americans don't practice what they preach.

According to a recent nationwide survey by the American Dietetic Association, a whopping 85 percent of Americans believe diet and nutrition are important, and 84 percent say exercise and physical activity are equally important.

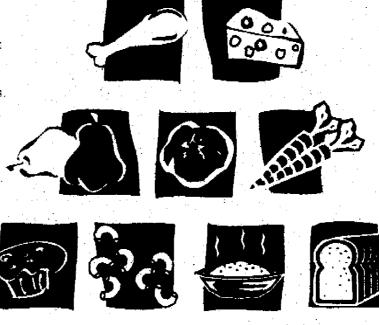
So what's the problem?

"The problem is we are sending dual messages. One is eat healthy and exercise, and the other is sit in front of the TV or computer and buy fast food and supersize it," said Linda Devore, a registered dietitian and certified diabetes educator for St. Mary Hospital's Community Outreach Program in Livonia.

Forty-four percent of the participants in the ADA survey said they didn't want to give up foods they like, and 38 percent claimed it took too much time to plan and practice a really healthy diet.

The good news is we can have our cake and eat it, too ... but in smaller portions.

"Americans seem to suffer from portion distortion," said Boston-based registered dietitian and ADA spokeswoman Elizabeth Ward. "A portion size isn't a plate full of pasta, 32 ounces of soda, or a 10-ounce steak. People need to realize that when it comes to weight control, they can eat any



Diet destruction

Our culture constantly sabotages healthy diets. At supermarkets, the bigger package of cookies is often available for few cents more, and the twofor-one specials are seductive. "It's never two apples for one price; it's two gallons of ice cream for one price. You're paying with your health." said Devore.

And in elementary school – a time when children are most receptive to adopting healthy eating habits – students are often rushed through lunch. "It takes longer to eat an apple than a bag of chips," said Devore. Even toddlers aren't exempt, she added. They're encouraged to collect their favorite TV character figures, which are sold at fast food restaurants.

Americans are their worst enemy when it comes to adopting a healthy diet, said Devore. "They expect to do it perfectly and evenly. You have to have moderation and restraint rather than omission. If you 'fail' than mentally it takes a toll, and you feel guilty." In addition to good food and smaller portions sizes, exercise is the third component of healthy nutrition. In an article on the prevention of chronic disease through exercise that appeared in the February issue of *Journal of Applied Physiol*ogy, the authors wrote: of modern chronic diseases in 20th century industrialized societies. Approximately 250,000 deaths per year in the United States are premature due to physical inactivity.... Epidemiological data have established that physical inactivity increases the incidence of at least 17 unhealthy conditions, almost all of which are chronic diseases or considered risk factors for chronic diseases."

Common sense

It's time for Americans to start making healthy food selections. The produce section is a treasure trove of vitamins and minerals. "It has everything you need," said Devore.

Good breads are out there, but you must read the labels, said Thayer. "Make sure the first ingredient is a whole grain. Usually the wheat bread is just a colored white bread. Even with something like a 7-grain bread, the first ingredient still might be white flour and the next ingredients may be in small amounts."

Breakfast remains the most important meal, Thayer emphasized. "It gets your metabolism going, especially if you're trying to loose weight. And it provides the brain with glucose for thinking." She suggests "breakfast on the run" – a small muffin, sandwich or yogurt – for people who don't usually eat breakfast.

Dietitians agree that most healthy people do not need food supplements. While research indicates certain vitamins, minerals and herbs may be beneficial, the dietary supplement industry is not regulated. What's more, some supplements, like omega-3 fatty acids, may interact with medications. Omega-3 could compound the effect of blood thinners and raise the risk of a bleeding stroke.

In other words, if you want to take a supplement, absolutely ask your doctor.

Changing bad nutritional habits to good ones is not easy. Both the body and the spirit must be willing. It's a matter of practice and adhering to

Kathy Grogan at (248) 569-4263.

Food for thought

St. Mary Hospital in Livonia is offering a class on emotional eating as part of the "Food for Thought" nutrition education program 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 15, at the Bentley Center, 15100 Hubbard, Five Mile Road, Livonia. Participants will learn how to identify emotional eating and how to cope with it.

Cost to attend is \$6, \$5 for those over 55. Registration is requested. Please call (734) 655-8940.

Kidney transplant on Web

In conjunction with National Kidney Month, WebMD will Webcast a kidney transplant at www.WebMD.com at noon Wednesday, March 15, from the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. Dr. J. Stuart Wolf, Jr., director, Michigan Center for Minimally Invasive Urology in the U-M Health System, will perform the kidney removal, a less invasive, "hand assisted" laparoscopic donor nephrectomy.

Immediately afterwards, Dr. Darrell A. Campbell, Jr., head of U-M's Division of Transplantation, will perform the transplant of the kidney into the patient. Dr. Walter Larimore of The Health Network will provide commentary during the operation. Additionally, Dr. Jeffrey D. Punch of U-M's Division of Transplantation, will host a live chat at www.WebMD.com.

food they want, as long as they control the portion and get regular physical activity, too."

Another example is muffins. A USDA standardsize muffin weighs one ounce and has approximately 100 calories. "I weighed the muffins at Cosco. They were 7 ounces, and I know people who eat the whole muffin," said Beth Thayer, a registered dietitian with the Henry Ford Heart and Vascular Institute.

"... a strong association exists between the increase in physical inactivity and the emergence

 the golden rule of a healthy lifestyle: Eat less, move more.

For food and nutrition information and a referral to a registered distitian in your area, call the American Distetic Association's Consumer Nutrition Hot Line at 800/366-1655. For customized answers to your nutrition questions, call 900/CALL-AN-RD (900/225-5267). The cost of the call will be \$1.95 for the first minute and \$.95 for each additional minute.

Do you need supplements?

Take the following quiz to rate your eating habits. For questions 1-5, give yourself three points for every "yes" answer; for questions 6 and 7, give yourself three points for a "no" answer.

On most days, do you:

1. Eat six to 11 servings of grains (breads, cereal, rice, pasta, and other grain foods)? One serving equals one slice of bread, 1/2 cup of rice or pasta, 1 ounce of cereal or half a bagel.

2. Eat at least two servings of fruit? One serving equals one piece of fruit; 1/2 cup of chopped, cooked or canned fruit; or 3/4 cup of fruit juice.

3. Eat at least three servings of vegetables each day? One serving equals 1/2 cup of cooked or chopped vegetables; 1 cup of raw, leafy vegetables; or 3/4 cup of vegetable juice.

4. Eat two or more servings of dairy foods, such as milk, cheese and yogurt each day? One serving equals 1 cup milk or yogurt, 1 1/2 ounces of natural cheese or 2 ounces of processed cheese.

5. Eat two to three servings of lean meat, poultry, fish, dry beans, eggs or nuts every day? One serving equals 2-3 ounces of moked lean meat, poultry or fish. One egg, 1/2 cup of cooked beans, or 2 tablespoons of peanut butter count as 1 ounce of meat.

6. Generally sat the same foods every day?

7. Frequently skip meals or miss out one or more food groups - for the entire day?

Score:

15 points or more: Food Guide Pyramid expert. You know how to make wise food choices and the variety of foods important for a healthy eating plan.

9-12 points: You're on your way. You could be getting more nutrients by fine-tuning your food selections. For example, if you fall short in the grains group, try including at least one more serving.

6-6 peinter Keep trying! By making small changes, you can gradually improve your sating pettern. Focus on one food group at a time and aim to ent the minimum number of servings each day.

While notifies expects agree that following the Food Ouide Pyramid is the best way to obtain vitamins, minerals and other antrients, you may bedefit from a multivitamin/mineral supplement - if you're unable to set from all the food groups.

However, consult your doctor before taking supplements. Source: National Center for Natrition and Dietetics

Adult fat phobia bad for kids' diets

Fat-free cheese, fat-free mayonnaise, fat-free cookies. By stocking kitchens with fat-free products, many parents may unknowingly put their children's health at risk.

"Meal time for a child should not mean fat-free spaghetti with fat-free meatless sauce, served with fat-free bread and a tossed salad with fatfree salad dressing," says Heart Smart registered dietitian Beth Thayer of the Henry Ford Heart and Vascular Institute.

"Many moms buy fat-free products, often because they want to limit their own fat intake or because they mistakenly think 'fat-free' means 'healthier' for their family. The problem is that they may deprive their children of necessary fat."

Fat is a an important nutrient for growing children. It plays a key role in the development of nerves. Fat also is necessary for the absorption of essential vitamins A, D, E, and K. In the most extreme situation, the absence of fat can retard growth or cause diarrhea, sores on the scalp and extremely dry skin.

Thayer emphasizes that unsaturated fat found naturally in fish, vegetable oil such as canola and olive, and in whole grains, fruits and vegetables provides the essential fatty acids necessary for children's growth and development.

According to the American Dietetic Association, there should not be a fat restriction for children under the age of two. Children 2 to 11 need about 30 percent of their daily calories from fat.

Thayer suggests parents take the focus off fat and follow these steps to ensure their children are eating a healthy diet:

Buy lean meat.

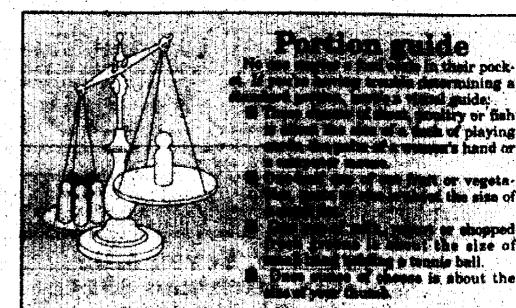
Serve low-fat (not fat-free) dairy products.

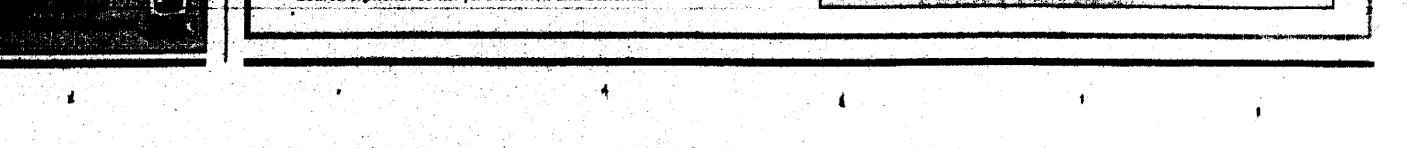
Cook with canola oil or olive oil.

Serve fish several times a week because it provides plenty of essential fatty acids that protect against heart disease.

More importantly, instead of saying "no" to certain foods, allow children to pick and choose what they like so eating is a positive experience. Offer a variety of fruits and vegetables and whole wheat grains such as whole wheat bread, oatmeal and cereal.

Thayer notes, however, children with specific health concerns or a genetic predisposition to high cholesterol or heart disease may need certain fat restrictions.





MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observerarea medical community. Items should be sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, e-mail rskoglund@oe.homecomm.net or faxed to (734) 591-7279.

ONGOING

ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS

Adult Children of Alcoholics and dysfunctional families gather everyday for 12 step support group meetings in the metro area. To find a meeting near you call (248) 988-0873 or write: ACA, P.O. Box 401483, Redford, MI 48240-9489; for information.

AA & ALANON

Alcoholics Anonymous & Alanon meeting meets Wednesday and Sunday from 8:30-9:30 p.m. at Garden City Hospital North Entrance (5254 Inkster Road) at Garden City. Contact (248) 541-6565 or (734) 776-3415. Everyone's welcome, "Alanon meeting" Sunday ONLY:

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS

Marquette House, a residential assisted living facility in Westland, will hold blood pressure screenings every fourth Tuesday in conjunction with Visiting Nurse Association. Screenings are open to the public from 11 a.m. to noon at the Marquette House, 36000 Campus Drive (across from John Glenn High School), Call (734) 326-6537 for information.

TUE, MARCH 14 MASSAGE III (BODYWORK)

Advanced techniques that provide long-term results. Techniques include strain-counterstrain, trigger point therapy. myofascial release techniques. Classruns Tuesday, March 14 April 4, from 6-9 p.m. Cost is \$150. Healing Arts Clinic is located at 340 N. Main Street #205 in Plymouth. Call (734) 207-0557 to register.

Nanette Cooper or Denise Manion for reservations at (248) 428-7055.

MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY

Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Friends, a support group for anyone hypersensitive to chemical or environmental irritants, will meet from 2-5 p.m. at the First Congregational Church in Wayne (across from the library at Wayne Road and Michigan 'Ave.) For more information, call (348-349-4972.

THYROID DISORDER

The Michigan Thyroid Disorder Support Group will meet at 6:30 in the Plymouth Library, 223 S. Main Street. For more information, call Tracy Green at (734) 453-7945. Web site http://community_mlive.com/cc/thyroid

WED, MARCH 15 DYSLEXIA SUPPORT

The Michigan Dyslexia Institute of Detroit Metro Center will meet from 7-9 p.m. at MDI, 30230 Orchard Lake Road (Suite #130) in Farmington Hills. The topic will be "Dyslexia: What is it, how is it treated and how important is early intervention?" The presenter will be Ann L. Beatty, director, a Fellow from the Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and Educators.

VEGETARIAN NUTRITION

Menu planning tips and resources for individuals of all. ages who are already vegetarian and those who are leaning in that direction. Includes hands-on cooking demonstrations. Class runs from 4-5:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital - Ann Arbor/Briarwood Mall Health Stop (620 Briarwood Circle). Call (734) 827-3777.

YOUNG MOTHER'S SUPPORT

each month. Aldersgate United The Young Mother's Assistance come to this pregnancy planning Methodist Church, 10000 Beech Program (Y-MAP) will host their seminar. Presentations will Daly, between Plymouth and W. December support group from 6cover a range of topics, including Chicago in Redford. More infor-8 p.m. at Newburg United deciding if it is time to start a mation call Kathleen (800) 350-Methodist Church (36500 Ann family, preparing for pregnancy, 7927. Arbor Trail) in Livonia. For birthing options and parenthood information call (734) 513-7598. realities. Optional tour of St. Meetings are always held on the Joseph Mercy Family Birth Cen-SAT, MARCH 25 second Monday of each month. ter. Class from 9 a.m. to 12:30 Y-MAP provides moms an oppor p.m. St. Joseph Mercy Hospital GIRLS IN SPORTS tunity to meet with other young Education Center, 5301 E. Event is for girls ages 11-18 who parents and share feelings and Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor. are active in sports, their parexperiences with each other. Call (734) 712-3456. ents and coaches. Learn ways to Speakers are invited to share reduce girls' risk of bone, joint topics of interest including posiand muscle injuries while tive parenting, substance abuse. WED, MARCH 22 improving strength and flexibilijob search, education and more.

Child care is provided by licensed care givers at no charge. A light dinner and refreshments will also be available.

VEGETABLAN COOKING

Macro Val will teach how to cook with soy from 6-9 p.m. at 30561 Krauter, Apt. 3 C, Garden City. For more information, call (734) 261-2856.

ADO AND HYPERACTIVITY

Canton Center Chiropractic Clinic will sponsor a free workshop on Attention Deficit Disorder and hyperactivity 7-8:15 p.m. Non-drug solutions will be discussed. Call (734) 455-6767.

THUR, MARCH 16 BABY BUILDING

Learn the building blocks for healthy nutrition before and during pregnancy and during breastfeeding. Topics covered include the foods you should at, rating your own diet, common food-related discomforts of pregnancy, hints for cooking and shopping and nutritious recipes. Class runs from 7-8:30 p.m. Ann Arbor/Briarwood Mall's Health Stop of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. 620 Briarwood Circle. Call (734) 827-3777.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

Providence Mission Health Medical Center - Livonia will host an immunization from 4-7 p.m. at 37595 Seven Mile Road in Livonia. Cost is \$5 per child and includes all vaccines your child needs except chicken pox. Don't forget to bring immunization records. Call (877) 345-5500 for information.

SAT, MARCH 18 PREGNANCY PLANNER

If you're thinking about having a baby or are newly pregnant.

ARTHRETIS SELF-NELP

St. Mary Hospital and the Arthritis Foundation (Michigan Chapter) are sponsoring an Arthritis Self-Help Course, Wednesday, March 22, March 29 and April 5 from 1 to 3 p.m. in West Addition Conference Room B. St. Mary Hospital. This course provides arthritis education and skill building to help participants take a more active part in their arthritis care. People with arthritis or related diseases such as lupus, fibromyalgia, or scleroderma will benefit from this course. The cost is \$20 per person and registration is required. Classes are limited. St. Mary Hospital is located at Five Mile and Levan in Livonia. For more information or to register; please call (734) 655-8940.

VEGETARIAN COOKING

Learn to cook a healthy breakfast, including tofu sausage and miso tea with "Macro Val" from 6-9 p.m. at 30561 Krauter, Apt. 3 C, Garden City. For more information, call (734) 261-2856.

THUR, MARCH 23 STRONG DAUGHTERS

Parents of pre-adolescent girls

age 5 and up can develop practical strategies to help their daughter achieve and maintain high self-esteem. Learn strategies to counter limiting cultural stereotypes in this six-hour program. Calls runs from March 23 through April 13 from 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center - 1600 S. Canton Center Road, Call (734) 398-7557.

HEV/AIDS SUPPORT GROUP

HIV/AIDS heterosexual support group and family is sponsored by Friends Alliance and meets the second and fourth Thursday of

ty. Don't miss a special talk by swimmer and Olympic gold medalist Annette Salmeen. Includes breakfast snack and lunch. Cail to register. Program runs from 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, 5301 E. Huron River Drive. Call (734) 712-3456.

WED, MARCH 29

RESTLESS LEG SYNDROME Do you or someone you know suffer from restless leg syndrome? There is support available and a wealth of new information. A Restless Leg Support group meets every other month at OptimEyes in Westland (across from Westland Shopping Center) on Central City Parkway. An area dietitian will speak and a video will be shown at 2 p.m. in the OptimEves community meeting room. For information call Jan Prentice at (734) 453-4847.

VEGETARIAN COOKING

Learn to cook for your sweetie hot and spicy peanut butter tofu stir-fry, sweet potato chips with "Macro Val" from 6-9 p.m. at 30561 Krauter, Apt. 3C, Garden City. For more information, call (734) 261-2856.

MON, APRIL 10 THYROID DISORDER

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TUE, APRIL 11 & 18

SHIATSU

Learn the traditional Japanese method of balancing body energy. Done on the floor over the clothing, this energizing treatment promotes health and wellbeing. Bring a mat and dress comfortably. Class runs Tuesday, April 11 and 18, from 6-9

WED, APRIL 12 YOOA

A series of graceful, slow motion movements for increasing flexi. bility and tone, improving health and mental outlook. Good for relief from muscular tension and mental stress. Dress comfortable and bring a mat. Your instructor is a certified fitness instructor and personal trainer with 16 years of teaching experience. Classes run from 6-7 p.m. and 7:15-8:15 p.m. April 12 - May 17. Cost is \$48 for 6 week class; drop-in rate per class is \$10. Healing Arts Clinic is located at 340 N. Main Street #205 in Plymouth. Call (734)-207-0557 to register.

TUES, APRIL 18 BONE DENSITY

Alterra-Clare Bridge of Livonia, 32500 Seven Mile, will feature a discussion on "Osteoporosis and Bone Density" 6-7:30 p.m. in the community center. Bone density screen available. Call either Nanette Cooper or Denise Manion for reservations at (248) 428-7055.

THUR, APRIL 20 INNUNIZATION CLINIC

Providence Mission Health Medical Center - Livonia will bost an immunization from 4-7 p.m. at 37595 Seven Mile Road in Livonia. Cost is \$5 per child and includes all vaccines your child needs except chicken pox. Don't forget to bring immunization. records: Call (877) 345-5500 for information

TUE, MAY 2-16 BIOKINESIOLOGY

Learn to use muscle testing techniques to determine which vitamins, herbs, foods are best for you. Cost is \$115. Class runs Tuesday, May 2-16, from 6-9 p.m. Healing Arts Clinic is locat-

HOSPICE CARE

Alterra-Clare Bridge of Livonia. 32500 Seven Mile, will feature a discussion on "Hospice 101" given by a speaker from Heartland Home Health Care & Hospice 6-7:30 p.m. in the community center. No charge, Call

HEART ATTACK. STROKE. HIGH BLOOD DON'T YOU THINK THERE ARE TRADITIONS YOU SHOULD DO WITH

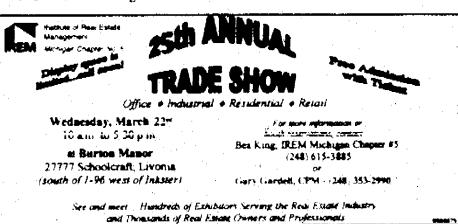
Families share a lot more than a last name. However, the things they have in common aren't always that obvious. Like their blood pressure. Frigh blood pressure has been strongly linked to heredity, so it tends to run in families. There are no symptoms, so it can easily go unnoticed. And, left unireated high blood pressure can lead to a heart attack, stroke, or kidney failure. But, the good news is that its easily checked and readily regred. So maybe its time to start a new family tradition "Call for an appointment to get your blood pressure checked today. To find a University of Michigan physician near you simply call 1 800 211 8181. We accept a variety of health care plans including MGARE?

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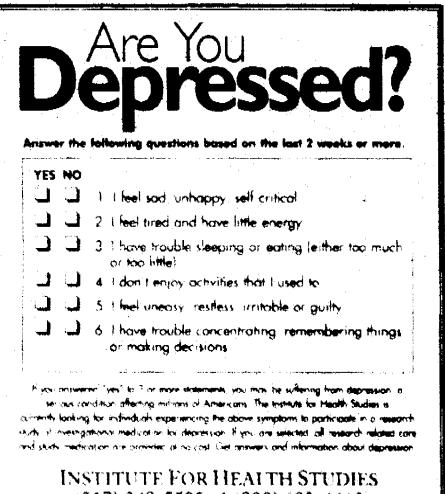
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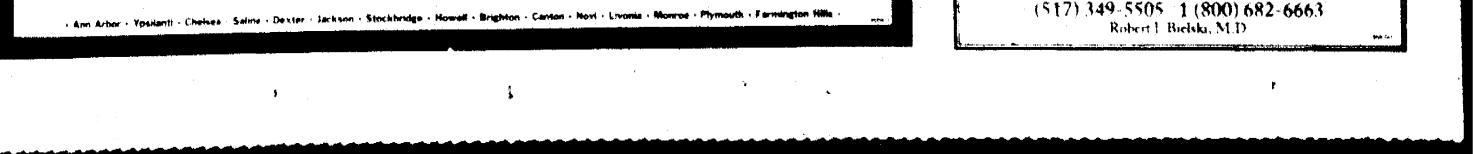
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Your next three-line classified ad is FREE!

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Yes, you read that right. When you place an ad for merchandise that has a total asking price of <u>under</u> <u>\$100</u>, your three-line ad is totally free!

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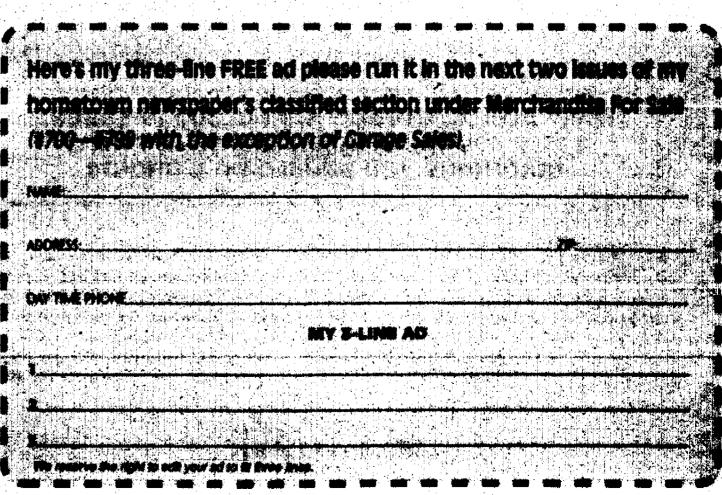
In our Merchandise classification (#700-#799) is fair game. So look around your house, garage, basement or attic. Select an item or collect a pile of stuff—remember you can't ask more than \$100— and make your move. Actually, you have a choice of three moves:

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Debate continues: Turn it off or keep it on?



on? I've been deluged with emails and calls to my WXYT weekend PC Talk radio show from people who have strong but MIXE differing views on the relative.

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merits of keeping your computer turned on all the time, or turning it off at night or when you weren't using it.

The votes have been about split. Some users said power. surges, power brownouts and nearby lightning strikes during thunderstorms had harmed their computers when left on and taught them a valuable lesson about turning it off and unplugging it.

Others say the wear and tear of turning on and off the equipment and thus heating up and cooling off the components unnecessarily shortened their lifespan.

For the record, I did some cost checking, Based on an Energy Cost Calculator at a utility Web

BUSINESS MARKETPLACE

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Summer registration

Summer registration for Walsh College is March 20-24 at any of the four campuses:

hould you site (http://www.snopud.com/ run by American Power Conver-turn it off infouse/ enercal2.htm#auto), it sions. or leave it would cost about \$7.11 a month to keep a typical home computer on 24 hours a day. If your printer is kept on all the time, too, add another \$5.33 to the cost.

Run the calculations yourself based on hours on and power drain and you'll see, there indeed is a cost savings to only turning your computer on when you need it. As far as component wear and tear, that's pretty hard to measure.

What prompted all this discussion was my coming home the other day from a week-long, outaf-town trip to find my computer room filled with the smell of burning wires. Sure enough, a power supply transformer on one of my servers burned out. Fortunately, the PC just shut down without causing any fire or damage.

But it was a good reminder to be sure and have a smoke detector in your computer room. And as for me, when I'm around, my PC's are on all the time. When I'm away from home for extended periods of time, they're off.

And all my equipment is protected by an Uninterruptible Power Supply unit. For info on power protection, check out the Web site (http://www.apcc.com)

Keystroke cops

Ever since the Wall Street Journal and MSNBC ran a story on surveillance software this past week, I've been deluged with e-mails asking if this is really true. The answer, as I've been warning here for months, is

More and more employers are investing in surveillance software that lets them monitor or eavesdrop on everything their employees type on their computers, be it e-mail, Web site surfing or even word processing. Everything. Every keystroke, every deletion, every punctuation mark.

The most popular software out there is called "Investigator" (http://www.winwhatwhere.com/ invest.htm) and it costs just \$99. Spouses are buying it to see if their husbands or wives are having cybersex with someone else. Parents are buying it to monitor their children's Internet activities and employers, by the score. are installing it to see how employées are spending their time on the office computer.

So far, over 5,000 customers, including many major corporations, have bought the software, and more and more companies

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are making similar applications. Bottom line is that you must assume that everything you do on your work computer can be read by your boss.

Check's in the mail

Tve been pointing out how dubious some of those so-called "Free PC" offers that give you a computer at greatly reduced costs after an "Internet rebate." Besides the barrage of ads and Spam e-mail you'll get, besides the problem of being stuck with long-term dial-up contracts, there's another potentially more serious issue: .

Some of these alleged rebates are apparently not being paid in a timely manner. That's according to a little-publicized class action suit filed last week

against CompuServe. The suit claims that CompuServe failed to promptly remit rebate checks to consumers who purchased computers in expectation of \$100 or \$400 rebates. As many as 150,000 consumers may be affected. No comment from CompuServe: A special website (http://www.web-access.net/ -cscact/index.html/ has been set up to provide details of the suit.

Virus spreading fast

I'm not big on virus warnings but a virulent one called "Pretty Park" is really spreading fast. There are reports that dozens of government and corporate mail servers have been infected. I've already received eight e-mails; infected with it. Some readers have written me saving they're getting even more.

The virus is really a Trojan Horse, and while it apparently does no real damage to a computer, it sends a copy of itself to everyone in the victim's e-mail address book every 30 minutes. It typically arrives in an e-mail from someone you know. The telltale sign is the e-mail contains the subject line "C:\Cool-Progs\Pretty Park.exe."

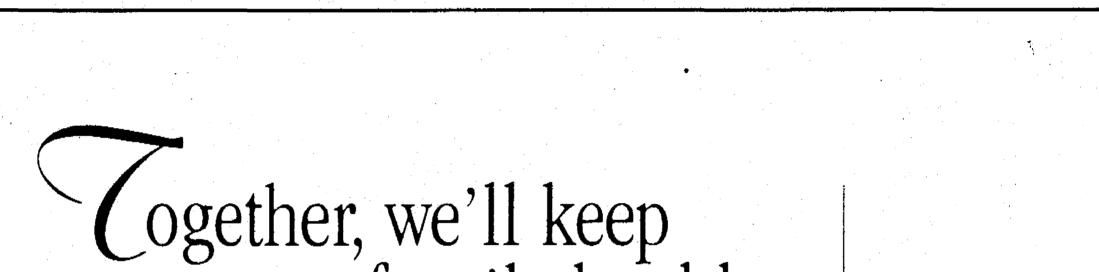
There's an attachment. If you open it, you may see a picture of Kyle, one of the "South Park" TV series cartoon characters. But then if you do open it, it's too late. It starts sending everyone in your e-mail address book a copy of the virus. And because the e-mail seems to be sent by someone you know, many people are being tricked into opening the file.

If you get it, immediately trash the whole e-mail message without opening the attachment. Most anti-virus programs will eradicate it but, to be sure, don't open any e-mail attachments with any variation of the name! "Pretty Park." Just send them to; the trash. If you feel you already ! have the Pretty Park virus, you! can find a removal program at http://www.web-access.net/

Until next week, "73" everybody.

PC Mike Wendland

Mike Wendland reports about computers and the Internet for NBC-television stations coast-tocoast. His radio show is heard every weekend on TalkRadio 1270, WXYT. You can reach. Mike through his website at www.pcmike.com



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Troy, Novi, University Center in Clinton Township and Port Huron, Summer 2000 classes begin Monday, May 1 for 11and 14-week semesters.

Walsh offers junior- and senior-level course work toward bachelor's degrees in accounting and business administration, as well as a master's degree in business administration and master's of science degrees in finance, accounting, management, taxation, and information management and communication. The web address is www.walshcollege.edu

Women executives

Executive Women International, a husiness women's organization dedicated to the professional development of its **members**, is seeking new members, EWI helps members build professional relationships with career women and promote their business or company. In addition, EWI fosters community participation through scholarship programs, literacy efforts and philanthropic projects. For more information, contact Detroit-Windsor Chapter president Madeleine Philips at (313) 921-1200. or e-mail: mphilips@pychemicals.com.

Prestigious award

President Bill Clinton recently awarded the 1999 Malcom Baldrige National Quality Award to STMicroelectronics. The award represents the highest level of national recognition for quality that a U.S. company. can receive. The laward ceremos-

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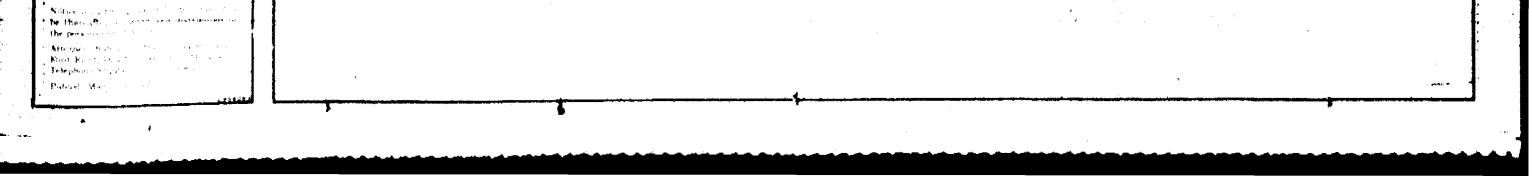
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Accounting promotion

Rehmann Robson, P.C. announced the promotion of Thomas E. Jurewicz, CPA to Principal, Jurewicz, who works out of the Farm-

ington Hills office, specializes in tax planning and compliance services for corporations and individuals. He is a member of American the Institute of Certi-

fied Public Accountants, Michigan Association of Certified Publie Accountants, Urban Land Institute and Construction Innovation Forum.

Jurewicz

Vega

International manager

The Detroit Regional Chamber has named Yanina Vega of Westland international trade development man-

ager. She will promote the Detroit region in both the NAFTA and U.S. markets. She has a bachelor's degree in Spanish and business adminis-

tration from Madonna University:

Valassis Communications

Valassis Communications announced the promotion of Aaron Trager to plant manager of the company's Livenia facility. Trager started at Valassis in 1973 as pressroom material handier. "Aaron's strong manufacturing background and personal relationship skills will enable him to lead the Livonia Printing Division to great successes," said Ron Goolsby, vice president of **FSI** and Internet/e-commerce operations at Valassis.

Items from the Observerland area for the Business Calendar can be sent to: Observer Newspaper, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150 attention: Business Calendar.

WED, MARCH 15 INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS FORUM

John L. Pepper, associate business editor and columnist for The Detroit News, will speak about "Business and Borders" at the International Business Forum 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Fairlane Club, 5000 Fairlane Woods Drive, Dearborn. Cost is \$20 including lunch. For reservations, call Vanessa at (734). 479-2345 or e-mail ibf@wtcdw.com. Confirmation

given. **BUSINESS NETWORK** INTERNATIONAL

Laurel Park Chapter meets 7-8:30 a.m. at Archie's Restaurant, 30471 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Call BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800.

THUR, MARCH 16 SERVICE CORPS OF RETIRED EXECUTIVES MEETING

Business Plan Workshop from 8:45 a.m. to noon at One Stop Capital Shop, 2051 Rosa Parks Blvd., Detroit: Topics include planning process overview, financial statements and management and marketing questions. Cost: \$40. To register, contact SCORE at (313) 226-7947 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays.

INVESTORS RECEPTION The Livonia Economic Develop-

ment Partnership's "Third Annual Investors Reception" takes place 6-8 p.m. at the Livonia Marriott, 17100 N. Laurel Park Drive (off Six Mile Road between Newburgh and I-275). Please respond by March 13. Call (734)427-2122 or fax (734) 427-6055.

FRI, MARCH 17 BUSINESS NETWORK INTERNATIONAL

Livonia Chapter meets 7-8:30 a.m. at the Senate Koney Island on Plymouth Road near Stark Call the BNI regional office at. (810) 323-3800. Sat, March 18

SERVICE CORPS OF RETIRED EXECUTIVES MEETING

Pre-Business Workshop from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wayne State University-McGregor Conference Center, 495 W. Ferry, Detroit. Topics include analyzing opportunities, marketing and advertising, and business planning. Cost: \$40. To register, contact SCORE at (313) 226-7947 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays.

MARCH 21 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF

CAREER WOMEN The West Suburban Chapter of the National Association of Career Women will meet at 11:45 a.m. at Ernesto's Restaurant, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. Efiquette consultant Patricia Warner will discuss "Minding Your P's and Q's in the Workplace." Cost: \$18 for members and \$22 for non-members.

BUSINESS CALENDAR

To make reservations, call Tracey Huff (248) 347-3355.

MARCH 30

SERVICE CORPS OF RETIRED EXECUTIVES MEETING

Marketing Plan Workshop from 8:30 a.m. to noon, Executive Office Building of Oakland County, 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac. Topics include diagnosing marketing problems, market targeting, and advertising and publicity. Cost: \$40. To register, contact SCORE at (313) 226-7947 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays

WED, APRIL 5 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

The Michigan Business and Professional Association will sponsor the 4th annual Women's leadership Conference and Distinguished Service Awards Luncheon Wednesday, April 5 at Burton Manor in Livonia. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. Conference is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Two workshops are planned: "How to Build a Successful Personal Strategic Plan" followed by "Is Your Business Checklist in Order?" The total cost is \$50; cost for luncheon only is \$25. For information about attending, co-sponsoring or advertising, contact MBPA at (810) 979-6322.

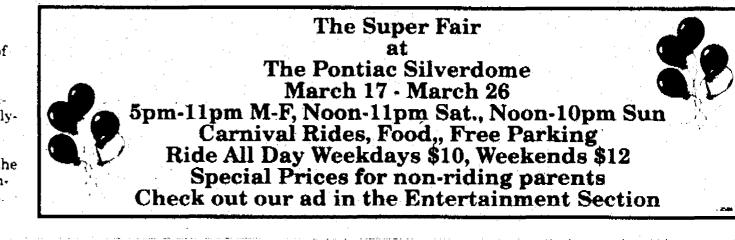
FRIDAY, APRIL 14 **BUSINESS IN CHINA**

Oakland University's Professional Development and Education Outreach, School of Education and Human Services (SEHS) will present "Opening Doors in the 21st Century, Creating Business Opportunities in China after WTO." The seminar will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, April 14 in Oakland University's Meadow Brook Ballroom. Co-sponsors include: The Detroit Regional Chamber, Pontiac Export Assistance Center - U.S. Department of Commerce, Michigan Economic Development Corporation, and Leonard Woodcock Legacy. The seminar is an introductory course for individuals and organizations interested in developing or expanding markets in China; Jerome D. Hill, J.D., Ph.D. and Ledong Li will share their exper-

tise on expanding interests and overcoming the challenges of doing business in China. Cost is \$295 and includes a Chinese luncheon and handout material. The registration deadline is Wednesday, April 5. Enrollment is limited. Contact the Professional Development office at (248) 370-3033 for a brochure or to register for the seminar. Fax. registration with VISA or MasterCard payment is accepted at (248) 370-3137.

FRI, MAY 12 FIESTA HISPANA BALL

The Michigan Hispanic Chamber of Commerce hosts its 11th Anniversary Fiesta Hispana Ball at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn. The VIP reception begins at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner and dancing at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Bo Andersson, executive in charge of worldwide purchasing for General Motors Corp., is event chairman. The ball provides an opportunity to network with business representatives and meet corporate sponsors. For tickets, contact MHCC at (248) 208-9915.



Marketing promotions

Grace & Wild, Inc. of Farm-Hills ington

announced the addition of Jama Fenstermaker to the company's marketing department and the promotion of Amy Weishuhn to lead marketing coordinator.

Weishuhn

Weishuhn holds bachelor's degree in applied arts from Central Michigan Uhiversity. Weishuhn will

Fenstermake now assist in

advertising and promotional development. She also holds a bachelor's degree in applied arts from Central Michigan University.

Visual effects director

Steven D. Wild, president of Grace & Wild, Inc.

of Farmington Hills announced the promotion of Kevin **Gillespie** to director of Design and Visual Effects Services for the company's

Gillespie three divisions: Postique, Grace & Wild Digital Studios and Divi-

sien X. "While we've always recognized the excellent artistic talent within our post-production divisions, Kevin's experience and understanding of this area of business will help us continue to recruit the highest caliber of Wient," said Wild."



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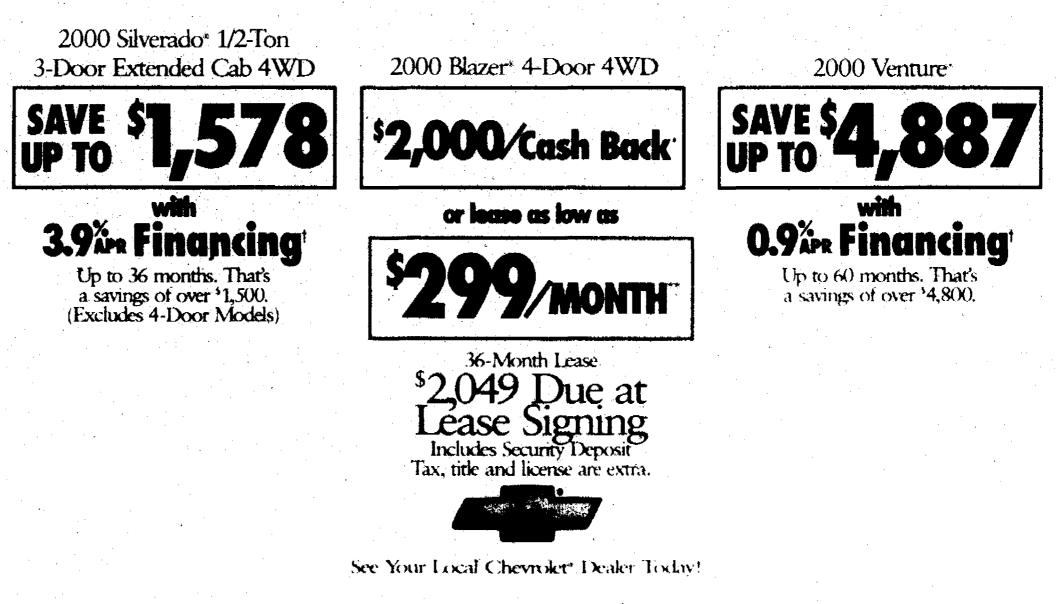
by took place in Washington. D.C. STMicroelectronics, Inc.

ments may vary. Blazer payments are for 2000 Chevrolet Blazer 4-Door 4WD with MSRP of \$28,570, 36 monthly payments total \$10,764. Option to purchase at motive Business Unit o lease end for an amount to be determined at lease signing. GMAC must approve lease. Available only to residents of MI. MN, WI and select counties in IL. IN. IA. Livonia joined the company's KY, MO, NE, NY, ND, OH, PA, SD and WV. You must take retail delivery from participating dealer stock by 4/3/00. Mileage charge of \$.20/mile over 36,000 miles." Lessee pays for maintenance, repair and excess wear, if lease terminates early, lessee is liable for all unpaid monthly payments. Payments may be higher in some 3.300 employees in viewing the states. Not available with customer cash offers. @2000 GM Corp. Buckle up, America! 1-800-950-2438 or www.chevrolet.com event in specially designed view-1.1.000-000 ung rooms.

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