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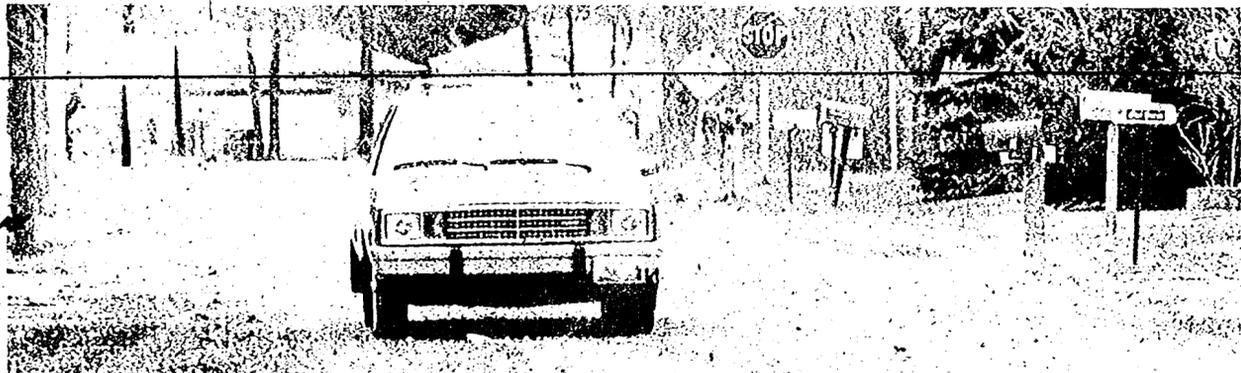
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Streets remain unpaved in areas of Westland, which is involved in a paving suit that recently was accepted for consideration by the state Supreme Court. The city, however, would like to reach a settlement in the case.

State funds to avert crisis on city payday

By Sandra Armbruster
editor

A payment of state revenue is expected to insure that Westland city employees won't have to face payless paydays later this month.

The cash crisis occurred when the state withheld payment of \$800,000 due the city in revenue sharing and sales tax funds. Because of the crisis, the city faced the possibility of not meeting its payroll on April 22 and May 6.

Now Mayor Charles Pickering and Ken Kunkel, from the city's auditing firm of Plante & Moran, say that the state expects to deliver money owed the city in time to meet its April 22 payroll.

"There have been efforts to try to scare city employees. I want to make it clear that (payless paydays) isn't the case," said Mayor Charles Pickering.

Pickering admitted, however, that the city has had to scramble to meet the April 22 payroll and that vouchers are being paid as money becomes available.

The council Monday night also approved an application to the Michigan Municipal Finance Commission, requesting permission to borrow \$1.8 million against future tax revenue.

THE PROMISE of revenue was made by the state after Kunkel made an emergency request for about \$625,000. Each payroll amounts to

about \$313,000, according to Kunkel. Pickering said that the city was told the state would be releasing the money that had been withheld anyway, and if it didn't do that in time, at least enough money would be sent so the city could meet its payroll.

Responding to criticism that the city was in a cash crisis, Pickering admitted, "There is some criticism on the timing. We did play it closely, closer than we had anticipated."

"But there were two things we had to show the governor and his finance people: First, that we faced a payless payday, and second, that we had exhausted all other possibilities of transferring money," Pickering continued.

"Now we've scraped up enough money for this (Friday's) payroll. There has been no financial mismanagement."

MEMBERS OF the city council disagree on that last point.

Council President Thomas Artley said last week that the emergency request was made to the state only after he had talked with Kunkel, who in turn talked with city finance director Larry Williams.

According to council member Kent Herbert, a former finance director in the city, the council had feared that the city would be unable to meet Friday's payroll.

Councilman Charles Griffin said that

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City hopes for settlement of suit

By Mary Klemic
staff writer

A battle by a group of homeowners to prevent the paving of their residential streets is headed for the state Supreme Court.

Attorneys representing the city and the Westland group have been notified that the court will hear arguments on the case as part of a companion lawsuit. The case will be paired with a suit involving paving improvements in the city of Lansing.

The Westland lawsuit, brought by nine residents in 1980, seeks to prevent paving in an area bounded by Glenwood, Cherry Hill, Schuman and Carlson.

The paving work was to have involved turning over the existing gravel roadbed and smoothing it out, then pouring a three-inch topping of asphalt. Additional sub-base material may have been needed in some areas.

THE HOMEOWNERS contend that the paving, as proposed by the city, is unsuitable for the area. They believe it would hurt rather than improve their property values, according to their attorney, William Matz.

"When a paving program doesn't enhance the value of the property, it's in

"Hopefully we can talk to the litigants, or this thing will never get resolved."

— Henry Lundquist, director
Department of public service

violation of constitutional rights," Matz said.

Matz estimated it would be at least several months before the Supreme Court would hear the case. In the meantime, city officials are hopeful that the suit can be settled out of court.

Hank Lundquist, director of the city's department of public service, said that there have been some meetings on the proposal.

"It seems there might be something that will get the suit out of court," he said. "There may be an offer to do more of a type of paving than we could do with thicker roads now that prices are better."

"We hope to talk to the litigants, otherwise the thing will never get resolved."

THE PAVING project was to have been financed by bonds. The interest and face value of the bonds was to have been paid off by an eight-year special assessment on property that fronts on

the paved roads. A rate of \$27.75 per front foot was approved by the council.

A few dollars more could buy a better project, Matz said. He said the proposed project was designed in Arizona and was unsuitable for the high water table and severe frost found in Westland.

"There was a road expert that said this wouldn't hold up, that the asphalt isn't thick enough," he said. "You'd need at least four or six inches."

"People don't want to pay for this type of paving that isn't going to hold up."

Matz said he is drafting a brief, which must be submitted in a booklet form. Attorneys on both sides have 90 days from the Feb. 18 date of notification to file their briefs to the Supreme Court.

The homeowners had sought an injunction against the paving in Wayne County Circuit Court, which ruled in December 1980 that the Michigan Tax Tribunal had jurisdiction in the matter.

A JUDGE for the tribunal ruled six months later that the panel lacked jurisdiction over the appeal because the group filed its protest there more than 30 days after special assessment rolls were approved.

The 30-day limit didn't give the homeowners time to determine what, if any, damage would be done by the paving or whether or not it would increase property values, according to Matz.

"When you have this type of situation, you need time to get your experts in place," Matz said. "This is a rather unusual situation."

The group then took its case to the Court of Appeals, which last year affirmed the tribunal's ruling and refused a rehearing.

Study prepares for property reuse

By Sandra Armbruster
editor

Vacant buildings on the grounds of Wayne County General may be replaced with new developments under a plan of cooperation between the city of Westland and Wayne County.

The city council Monday night approved a \$1,500 preliminary study of how the area can be redeveloped. The study will be paid for with federal community development money that had been set aside for planning purposes.

Mayor Charles Pickering said that the plan could "eliminate an eyesore and put (new development) on the city's tax rolls."

While Pickering had originally thought the area was ideal for senior citizen housing because of its proximity to the county hospital, he said that the study will examine other alternatives as well. Pickering said that included in the study will be both sides of Michigan Avenue.

AFTER VIEWING results of the preliminary study in a council study session, members will be asked to consider approval of a detailed plan for the area. That plan is expected to cost \$30,000 to \$40,000 and again would be paid for with federal CD funds.

The request for the study comes from Wayne County officials.

"It costs them \$3 million to maintain the buildings," Pickering explained. "They came to us and said that with the new jobs bill that has been passed, money is available for public works programs to demolish the buildings."

That job is labor intensive, making it an attractive project for a grant application. Pickering added that if the city showed interest in the project, the county's request for the grant would become more attractive.

The cost of getting the buildings demolished has been considered a deterrent to development in the past. The county board of commissioners at one time considered the project, but failed to come up with the necessary funds.

The building, which once housed a county poor house and later was used for the mentally ill, are generally considered unsuitable for reuse.

INCLUDED ON the grounds north of Michigan Avenue and east of Merriman are the general hospital operated by the county, the Walter Reuther facility now operated by the state as an institution for the mentally ill, the unused Gruber auditorium which has three stages and numerous other buildings which were used to house patients and staff at one time.

South of Michigan Avenue is a large tract of vacant land used as garden space, several small buildings and several cellars that had been built into the side of the hill and used for storage of vegetables.

Pickering said it is unclear whether the county would issue a long-term lease on the property to the county's economic development corporation or to the city for development of the plan.

The mayor said it was to the city's advantage to fund the study, which he said would give it "more control over what goes in there." The city would retain the right to rezone the area from public land to whatever use required.

Police nab suspects in robbery of eatery

By Mary Klemic
staff writer

Two Inkster teen-agers were arrested by police Saturday following a robbery at a McDonald's at 5235 S. Merriman in Westland.

Laymon Lamar Sales, 19, was arraigned Monday before 18th District Court Judge Thomas Smith on a charge of armed robbery. He faces a pretrial examination April 11. A 16-year-old Inkster resident was placed in the Youth Home in Detroit.

The McDonald's manager told police that he was at the rear of the restaurant shortly before 11:30 a.m. when he

heard a commotion and saw someone in a blue parka, with the hood over his head and a blue ski mask covering his face, coming toward him.

The masked man was holding a yellow bag that was partially covering what appeared to be a blue steel gun.

Police said the gunman told the manager, "This is a holdup. Go get the money." The manager started handing him rolls of coins and bills from a safe when the robber told him to "bring it all up front."

The gunman followed the manager to the front counter area, where a second man, wearing purple pants and a purple jacket, ordered an employee to dump money from the cash register into a bag. Police said the hooded man started putting money from the safe into the yellow bag. The workers were ordered to bend down behind the counter.

POLICE SAID the pair ran out of the restaurant and west to Merriman. The manager and an employee chased them and saw the two get into a blue Ford parked on the south side of Tyler, facing east. The robbers started the car and began to drive east.

A Wayne Police car reaching Merriman and Tyler spotted the vehicle and tried to stop, traveling past the intersection. The suspects' car turned onto Merriman, hitting a southbound van on Merriman.

Police said the vehicle went into a ditch on the west side of Merriman. Its two passengers climbed out, ran into a field and jumped a fence, pursued by the police car. The pair halted when one of the officers yelled for them to stop.

Police report finding a blue steel revolver, partially covered by a green, Army-type bag, lying on the front seat of the car. The bag contained \$491.25. Also found in the car were what appeared to be rolled coins falling out of the bag, two pillowcases, a blue ski mask with red around the eye and mouth holes and 63 McDonald's game stickers.

One of the suspects dropped a brown bag when he climbed the fence, according to police. The bag was found to contain \$34. A Tyler resident turned in \$2.50 in quarters that she said she found in the yard where the two were arrested.



Vacant buildings such as these on the grounds of Wayne County General may be demolished if the county receives a federal public works grant. The city is studying how the area can be redeveloped.

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Officials plead for federal revenue sharing

By Carol Azizian
staff writer

Local governments in Michigan will suffer great hardships if the federal government fails to renew revenue sharing, according to spokesmen

from Redford Township, Wayne County and the city of Southfield.

They told a congressional subcommittee Monday that they would be forced to raise property taxes, cut services and lay off employees if revenue sharing were discontinued.

Three congressmen — John Conyers, D-Detroit, Sander Levin, D-Southfield and Ted Weiss, D-New York — from the U.S. House of Representatives Government Operations Subcommittee conducted a hearing on the subject in Ferndale.

Congress must act to renew revenue sharing funds, which are derived from the personal income tax, before the program expires Sept. 30.

In Wayne County alone, revenue sharing dollars have dropped from \$15 million in 1972 to slightly more than \$11 million today, she said.

The loss of shared revenue would force counties to raise property taxes by as much as 15-25 percent, said Beard, who is chairwoman of the Michigan Association of Counties Committee on Social Services and Aging.

But raising taxes poses "monumental problems," she said.

That's because the constitutional limit for county tax rates is \$15 per \$1,000 of equalized valuation, and many counties, including Wayne, are already at that limit, Beard said.

To raise taxes beyond the constitutional limit, counties must go to the voters.

"To ask counties to absorb this kind of revenue loss through the so-called grass-roots raising of revenue without proportionate compensation from the federal level would be totally unacceptable to taxpayers," she said.

SOME 532 cities and villages, 1,245 townships and five Indian tribes in Michigan would be affected by the loss of federal dollars.

A survey of nearly 200 Michigan cities and townships, conducted by the Michigan Municipal League in February, shows that local governments will face difficult choices if they no longer receive checks from Uncle Sam.

Federal revenue sharing dollars account for an average of 6 percent of the general fund budget in those cities and villages, said Del Borgdorf, chairman of the Michigan Municipal League's Finance and Taxation Committee. He is Southfield's city administrator.

Borgdorf said most municipalities use half of the federal money they receive for current operations — police, fire, solid waste — and the other half for building projects — roads, bridges, parks, water and sewer facilities.

ACCORDING TO the league's survey, cities and villages would take the

following steps to offset the loss:

- 50 municipalities (25 percent) would raise taxes. The increases would range from 87 cents per \$1,000 of equalized valuation for municipalities with 10,000 to 25,000 residents to \$1.66 for municipalities with under 10,000 population.

- 45 cities and villages (23 percent) would lay off employees. The layoffs would add up to more than 200 employees and represent 7.5 percent of the total municipal work force.

- 114 cities and villages (58.2 percent) would cut back programs or services. The cuts would cut across a wide range of services — police, fire, parks, recreation, street maintenance, crime prevention, library services, summer recreation, equipment maintenance and replacement.

- 108 cities and villages (55 percent) would postpone or reduce capital expenditures for parks, water projects, bridges and storm and drainage projects.

Council approves tax revenue loan

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he had asked for a study session on the city's cash-flow problems because he didn't want to face the prospect of pay-less paydays: Griffin said that Kunkel had agreed that the city had cash-flow problems and that although the mayor agreed that the city would have to borrow money, he didn't act on the proposed borrowing.

Kunkel said that "the problem originated when the state said it would pay sales tax at the end of March. If it had, there would have been no problem. That's where the bind came."

The state also has withheld revenue sharing funds due the city in February, and Pickering said that further delays are expected in June and July.

The council unanimously approved the borrowing of \$1.8 million after Kunkel explained that "our choice is banking on the state paying up or missing payroll."

If the state came through with all funds owed the city, not just the emergency allotment, then the borrowing could be terminated, Kunkel said.

"I think I'd rather have the money and not have to use it rather than need it and not have it," said councilman Robert Wagner.

THE COUNCIL also approved starting pay levels for new finance and budget directors for the city. But members balked at approving a severance pay contingency for the two new appointees and picking up the state retirement payout for one appointee. The two items will be reviewed when two council members now on vacation return.

Kunkel told the council Monday night that some type of arrangement on the retirement issue would have to be reached as a condition of Stephen J. Smaka becoming the city's new finance director.

Smaka, a state employee, is expected to replace Williams, who served his notice several months ago as the financial squabbles between the council and the mayor mounted.

Smaka, who has already notified the state that he is leaving its employ and is now on vacation, will receive the same salary — \$37,573 — that he did as supervisor of delinquent audits with the Michigan Department of Treasury.

A certified public accountant, Smaka has eight years experience with the state treasury department, experience with accounting firms in the private sector and is treasurer of the Linden Board of Education.

As finance director, Smaka also will be responsible for handling the city's grant applications.

ALSO TO join the city is Mark Knapp who will serve as budget director, a position that had been eliminated last year as an economy move. Knapp will be paid \$28,562.

Knapp has worked with the city of Highland Park for six years, most recently analyzing and preparing financial statements for the city's budget and annual audit. He has a law degree, concentrated on corporate gift and estate tax, from Wayne State University.

While Knapp will start with the city Friday, Smaka isn't expected to join the payroll until May 2. Councilman Ben De Hart opposed establishing a severance pay for the two men, fearing that it would "come back to haunt us in years to come."

Kunkel told the council that if the city didn't pick up least part of the retirement due Smaka, he may accept a job with another city.

While Herbert said he believed the issue was important to resolve, Wagner told Kunkel that the proposed retirement purchase wasn't approved, but it wasn't rejected either.

TOWNSHIPS would feel the pinch. In Redford, "drastic cuts caused by Michigan's depressed economy already have skeletonized all of our township's operations," Supervisor James P. Kelly said.

The loss of federal dollars will mean two of the township's three fire stations would be shut down, Kelly said.

The remaining fire department personnel would only have one fire truck to protect 20,000 homes plus businesses and public buildings, he said.

In addition, the township's safety patrol division would be eliminated, Kelly said.

"EVERY ONE of Michigan's 83 counties has suffered because of revenue sharing inequities," said Wayne County Commissioner Kay Beard, D-Inkster.

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'Grandkids' offer seniors delivery service

By Marie Chestney
staff writer

Maybe it was the mild winter. Maybe it's the chance to choose personally which pork chop to eat for supper. Maybe it's some healthy skepticism. Or maybe it's the freedom of the four wheels sitting in the parking lot.

For whatever the reason, residents of senior citizen housing complexes are not exactly flocking to what might be the nation's only non-profit, delivered-to-your-door grocery delivery service.

'We are surrogate grandchildren for people who have no relatives or who are too full of pride to call on people for help.'

**Donald MacKenzie,
Grocery Delivery
Service**

With a paid staff of 18, and 12 volunteers, Your Grocery Delivery Service, Inc. sends vans once a week to more than 40 senior citizens' housing complexes in Wayne and Washtenaw County. Orders are filled within 48 hours.

Seniors (and the handicapped, who are also eligible for the service) pay either by check or with food stamps.

"WE WOULDN'T have done it (start the service) if we had known it would take this long to get off the ground," said Donald MacKenzie, board chairman of the company, which has main offices at 31051 Schoolcraft. "We're operating at a loss and using our own money to keep the company going. We need to have enough volume to cut down costs."

The Livonia-based company began as a profit-making company in 1979 in Canton Township, but barely got off the ground. It didn't have enough items in stock, MacKenzie said.

In July, 1982, it reorganized into its present non-profit status. The non-profit status, said president Bill Ansera, lets the company pour most of its earnings back into company operations.

MacKenzie estimated the company's weekly orders to be "in the hundreds." "We can handle 10,000 orders a week," he said.

USING WORDS like "safety," "convenience," "supermarket at your fingertips" and "no standing in lines," MacKenzie and company officials Keith Weaver and Bill and Sam Ansera

recently spent two hours outlining why their delivery service is a boon to seniors.

The Ansera brothers formerly ran a party store in Westland. MacKenzie, a Canton resident, describes himself as a retired manufacturer's representative and consultant who owned his own business in Detroit.

"We are surrogate grandchildren for people who have no relatives or who are too full of pride to call on people for help," MacKenzie said, speaking from his second-floor Schoolcraft offices. "If it is not convenient for seniors to shop, they will deny themselves.

OR IF they go shopping, they might slip on ice or snow, or they have to carry 17-pound packages or wait on a corner for bus transportation. Somebody ought to do something for those folks, but who the hell is doing it?"

Your Grocery Delivery Service, Inc., is doing it. On the surface, it seems like a good idea. Then why the apparent non-success?

"If shopping is a chore, then it's a good idea," said Jean Williams, spokeswoman for the 40-unit Trinity Park senior apartment complex at 14866 Middlebelt. "But a lot of the people have families (to drive them), or else they prefer to pick out their own stuff.

"IF WE HAD something like this last winter, we would have had better participation. But the weather has been mild."

The company picks up orders put by seniors in mailboxes set up on the main floor of the complexes, fills the orders from close to 500,000 items stocked at a Detroit distribution center, and hand delivers the groceries to the seniors.

But, to the dismay of company officials, few orders these days are going into the mailboxes.

The company, which does not deliver to senior citizens living at home, publishes a price catalog every two months. MacKenzie said prices are "adjusted to meet general market prices."

ARE PRICES too high? A quick skim through a "Customer Report" file, containing at least 50 questionnaires filled out by customers, shows few complaints about prices.

"Some things do cost more money, but if we went shopping we would have to pay somebody to take us," said McNamara II resident Germaine Vezina, in a telephone interview. Vezina said she places one, \$10-plus order weekly.

Is the quality of meat and produce poor? "We get few complaints, only compliments," said Weaver, a Westland resident who is head of the company's senior citizen advisory panel.



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Evelyn Stroud places an order for groceries with a group that makes deliveries to area senior citizen housing complexes.

With a profusion of "wonderful" and "beautiful," his words were backed up by several seniors interviewed.

"THE PRODUCTS ARE wonderful, the meat is wonderful," said McNamara II resident Bea Burchard, who orders \$30 worth of groceries three times a month. "There was a story going around that the meat wasn't any good, so when we ordered pork chops, we showed them around. It

stopped the story."

Rose Martino, a McNamara II resident, said she used the service just once. But the quality of the meat so pleased her, she said, she intends to use the service again.

IS THE SERVICE poor? "It's beautiful, I love it," said Ziegler resident Grace Munding, who said she spends about \$12 each time she uses the service. "I don't have a car and I can't carry anything heavy. I have a bad

back. The bus comes here to take seniors to the store on Thursday, but it's hard for me to get on the bus. They bring it up to my apartment."

One common link ties three of the four customers together — poor health. Burchard and Martino have heart conditions, Munsinger has a bad back.

And that common link is an echo of Williams' original statement: "If shopping becomes a chore, it is a good idea."

PEOPLE IN some senior citizen complexes said most seniors who live at them don't yet consider shopping a chore. Most have family or friends they can call on for a ride, many have their own car and those who don't use a shuttle bus service.

Seniors also, they said, like to pick out their own groceries. And they are often suspicious and mistrustful of anything new.

Councilman questions video game agreement

By Mary Klemic
staff writer

Three video games placed temporarily in the city's ice arena are a serious matter to Westland Councilman Kenneth Mehl.

At a press conference Monday night, Mehl said Mayor Charles Pickering should explain why the city entered into a partnership agreement with Unique Video, the operator of the machines, without having the business investigated by various city departments and without council approval.

Unique Video was owned by James Greenfield and his brother, Timothy, who was found shot to death in November. A Westland police officer testified last month that James Greenfield told police he thought his brother had been killed while delivering 10 ounces of cocaine worth some \$25,000 to the house of an alleged drug dealer.

"I am concerned about Mayor Pickering's continued refusal to communicate with the city council and his clumsy efforts to circumvent the City Charter and local ordinances whenever it is convenient for him to do so," Mehl said.

"James Greenfield has continued to run the video game business. Had the mayor followed the ordinance before entering the city into the agreement with Unique Video, the city clerk and council would have had information about Unique's ownership."

PICKERING SAID that the games were placed in the arena originally at the request of Council President Thomas Artley for a three-day hockey tournament. The mayor said he allowed them to remain there for another six weeks, after which they were removed, while rehearsals continued for the city's ice show.

He said that there is "no question" that the city can install machines in city buildings, but there is concern over who — the city or the video game

owner — should pay the fee.

Pickering authorized placement of the video game machines without council knowledge or approval, while the City Charter requires council approval before letting a contract, Mehl said.

The councilman charged that under Westland's mechanical amusement device ordinance, persons operating the devices may be licensed after the operators are investigated by city departments, including the police. He said this wasn't done in this instance.

Pickering's argument was that the city shared equally in the proceeds of the machines with the machine owners, and so compliance with the ordinance wasn't required, according to Mehl.

Pickering said that Jim Greenfield had contributed to his campaign, but said that other developers with larger contracts "aren't shy about making contributions" to city politicians. He said he didn't think the situation involving Timothy Greenfield should enter into the situation.

WESTLAND Police Chief Thomas Rechlin said the ordinance doesn't apply to machines placed in schools and public buildings.

"As I understand the ordinance, schools and public buildings are excluded," he said. "That's how I read the ordinance."

Mehl also criticized the release of James Greenfield from jail obtained by Westland Police Lt. Dewey Combs. The councilman said Greenfield was arrested by Westland police on the order of a Wayne County Circuit Judge when he didn't appear in court for the alleged drug dealer's hearing.

"It is, in my opinion, highly improper for the head of Westland's detective bureau to become so involved in a case that his department is handling, to call the judge directly and secure the release of a witness in the case who had not appeared in court when required," Mehl said.

Combs said he acted on his own to secure Greenfield's release, which he said was necessary for the case.

"Our key witness was unavailable," Combs responded. "We needed the key witness. Jim Greenfield was the only one who had any hope of finding him. We could have kept him in jail for six months, and it wouldn't have helped the case. The judge said he thought it was a wise move."

"I did it on my own, and I would do it again," Combs said. "It was proper, it was done legally, there was no wrongdoing."

"There was nothing unusual about what happened," Rechlin said. "I resent getting the police put in the middle of politics. That's exactly what it is."

Mehl questioned whether there was any connection between Combs' reassignment to the department and the action.

Rechlin and Combs, who also serves as a member of the Wayne-Westland school board, said the lieutenant's reassignment in the department wasn't related to the case. Police officers are reassigned every six months, in April and October, Combs explained.

POW speaks at group rally

James H. Warner of Plymouth Township, a former prisoner of war in North Vietnam, will be the keynote speaker Saturday at a ceremony observing National Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Day.

Warner, who believes that American soldiers still may be held captive in North Vietnam, will give an address beginning 2 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at the Ann Arbor VA Medical Center auditorium at 2215 Fuller Road, Ann Arbor.

Special guests at the ceremony will include former POWs and the families of MIAs from Michigan and northern Ohio.

Warner was held prisoner by the Vietnamese from 1967 to 1973. He is a member of the VA administrator's Advisory Committee on POW/MIAs.

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Crime prevention bureau schedules meeting

● EPILEPSY SUPPORT

Thursday, April 7 — Epilepsy support program, a self-help group, will meet at 7:30 p.m. in All Saints Lutheran Church, 8850 Newburgh at Joy, Livonia. Meetings usually are held on the first and third Thursdays of the month. For more information, call Joanne Meister at 522-1940.

● BINGO

Thursday, April 7 — The city of Westland's Department on Aging bingo will be held 1-5 p.m. at the Senior Friendship Center, 37095 Marquette. Donation is \$1.

● CARD PARTY

Friday, April 8 — Garden City Hospital Guild will host its annual Spring Card Party at 7 p.m. in the hospital cafeteria. Donation is \$4 per person. Call 278-2489 for ticket information or contact the hospital gift shop.

● GYMNASICS

Saturday, April 9 — The Westland Parks and Recreation Department is offering a gymnastics program from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Melvin G. Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford Road. Classes begin Monday. Call 722-7620 for class times and prizes.

● LIONS CLUB

Sunday, April 10 — The Garden City Lions Club has bingo Sundays in the American Legion Hall, Middlebelt

south of Ford. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. The club meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Silver Bar Restaurant, Middlebelt north of Ford.

● LAMAZE

Monday, April 11 — The Plymouth Childbirth Education Association is offering a Lamaze orientation class at 7:30 p.m. in Newburgh Methodist Church in Livonia. This is an introduction to the Lamaze birth technique and features a birth film, "Nan's Class." There is a \$1 charge at the door.

● BINGO

Monday, April 11 — The Paralyzed Veterans of Michigan, based in Garden City, will hold a bingo fund-raiser at 6:30 p.m. every Monday in the Knights of Columbus Hall, Ford east of Merriman. Proceeds are used to support programs for the handicapped.

● WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP

Tuesday, April 12 — Women's support group meets 1-4 p.m. every Tuesday afternoon in Room 109, St. John Episcopal Church, 555 S. Wayne Road. For more information, call the YMCA at 721-7044.

● LATHERS SCHOOL

Tuesday, April 12 — Lathers School PTA will present Mary Brown speaking on "what to do when your children won't leave home" at 7:30 p.m. Lathers

community calendar

Non-profit groups should mail items for the calendar to the Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. The date, time and place of the event should be included, along with the name and phone number of someone who can be reached during business hours to clarify information.

School is located at 28351 Marquette at Harrison.

● MUSIC BOOSTERS

Tuesday, April 12 — The Franklin High School Music Boosters will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Patriot Inn in Franklin High School. Parents and students are welcome to attend.

● EXERCISE CLASSES

Wednesday, April 13 — An exercise class for mothers with babies and small children will be held 10-11:30 a.m. at Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile between Farmington and Levan in Livonia. The class is sponsored by the Lamaze Childbirth Association of Livonia. The fee is \$22. To register, call Yvonne Bouchard at 464-1215.

● CRIME PREVENTION

Wednesday, April 13 — The Garden City Police Department's Crime Prevention Bureau will have public meeting at the Maplewood Community Cen-

ter at 7 p.m. The topic will be "The Forgotten Issue within Crime Prevention." The speaker will be Capt. Roger Wilkes, Garden City Police Department. Det. Lt. William Sandman will be available to answer any questions concerning crime, Crime Prevention or Neighborhood Watch. Monthly meetings will be held the second Wednesday of every month until June.

● AARP MEETING

Wednesday, April 13 — The Dearborn Heights-Westland Chapter 1642 of the American Association of Retired Persons will hold their monthly meeting at 1:30 p.m. at Berwyn Senior Center, 26155 Richardson, three blocks west of Beech Daly. Tickets will be on sale for the annual card party to be held at Berwyn Center on May 18 for \$2.50 each.

● KITELINE

Wednesday, April 13 — Franklin High School KiteLine will meet 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the principal's conference

room. This group is for parents of Franklin High School students to meet and discuss questions and concerns.

● BOAT SAFETY

Wednesday, April 13 — A DNR Safe Boating Class sponsored by the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Gibraltar Flotilla 11-03, will be held at 7 p.m. in Plymouth Salem High School, Room 2208, free of charge. This class is for 12- to 16-year-olds and is four weeks long.

● PRESCHOOL HOUR

Wednesday, April 13 — The Wayne-Westland Public Library will host a six-week series of preschool story hours. Parents may register their children at the library, or by calling 721-7832.

● CAMERA CLUB

Wednesday, April 13 — The Westland Camera Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford Road. "Photo's help when disaster strikes" will be the topic of discussion.

● CHINESE AUCTION

Wednesday, April 13 — Boy Scout Troop 740, sponsored by the Lathers School PTA, will hold a Chinese auction at the school, 28351 Marquette, at 7 p.m. Auction envelope can be obtained from a member of Troop 740 at the door-of-the auction, or by calling 427-6033.

● ARTS AND CRAFTS

Friday, April 15 — The last day applications will be accepted for space at the Garden City Jaycees Spring Carnival to be held May 5-8. For information, call 598-6915.

● DEMOCRATIC CLUB

Saturday, April 16 — The Metro

Wayne Democratic Club is having its annual Spring Dinner Dance at 8 p.m. in the United Auto Workers Local Hall located at 48055 Michigan Avenue in Canton Township. Tickets are \$10 per person or \$7.50 for seniors and retirees. There will be many honored guests. For more information, call 595-7270.

● ARTS AND CRAFTS

Table space for arts and crafts are available for St. Thomas A' Becket Festival on the Memorial Day weekend, May 27-29. The cost for a seven-foot area is \$25. Please call Marje at 981-0306. St. Thomas is located at Lily and Cherry roads in Canton.

● FOOD DRIVE

The Westland Host Lions Club are having a "Can a Man Drive" for the needy of Westland. Lions members donate food items every meeting they attend for the Lion Clubs. Anybody who wants to donate food items may contact Bill Action at 326-2607. Regular meetings are held at the Forum at Wildwood and Ford roads every second and fourth Thursday of the month.

● SUMMER CAMP

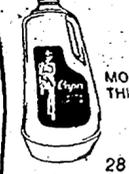
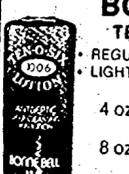
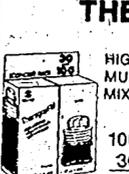
Kindergarten Learning Center, located at 37703 Joy Road in Westland, is accepting enrollments for the summer camp program now through June 1. Call 455-1950 for more information.

● NURSERY

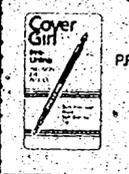
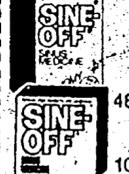
McKinley Co-Op Nursery, located at 9101 Hillcrest, Livonia, is now accepting applications for classes. Classes are toddlers, 9-10:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Fridays; 3-year-olds from 9:15-11:15 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays; 4-year-olds from 9:15-11:15 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays; 3- and 4-year-olds from 1-3 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. For further information call 522-3615.

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Ficano, Novak move into sheriff's office Monday

By Tim Richard
staff writer

After three months of court battles, Sheriff Robert A. Ficano and Undersheriff Richard Novak will take physical possession of their offices in the Wayne County Jail at 8 a.m. Monday.

Circuit Judge Paul S. Teranes gave Loren Pittman, the acting sheriff, those five days to vacate the office to which County Executive William Lucas had attempted to appoint him. Pittman had asked for 10 days.

"Mr. Pittman has assured me he will not remove anything from the office that pertains to the running of the sheriff's office," said the judge after a two-hour court hearing and a half-hour meeting in his chambers.

And Pittman's attorney, George Bedrosian, assured the court Pittman "will not hold himself out as being sheriff of Wayne County."

THE DECISION was precipitated by Ficano's charge that county employees last Friday removed things from the office. Ficano Monday succeeded in obtaining a court order restraining Lucas and Pittman from removing or destroying any records, equipment or furniture in the office.

At the heart of the issue was the fact that in the next week, the sheriff will make important decisions on 1) negotiations with suburban communities over patrolling of Hines Parkway, 2) staffing of Recorder's Court and 3) discussions with the state over the sheriff's department patrolling of urban freeways.

Teranes' decision pleased the deputies' union, whose president, Don Cox, openly feared what Lucas and Pittman



Sheriff Robert Ficano
an office on Monday

physical possession of the office until the court ordered Pittman out.

"I FEEL BAD. I'm broken-hearted," said Pittman even before Wednesday's hearing began. "I came here expecting to lose."

Afterwards, he said, "Do you know where the nearest unemployment office is?" As undersheriff for 13 years, Pittman said he is 19 months away from being eligible for retirement benefits.

Ficano indicated in an interview he might be willing to find some work for Pittman in the department, but Pittman told the Observer he would reject any such offer.

"I couldn't work for that young man," said Pittman, a 37-year veteran of police work. "Old-time cops have a saying to rookies: 'You're not fit to carry my handcuffs.' It's not meant to be derogatory. It's just that he has no experience."

Ficano was deputy county clerk for two years before his appointment to the sheriff's post. But the lawyer and former Democratic Party leader insists the post is mainly administrative,



Undersheriff Richard Novak
out of retirement

that he has the administrative experience and that "I intend to implement fiscally sound policies and programs."

ANOTHER WINNER in Wednesday's battle was Undersheriff Novak, also of Livonia. He officially will come out of retirement Monday as No. 2 man in the department.

"I've been working out of my car trunk, my house, the union hall for three months," laughed Novak, a 33-year veteran of the sheriff's department.

Although he had been a candidate for the appointment as sheriff himself, he agreed to be undersheriff when the job went to Ficano.

Ficano and Novak had been quietly meeting with the deputies union and local officials while awaiting court disposition of the case.

Lucas never acknowledged the court's decision that Ficano was sheriff. When the executive staged a signing of a contract with the deputies' un-

ion Monday, he invited Pittman but not Ficano to the ceremony. And a member of Lucas's staff refused to give Ficano any information about the sheriff's office because "it's no business of the deputy county clerk."

LAWYERS DURING the court hearing frequently revealed the bitter feelings of their clients.

Joseph A. Sullivan, Ficano's attorney, called the removal of things from the sheriff's office "unseemly activity."

"From March 30 onward, there was no legal reason for Mr. Ficano not to walk into the sheriff's office. However, Mr. Ficano did not trigger a confrontation, did not foment discord."

"The court's ruling (of March 10) was accepted by everyone except the defendants (Lucas and Pittman). Mr. Lucas pointedly and repeatedly identified Mr. Pittman as sheriff," said Sullivan.

might do if allowed 10 days to wind up their affairs. Cox was invited into the chambers during negotiations over how long Pittman would be allowed to clean up his affairs.

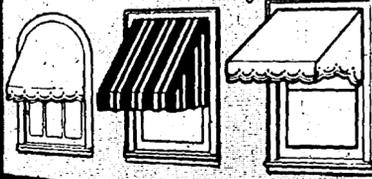
Teranes ruled March 10 that Ficano, 30, of Livonia was properly appointed sheriff under law by a panel consisting of County Clerk James Killeen, Prosecutor William Cahalan and Chief Probate Judge Joseph Pernick. But not until Wednesday did Teranes give a date when Pittman had to vacate.

Lucas and Pittman are appealing the March 10 decision.

"We have done our utmost to keep this matter from becoming a circus," said Ficano, who had not tried to take

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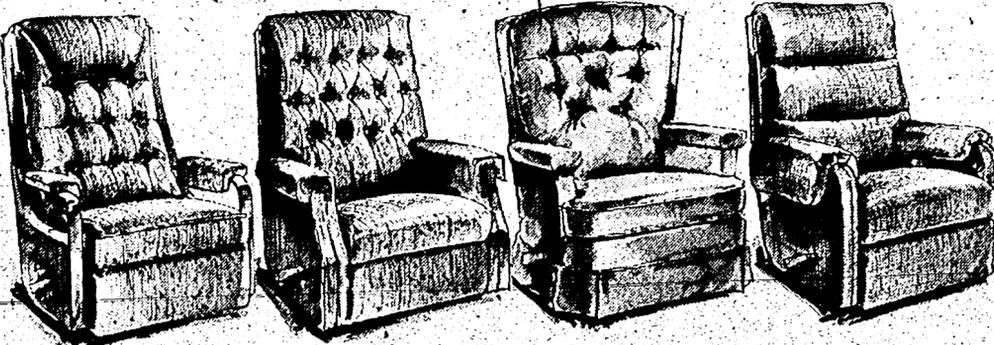
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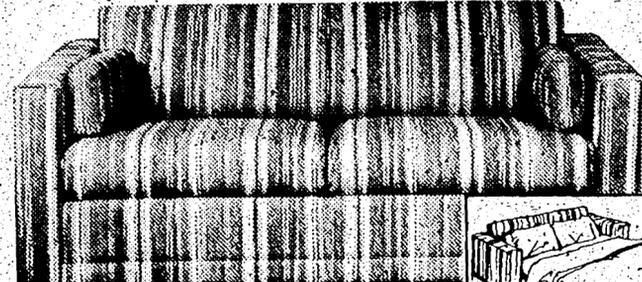


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Masters is a 1982 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School.

CAMERON R. McLEAN

Pfc. Cameron R. McLean, son of James A. and Elizabeth A. McLean of Westland, has completed basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

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

RANDAL M. GRZESIK

Army Pvt. Randal M. Grzesik, son of John C. and Judy A. Grzesik of Westland, has completed the Army's bridge crewman course under the One Station Unit Training program at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

The students were taught the basics of construction and assembly of five types of bridges and the operation of various boats and a five-ton dump truck. Students also learned demolition techniques, how to maneuver obstacles, map reading, land mine warfare and the use of engineer hand tools.

KENNETH E. CANNON

Pfc. Kenneth E. Cannon, son of Roy C. and Kathline E. Cannon of Westland, has arrived for duty in Friedberg, West Germany.

Cannon, a 1980 graduate of John

Glenn High School, is a cavalry scout with the 3rd Armored Division. He was previously assigned at Fort Polk, La.

ARTHUR A. DRZINSKI

Army Pvt. Arthur A. Drzinski, whose former guardians are James E. and Mary Jo Wadsworth of Westland, has completed the Army's bridge crewman course under the One Station Unit Training program at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

The students were taught the basics of construction and assembly of five types of bridges and the operation of various boats and a five-ton dump truck.

Students also learned demolition techniques, how to maneuver obstacles, map reading, land mine warfare and the use of engineer hand-tools.

WALTER D. MASSENGILL

Army Sgt. Walter D. Massengill, whose sister, Donna, lives in Westland, has participated in exercise Team Spirit, a joint and combined United States and Republic of Korea military exercise to train commanders, staff and forces in the execution of joint and combined ground, air and sea operations.

U.S. Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine forces joined with their Republic of Korea counterparts for these maneuvers.

Massengill, son of Anna L. Tews of Hubbard Lake, is a missile crewman at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, with the 25th Infantry Division.

TIMOTHY M. PELFREY

Army Pvt. Timothy M. Pelfrey, son of Patricia Pelfrey of Westland, has

completed one station unit training (OSUT) at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga.

OSUT is a 12-week period that combines basic combat training and advanced individual training.

The training included weapons qualifications, squad tactics, patrolling, land mine warfare, field communications and combat operations. Completion of this course qualifies the soldier as a light weapons infantryman and as an indirect fire crewman.

Soldiers were taught to perform any of the duties in a rifle or mortar squad.

TIMOTHY T. FANT

Pvt. Timothy T. Fant, son of Raymond Fant of Westland and Marion E. Strandberg of Wayne, has completed basic training at Fort Dix, N.J.

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

Fant is a 1979 graduate of John Glenn High School.

DENNIS T. WHITE JR.

Marine Cpl. Dennis T. White Jr., son of Fran and Dennis T. White Sr. of Westland, has reported for duty with the 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

JEFFREY A. DOZIER

Navy Seaman Recruit Jeffrey A. Dozier, son of Alice L. Dozier of Westland, has completed recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week training cycle, trainees studied general military subjects designed to prepare them for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic occupational fields.

Included in their studies were seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in physical education and hygiene.

JAMES A. BARBER

Marine Cpl. James A. Barber, son of Malcolm G. and Sonya M. Barber of Westland, is serving as a member of the multi-national peacekeeping force in Lebanon.

He is a member of Battalion Landing Team 2/6, 22nd Marine Amphibious Unit (MAU), Camp Lejeune, N.C.

The 1,800-member MAU is patrolling East Beirut in conjunction with the Lebanese Army and French and Italian troops. It relieved the 24th MAU of peacekeeping duties Feb. 14.

Marines were first ordered to the war torn nation last June to participate in the evacuation of American citizens and foreign nationals. They returned to Lebanon in August to supervise the evacuation of the PLO, and in September as part of the multi-national peacekeeping force.

JOHN W. MILLER III

Marine Cpl. John W. Miller III, son of Mary V. and John W. Miller, Jr. of Westland, has been promoted to his present rank while serving at Marine Corps Helicopter Station New River, Jacksonville, N.C.

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SC aims to 'Build Better Boards'

By Tim Richard
staff writer

It's a topic they don't teach in high school civics.

"The average person on the board of a community organization usually does it out of concern for community welfare," said Georgene Sloan, "but sometimes doesn't have the knowledge of board responsibility and board management."

The Schoolcraft College staff member has been in community work herself and admits, "I didn't have a lot of background. I could have used this workshop."



Robert Thompson Mary Lee Williams Louise Comey Richard Hayward

THE WORKSHOP she is putting together is called "Building Better Boards for Community Organizations." It will be offered from 9-3:45 Saturday, April 30 in B 200-210 of Schoolcraft's Liberal Arts Building on the main campus in Livonia.

Just about any non-profit group could use it," said Sloan, whose mailing list is now 660 and growing. School boards (and candidates), PTA councils, mental health groups, professional societies, chambers of commerce, ser-

vice clubs, arts councils — all could benefit.

Adds Schoolcraft President Richard McDowell: "Non-profit organizations are currently facing some of the greatest challenges with which they may ever have to deal. Their success... may be directly attributable to strong boards of directors and effective board management."

SLOAN IS TAKING reservations at

591-6400 Ext. 409. Price of \$20 includes a light lunch. Continuing education credits are also offered.

The topics and presentors:
• Board membership — who, why and how? — Richard J. Hayward, a former structural steel industry executive who heads his own company in Livonia. He is also a former Schoolcraft trustee.
• Goal setting — short- and long-term — Louise Comey, CSW, program

director of special services, Family and Neighborhood Services, Inkster.

• Group communication — assuring all group members have a role in the decision-making process — Mary Lee Williams, director of Spectrum Communications, a management training and development company in Farmington.

• Legal responsibilities and liabilities of board members — Robert Thompson, Livonia attorney experienced in business and corporate law.

"THIS WILL NOT be over and out April 30," Sloan said. "Schoolcraft has a commitment to this project that extends to mid-1984."

The Schoolcraft program is one of many being offered around the nation with help from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation and the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges.

"We're able to benefit from what has gone on before," said Sloan, who surveyed other such workshops around the country on what worked and didn't. "One thing that kept coming up was legal responsibilities and liabilities. We didn't have to reinvent the wheel."

A second workshop is likely in fall.

Tuition steady at Schoolcraft

State aid is expected to pick up at Schoolcraft College next fiscal year, to the relief of property taxpayers and students. The board of trustees projects total revenue at \$15.7 million, up 3 percent.

The board recently voted to levy the full 1.77 mills of property tax authorized by voters after getting this budget scenario from comptroller A.H. (Butch) Raby.

• State equalized valuations will decline 3 percent as the effect of the recession on property values is felt. Property taxes are expected to produce \$5.9 million next fiscal year, down slightly from this year's \$6 million. The unchanged rate and reduced SEV will ease the overall burden on property owners.

• Tuition rates will remain the same, starting at \$25.50 per credit hour for residents of the college district. An increased enrollment will push revenue from this source to \$4.7 million, up 6 percent.

• State aid is expected to rise 7.5 percent to \$4.67 million.

"GOV. BLANCHARD is expected to look favorably on community colleges," Raby said.

Blanchard has held up his budget message until after passage of the

state income tax increase by the legislature.

Asked by board Chairperson Harry Greenleaf whether economic recovery might not mean a reduction in students, Raby called the projection realistic.

"Michigan still has significant unemployment. People will need to retrain," Raby said.

IN OTHER business, the board ac-

cepted these gifts:
• 18 volumes of the Journal of Applied Physics from Dr. W. Dalb Compton of Dearborn. They will be used in the metallurgy and materials science program.
• Two desks, cabinets, a chair, a work table and other supplies with a stated value of \$1,275 — from Klein & Bloom, PC, Livonia, for use by the health, busi-

ness and vocational departments.
• A collection of food-related reference books with a stated value of \$850 from Edward A. Goodwin of Sylvania, Ohio, for the culinary arts library.

• \$150 in cash from the American Welding Society, Troy, in appreciation for the college's assistance in hosting the semiannual welding inspectors certification examination.

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Police fight back with counter suit

By Bill Casper
staff writer

Two Redford Township patrolmen, Gene Stifler and Ronald Wasmund, recently were awarded \$10,000 each in a default judgment resulting from a counter suit they filed against a Livonia man who had sued them and several other police officers after he was shot in the face during a police chase.

Bobby Dodd, 24, the plaintiff in the suit against the police officers, was a passenger in a car in March 1976 that led about 25 police cars from at least seven different police departments on a high speed chase, resulting in injury to several police officers and damage to a number of patrol cars.

DURING THE chase, police officers opened fire at the fleeing car, striking Dodd in the face, according to his attorney Michael Friedman. Dodd suffered a broken jaw from the gunshot wound, but was never charged in connection with the incident, Friedman said.

"All of the pursuing police denied that they fired upon the car in a conspiracy of silence so we sued all of them who were involved in the chase in order to determine who to point the finger at through the discovery process of the lawsuit," he said. "As I recall, we reached an out-of-court settlement for about \$20,000, primarily against some of the Dearborn Heights police officers."

However, during discovery, both

Stifler and Wasmund were dismissed as defendants and vindicated, said Robert Blamer, township attorney who represented the two Redford officers in Dodd's suit and the officers' counter suit against him.

"Dodd did not respond to our lawsuit," Blamer said. "The default judgment was awarded March 4 by Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Maureen Reilly. We are going to seek a deposition from Dodd to discover his assets, but I think the chances are minimal that either officer will receive any of the court-awarded money."

Stifler said police did fire upon the fleeing car after the driver smashed a Westland squad car that had set a road block, causing injury to a Westland patrolman.

"THE OFFICERS were aiming to blow out a tire because we weren't really sure who we were chasing at the time," said Stifler. "But Wasmund and I never took our guns out of our holsters. When we returned to the police department, our watch commander had the presence of mind to check our weapons and recorded the fact that neither of our handguns had any spent shells."

"Whether we ever collect any of the award money is not the important issue of our lawsuit," he said. "We just want it known that we believe the complaints against us in Dodd's suit were unjustified, and as a result, our reputations as police officers were damaged. I think you're going to see more and

more police officers in similar situations filing counter civil suits in the future."

Stifler said that Dodd's attorney, Friedman, originally was included in their counter suit on an allegation of malicious prosecution.

However, Friedman was dismissed from the suit following a Michigan Supreme Court ruling that said it is not the duty of attorneys to investigate the claims of their clients to discover if they're true and accurate, according to township attorney Blamer.

The chase that triggered the lawsuits began shortly before 1 a.m. March 28, 1976, when Livonia patrolmen spotted a car running across several residential lawns in a Livonia subdivision, Stifler said.

The driver, who was later charged with felonious assault in connection with the injury to the Westland patrolman, reached speeds in excess of 100 mph, he said.

THE CHASE culminated at Telegraph and Van Buren in Dearborn Heights where the fleeing driver crashed the car, which erupted into flames, Stifler said.

Both he and Wasmund suffered minor injuries after Wasmund lost control of the squad car and skidded onto the median of Telegraph during the chase.

"There were several times during the chase when I thought we were going to get hurt, but luckily we made it through without serious injury," Stifler said. "I'm pleased with the results of our lawsuit because I believe it has restored the reputations of Wasmund and myself."

In addition to Livonia, Redford and Westland, other police departments that became involved in the chase included Dearborn Heights, Detroit, Dearborn and the Michigan State Police, Stifler said.

Screams scare off assailant

A young woman's screams scared off a would-be purse snatcher in an incident outside Woodcrest Villa late Monday night.

Westland police are looking for the suspect in the attempted robbery. He was described as a white man, between 26 and 28 years old, five feet eight to five feet 10 and weighing 160 pounds.

He has short brown hair and wore blue jeans.

Police said the man told her to give him her purse.

The 26-year-old woman told police she parked her car in the car port directly in front of Woodcrest Villa shortly after 11:30 p.m.

Walkathon to benefit a heart patient

Wayne County General Hospital is sponsoring a 15-mile benefit walkathon for one of its patients.

Lasalle Rogers, a student at Inkster High School, suffered severe damage to his heart as the result of an infection. Now his heart function is so reduced that it is similar to that of an old man who has suffered several heart attacks.

Because of the damage to his heart, Lasalle must have a heart transplant in order to continue living. Proceeds from the walkathon will go toward the \$100,000 needed for the heart transplant.

The walkathon will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday on Edward Hines Drive just south of Seven Mile Road. Participants will ask for pledges of money from friends and relatives for the number of miles they walk.

Those who are unable to participate in the walkathon but who still wish to contribute may send a check or money order made payable to Lasalle Rogers Fund, and mail it to Wayne County General Hospital, 2345 Merriman, Westland 48185.

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Schoolcraft grants 4 sabbaticals

Four faculty members, all from liberal arts, have received sabbatical leaves from the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees.

LEAVES WERE granted to:

• John G. Nathan, an English department faculty member and journalism instructor since 1975 as well as advisor to the Campus Globe. He will use the winter semester of 1984 to enroll in the journalism graduate program at Wayne State University and spend spring in England working as an unpaid copy reader for the Oxford University Press.

• Joanne Stein, English department

instructor since 1969. She will use the winter and spring of 1984 to write poetry and enroll in graduate literature courses at the University of Michigan. Besides improving her instruction in poetry courses, she plans to incorporate poetry into English 102 as subjects for research papers. Her poems have been published in Empyrea, a U-M literary publication; The Alternative Review of Literature and Politics, Ann Arbor; and Foundry, a forthcoming journal.

• Albert Agosti, sociology, instructor since 1965. He will use the 1983-84 school year to write a sociology text "dealing with the changing conditions of contemporary society" to be used in one or more of his classes. "Knowledge acquired will be instrumental in modifying existing approaches to all sociology classes," according to his proposal.

• Sumita M. Chaudhry, an English faculty member since 1968. She will use the fall 1983 semester to study several British Commonwealth writers — Ruth Jhabvala, V.S. Naipaul and Kamala Taylor Markandaya, "all of whom write in one language but from different cultural backgrounds." The result of her research will be a bibliography of primary and secondary sources of works of criticism. She will incorporate her new material in courses on short fiction and the novel.

Benefit for Heinzman April 17 at St. Robert



Scott Heinzman

A benefit fund-raiser for Scott Heinzman, a 21-year-old quadriplegic from Livonia, will be held Sunday, April 17, at St. Robert Bellarmine parish's activity building, West Chicago at Inkster, Redford Township.

Heinzman was injured last summer in a diving accident at a Northville gravel pit. After six months in the University of Michigan Hospital, he is in independent living in Ann Arbor but requires extensive personal care and has been rehospitalized several times.

Organized by his family and friends, the benefit will run from

2-10 p.m. and be much like a St. Patrick's Day party. Music and dance groups will perform continuously. Food and refreshments will be available.

Money from the benefit will be used for Heinzman's living and educational expenses, a family spokesman said. Heinzman hopes to study computers and would like to make a contribution to medical research on spinal cord injuries.

Persons unable to attend but wishing to participate may send contributions to the Scott Heinzman Benefit, Box 2763 Livonia 48151.

JEFFRESS SAID the college will have no difficulty replacing them with part-time and supplemental instructors with no impact on the budget.

He told trustees Schoolcraft is working on faculty development in other ways.

"We are offering a small amount of release time for faculty members to engage in professional level work other than the teaching of regular classes.

"We are seeking to develop internships with corporations such as General Motors and Ford, and we have given large amounts of release time in conjunction with grants received.

"We offered seminars for faculty and staff on microcomputers, and we are utilizing such contractual entitlements as sabbatical and personal leaves to encourage both professional and personal renewal."

'Future bodes well for nursing' — SC

There is little talk of economic recession in the health care fields.

"The future bodes well for nursing. Sick people will have less care from physicians and more from nurses," according to Clay Fechter, assistant dean for business at Schoolcraft College.

Fechter gave an up-beat summary to the board of trustees of how Schoolcraft graduates are faring on state examinations and in the job market.

Allied health occupations include registered nurses, LPNs, medical lab technicians, occupational therapists and medical records technicians.

ITEMS:

• Registered nurses — Of 85 who will graduate as RNs, 59 already have jobs lined up at salaries of \$19,000 and up. "Many of the other 26 are being courted," he added. Last year, 94 percent of Schoolcraft's graduates passed the state exam. An average of 15-20 percent of each incoming class of 90 are men.

• Licensed practical nurses — "There is much talk of declining opportunities, but we've not found it," said Fechter. Last year 95 percent passed the state exam. Salaries start at \$14,000. Thirty were admitted to the program last fall, and 26 are still in. One-fourth are males.

• Medical lab technician — Starting salaries are around \$14,500. Last year 94 percent passed the state exam compared to 90 percent the year before. About 24 start the program each fall.

• Occupational therapy — "We've

never had a failure" on the state exam. Starting salary is about \$11,000. Graduates are well received in the job market, and Garden City Osteopathic Hospital is "frankly courting them," said Fechter. About 25 are admitted to the program each fall, and all are female.

• Medical record technologists — Job opportunities are rated just "good" by Dean Ted Diebel of the Garden City Center, where this program is located. Starting salaries are in the \$13,500 to \$14,000 range. Last year 83 percent of Schoolcraft's graduates passed the state exam the first time. All but one of the 24 graduates in the class of 1982 are employed in the field. There are no males in the program.

BOARD CHAIRPERSON Harry Greenleaf wondered about the future of the field, with hospital closings and more at-home care.

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Youth camping trips promote fund-raisers

The senior high youth department of the First Church of the Nazarene is looking ahead to its second annual canoe trip with dollar signs in their eyes.

The young people must raise all the money for the trip to the Buffalo River in northwest Arkansas and plan to do so with a series of fund-raisers that will open with a paper drive April 9. Anyone who would like to donate papers is asked to bring the bundles Saturday to the church at I-275 and Eight Mile with the entrance at 21260 Haggerty, Farmington.

After that, they'll turn to a tastier way of raising funds by selling USDA inspected steaks from Kentucky. The boneless steaks weigh 8 ounces and are cut and frozen two days before deliv-

ALL STEAKS ARE guaranteed, according to Bob Anderson, youth department coordinator. The teens will be selling both Delmonico and N. Y. strip steaks, 10 to a box for \$14.95.

Arrangements to purchase the meat can be made by calling the church at 348-7600. Delivery date is set for Saturday April 16.

Last year, the teens went 103 miles down the Rifle River in Michigan. The Arkansas trip will take place July 30-Aug. 6 and will include a variety of activities in addition to three days and nights on the river. One side trip will include a visit to the Olivet Nazarene College in Kankakee, Ill., observing a Passion play and a visit to Six Flags Over Mid-America in St. Louis.

Religious beliefs to be surveyed

Pastor Robert A. Baer and the congregation of St. John's Lutheran Church, Westland and St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Plymouth have announced plans to survey more than 5,000 area residents.

The purpose of the survey according to Baer, is to determine what the residents believe.

Baer said that one of the questions will deal with death and what the respondent believes will happen when he dies.

Baer said he hopes to complete the survey by May, at which time the results will be released. For information, contact Baer at 721-5377.



Walch window dedicated

At two worship services Sunday, the congregation of the First United Presbyterian Church, Plymouth will dedicate a stained glass window in memory of former pastor Henry J. Walch, D. D., who served as pastor from 1943 to his retirement in 1971. Walch died Feb. 13, 1982. The dedication Sunday is near Walch's birthday April 7. Born in Rochester, N. Y. in 1905 and educated at McCormack Seminary of Chicago, he served pastorates in Oakfield and Rochester as well as Detroit before Plymouth. Alma College conferred an honorary doctorate of divinity in 1947. The Willet Co. of Philadelphia, which designed and installed the other stained glass in the building, was commissioned to do the Walch window, with the "good shepherd" theme. The window was made possible through contributions of church members and friends. Members of the memorial committee were Kenneth Kohrs as chairman, Jean Harsha, Jeha Bachelder, Mary Spear, John Ryder and William Hartmann. Dedication will be at the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services with a reception following the later service. Philip Rodger Magee, senior minister, will officiate.

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church bulletin

MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Dr. Jack Cottrell, theology professor at Cincinnati Christian Seminary, will give a series of lectures April 15-17 at Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile, Livonia.
Music for the programs will be provided by vocalist Jill Allen, a graduate student in voice at the University of Michigan.
Cottrell will speak on being saved by grace at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, April 17. He is the author of several books, including "His Way," "Being Good Enough Isn't Good Enough" and "God's Wonderful Grace." He has written articles on theology for the Christian Standard Restoration Herald, the Seminary Review and Christianity Today.

NEW LIFE COMMUNITY

Clarence King, pastor of Healing for Nations, a TV program on Channel 62, will speak at 6 p.m. Sunday in New Life Community Church, a new church at 34645 Cowan, Westland. A children's ministry and nursery school will be provided for youngsters from up to 12. Anyone may attend. Pastor of the church is Dr. Julius Karl.

CLARENCEVILLE UNITED METHODIST

Toby and Barbara Waldowski will present a concert at 7 p.m. Sunday at Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, Livonia. They are both monthly performers on the Hour of Power broadcast. The Waldowskis have made four recordings and have performed in churches, military bases and conventions.
During the program, Toby Waldowski will relate how God spared his life when he had cancer.

ST. THOMAS A'BECKET

Table space is available for an arts and crafts festival May 27-29 at St. Thomas A'Becket Church, 42424 Castle, Canton. Price is \$25 for a seven-foot area. Those interested may call Marje Allobello at 981-0306.

NATIVITY CHURCH OF CHRIST

Pastoral candidate Dr. Michael H. Carman will give a trial sermon at 10 a.m. Sunday in Nativity Church of Christ, 9435 Henry Ruff, Livonia. He was unanimously selected to be Nativity's pastor by the church's search committee. Immediately after the worship hour, an approval vote will be taken.
Carman will attend a retirement party for Jim and Ruth Schultz on Friday, April 8, and an open house from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 9. Church members are invited to attend and meet him.

NEWBURG UNITED METHODIST

The Youth Choir will perform during Sunday services at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. The singers will perform the songs they sang on their choir tour, which started April 4. It included concerts in Agincourt, Ontario; Plains, Pa., and Babylon and Corfu, N.Y. Choir members also had an all-day tour of New York City.

PLYMOUTH FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

"Spiritual Man Discovered" is the title of a lecture to be given by John

Tyler at 8 p.m. Friday, April 8, in First Church of Christ, Scientist, 1100 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. He will be introduced by the second reader, Maxine Reisdorf.

A former university professor, Tyler is a member of the Christian Science Board of Lectureship. He is also an authorized teacher of Christian Science.

RICE MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST

A salad luncheon will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 14, at Rice Memorial United Methodist Church, 20601 Beech Daly, Redford Township. The proceeds will go to the mission of Rice Church, which includes Cass Community Church, East Side Ministries and Metro Jail Ministries.
Tickets are \$3.50, and children 4 and younger will be admitted free. For information, call the church at 534-4907 or Kay Jachim at 535-7694.

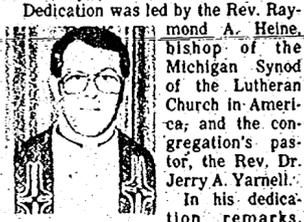


Sings here

Jill Marie Allen will be presented in a concert 6:30 p.m. Sunday at the Kenwood Church of Christ in Livonia. A native of Johnson City, Tenn., she received her degree from Wake Forest University where she graduated summa cum laude, first in her class, with honors in music. She is pursuing graduate study in voice performance at the University of Michigan. Last year she represented her hometown as Miss Johnson City and made 80 appearances during her reign and was a top 10 finalist at the 1982 Miss Tennessee pageant. Kenwood is at 20200 Merriman. The concert is open to the public.

Canton church has dedication

St. Michael Lutheran Church of Canton Township recently celebrated the dedication of a new sanctuary and office facility.



The Rev. Yarnell

Get in the S.W.I.M.

It's sink or S.W.I.M. for Catholic singles groups in the west suburban area of Livonia, Westland and Canton. The parishes have decided to merge their individual singles groups into one, to be known as Suburban West Inter-parish Mixers (S.W.I.M.). An organiza-

the Canton congregation is one of the fastest growing Lutheran churches in Michigan. Its current membership of baptized members is 720. Settling into its first building unit in 1977, the congregation leaders soon realized that additional facilities would be needed, and planning was started.

While ministering to the needs of its members, St. Michael's also hosts community meetings for a senior citizens group, Lamaze childbirth classes, and an Alanon group.

A reception followed the dedication service.



New associate

The Rev. Gary R. Seymour has been named associate rector at St. Andrew Episcopal Church, Livonia. He will begin his assignment Monday. A native of upstate New York, he served as rector for 3 1/2 years at St. Peter Episcopal Church in Tecumseh. He attended college in Wyoming and the seminary in Texas. He has been involved in the Cursillo movement, has had experience with youth camp programs and is a member of the evangelism and renewal committee of the Diocese of Michigan. He and his wife Victoria have two children, Jim, 9, and Carol, 6.

Reconciliation skills do exist

A common lament is that technological skills advance rapidly while knowledge of human relationships remain in the dark ages. It is not true. Academic centers for conflict resolution give skilled negotiators a highly polished process. It is needed in families, businesses, groups and in international relations. It ought to be required in public schools so people at least have hope that tensions do not have to lead to violence. The reconciliation process for troubled marriages works in any conflict.

Step one is to realize there is a problem. Changing forms of address signal trouble. Parties distort images of each other as differences move toward division and separation. Drifting apart is usually described in differing interests and ideals. Tensions build over contrasting visions of what is best rather than anything naughty or evil.
The second step is to take initiative,



moral perspectives Rev. Charles Erickson

to intervene in the escalating divergence. One suggests change or asks for outside help, and the other accepts the idea of trying something new. Initiating reconciliation becomes a mutual endeavor. One must initiate and the other must join, however reluctantly.

STEP THREE IS dialogue about the future. Each describes dreams and hopes. Visions of life 10 or 20 years from now lead beyond current tensions. Feelings are clarified as ideas merge and they sense a hope of good relationships in the distance. Shared purposes begin to promise meaningful partnership. Motivation appears for getting be-

yond current strife.

The fourth step is honestly looking at the walls which have been built and taking them down brick by brick. Causes for divergence must be discovered. Pain and resentment must be cleansed. Reconciliation is preventing past emotions from distorting the future. This step must come after step three.

Two parties have hurt each other enough and disagreed so much that a vivid sense of a shared future is the only energy strong enough to put the past to rest.

Step five is to make a new commitment. But commitment seems too risky

with wounds still raw. Doubts and reluctance suggest keeping fingers crossed about a new decision. Reconciliation requires accepting vulnerability and dependence in a new covenant. A fresh agreement to stick with each other is essential for the new relationship to develop. Conflict breaks out again more easily than peace if trust is partial.

The last step is fun but not irrelevant. The process includes the joy of reconciliation spilling all over. Moving forward together is exciting like the enthusiasm of a convert or the crusading of one who has broken a bad habit. Each party is creative about the best for the other. They become ambassadors of reconciliation and evangelists about marriage or partnership or their goal which is now fresh and mutual.

Step six is the thrill of discovering the vast difference between peacekeepers and peacemakers. To be reconciled is to be reconciling.

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County-owned property north and south of Michigan Avenue will be studied for development by Westland in a joint venture to develop the unused portion of the Wayne County General site at Merriman.

Joint venture offers reason to hope

THERE IS AN almost audible sigh of relief reverberating through Westland City Hall this week.

Tension had been building throughout the early months of this year as complications seemed to build on each pronouncement from Mayor Charles Pickering's office. Those complications involved personnel, finances and relations with the city council.

That the city faced a deficit everyone agreed. The amount of that deficit, however, was the subject of heated disagreements which spilled over into ways to eliminate the deficit.

Some personnel changes the mayor made to cope with the deficit either landed him in court or faced him with new grievances.

Furthermore, despite assurances from the mayor that the city would end the year without financial difficulties, the council warned that trouble lay ahead.

Council members seemed to be the more accurate forecasters last week as city administrators faced a state audit and a cash crisis that threatened payless paydays.

In short, there really wasn't even a sense of hope coming from city hall.

THAT BLEAK scenario appeared to change this week on several fronts: The city petitioned the state for money it was owed, and the state promised that the money, or at least a portion of it, would be

forthcoming to avert payless paydays.

The council and the mayor also agreed to borrow money based on the anticipation of future tax revenue.

And negotiations continued regarding compensation for new appointees to the finance department who are well acquainted with fiscally troubled governments.

What the city really has needed was something to look forward to, and plans calling for a study of the vacant property on the grounds of Wayne County General Hospital seem to provide just that.

THE VACANT buildings have been an eyesore for the city and a drain on county coffers. City and county officials have long agreed that something ought to be done, but no one wanted to take the responsibility to initiate change.

Certainly the county didn't want to spend the money required to tear down the structures, which have been considered a deterrent to developers.

Now new faces in new places seem willing to undertake what no one else has been able to accomplish.

The city council has agreed with the mayor's proposal to spend \$1,500 in federal community development funds to do a preliminary study on what can be done with the county land both north and south of Michigan Avenue.

A presentation on the plan will be made sometime during the week of April 18. A further study, expected to cost \$30,000 to \$40,000 in CD funds, subsequently will be needed.

FOR ITS part, the county will seek a federal public works grant under the new jobs bill to do the labor-intensive job of demolishing the buildings. Interest shown by the city in arranging for the study is expected to add weight to the county's grant application.

Then the county will either lease the land to the Wayne County Economic Development Corporation or to the city for development according to the study.

What the city will gain out of all this is a revitalization of that area of the city, possibly the impetus needed to spur development in other areas of Westland and added revenue for the city.

Not a bad deal. The plan brings with it a revival of hope — and a sigh of relief.

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Suffering town needs winner

WHEN THE Detroit Tigers take the field Friday afternoon to usher in their home portion of the baseball season, they will have a better chance of gaining a place in baseball lore than any time in either league.

As they swing into action, Manager Sparky Anderson is clinging to his original statement that "This team has plenty of talent and could win — if it wants to. It will be entirely up to them."

If they should win the pennant — and few of the forecasters give them that high a rating — they will earn a place alongside the great teams of 1934-5 that brought Detroit its first pennant in 25 years and the 1968 team that ended a long stream of broken dreams.

IN EACH CASE, the entire state had suffered some kind of catastrophe and needed something to boost spirits.

This was especially true in 1935 when Mickey Cochrane, one of the fightingest managers of all time, drove them to the pennant and then a world series victory over the Chicago Cubs.

The entire state was just beginning to show signs of coming out of the Depression, and fans needed something to boost morale in day-to-day living.

They got it when "Goose" Goslin hit a blooper over second base in the last game of the World Series. Cochrane scored with the winning run and set loose one of the greatest baseball celebrations the city ever has known.

It was another wild time in 1968 when catcher Bill Freehan caught a foul fly near the visiting dugout to settle the 1968 World Series.

NOW COME THE 1983 Tigers with the opportunity to join the ranks of the great morale-building teams.

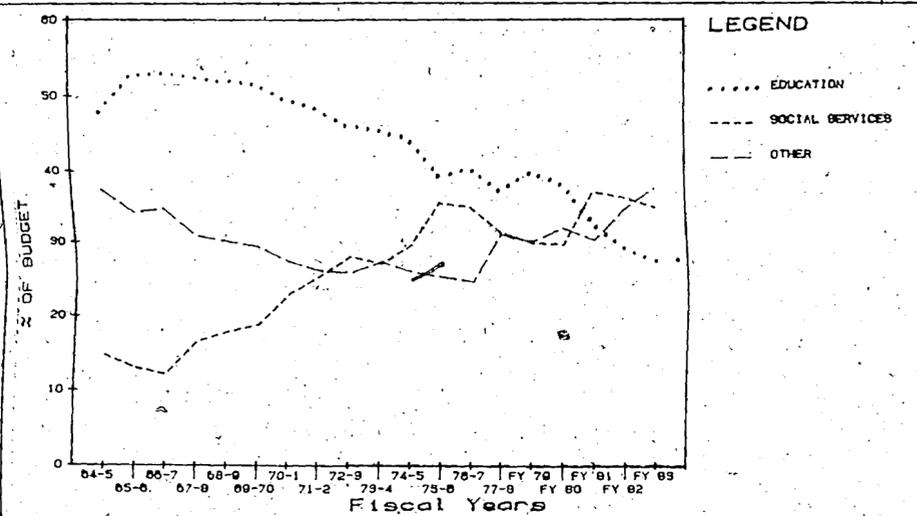
The city and state are anxious to boast a winner. From ranking as the City of Champions of the 1930s, the prestige has dropped to the point where there are no winners.

The Tigers have failed for years, the Lions haven't won the playoffs in years. The same with the Pistons. The Red Wings haven't reached the title series in many seasons, and the new football team — the Panthers — is in trouble.

SO THE OPPORTUNITY now faces the Tigers to come through and appease the fans — the folks who have been loyal through all the years — with a winner.

You will have to take Sparky's word for it: "They can win if they want to. It's up to them."

Editor's note: Friday will be The Stroller's 60th consecutive opening day with the Detroit Tigers.



Social services' share of the state budget has tripled since fiscal 1966-7, from 12.5 to more than 37 percent. Education's share was above 50 percent in the last years of the 1960s but has steadily

declined to a current 27.5 percent. The chart shows general fund operating expenditures, excluding capital outlay and federal aid, in order to reveal the state's own priorities.

Cost problem is 17 years old

MORE THAN any other group, educators were responsible for lobbying through the recent state income tax increase of an additional 1.75 percent.

Educators were the thrust behind the 150-member Committee to Save Michigan. After you get beyond the Max Fishers and Stanford Stoddards, you see the group was dominated by the presidents of the state universities and the Michigan Education Association.

Wayne State's David Adamany and Michigan's Harold Shapiro took to the stump with speech after speech, mailing after mailing, about how higher education, in particular, would be whittled into inferiority without a dose of new money.

They were correct as far as they went. They are getting the new money, retroactive to Jan. 1.

Unfortunately, they failed to go far enough. They failed to point out that the drainage of money from education is a phenomenon that is almost a generation old. And unless something is done to halt that drainage, in another few years the educators will be beating on the doors for another tax increase.

THE BRUTAL FACTS, as you can see from the chart, are these:

- Education's share of Michigan's general fund revenues has declined from a steady 52 percent in the late 1960s to only about 27.5 percent in 1983. This cannot be blamed on a decline in enrollments because education has had to turn to two other sources for its money. Most school districts have turned to the property owner for more tax money and have benefitted mightily from the super-inflation of real estate prices. Colleges have jacked up tuitions to the point where tuitions have replaced gasoline as one of the most inflationary items in the consumer price index.

- Social services have increased steadily as a percentage of state-raised money from 12.1 percent in 1966-67 to 16.5 percent in 1967-68 to 25.4 percent in 1971-2 to 35.6 percent in 1975-76 to a current level of more than 37 percent.

Legislators and lobbyists are dead wrong when they blame the soaring social services caseload on the current depression. From the chart, you can see that social services spending has been steadily increasing for 17 fiscal years. The social services spending line leaps up in bad years, but it never declines very far in good years.

In short, the situation is out of control. Worse, nobody is doing much about it.



Tim
Richard

"SOCIAL SERVICES" covers a multitude of programs.

One is Medicaid, a program of aid for medical expenses of welfare recipients and other medical indigents. According to a legislative staffer, this item has been rising at a rate of 12 to 15 percent a year — steadily.

While it may be possible to go after cheaters and frauds, one gets the uncomfortable feeling that that is a nickel-and-dime solution. The big factor here is rising medical costs, not the poor folks being served.

In the late gubernatorial primary, state Sen. Edward Pierce, D-Ann Arbor, railed hard on this topic. Perhaps it should be pursued.

A second factor is joblessness and the number of people who have exhausted their unemployment benefits. That, in time, will correct itself.

A third factor is showing up in our belated census tallies. It is the number of families headed by a single parent, usually a woman. In southeastern Michigan, the number of families headed by a woman rose 72 percent from 1970 to 1980 while the number of married-couple families actually fell 1.5 percent.

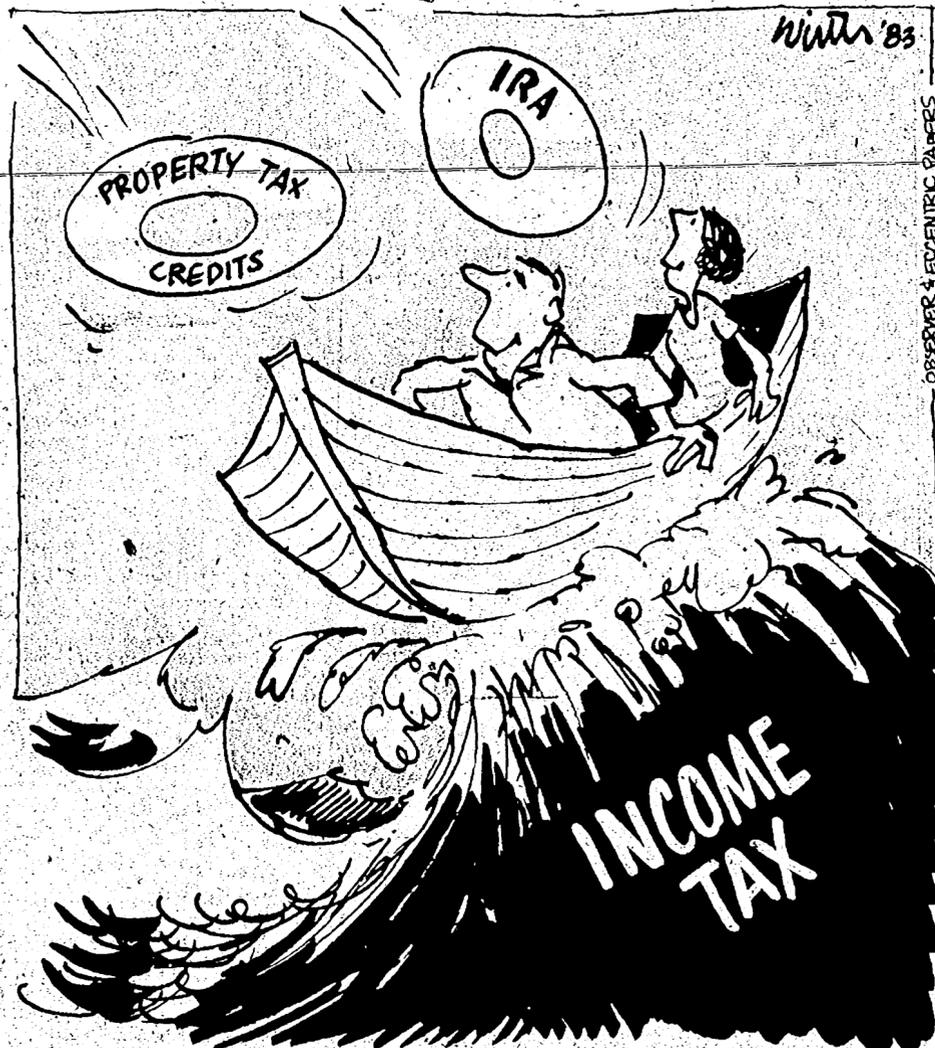
NOW, TAKING INTO consideration that poverty is increasingly a phenomenon of single mothers, we may be getting a handle on the situation.

What to do about it? You've got me. I'm a facts and numbers man, not a sociologist.

It's quite clear, however, that the combination of soaring medical costs and the disintegration of families is draining the state budget money that used to go for schools, colleges, state police and those good things.

We haven't solved our problem by raising the state income tax from 4.6 percent to 6.35 percent. We won't solve it by shifting to a sales tax. We are going to have to get social services under control.

Taxpayers' lifesavers





photography

Monte Nagler

Shooting candid: surprise vs. blending into background

Most of us remember the excitement of "Candid Camera," the popular television show from many years back. Well, with a little thought and planning, you too can become an Allen Funt with your camera.

After all, people are among the most fascinating of photographic subjects. Posing deliberately in front of the camera, they often become stiff and self-conscious.

But if you catch them unawares, you'll end up with shots that are natural in expression and exciting in content.

THERE ARE two basic approaches to candid photography: 1) You can intentionally provoke a reaction by attracting your subject's attention and snapping the camera at that instant, or 2) you can try to be unnoticed and capture life as it happens.

The first approach will freeze people's snap response to your camera. You'll get expressions of surprise and humor that can be very revealing.

The second approach, shooting unobtrusively, will produce natural looking pictures of people going about their daily lives. If photographing in public places such as an airport, stadium, or crowded street, try to attract minimum attention to yourself. Blend in with the surroundings and become a quiet observer of the action.

TELEPHOTO LENSES are certainly

helpful in candid photography because you can fill the frame without having to get too close to your subject. With a telephoto, you often can get striking shots of people absorbed in work or play, and they won't even know you're there.

But don't rule out normal or even wide angle lenses. They'll give you more of the background in your shot which can be valuable in placing subjects in their natural environment.

Wide angle lenses, due to their increased angle of view, will enable you to include people in the viewfinder without having to point the camera directly at them. People rarely believe they're being photographed unless the camera is aimed in their direction.

DON'T FORGET candid close to home. Whether it's a family gathering at holiday time or a ball game in the back yard, candid shots will provide you with natural looking, lasting memories.

On vacations, too, don't overlook that joyful expression just as the fish is hooked or Junior's glow of accomplishment as he completes his sand castle at the beach.

To help you get these shots, try to have your exposure predetermined so that you can trip the shutter without having to fuss with the camera's controls.

In all candid photography, speed is an important ingredient — not so much

the shutter speed or film speed, but the speed with which you can react to the image and decide on the composition, focusing and exposure of your shot.

A thorough familiarity with your camera equipment is essential if you are to operate quickly and unobtrusively to get the shots that count.

—1983, Monte Nagler

Short shots

Columnist Monte Nagler will conduct a one-day photography workshop April 23 at the University of Michigan Botanical Gardens in Ann Arbor. The Farmington Community Center at 477-8404 has registration details.

Westland Camera Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 13, in the Bailey Recreation Center, 36851 Ford between Wayne and Newburgh roads. Program title: "Photos help when disaster strikes." Visitors welcome. James Bemis at 595-1809 has membership information.

Greater West Bloomfield Photo Club will meet tonight for a slide and print competition and April 21 for a slide show called "Maine Attraction" by the Frys and Reuthers. All meetings start at 7:30 p.m. in West Bloomfield United Methodist Church, 4100 Walnut Lake Road just west of Orchard Lake Road. Visitors welcome, admission free. Alvin Shapiro at 851-5877 and Tony Merlo at 363-1407 have membership information.

By using a 200mm telephoto lens and blending in with passerbys on a busy sidewalk, Monte Nagler was able to capture the natural charm and character of this Spanish woman in Madrid.

Pair join education hall of fame

Two Wayne County public school administrators were named to the Michigan Educators Hall of Fame.

William Simmons, superintendent of the Wayne County Intermediate School District, and the late Carl W. Morris, were elected by a vote of member organizations of the Michigan Congress of School Administrator Associations.

Also elected was Kenneth Kistner, retired superintendent of the Fitzgerald School District in Macomb County.

All three were honored for their "distinguished service to education." Induction ceremonies for the Hall of Fame, located in the Michigan Association of School Boards building in Lansing, will be held at a May 19 dinner meeting in Lansing.

SIMMONS, who has spent his entire professional career in Wayne County, was a teacher, principal and later superintendent of the McCann District (now part of Southgate) and Romulus.

The former deputy superintendent for state and federal relations for the Detroit Public Schools, he was named superintendent of the intermediate school district in 1972.

Morris was a member of the Romulus School Board for 35 years and the Board of Education of the Wayne County Intermediate School District for 25 years. He was president of the Michigan Association of School Boards.

A life-long resident of Romulus, he was the founder and board chairman of the Huron Valley Oil Co.



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9606	CE1014	Investment Planning	1.0	M	7-9 pm	8 5/9	B415
9607	CE1150	Marketing Your Home Bus.	1.0	T	7-9 pm	8 5/10	T310
9608	CE1151	Financial Plng. for Ret.	1.0	T	7-9 pm	8 5/10	F100
CULINARY ARTS							
9609	CE2011	Foodservice Sanitation	1.0 \$20.	M	2-5:10 pm	5 5/9	WCC280
9610	CE2019	French Term. for Culinar.	2.0 \$10.	T & Th	9:30-10:30 am	8 5/10	WCC280
9611	CE2019	French Term. for Culinar.	2.0 \$10.	T & Th	3-5 pm	8 5/10	WCC280
FINE ARTS							
9612	CE3053	Beg. Conver. Spanish	1.5	M	7-10 pm	8 5/9	B260
9613	CE3031	Adv. Conver. Spanish	1.0	W	7-9 pm	8 5/11	B260
9614	CE3063	Beg. Conver. Italian	1.5	T	7-10 pm	8 5/10	B260
9615	CE3046	Adv. Conver. Italian	1.0	Th	7-9 pm	8 5/12	B260
9616	CE3043	Adv. Conver. German	1.0	W	7-9 pm	8 5/11	B350
9617	CE3054	Beg. Conver. French	1.5	T	7-10 pm	8 5/10	B440
9618	CE3104	Beginning Photography	1.0 \$7.	T	7-10 pm	8 5/10	GCC21
9619	CE3105	Advanced Photography	1.0 \$10.	W	7-10 pm	8 5/11	GCC21
9620	CE3144	Photography III	1.0 \$10.	Th	7-10 pm	8 5/12	GCC21
9621	CE3081	Beginning Ceramics	1.5 \$12.	T	7-10 pm	8 5/10	F410

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FINE ARTS (con't.)							
9622	CE3084	Calligraphy I	1.5 \$7.	T	7-10 pm	8 5/10	B230
9623	CE3055	Introductory Drawing	1.0	M	7-10 pm	8 5/9	F420
9624	CE3069	Beg. Watercolor Painting	1.0	W	7-10 pm	8 5/11	F420
9625	CE3088	Introductory Oil Painting	1.0	Th	7-10 pm	8 5/12	F420
HEALTH							
9626	CE4063	R.N. Refresher	9.0 \$55.	T, W	9 am-3 pm & Th	8 5/3	T310
9627	CE4082	Medical Office Mgmt. II	1.0	Th	6-8 pm	8 5/12	GCC3
9628	CE4073	Medical Transcription	1.0 \$5.	Th	8-10 pm	8 5/12	GCC12
HOME ECONOMICS							
9629	CE5002	Floral Design	1.0 \$30.	T	12-3 pm	8 5/10	GCC20
9630	CE5002	Floral Design	1.0 \$30.	T	7-10 pm	8 5/10	GCC20
9631	CE5030	Silk Flor. Design Fun & Pro	1.0 \$55.	Th	7-10 pm	8 5/12	B230
9632	CE5031	Advanced Interior Design	1.5	T	6:30-9:30 pm	8 5/10	F300
TECHNOLOGY/MATH/SCIENCE							
9633	CE8052	Dim. & Tolerancing Eng. Drg.	1.5	W	7-10 pm	8 5/11	B425
9634	CE6035	Private Pilot Grd. School	3.0 \$6.	T & Th	7-10 pm	8 5/10	B475
9635	CE6056	Spring Birds of Michigan	1.0	T	7-9:20 pm	7 5/10	B160
LIBERAL ARTS							
9636	CE7024	Rapid Reading	1.5 \$5.	W	7-10 pm	8 5/11	B230

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PHYSICAL EDUCATION							
9637	CE9075	Health & Conditioning	1.0	Th	6-9 pm	8 5/12	Gym
9638	CE9074	Women's Conditioning	1.0	W	7:30-9:30 pm	8 5/11	Gym
9639	CE9076	Karate Fundamentals	1.0	T	8-10 pm	8 5/10	Wrest
9640	CE9077	Advanced Karate	1.0	T	8-10 pm	8 5/10	Wrest
9641	CE9078	Self-Defense Techniques	1.0	S	1-3 pm	8 5/7	Wrest
9642	CE9107	Fitness After Fifty	1.0	T & Th	6:30-8 pm	8 5/10	Gym
9643	CE9124	Fitness After Fifty	1.0	M & Th	10-11 am	8 5/9	SJC
9644	CE9124	Fitness After Fifty	1.0	T & W	10-11 am	8 5/10	FSC
9645	CE9138	Swimastics	1.0	M, W	1-3 pm	8 5/9	Pool
9646	CE9138	Swimastics	1.0	M, W	2-3 pm	8 5/9	Pool
9647	CE9138	Swimastics	1.0	M, W	3-4 pm	8 5/9	Pool
SOCIAL SCIENCE							
9648	CE0117	Self-Directed Career Sem.	1.0 \$8.	W	7-9 pm	8 5/11	B475
9649	CE0075	Assertiveness Training	1.0	T	7-9 pm	8 5/10	B170
9650	CE0253	Project HERS	2.5 \$8.	Th	1-3 pm	10 5/10	B230
9651	CE0234	Self-Hypnosis Take Charge of Your Life	1.0	Th	5-7 pm	8 5/12	B160
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9653	CE0255	Prepared Parenting	1.0	W	7-9 pm	8 5/11	GCC20
9654	CE0256	What You Should Know About Divorce	1.0	W	7-9 pm	8 5/11	B420

COMMUNITY SERVICE CLASSES

Sect. No.	Course No.	Course Name	Time	Day	Wks.	Start	Room	Course Fee
BUSINESS/VOCATIONAL								
8601	CS1156	Basic Microcomputing for Small Businesses	9 am-4 pm	Th	1	5/12	AS131	\$30
8602	CS1166	Management Decision Making & the Micro Computer Revolution	9:30 am-4 pm	W	1	5/11	B200	\$55
8603	CS1168	Microcomputers for Financial Planners	9:30 am-4 pm	W	1	6/15	B200	\$85
8604	CS1170	Microcomputers for Medical Practices	9:30 am-4 pm	W	1	6/15	B200	\$85
8605	CS1144	Financial Independence Workshop	7:30-9:30 pm	T	3	5/10	F530	\$15
8606	CS1165	Tax Shelters - Boon or Boon dogle?	7-9 pm	M	2	5/9	F100	\$20
8607	CS1164	Life Insurance - Necessary or Not?	7-9 pm	W	2	5/11	F100	\$20
8608	CS1163	Basic Investment Seminar	7-9 pm	Th	3	5/12	F100	\$15
8609	CS1169	Computers for Beginners	6-9 pm	T & Th	1	6/7	F110	\$35
8610	CS1167	Workshop for Family Computers	6-9 pm	T & Th	1	6/17	F110	\$35
8611	CS1145	Small Business Management Seminars (for all 4 of the following seminars)	7-10 pm	M & W	4	5/9	F110	\$100
OR INDIVIDUALLY AS FOLLOWS:								
8612	CS1146	Developing Your Own New Business	7-10 pm	M & W	1	5/9	F110	\$30
8613	CS1149	Introduction to Recordkeeping	7-10 pm	M & W	1	5/16	F110	\$30
8614	CS1157	Financial Analysis	7-10 pm	M & W	1	5/23	F110	\$30
8615	CS1158	Marketing	7-10 pm	M & W	1	6/6	F110	\$30

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PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT								
8616	CS0272	Presenting Yourself Confidently & Competently	9 am-4 pm	S	1	6/18	B200	\$30
8617	CS0285	Dressing for Success	7-10 pm	T	1	5/10	F120	\$15
8618	CS0256	(AIDS) Attitudes Involving Disability and Sexuality	9 am-3 pm	T	1	5/17	F110	\$30
8619	CS0273	Focus: Disability (Attitudes Involving Disability)	9 am-3 pm	S	1	5/21	B160	\$30
8620	CS0274	Single Parents Are People Too!	9 am-1 pm	S	1	5/21	B170	\$20
8621	CS0275	Reducing Parent-Child Conflict	9 am-1 pm	S	1	6/4	B170	\$20
8101	CS7023	Summer Reading Workshop for Children	9-11 am	M & W	6	7/6	B100	\$65
8622	CS0241	Look & Feel Great, Fool Mother Nature	8-10 pm	M	5	5/9	F120	\$28
AVOCATIONAL LEISURE TIME								
8623	CS0113	Do Something Different	6-10 pm	T	6	5/10	F130	\$35
8624	CS0171	Advanced Handwriting Analysis II	7-9 pm	W	8	5/11	F130	\$28
8625	CS0098	Stained Glass Art	7-9 pm	T	8	5/10	F400	\$28
8626	CS0020	Artificial/Dry Floral Design	7-10 pm	Th	4	5/12	F360	\$50
8627	CS0028	Edible Wild Plants, Plus!	6-8 pm	W	4	5/11	F120	\$30
8102	CS9164	The Summer Hiker	6-8 pm	W	1	7/6	B425	\$20
8628	CS0006	Microwave Oven Workshop	1-3 pm	F	4	5/6	F400	\$30
8629	CS0006	Microwave Oven Workshop	7-9 pm	F	4	5/6	F400	\$30

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DANCE								
8630	CS9115	Beginning Ballroom Dance	8-10 pm	M	8	5/9	D100	\$28
8631	CS9117	Intermediate Ballroom Dance	8-10 pm	T	8	5/10	D100	\$28
8632	CS9154	Beginning Country Western Dancing	7:45-9:45	Th	8	5/12	D100	\$28
8633	CS9155	Social Dancing	7:45-9:45	F	8	5/13	D100	\$28
8634	CS9159	High Energy Jazz Dance	6:30-7:30	Th	6	5/12	E. Gym	\$14
FITNESS								
8635	CS9140	Beginning Fencing	6-7:20 pm	F	8	5/6	A. Gym	\$25
8636	CS9141	Advanced Beginning Fencing	7:30-8:50	F	8	5/6	A. Gym	\$25
8637	CS9120	Hatha Yoga	8:30-9:30	M	6	5/9	W.R.	\$22
8638	CS9083	Parent and Tot Swim	5-8 pm	T	6	5/10	Pool	\$18
8639	CS9083	Parent and Tot Swim	10-11 am	M, T, W, Th, F, M, T	7 days	6/20	Pool	\$20
8640	CS9083	Parent and Tot Swim	5-8 pm</					

Prisoners' rights cases 'a tedious process'

By Carol Azizian
staff writer

Attorneys who fight for inmates' rights often are just "banging their heads against the wall," according to a longtime champion of prisoners' rights, because Michigan's prison system resists change.

But advocates of inmates' rights are making progress in alleviating overcrowded and unsanitary conditions at state prisons, said Judith Magid. The 36-year-old Detroit attorney has litigated cases on behalf of inmates for the past eight years.

Magid was one of several speakers who addressed the issue of "Victims and Inmates Rights" at a recent conference sponsored by the American Jewish Committee at Mercy College, Detroit.

"THE ONLY real solution (to protecting prisoners' rights) is to use the courts," she said. "We have to rely on judges who are sympathetic to our plight."

"It's not difficult to show rights are being violated. The hardest part is making sure a remedy is brought about because most prisons resist change."

Attorneys need a lot of stamina to press prison officials to enforce court orders, said Magid, whose firm — with offices in Detroit and Southfield — is one of the few in the state defending inmates' rights. In many cases, it takes up to 12 years for a court order to be implemented, she said.

"It's a tedious process. Sometimes we feel as if we're banging our heads against the wall, but it has to be done."

CURRENTLY MAGID is litigating a case on behalf of inmates in Southern Michigan Prison at Jackson.

The class action suit filed against the Michigan Department of Corrections alleges that Jackson fails to provide adequate ventilation, food services, and security.

"We're not litigating about the right to have luxuries such as Gucci shoes or Pierre Cardin shoes. We're talking about the basic necessities of life such as toilets that actually flush."

At Jackson, for example, when one prisoner flushes a toilet, the debris floods into the next man's cell. Eventually, the debris backs up into the last cell in the block instead of going into a sewer system, Magid said.

THERE ARE MORE serious violations, Magid said. Prisoners charged with misconduct are confined to 6-by-8 foot "segregation units."

"They only get out of there to take a shower. They even eat in those detention cells."

"It's cruel and unusual punishment to keep them in there indefinitely. Even if an inmate is a model prisoner, he can't get out. He's never told what to do to get out."

Magid said the U.S. Justice Department is currently negotiating with the state in an attempt to solve some of the problems at Michigan prisons.

"The Justice Department, acting according to provisions in the Institutionalized Prisons Act, has notified the state of the charges and is trying to negotiate an agreement to rectify the situation."

"We haven't seen the report, but we can only guess that it involves some of the same charges we've made in our lawsuit."

"IT WAS A surprise to everyone that the Justice

Department picked Michigan," Magid added. "They usually go after the worst prison systems in the country."

MAGID IS credited with initiating a "precedent-setting" case against the Michigan Department of Corrections during the late 1970s.

The case alleged that women at the Huron Valley Women's Facility were denied the same privileges awarded to men at other Michigan prisons.

For example, when the women's facility was constructed, there was no law library. While men have been able to participate in more than 20 vocational programs, women were allowed to take only those courses traditionally designed for women. Instead of a commercial food service program, for example, they were given a home economics course.

After hearing the case, the federal district judge ruled that women prisoners must be given the same kinds of educational and training opportunities as men, Magid said.

"WE CAN FILE lawsuits to try and get improvements in these conditions," she said. "But lawsuits don't get at the real problem."

"Many of the institutions which exist today should be eliminated. The state prison in Marquette, for example, has punitive detention cells with virtually no ventilation or lighting. It's one of the most inhumane places I've seen."

"Most inmates in Michigan prisons should be released. They should be earning a living, supporting their families and paying back the people they victimized."

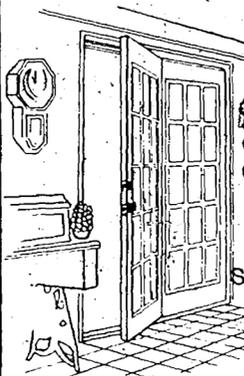
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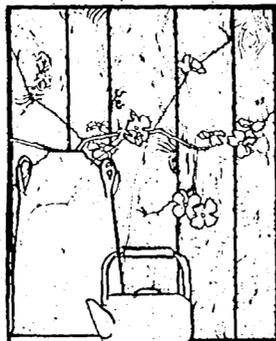
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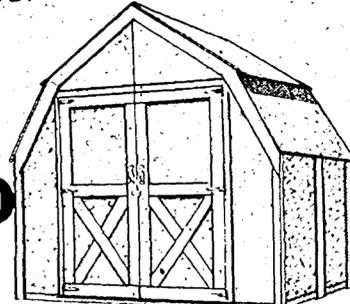
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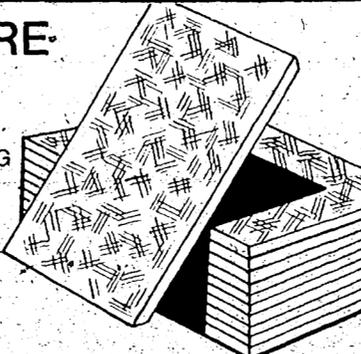
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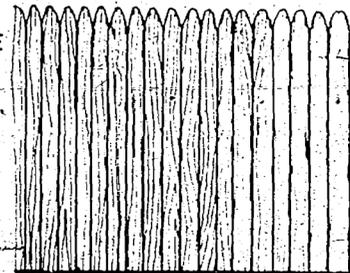
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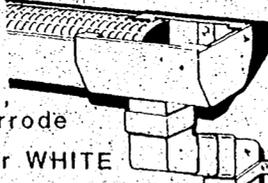
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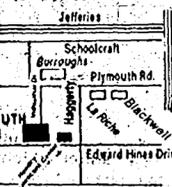
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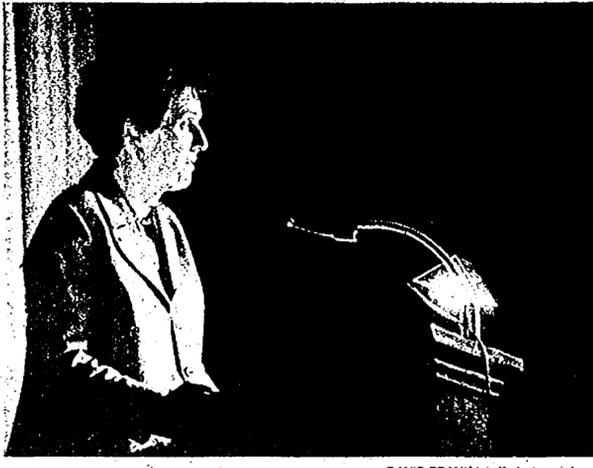
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In a recent town hall appearance, former Michigan first lady Helen Milliken talked about women's issue.

Out of the fishbowl, but still busy.

By Kathy Parrish
staff writer

Helen Milliken knows there are folks who'd prefer she tend her Traverse City garden rather than fight for women's rights.

But retirement hasn't altered her commitment to the Equal Rights Amendment, which Michigan's former first lady intends to see passed someday.

"It's a vital issue and will continue to be alive just as suffrage was," Milliken told a Rochester Town Hall audience Thursday in the Hills Theatre.

"It will come. It will not go away. I believe it is inevitable."

Speaking on "Women in the 1980s," the softspoken wife of former Gov. William G. Milliken was praised by state Rep. Ruth McNamee, R-Birmingham, for demonstrating "deep commitment to all women and their

right to enter the world.

"Her confidence and determination have made her a role model."

But Milliken, whose outspoken support of ERA and reproductive rights pitted her against some fellow Republicans, admitted those interests came late in life.

AT 60 HERS has been an "increasing involvement in women's issues, and the historical role of women in our society" said the Smith College graduate.

"My education did not include that part of ourselves and society. I'm still growing and learning."

Actually, Milliken recalled being "one of those secure and protected housewives." And she credited much of her raised consciousness about women's issues to her daughter, Elaine, who is a lawyer on Capitol Hill.

"I wish we all could have daugh-

'When it comes to poverty, one single factor outweighs all other — gender. The face of poverty is female.'

— Helen Milliken

ters," sighed the proud mother of two.

In her speech, Milliken criticized a society in which women are the majority but are ruled by a minority.

"Decisions are being made in Washington which affect your lives, the lives of your daughters and granddaughters. But men on the whole are making them," she said.

"They are solidifying laws on your behalf, but those laws are not necessarily good for you."

She blames male lawmakers for the fact that women make less mon-

ey, usually at lower-status jobs, and that programs affecting them and their children are the first cut when the federal budget is tight.

"When it comes to poverty, one single factor outweighs all others — gender," she said emphatically.

"The face of poverty is female."

MILLIKEN, WHO stayed home to raise her son and daughter, believes that option is a luxury today.

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A table full of family pictures, notebooks, bags and documents, that's typical of monthly meetings of the Redford Genealogy Society.



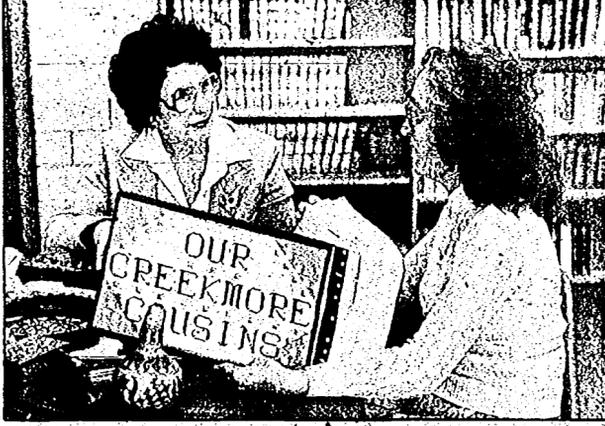
Like many genealogists, Joycelyn Koenig travels with bags of material which have to be packed up following a meeting. Talking behind her are Raymond King and Lois Carpenter.

Rooted in the past

Club digs down to build up family tree

By Sherry Kahan
staff writer

Staff photos by Art Emanuele.



Helen Smith (right) shows her ancestor file to Millie Martin, who will soon show Smith artifacts of her trip to Yugoslavia. There Martin picked up new material about her relatives.

"You never know when you are going to find something."

This is what keeps members of the Redford Genealogy Society searching through courthouses and libraries for information about their ancestors.

"You've got to keep digging away," could be the society's motto. But it is also the thrill of the chase for evidence about their ancestors that keeps them perking along and attending monthly meetings of the society in the Redford Community Center.

They are held from noon to 2 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month. From 15 to 25 people attend each meeting of the group started by Marie

Karol, a gerontology student at Wayne State University.

Participation is not limited to residents of Redford Township, nor to senior citizens.

At meetings the air is filled with talk of census records, baptismal certificates, school pictures, old letters and the Burton Historical Collection in the Detroit Public Library. They all are valuable sources of genealogical information for creators of family trees.

When anyone learns a new source of family history, it is quickly passed on to other society members.

SUE DREYFUS joined for this reason.

"I got interested in my family tree," she said. "But I didn't have much information. Listening to how other society members accumulated their facts helped me immensely."

"Learning about the Burton Collection was a big help. It has all the census records. It even has records of those who came to New York on ships. The Michigan State Library in Lansing is also a good source."

Dreyfus is "back to 1871" with her family history. Like the rest of the group, she is moving backward with all possible speed. Letters saved by her mother are her biggest "treasure." They were written to her grandparents by a man who accompanied them to America from Italy. He returned to his homeland, but continued to provide her grandparents with information about their relatives in that country.

An exciting moment for her came when she learned that the grandmother she had never known was buried in Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Detroit, rather than in Pennsylvania as she had always believed.

"She has a beautiful picture on her

headstone," said Dreyfus. "It's a kind of link to people I never knew. You get very caught up in it."

MAX SPANGLER found it impossible to confine his family to a few sheets of paper. So he created a paper banner 125 feet long that could comfortably accommodate his relatives "back to Sept. 29, 1733." That's when 13-year-old Christopher Spangler came with his family to this country from Germany.

He also keeps the names and history of 1,200 relatives in a book, one to a page.

He will take the results of many hours of dogged detail digging to the 85th Spangler, Ritter and Hoy family reunion in August at the Fair Grounds in Napoleon, Ohio.

"The thrill of this is in the chase," said Spangler, who recently retired after 38 years of paying close attention to detail for the Internal Revenue Service.

He also has felt a tingle of excitement when he made his way through the Illinois census records at the Detroit Public Library and suddenly found the names of his grandfather and grandmother. Once again he realized the value of these records which included the year of his grandparents' birth and the place from which they came.

ANOTHER DAY on the job and his great grandparents' names and their birth dates plus those of all their children turned up. Learning that his great-great-grandfather came from Georgia, he resolved to study the Georgia census records on the next library visit.

He also made use of the National Archives in Washington, D.C. to track down the Civil War records of his great-grandfather. He sent \$5 for his

ancestor's war record and \$5 for his pension record.

He sounded excited when he talked about the pension record.

"The application for the pension will tell how he was injured in the war and where," he said, "and it will be in his own handwriting. The pension great-grandma got was \$8 a month to support her and her children."

ELEANOR KOENIG cautions beginning genealogists not to believe necessarily the relatives who claim they know nothing about the branches of the family tree.

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If Max Spangler pulled out this paper banner which carries his family back to 1733, it would stretch 125 feet.

There is life after layoff

Is there life after layoff? There is if adult ed program planners at Whitman Center in Livonia have anything to say about it.

In fact, they have plenty to say via a three-session seminar which they have aptly titled "Life After Layoff."

The need for the seminar became apparent several months ago from the feedback the staff received from people who take classes at Whitman to continue their education and to upgrade their skills, according to Marlana Kroliecki, who is coordinating the seminars.

"WE ALSO KNEW that to be effective and help those who need the help most, it had to be free of charge," she said.

On that premise, the staff tapped community leaders who are qualified to talk on the various aspects of the problems that stem from being laid off. Beginning 10 a.m. Wednesday, April

13 and continuing for the next two Wednesdays, the seminar will focus on "Making the Adjustment," "Surviving the Crunch" and "Where Do I Go from Here?"

Topics and speakers at the first seminar will be:

- "Facing Unemployment," John Farar of the Livonia Crisis Center;
 - "Family Adjustments," Lou Rudolf, United Community Service;
 - "Additional Community Resources," Joan Duggan, Livonia Office of Volunteer Energies director.
- At the April 20 session:
- "How Can I Manage?" Nancy Zimmerman, Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit;
 - "What About Utilities?" Linda Harpold, Consumer Power Co.;
 - "How About Social Service?" Sandra Chavez, Department of Social Service.

At THE APRIL 27 seminar:

- "Realistic Goal Setting," Tom Kage, Wayne County Intermediate Schools;
 - "Finding a Job vs. Looking for a Job," Mark Owen, Private Industry Corp.;
 - "Adult Ed. How Can We Help," Sharon Jaska and Judy Sternberg, Whitman Center.;
 - "What can MESC Do?" Cady Ja'Beth, Michigan Employment Security Commission;
 - "Eligibility Services," Mildred Maltby, Michigan Rehabilitation;
 - "How to get THE Job," Julia Myers, Youth Employment Center.
- Reservations for the seminars can be made by calling 422-1200 Ext. 398, beginning Monday, April 11. Whitman Center is at 32235 W. Chicago, at Hubbard, Livonia. The seminars will be in the Reading Resource Center of the building.

Against alcohol abuse

She has reels, will travel

By Marle McGee
staff writer

Kathy Kallio of Livonia is a little nervous about an assignment she has Monday night at Huron Valley Lutheran High School.

Her nervousness is understandable. It will be her first appearance after graduation last week as a volunteer in an alcohol awareness-training program sponsored jointly by Henry Ford Hospital's Maplegrove Center for treatment of alcoholism and chemical dependency and the Junior League of Birmingham.

The Livonia homemaker was one of 33 volunteers to complete the comprehensive six-month course which trains volunteers to present educational programs for school and community groups on alcoholism.

Through volunteers trained in earlier courses, the project has reached more than 27,000 people in the Detroit met-

ropolitan area with information on alcoholism.

"I WISH THERE had been this kind of education on alcohol use in the schools when I was growing up," said Maplegrove operations manager Thomas Groth, also of Livonia, at the luncheon last week honoring the graduating trainees.

"I wish there had been more people go through the course with me from Livonia," said Kallio. "Maybe next year."

Kallio said she got interested in the program after attending a seminar at Schoolcraft College where she heard Maplegrove staff personnel discuss drinking and other substance problems. Also on the panel was a Livonia police officer and an adolescent girl who was recovering after treatment.

Kallio said she initially got interested in the problem because of alcoholism in her family. "My dad spent 30 years fighting it," she said.

The Maplegrove/Junior League awareness project has more than 10 programs they offer to community groups. For information on obtaining speakers, call Sis Wenger at 540-2086.

"I felt that since it was in the family, I should become better educated so that I could educate my children. There's been alcoholism in the family."

One of the facts she learned from the training, Kallio said, was the importance for parents "to take a stand and quit being wishy-washy" about any kind of drug abuse.

PARENTS NEED TO band together, she said, and present a united front. Parents in the Birmingham-Bloomfield area formed an association, she said,

and are already beginning to see some success. One of the things the association did was to plan events that students could participate in after school in an effort to turn the focus away from drinking. Homecoming parties was one of the first projects the association tackled.

One of the films Kallio will show in her presentation is titled, "Last Prom." From the title, it's obvious what the film deals with.

Prom time is just around the corner. Kallio has reels and will travel.



Kathy Kallio of Livonia is a volunteer in an alcohol awareness training program.

Gardeners summoned to seminar

A horticulture seminar for all levels of gardeners will be held Thursday, April 14, sponsored by District 1, Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan at the Wayne County Extension and Education Service Center, 5454 Edenway Road.

Featured speakers and their topics will be:

- Judith Franklin of Oakland Community College, biology department, "Ferns, Wherever You Find Them."
- Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Ramont, affiliated with the rose society, "Roses, Roses and More Roses."

• Randy Heatly, Jackson County Backyard Gardening.

Registration by April 10 is urged by

mailing a check for \$3.50 made out to District 1, FGCM to Sue Wion, 28771 Minton, Livonia 48150.

The program will run from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For further information, call Vera Sullivan at the extension center, 721-6550.

Helen Milliken still campaigns

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She said 15 percent of families are headed by women, 40 percent of the workplace is female, women make 59 cents for every man's \$1 and only 25 percent of broken homes are supported by divorced fathers.

"Our biggest problem is we live in 1983 but our lives are determined by the idea that it is 1950; that dad is off to work and mom home," she said.

"The fact remains, it simply isn't true. Families do break up in appalling numbers.

"And men become single, and women become single parents."

She is very concerned about moves to make abortion illegal and cuts in government programs which affect mothers and their children.

"Whether it is intentional or not, women most often are the target of federal cuts," said Milliken, who sees a trend to "women and children first -- to go overboard."

Moving from public to private life has given the slender brunette more time for gardening, tennis and even a chance to try aerobic dancing.

A PHYSICAL EXAM before leading a delegation to China last fall resulted in a mastectomy after a cancerous lump was discovered. But three weeks after surgery she was headed for the east and is now "feeling great."

"I feel better than I did before," said Milliken, eager to talk about the operation because it "encourages others."

Family trees take digging

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"I spoke to my uncle in a nursing home about the family, and he said he knew nothing," said Koenig. "But after I found some of them, I wrote my aunt about it. She told my uncle. Then he suddenly remembered that Grandpa Sperry had invented a hay bailer and had it patented. That's a whole new thing I'll have to look for."

Is the discovery of a new fact and a new family branch a burden to a genealogist, already up to the elbows in trees, branches and twigs?

Not to Koenig. "It's more excitement," she said.

For Millie Martin the study of genealogy has led her to encounters that were both tearful and exciting. She and her husband, George, decided to spend two weeks in Yugoslavia hunting relatives, an en-

terprise that stretched to two months.

Letters sent ahead eased their task. They were met by a cousin, who had, upon hearing from her, located her father's relatives and those of her husband.

"He did all the research for me," said Martin. Two particularly tearful meetings followed. One was with an aunt who looked like Mrs. Martin's mother. The other involved a cousin, who looked like her brother, Michael Mrs. Martin, who died in 1950.

"They were tearful reunions, but they were tears of joy," recalled Martin. "I was finally meeting the families of my mother and father whom I had heard so much about as a child."

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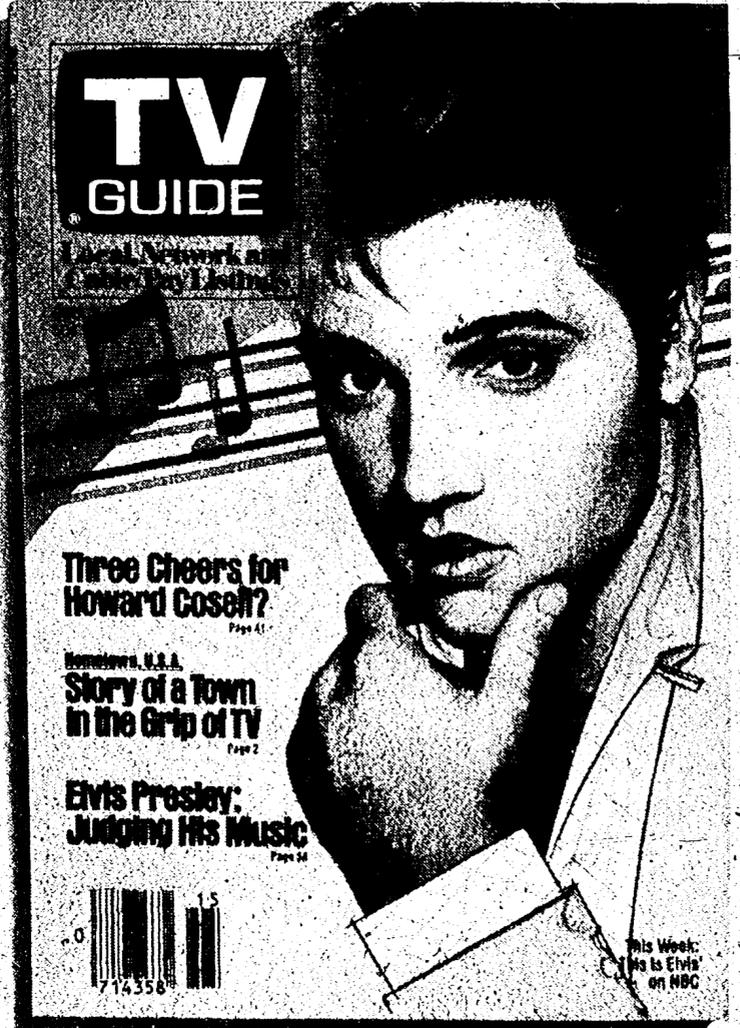
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● MOTHERS LEARNING AND SUPPORT
Carolyn Rarot, family consultant at the Wayne County Intermediate School District, will discuss self-concept at the meeting of Mothers Learning and Support Group at 9:30 a.m. Friday, April 8, in Faith Community Moravian Church, 46001 Warren, Canton. The fee is \$2. Child care is provided at \$1 per child. To register or obtain more information contact Susan Caldwell at 561-4110 or Larry Christensen at 455-7700.

● CHILDBIRTH PREPARATION
Two films, "Nap's Class" and "A Caesarean Birth Experience," will be shown at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 8, in Christus Victor Lutheran Church, Ford and Gulley, Dearborn Heights. They are sponsored by the Childbirth Preparation Association, which can be reached for information at 671-5611.

● SINGLETONS
A dinner social is being planned by the Dearborn/Livonia Singletons, a group for singles from 25-50. It will take place at 7 p.m. Friday, April 8, at

Mr. McGinny's Tin Goose, 24366 Grand River, Detroit.

● RUMMAGE SALE
A rummage and bake sale sponsored by the Ladies Parish Service Guild of Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 8 and 9, in the church, 14175 Farmington, Livonia.

● LAMAZE CLASSES
Classes in prepared childbirth will be offered in the area during April by the Lamaze Childbirth Education Association of Livonia. Classes should be started eight to 12 weeks before the date the baby is due. Early registration is encouraged. The fee is \$35 for seven weekly sessions. Classes will be held starting Saturday, April 9, in the Church of the Savior, 38100 Five Mile, Livonia, and on Thursday, April 14, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Beginning Tuesday, April 19, a series of Lamaze sessions will begin in St. Alexander Catholic Church, 27825 Shiawassee, Farmington. On Wednesday, April 20, a series will start at Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 10 Mile, Novi. To register for these classes or the association's caesarian and momnastics classes, call Yvonne Bouchard at 464-1215.

● SPINNAKERS
Spinners, a community fellowship group for single adults, will meet for dinner at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at Mountain Jacks of Farmington. Reservations are required. To make one call

Sue Harper by April 6 at 348-0377. Carpools will leave the parking lot of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville at 7 p.m.

● JOHN SACKETT DAR
Mrs. Thomas Kerwin of Florida, formerly of Novi, will present a program on "The Patriotic Love of the DAR Museum in Washington" at a noon meeting Saturday, April 9, of the John Sackett Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution at the Livonia home of

Mrs. A. Donald Berg. Among the hostesses will be Mrs. Harold Beam, Mrs. Herbert McClaren and Mrs. Walter Fysh of Redford Township.

● POSITIVE PARENTING
John Farrar will talk on positive parenting at a 7 p.m. meeting Sunday, April 10, of the Church and Society Committee of Rosedale Gardens United Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, Livonia. Kitty April of First Step will speak to the group on child and wife

abuse Sunday, April 17. She will be followed on Sunday, April 24, by Dick Les-ton of Metropolitan West Hospital, who will discuss substance abuse.

● JAYCEE FACTS
Men and women between 18 and 35 are invited to learn about the Livonia Jaycees and Jaycee Women at a meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 12, at Jack's or Better in the Wonderland Shopping Center. To make a reservation call Carol Lapalm at 522-4884.

● LIVONIA NEWCOMERS
Lynn Kasper, designer for Ethan Allen Hearthside Shop, will give a slide presentation at a meeting of the Newcomers Club of Livonia at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 12, in St. Andrew Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard, Livonia. Newcomers membership is open to all residents of Livonia. Meetings are held at the church the second Tuesday of each month. For more details call Leslie Rymer at 525-7175.

Women's Year conferees gear up

More than 150 women from across the country will participate in the International Women's Year (IWY) National Women's Conference to be held April 9-10 at the Westin Hotel in Detroit.

The conference is co-sponsored by Women's Assembly III, a statewide coalition of 30 women's organizations.

With the theme "Gearing Up For '84," the conference will focus on building action networks, strategies for winning elections and making women's votes count. Workshop leaders will feature a host of notable women who are active on the political scene, including Sarah Power, Sen. Lana Pollack, Rep. Mary Brown, Edith Swanson, Constance Cook, Rep. Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick, Maxine Swanson and Rosalee Whalen.

Erma Henderson, president of the Detroit City Council, will welcome attendees at the opening session Satur-

day, April 9, at 9 a.m. and Lt. Gov. Martha Griffiths will deliver the keynote address.

Carmen Delgado Votaw, co-chair of the National Women's Conference Committee, will lead a 9:30 a.m. session on "What's Ahead in the Decade for Women?" with a panel of other participants who will review progress made through IWY and will also comment on the upcoming IWY Conference in Nairobi.

IN-DEPTH WORKSHOPS on winning elections and making the women's vote count, empowerment and conflict resolution and building action networks, management planning for education and employment issues will take place from 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Michigan's former First Lady and the co-chair of Women's Assembly III, Helen Milliken, will present the luncheon address at 12:30 p.m. on what's

ahead for the Equal Rights Amendment. Mrs. Milliken is the former co-chair of ERAmerica. She will be followed on the platform by Sarah Harder, co-chair of the National Women's Conference Committee, who will discuss a national plan of action networks.

Workshops will continue from 2:30-4:30 p.m., followed by a general session and report on the result of the workshops from 4:30-5 p.m.

After a 5:30-7:30 p.m. dinner, attendees will gather from 9-11 p.m. for a reception and a dramatic presentation by feminist entertainer Barbara Rowe.

The annual meeting of the National Women's Conference Committee is slated for Sunday, April 10, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The conference is open to the public and interested persons may register on site 6-8 p.m. Friday, April 8, and 8 a.m.

to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 9. The cost is \$35 per registrant. For information on registration, call 800-292-1934.

THE INTERNATIONAL Women's Year National Conference Continuing Committee was established at the close of the IWY Conference in Houston in 1977, with the purpose of acting on recommendations made at the conference and convening a second conference before the close of the International Women's Decade (1975-1985).

With the withdrawal of resources provided by the federal government and the 1980 disbanding of the President's Advisory Committee on Women, the IWY Continuing Committee, composed entirely of volunteers, became the sole remaining official acknowledgement of a commitment which began in 1961 with President Kennedy's appointment of a Commission on the Status of Women.

A melodic finish for Showcase series

The Livonia Arts Commission presents the final performance of the Performing Arts Showcase Sunday series on Sunday, April 17, featuring the Renaissance Concerts Chamber Orchestra under the direction of Misha Rachlevsky.

The chamber orchestra, composed of 13 musicians from the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, was organized two years ago to perform for the Music for Renaissance City Series at the Detroit's historic Orchestra Hall and has since performed in many communities.

The orchestra is unusual in that it performs in the 17th and 18th century traditions without a conductor. Rachlevsky performs the role for his chair in the orchestra.

The concert will open with Corelli's "Concerto Grosso," Schubert's "Minuets and Trios" and the "String Sonata" by Rossini. Also to be performed will be Mozart's "Divertimento in D Major," Vivaldi's "Violin Concerto in E Minor" and Pachelbel's "Canon."

The concert will begin at 5:30 p.m. at Livonia Churchill Auditorium, 8900 Newburgh Road. All seats are \$3.50, and tickets may be purchased at the door or by calling 421-2000, Ext. 353. Tickets may also be purchased on the fourth floor of the Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive.

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engagements

Tedd-Maceratini

A July wedding is being planned by Lisa Marie Tedd and Louis Anthony Maceratini in Kirk of Our Savior in Westland. She is the daughter of Albert and Mary Tedd of Grandview Street, Westland. His parents are Tony and Rosalie Maceratini of Nathaline Street, Redford.

The bride-to-be graduated in 1979 from Wayne Memorial High School. She is an ice skating instructor who gives private lessons in local arenas. Her fiancé graduated in 1981 from Wayne State University with a bachelor of arts degree in business administration. He is employed by General Dynamics in Warren.



Barnes-Tarver

Sharon Barnes of Westland and William Barnes of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter Betsy Ann to Charles Wayne Tarver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tarver of Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Redford Union High School and Central Michigan University where she earned her degree in special education.

Her fiancé is a graduate of North Farmington High School and Central Michigan University, employed in retail sales.

A May wedding is planned in Grace Lutheran Church.



Allan-Gillette

Mr. and Mrs. John Allan of Redford Township announce the impending marriage of their daughter Judith Elizabeth to Timothy James Gillette, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Gillette of Roy Oak. The April ceremony will be held in Village United Presbyterian Church in Redford.

The bride-to-be, a 1979 graduate of Redford Union High School, is a student at Lawrence Institute of Technology, majoring in business. Her fiancé is a 1979 graduate of Kimball High School and a student at Macomb Community College. He is majoring in numerical control programming.



Walker-Messer

Richard and Juanita Walker of Grimm Street, Livonia, announce the engagement of their daughter Sharon Kay to Mark Haskell Messer of Honeytree Boulevard, Canton. He is the son of John and Carol Messer of Northport N.Y.

The bride-elect attends Eastern Michigan University and works as a sales clerk for Hit or Miss, Westland. Her fiancé, a graduate of Wentworth Institute in Boston is employed as a designer for Premier Engineering of Madison Heights.

The wedding will be held in Clarenceville United Methodist Church on May 14.



Ray-Toy

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ray of Greenland Street, Livonia, announce the engagement of their daughter Clarissa Ann to Bruce Alan Toy, son of Mrs. Eileen Toy of Rayburn Street, Livonia.

The bride-to-be graduated in 1981 from Bentley High School and is studying culinary arts at Schoolcraft College. She works at Daren's Bags of Livonia. Her fiancé, a 1977 Bentley graduate, is employed by United Parcel Service.

The wedding will be in May at St. Genevieve Church.



Taddia-Oldani

Two Westland residents, Karen Lynn Taddia and John Lawrence Oldani, plan to be married Oct. 22 in St. Paul of the Cross Monastery.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Taddia of Milburn Street, Westland. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Oldani of Hugh Street, Westland.

The bride-to-be is a 1981 graduate of Franklin High School. Her fiancé graduated from Franklin in 1979.

She is employed by the Dearborn firm of Benjamin, Woodhouse and Gunther Inc. He is employed by Ventura Industries in Livonia.



bridal register

Riehl-Segien

Wearing an organza gown with a Queen Anne neckline and long-waisted bodice, Diane Lee Segien of Bedford, Mass. was married to Kevin Bruce Riehl, a first lieutenant-physicist at the Hinscom Air Force Base in Massachusetts.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Riehl of Donna Street, Westland. The parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Segien of Waltham, Mass.

Ann Mullen was matron of honor, while Joseph David Kaufman was best man. Bridesmaids were Darlene Mosman, Karen Dillon and Sheila Dillon. Ushers were Dan A. Riehl, Mark A. Segien and Dennis J. Fuller.

The ceremony took place in Martha-Mary Chapel in Sudbury, Mass.

Following a wedding trip to England, Wales and Scotland, the couple settled in Bedford.

A 1976 graduate of the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, the bride works as a computer programmer at Regis College. The bridegroom is em-



ployed at the U.S. Air Force Geophysics Laboratory. He is a 1976 graduate of Franklin High School and a 1980 graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Haar-Cordes

Raymond and Ann Haar of Avondale Street, Westland, announce the engagement of their daughter Teresa Ann to David Edward Cordes, son of Thomas and Mary Cordes of Berry Street, Westland.

The bride-elect is a 1980 graduate of John Glenn High School and a 1982 graduate of Schoolcraft College. She is employed as a legal secretary. Her fiancé is a 1979 John Glenn graduate, who is a member of the U.S. Air Force. He is stationed at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida.

The wedding will be April 28 in St. Richard Church in Westland.



Wisniewski-Vella

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wisniewski of Detroit announce the engagement of their daughter Beverly Ann to Gary Anthony Vella, son of Peggy Vella of Redford and Arthur Vella of South Lyon.

The bride-elect graduated from Bishop Borgess High School in 1982 and attends Michigan College of Beauty. Her fiancé graduated from Bishop Borgess in 1981 and attends Lawrence Institute of Technology.

No date has been set for the wedding.



How you can submit news

Information for the Suburban Life section of The Observer should be submitted in writing to Marie McGee, Suburban Life editor, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

Notices should be received by Monday for publication Thursday and by Thursday for publica-

tion Monday. They will be used as soon as possible prior to the event.

All information should be typed or written clearly and should include a telephone number for checking during business hours. Pictures to accompany news items may be

submitted for consideration.

Requests for pictures to be taken by Observer staff photographers or suggestions for news stories should be made at least two weeks before the desired publication date. Call McGee at 591-2300, Ext. 307.



Solak-Ruemenapp

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Solak of Barkley Street, Livonia, announce the engagement of their daughter Donna Marie to Kenneth J. Ruemenapp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ruemenapp of St. Clair Shores. The bride-elect is a registered nurse at Woodland Medical Corp. Her fiancé is a student in the physician's assistant program at Mercy College of Detroit.

The wedding will take place in May at St. Paul of the Cross Monastery Chapel.



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Mirror Images resemble celebrities

By Ethel Simmons
staff writer

EIGHT GUYS AND girls who are dead ringers for celebrities in the entertainment world — are putting on their first professional show together as the Mirror Images.

George Chukalas of Troy is a construction worker who looks just like Robert Blake, star of the TV series about a colorful cop named Baretta. He and the other Mirror Images, all of whom share equal partnership in their new show-business venture, will perform at 9 p.m. Monday, April 18, at the Clawson Lounge and Supper Club at 14 Mile and Rochester roads in Clawson. Cover charge is \$5, and reservations are recommended.

Chukalas, 44, who is Greek, bears an uncanny resemblance to Robert Blake, 49, who is Italian. Not only does he look like the rough-hewn movie actor, he talks like him naturally and even moves like him.

Having "the same mannerisms" is how Chukalas describes it. That's what makes a Mirror Image special — more than just a facial or body-type resemblance.

"MY GIRLFRIEND thought I looked like him," Chukalas said, describing how he got his start as "Baretta." She applied for a ticket to the WXYZ-TV show, "Kelley & Company," which was holding a celebrity look-alike contest last year.

Two hundred ordinary people resembling the famous arrived at the TV studio in Southfield, to compete. Chukalas was one of the 12 picked from the audience to go on the show.

Afterward, Chukalas and some of the finalists received invitations from a California-based producer and a metro-Detroit modeling agency to make special appearances.

Up to now, their pay has ranged from nothing to \$30 apiece, Chukalas said. Not long ago, the group appeared in a show at Center Stage in Canton. "We did that for nothing," he said.



DEBORAH BOOKER/staff photographer

Construction worker George Chukalas of Troy, goes into action, striking a pose like Robert Blake as the TV cop, Baretta. He's one of the eight Mirror Images who have teamed up to do shows, with skits, songs and dances, in imitation of the famous folk they resemble.

Newly organized and managing themselves, they hope to make their uncanny resemblances pay off.

AT THE Birmingham office of the Observer & Eccentric, Chukalas pulled out a scrapbook with clippings about the Celebrity Clones, who have evolved into the Mirror Images.

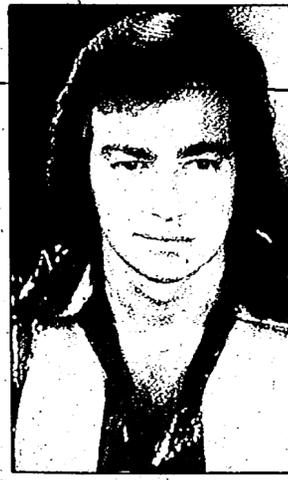
Among the others are Geryl Brandt of Southfield, a homemaker, who looks like blonde glamour girl/comedienne Suzanne Sommers; Ken Ingle of Plymouth, a truck driver whom you'd swear was really singing superstar Neil Diamond and Doni Danton of Plymouth, a homemaker with the madcap styling of Phyllis Diller.

Schoolteacher Marlene Lloyd of Plymouth is not yet a Mirror Image, but she, too, will appear in the show at the Clawson club. Lloyd and beautiful Linda Evans of "Dynasty" are look-alikes.

The Mirror Images also are Leon Jewell of Utica, an artist at the GM Tech Center, who resembles TV comedy personality Foster Brooks; Robert Paul of East Detroit, an assembly-line worker at the Tank Arsenal in Centerline, with the grin and good looks of Alan Alda; Johnny Williams of Clarkston, a high school algebra and science teacher, whose students get to look at "Tom Selleck" all day and Rossetta Mills of Detroit, a homemaker with the striking appearance of Diana Ross.

Chukalas said people have been comparing him to Robert Blake for 20 years. Blake portrayed the killer in the movie version of Truman Capote's documentary-novel "In Cold Blood."

"HE (BLAKE) had psychiatric treatment for it (the movie). He got into the part so much," Chukalas said. "The Baretta character I like." Although Chukalas doesn't know



In case you couldn't tell, Geryl Brandt of Southfield looks like Suzanne Sommers, Ken Ingle of Plymouth looks like Neil Diamond and Doni Danton of

Plymouth, Phyllis Diller. They're also part of the Mirror Images, who will be performing soon at a Clawson club.

exactly how tall Blake is or how much the actor weighs, he figures the celebrity's body type must be similar to his. He is 5-feet-5-inches tall and weighs 155, but because he is muscular and lifts weights, he looks bigger.

Chukalas said he doesn't have any complex about his size. "I'm an influential person. Small people tend to be powerful people. I'm big in my mind."

Wearing a short-sleeved T-shirt, in his "Baretta" character, and with three big tattoos showing on his arms, Chukalas looks as macho as the popular hero.

The tattoos are real, and while Chukalas thinks Blake may have some tattoos now, he's had his body decorations for a long time. Some showgoers have been suspicious of Chukalas' tattoos. "They were scratching me to see if they're real. They thought I put them on just be-

cause of Baretta," he said.

Chukalas doesn't always dress informally, and he carries a gun (a cap pistol) just for his Baretta performances. He describes himself as a construction worker but also as "a businessman."

HE OWNS HIS own company, Sparta Building Co. of Troy. He said he's struggling with the business because of the economy, but having flexible hours makes it easier for him to do the show-business sideline.

Raised in Greektown, Chukalas and his friends used to go to the 1st Precinct at 1300 Beaubien, police headquarters in Detroit, to work out and play regularly at the gym. One of his best friends grew up to be on the vice squad.

So, the big-city lifestyle and a policeman's lot are not unfamiliar to Chukalas, which may help him along in his resemblance to the

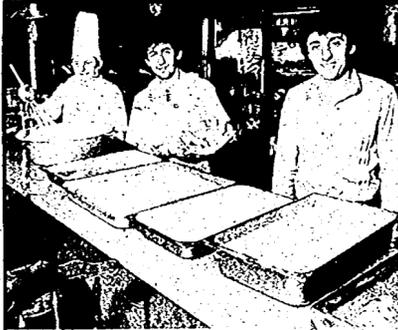
character Baretta that Blake plays.

Women like Baretta, Chukalas said, because "he gets involved. Women associate him with helping someone in trouble. Women say to me, 'I'm in love with Baretta.' They want autographs."

Being Mirror Images can make these unknowns become celebrities in their own right. "Our Tom Selleck is starting to get popular. I saw him and said, 'Hey, you're Johnny Williams!'"

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"It gets me in trouble with my girlfriend" sometimes," Chukalas said, explaining that they may want to have just a quiet moment together.



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Second runs Tom Panzenhagen

Time out from the normal second runs today, the column's third anniversary. The subject instead: Detroit's TV stations.

This was the week that Channel 20 kicked ON-TV off its air waves and kicked off its own series of replacement film features. This was also the week that 20 started billing itself as Detroit's new movie station. Channel 50 need not fear for its title, however, if this week's selection of films on 20 is any indication of future offerings.

"The Family Nobody Wanted" (8 tonight) and "Creature from Black Lake" (2 p.m. Saturday) hardly amount to the "fantastic new lineup" of films and "classic horror movies" 20 promised in a press release. Running bad films against prime-time network programming and Saturday and Sunday sports hardly seems the way to win viewers.

What's more, 20 will not run films at 11:30 p.m., a time favored by film fans, due to the onslaught of such reruns as "Soap," "Benny Hill" and "Ironside." Doesn't make much sense.

So here's a tip, 20. Prime-time movies isn't a bad idea, but invest in some classic films or don't expect many viewers.

MEANWHILE, at Ch. 50, Sonny Eliot has become solidly entrenched as host of that station's 1 o'clock movie. It is difficult to compare Sonny with Bill Kennedy, his predecessor, because it is like comparing popcorn with licorice. But there is no doubt that Sonny has taken command of the situation. He's especially good during the

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A ratings guide to the movies	
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Fair	\$2
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Excellent	\$4

phone-in sequences, often displaying a knowledge of film trivia that surpasses that of his predecessor. However, it's occasionally painfully obvious that Sonny is being fed answers to questions from a stagehand while pretending that the answers come off the top of his head. Bad, Sonny.

The films on 50 still outclass the competition, which is a good reason for watching the afternoon movie whoever the host may be. And, almost as a bonus, we still get to enjoy Bill on Sundays, on tape from sunny Florida, and Kennedy hasn't looked so vigorous in years.

The other stations deserve no comment but they do warrant one bit of advice: Run a vintage film at 11:30 weeknights and see how quickly viewers turn you on.

ADDENDUM: The winners of the Oscars on Monday will be "E.T.," best picture; Richard Attenborough, best director; Paul Newman, best actor; Meryl Streep, best actress; Louis Gossett, best supporting actor, and Jessica Lange, best supporting actress. Happy Anniversary!

American Ballet Theatre presents strong program

By Corinne Abatt
staff writer

There was a lot of visual pleasure, if not surprise, at American Ballet Theatre's opening night Tuesday at Detroit's Masonic Temple.

If you like your ballet with the traditional mode: fluid, flowing and totally artistic, you'll delight in this company with Mikhail Baryshnikov as artistic director.

And while he won't be dancing in all performances, scheduled through Sunday, both male and female lead dancers are above average.

In the opening performance, Baryshnikov and Gelsey Kirkland were a wonderfully matched pair in the Detroit premiere of "Other Dances."

WITHIN EACH IS the intriguing combination of bravado and graciousness, great technical ability and the seeming-casual acceptance of that ability, like the naturally beautiful woman who doesn't have to get all gussied up to show off.

They both are so secure, so sure, so at ease that it is a pleasure to watch. Baryshnikov's entire body reacts to even the slightest movement. Whether it is a finger, a wrist or a foot, the whole body is involved.

String quartet to play

The Chamber Music Society will present the Fitzwilliam String Quartet at 8 p.m. Saturday in Orchestra Hall.

The musicians, Christopher Rowland, first violin, Jonathan Sparey, second violin, Alan George, viola, and Ioan Davies, cello, have performed together for almost a decade. Their repertoire is based on Viennese classics.

days-Fridays, 9 p.m. Saturdays and 7:30 p.m. Sundays through May 28.

The play is a comedy about psychotherapy and its effect on modern relationships. Durang also is the author of "Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All for You."

For more information, call the playhouse at 543-3666.

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And in this performance, they reacted to each other in the same way. They carried the same pixie quality that became almost like a conversation before the dance was complete.

The after-intermission tour de force, "La Sylphide," is notable for extraordinary sets, the first act in the castle and the second in the forest.

It is a story set in Scotland of a young couple, James and Effie, danced by Fernando Bujones and Lisa Rinehart, about to be married. That is until La Sylphide, danced by Cynthia Harvey, an apparition or nymph from the forest, appears and captures the prospective bridegroom's heart, ultimately destroying his happiness.

HARVEY, AS THE playful, tantalizing, elusive nymph, is wonderful. It is as if the motion is poured into her body, drop by drop and she floats with each one.

Bujones, gold medal winner in the 1974 International Ballet Competition, dances the role with great sensitivity and strength.

Gurn, farm manager, whom Effie marries after being forsaken by James, is a natural for the man who loves Effie and eventually wins her hand through a slight subterfuge. He is not only appealingly masculine, in his one solo dance, he is heroic.

The sylphs, in this work choreographed by the great August Bournonville, who established an entire school

and style of ballet, move like a soft haunting melody with the same fluidity that Harvey brings to her role.

And, if not many of us knew it before, kills are made for dancing. Even the sets alone make the performance a knock-out.

Performances continue at 8 p.m. tonight, Friday and Saturday. They will give a 2 p.m. matinee Saturday and the closing 7:30 p.m. performance Sunday.

'Queen of Soul' heads big show

Vocalist Aretha Franklin, the Detroit "Queen of Soul," will headline a three-hour show saluting Doug Fraser at 8:30 p.m. April 16 at Joe Louis Arena in downtown Detroit.

The "Salute to Doug Fraser - Concert '83" is sponsored by the United Auto Workers, in cooperation with various civil rights groups.

Special guest star is Kris Kristofferson, the movie star and singer/

songwriter whose hits include "For the Good Times" and "Help Me Make It through the Night." Also appearing is Jan Spencer, the Channel 4 "Go 4 It" winner.

All proceeds from the concert will be used to establish a UAW Civil Rights Fund.

All seats are reserved. Tickets at \$12 are available at the Joe Louis Box Office and all CTC outlets.

Fourth Street changes show

"Beyond Therapy" by Christopher Durang will open April 15 at the Fourth Street Playhouse, 301 W. Fourth, Royal Oak. The production replaces the originally scheduled "G.R. Point," which has been postponed indefinitely.

Performances of "Beyond Therapy" will be presented at 8:30 p.m. Thurs-

days-Fridays, 9 p.m. Saturdays and 7:30 p.m. Sundays through May 28.

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By Avigdor Zoromp
special writer

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Shaul Ben-Meir has been a flutist with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra since 1967. Considering the fact that he was a student of the celebrated flutist Jean Pierre Rampal, one may conclude that he must have been a very good student.

But, more importantly, he has his own statement to make. On the Golden Crest record, he is accompanied by Muriel Kilby, who has appeared as soloist with some leading orchestras. Presently she is a keyboard player with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra (as a non-solo orchestra member), and she participates in many local chamber events.

THIS RECORDING features compositions by Hindemith, Eldin Burton, Michel Blavet, Philippe Gaubert and Honegger. If the three middle composers aren't well known, their composi-

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tions on this record are no less delightful.

Eldin Burton is an American composer, currently residing in New York. I find his Sonatina for Flute and Piano far more interesting and rewarding than many compositions by better known contemporary composers.

Blavet (1700-1768) was a French baroque composer and flute player. His Sonata No. 4 provides an interesting insight into the capabilities of the early 18th century instrument.

Philippe Gaubert (1879-1941) was a French composer known primarily for his flute compositions and arrangements of flute works by some of his more famous predecessors. The Hindemith sonata and the Honegger Danse de la Chevre are helpful in convincing the skeptic that there is musical life after the three Bs.

The high level of performance of both flute and piano of these compositions makes it quite special. The only drawback is the relatively weak signal, which necessitates a high level of volume, causing a higher level of static noise.



The Contemporary Civic Ballet, directed by Rose Marie Floyd, will dance to the music of Beethoven's Concerto No. 5 ("The Emperor")

at the Oakway Symphony Orchestra program April 15 at Southfield-Lathrup High School.

Oakway offering ballet, Burczyk

Ballet, Burczyk and Beethoven comprise Oakway Symphony Orchestra's fifth concert of the season at 8 p.m. April 15 at Southfield-Lathrup High School, on 12 Mile west of Southfield Road.

Pianist Ruth Burczyk,

a frequent soloist with area community orchestras and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, is the featured performer in this concert. She will play Beethoven's Concerto No. 5 ("Emperor"), second and third movements.

Tickets for the concert at \$6 general admission, \$3 for senior citizens and students, are available at Madonna College and Hammel Music in Livonia, Botsford Inn in Farmington Hills and the Southfield Cultural Arts Division.

BEETHOVEN'S MOST popular piano concerto will provide the musical backdrop for performances of the Contemporary Civic Ballet under the direction of Rose Marie Floyd.

Floyd is the founder,

artistic director and choreographer of the ballet. She is a graduate of Wayne State University and has choreographed more than 50 ballets ranging from classical to contemporary and jazz.

Burczyk's career began at the age of 16 when she made her professional debut with the Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra.

She is a member of numerous organizations including international professional music fraternity Mu Phi Epsilon and is on the staff of the National Music Camp at Interlochen.

CONDUCTOR Francesco Di Biasi will lead the Oakway Symphony in Bernstein's Overture to Candide and Giannini's Symphony No. 2.



Pianist Ruth Burczyk will be soloist with the orchestra, playing for the dance troupe's performance.

Barbara G Dover will be soloist on English horn for "Nuages" (Clouds) by Debussy.

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The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra will present its final concert of the regular season at 4 p.m. Sunday, April 17, at Plymouth-Salem High School Auditorium on Joy west of Canton Center.

The program will consist of five works. Soprano Barbara Rondelli will appear as featured soloist with the orchestra, performing "Scheherazade" by Maurice Ravel and Beethoven's "Ah! Perfido."

Tickets for the concert will be available at the box office. Single advance ticket sales will be at Beitner Jewelry on Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth, Arnold Williams Music on Canton Center in Canton, Four Seasons Flowers on E. Main in Northville and Liberty Music on Liberty in Ann Arbor.

Single concert tickets for regular season concerts are \$6 for adults and \$3.50 for senior citizens and fulltime-college students. Students 12th grade and under are admitted free.

THE SONG cycle "Scheherazade," composed in 1903, is set to Tristan Klingsor's French poetic trilogy: "Asia," "The Enchanted Flute" and "The Indifferent One." In "Asia," most elaborate of the three poems, both orchestra and singer describe the wonders of Persia, India and China.

"Ah! Perfido" is scored for soprano and orchestra. A study in dramatic composition in the Italian style, it is considered a tour de force for sopranos.

As a Fulbright scholar, Barbara Rondelli studied with Dame Eva Turner at the Royal Academy of Music in London. She was a prize winner in such major competitions as the Bavarian

Radio International Competition in Munich and the coveted Tchaikovsky International Competition in Moscow.

Rondelli has sung leading roles in many of the major opera houses of Europe. A tour of American cities included three concerts in Carnegie Hall. She has performed the role of Madame Butterfly with the New York City Opera and the Honolulu Opera.

Rondelli has performed at the National Music Camp at Interlochen and has made numerous appearances as soloist in Ann Arbor and Toledo. Her last appearance with the Plymouth Symphony was in 1981.

She is presently associate professor of voice at the University of Toledo.

THE CONCERT will open with the "Rienzi Overture by Wagner. The program also includes "Kikamora" (A Folk Fairy Tale for Orchestra), written in 1909 by the Russian composer, Anatol Liadov. This composition is based on a tale about a phantom, a sorceress and a magic cat.

The concert will conclude with a performance of "The Planets" by Gustav Holst. "The Planets" is a musical representation of the different characteristics of the planets arranged into a suite of seven tone poems.

Holst writes here for a very large force of instrumentalists. All sections of the orchestra, except strings, are increased with an especially elaborate array of percussion. A six-part wordless (and hidden) women's chorus is used for the conclusion.

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Barbara Rondelli will perform "Scheherazade" and "Ah! Perfido" on the April 17 concert program of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra.

bers of the orchestra the opportunity to individually display their instruments and skills. The concert is made possible by a grant from the State of Michigan through the Michigan Council for the Arts and the Plymouth Symphony League.

Nautical musical

Sailor Ralph Rackstraw (Robert Lambert of Romulus) and Josephine, the captain's daughter (Sheri J. Akey of Livonia), defy social convention and declare their love for each other in Gilbert and Sullivan's nautical musical "H.M.S. Pinafore," opening Friday, April 22, at the Bonstelle Theatre at Wayne State University in Detroit. Performances will run two weekends through May 1. For ticket information, call the box office at 577-2960.

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Attic production opening in its Michigan premiere

The Michigan premiere of "Between Daylight and Boonville" by Matt Williams will open Friday and run through Saturday, May 21, at the Attic Theatre, 525 E. Lafayette at Beaubien in Detroit's Greektown.

Performances will be at 8 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays, 6 and 9 p.m. Saturdays

and 6:30 p.m. Sundays. Call 963-7789 to reserve tickets. Group rates, senior citizen and student discounts are available.

The play is about the realities of life in a temporary trailer court in the strip mining country of southern Indiana. The production is directed by Attic

Theatre company member Richard Buzinski.

In the drama, three women under their meager existence on a sweltering August day. They amuse themselves with Florida condominium brochures, Hollywood gossip magazines and

schemes to run away from the dusty camp where not even a blade of grass can survive.

The day turns extraordinary and the magazines, brochures and suitcases are put away while the women's worst fears about mining danger come true.

Dane, Mendez appear in benefit to aid refugees

Folk/blues singer Barbara Dane and her son, Pablo Mendez, a composer, arranger and guitarist, will perform in a benefit concert for the refugees of El Salvador at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 22, at the First Unitarian-Universalist Church, 4805 Cass, Detroit.

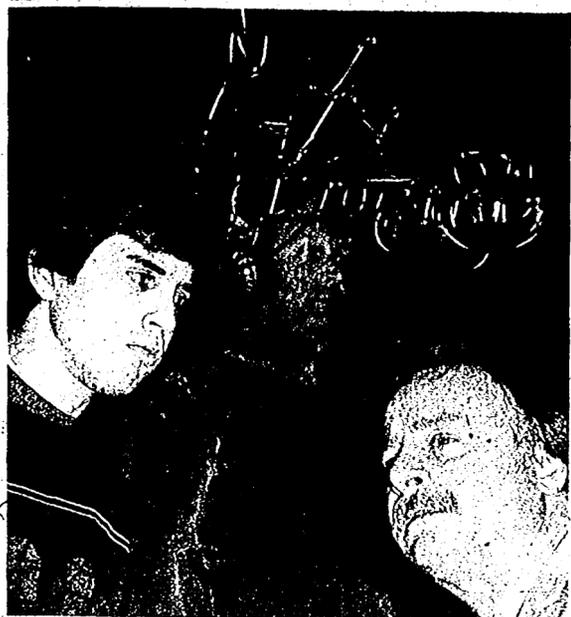
Traveling with Dane and Mendez is a Swedish film crew, which is working on a documentary film about her and American working women.

Detroit-born Dane began singing on UAW picket lines with Peter Seegar and Woody Guthrie in her teens. She became established in the blues and jazz music field, singing on radio and television and producing and performing in concerts.

She dropped out of commercial work to tour Mississippi during the summer of 1964. Anti-war activities during the Vietnam era took her to perform for

GI's around the world. Mendez has lived in Cuba for the last 15 years. He has been working as composer at the Cuban Film Institute and has played guitar with bands touring

Eastern Europe, Spain and Mexico. Dane and Mendez recently completed a tour in Europe together. Their record, "When We Make It Through," was cut in Cuba in 1981.



Tom Peterson as Alan Strong (left), Don Schore as Nugget, one of the horses, and Keith Leopold as Martin Dysart appear in the St. Dunstan's Guild of Cranbrook production of "Equus" (Equus is the Latin word for horse).

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COMEDY NIGHT

Five Detroit-area comedians will appear at Comedy Night III at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Waterman Campus Center at Schoolcraft College in Farmington Hills. Also appearing will be the Schoolcraft College jazz ensemble, School Jazz, directed by Brad Bloom. The show is offered by the Student Activities Office and the Last Drop Coffeehouse. Comedians appearing are Bill Thomas, Stu Cassell, Sheila Kay, Tim Allen and Leo Dufour. Tickets are available at the Student Activities Office at \$4.50 for the general public, \$3 for students. All door sales will be \$4.50.

ST. DUNSTAN'S

"Equus" by Peter Shaffer will be presented by St. Dunstan's Guild of Cranbrook as its spring show at 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday and April 15-16 at the playhouse on Lone Pine Road in Bloomfield Hills. For ticket information call 644-0527. A benefit performance will be presented at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 14, sponsored by the Oakland Community College Foundation in conjunction with the Auburn Hills Office of Student Activities. A complimentary afterglow follows. Admission is \$10 per person, or \$18 per couple. For more information call 853-4241.

CHAMBER MUSIC

"An Evening of Chamber Music" will be presented by Deborah Bellefleur of Westland on flute, Linda Christopher of Plymouth on piano and Stephen Newby of Southfield on flute at 8 p.m. Friday in the Leather Lounge, Student Dormitory, at Madonna College in Livonia. Betty Lewis of Livonia on guitar and Nick Nagrant of Farmington Hills on violin are assisting on the program. The performance is open to the public without charge. A reception will follow.

BIG BAND

Al Townsend and the Ambassadors, with Doug Kerr on vocals, will perform music in the Big Band style from the '40s to the '80s, from 7:10-10:30 p.m. Sunday at the Plymouth Hilton Inn, Five Mile and Northville roads, Plymouth. The 17-member band will play for dancing. Tickets are \$6 per person. Tickets are available at the door or by calling 459-2016.

BENEFIT CONCERT

The Caruso Brothers of Trenton will present Top 40 rock music in a benefit concert for the Michigan Cancer Foundation at 8 p.m. Wednesday at Center Stage, 39940 Ford Road, Canton. Special guests Paper Rain will be the opener for the concert. Doors open at 7 p.m. Tickets at \$3 per person may be purchased at the door. Proceeds will benefit the patient service program provided by the Michigan Cancer Foundation.

CENTER STAGE

Other concerts at Center Stage include Mariner and Teen Angels at 9:30 tonight, Teen Angels at 9:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Quest at 9:30 p.m. Monday and Teen Night with DJ Bobby G at 7 p.m. Tuesday. Call 931-4111 for more information.

FILM SERIES

"Little Murders," Jules Feiffer's black comedy about urban trauma, will be screened on the Classic Film Series at 7:30 p.m. Friday in Room 144, Science Lecture Hall, at Madonna College. Admission is \$1.

POETRY READING

Poet Richard Wilbur will read from his works at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Waterman Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Tickets are \$4 for the general public, \$3 for students.

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SPACE PROGRAM

Amateur astronomers from more than 21 communities in Southeastern Michigan will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at Holmes Junior High School, 18200 Newburg, Livonia. Thomas Little of Dearborn will present a report on the Soviet Union's space program. A private showing of an astronomy vs. astrology televised debate on large-screen television will be seen. The program is open to the public. For more information call 937-9638.

AT BIRMINGHAM

Nancy Dussault, star of TV's "Too Close for Comfort," opens in the musical comedy "I'm Getting My Act Together and Taking It on the Road" on Friday at the Birmingham Theatre, 211 S. Woodward. The show, continuing through June 5, winds up the theater's '82-'83 subscription season. Further information is available by calling the box office at 644-3533.

ANTIQUÉ SHOW

Several area dealers are exhibiting in an antique show that continues from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday at Arborland Mall on Washtenaw Avenue at U.S. 23 in Ann Arbor. Admission and parking are free.

ANNUAL AUCTION

The 15th annual Channel 56 Auction takes to the airwaves at 7 p.m. Friday. The nine-day public television sell-a-thon of donated goods and services runs through April 16. After opening night, the auction begins daily at 1 p.m. till 12:30 a.m. or later, live on WTWS. This year's official host is WJR's Jimmy Lance.

AUDITIONS OPEN

Auditions for singers, dancers and actors, for the Nancy Gurwin production of the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "South Pacific," will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday in the Upstairs Ballroom and 7 p.m. Monday in the Coachhouse at the Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River at Eight Mile Road, Farmington Hills. Those auditioning should bring a resume, plus their own try-out material, if they wish. The show, starring Nancy Gurwin as the Navy nurse, Ensign Nellie Forbush, will open June 16 at the Botsford.

TO STRATFORD

Four day-long bus trips to the Stratford Festival Theatre in Canada are being offered this summer by Stratford Festival America, in cooperation with radio station WQRS (105 FM). During July and August, one-day bus tour packages to the theater in Ontario will be available to Michigan residents for \$49 per trip. For more information call Stratford's Detroit office at 982-1500.

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ACOUSTIC GUITAR

Jimmy Buffet, on solo acoustic guitar, will appear in concert at 8 p.m. Sunday at Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor. The evening is presented by the Office of Major Events at the University of Michigan. Reserved seats are \$11.60, \$10.50 and \$9.50. Tickets are on sale at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and all CTC outlets. For further information call 763-2071.

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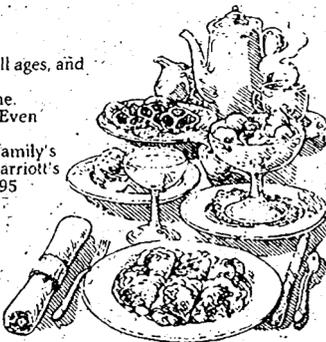
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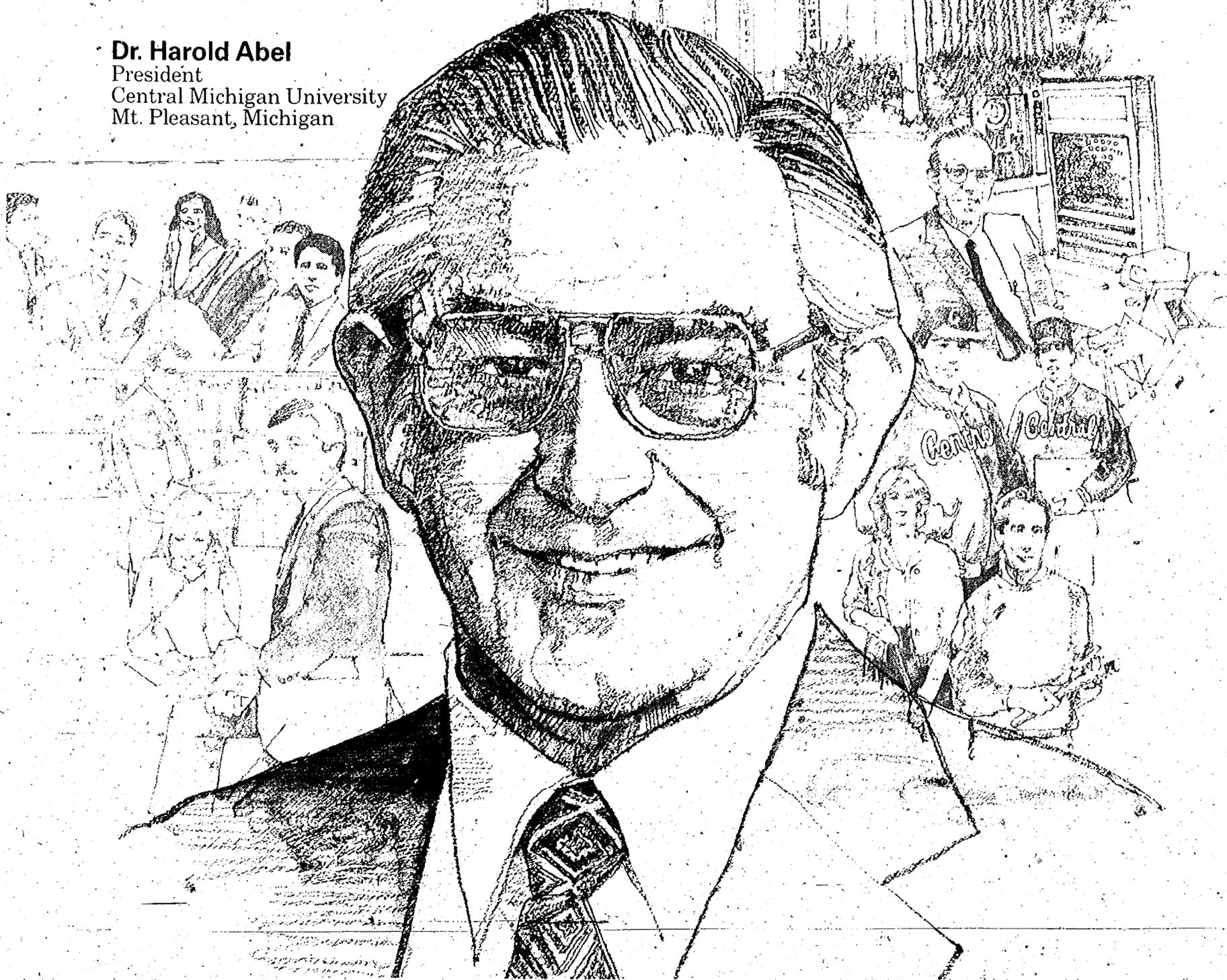


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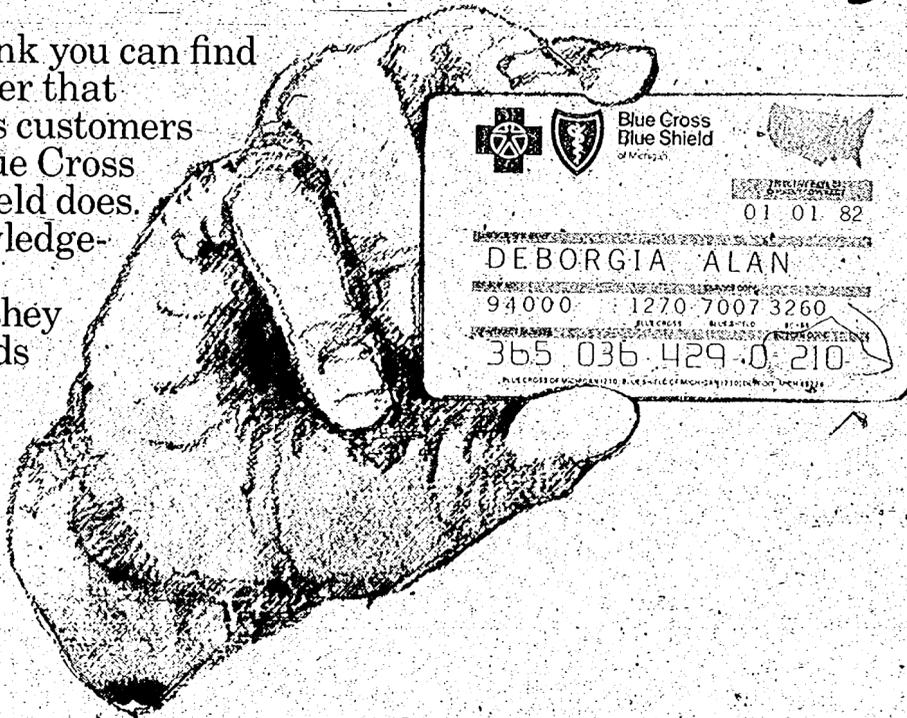
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In Northwest Suburban League

Baseball race appears tight

By Brad Emons
staff writer

The Northwest Suburban baseball race should go down to the wire, but according to a consensus of league coaches, the team that winds up champ is anyone's guess.

"Personally," said Redford Thurston coach Emil Majeski, "it's going to be wide open. I think Garden City and Redford Union have a lot coming back."

"But it's a toss-up," Garden City's Bob Dropp agrees. "The Northwest Suburban League (NSL) is a good, competitive baseball league," he said. "I'm sure Thurston is going to be strong."

FRANKLIN COACH Gerry Cullin likes his team's underdog role.

"We're picked for the bottom, and that's fine with me," he said. "If we get the hitting, we could be a contender."

"Thurston and Garden City are the two teams to beat."

RU coach Stu Rose said his team cannot be counted out.

"We might be alright," said Rose. "The best thing was what happened last summer. Our kids know that now they can win."

"On paper, we're probably fifth," said Glenn coach Norm Hoenes, "but we hope to sneak up. Thurston is tough. Everybody is back."

"And Garden City has a lot of experience, too."

The sixth team, North Farmington, will not be previewed. The Raiders, coached by Jerry Maxwell, won the title two years ago.

Here is a preseason look at the five area teams:

GARDEN CITY

The merger of the two high schools (East and West) has really helped Gar-

den City's baseball program.

Dropp, who coached West to two regional final games in the past, returns 14 letter winners.

"East won the district and they were 13-8, and West won the league and they were 15-7," said Dropp. "These kids know about winning."

The pitching is deep with the return of second-team All-Area performer Mike Krauss, who was 5-2 last season.

He is joined by lefty Joe Taraskavage who showed his true form in last year's Adray circuit where he became the starting pitcher for the Livonia League in an All-Star game at Tiger Stadium.

Krauss and Taraskavage are joined by Gary Johnson, who was 5-0 last year at West. Joe Podzikowski, Paul Krol, Mark Nieger, Brett Emery and Scott McCloskey will also see time on the mound.

When Taraskavage isn't pitching,

he'll play first and bat clean-up.

The four-year starter is joined by veteran catcher Bob Booth, who batted .283 last season as a junior for East.

Bob Milligan returns at second where he led West in hitting with a .413 average. Shortstop belongs to Krol, a junior, who hit .443 for East.

Emery, who batted .310 last season, will play third.

The outfield includes Tom Ferrell (center), Tom Kelley (left) and junior Brian Ference (right).

"Right now we may lack in speed," admitted Dropp, "but we have some strong people. We may have to rely on the big hit."

"We'll hit-and-run more than we steal."

REDFORD THURSTON

The Eagles, who shared the title last season with Glenn, return a veteran cast led by senior shortstop Jeff Valdez.

The team's captain, Valdez hit .425 en route to second-team All-Area and All-NSL honors. He is a three-year starter.

Another solid performer is senior shortstop Steve Sersen, who batted .345 last season and led the team in RBIs with 26. He was also a second-team All-Area choice.

Other senior returnees include outfielders Bob Foley and Tom Langley, and second baseman Rich Ochmanski.

The pitching staff is well fortified with the return of senior Ed Dumas, who was 6-2 as a junior; Bob Bruce, the team ERA leader, and John Queen.

Majeski is also counting on production from last year's JV squad.

Junior hopefuls include David Kress, pitcher-second base; Bob Rousseau, catcher; Greg Somerville, pitcher-outfield; Brian McGrath, infield; Mike Dolowy, infield, and Tim DeMarco, outfield.

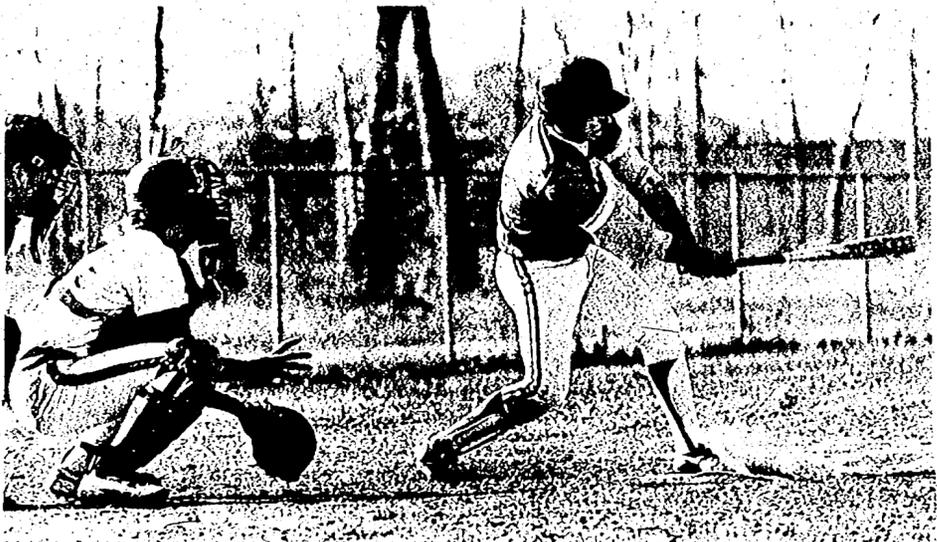
REDFORD UNION

The Panthers took their lumps last season, but appear to be on the verge of giving the rest of the league headaches.

A sophomore-dominated team a year ago, Rose is hoping for better things in 1983.



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Keith Manus and his teammates plan to swing a title Redford Union's way this season. The Panthers have their entire starting lineup back.

Ed Dumas hopes to drop more fastballs by Northwest Suburban League opposition this season. He won six games last year as a junior.

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Reasons numerous for maintaining Grand Prix

AUTO RACING THESE days is big-time business. Just like any professional — and some amateur — sports enterprise.

In Formula One, sponsors sink mucho bucks into advertising on the sides of cars or on the walls that line the course. Watching these cars run through qualifying laps at the Long Beach Grand Prix March 25, I was left with the impression of a sleek advertisement streaking along a highway covered with billboards.

The cost of the race is absorbed by the community, including overseas transportation costs for 28 European cars, crews and drivers. That is the reason Long Beach has dropped its sponsorship. Next year, the city's race will feature Indy-style cars.

SO WHAT'S the big deal, you ask? Indy cars or Grand Prix, who cares what Long Beach does with its race?

There's plenty to consider. Like Detroit's own Grand Prix, which now is the only survivor in the states. Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas opted for Indy cars after last year's Grand Prix and New York's sponsorship is still doubtful.

That leaves Detroit. A city of high unemployment and declining population, a one-industry town that has yet to rebound.

Remember: The cost for Long Beach to host a Grand Prix was \$2.1 million. Estimated cost for an Indy-car race is \$800,000; mainly because the teams pay their own expenses.

The numbers all point to Indy racing instead of Grand Prix. Consider, too, the top Formula One drivers are foreign, while Indy cars are piloted by Americans. It's called audience identification, and it's one reason observers think pro soccer hasn't caught on in the states. It's played by foreigners.

SO WHY IS our impoverished city bucking the trend?

There is more than one good reason.

First, Detroit may be a one-industry town, but that industry is cars. And while Detroit relies on the auto industry to keep its economy in gear, remember that what happens to the U.S. auto industry has a major effect on the world economy as well.

So Detroit deserves an auto race. But why Formula One?

It's the best in the world. The 16 Grand Prix races are on three different continents. Not as flat-out fast as Indy cars, Formula One instead combines handling with speed.

The result is a technically advanced type of car. Formula One teams experiment and test new inno-



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vations every year. Sometimes it takes years to perfect a new engine or concept. Sometimes it never works. But the effort is continuous.

An example is the turbo-powered engines most Formula One cars are using this season. They provide 100-150 more horsepower than the Cosworth engines. That means more speed, but braking, handling and durability are still in doubt.

ALSO, INDY CARS race in lots of American cities. But now, Detroit is the only city in the U.S. with a Grand Prix. That means a worldwide car racing audience will have its eyes riveted to Detroit June 3-5, instead of Americans only.

As for foreigners instead of home-grown, this is one race a year with the best in the world. If the Italian World Cup soccer championship team was to play at University of Michigan stadium, a sellout crowd could be anticipated.

Now, the toughie: cost. Does all the attention Detroit will receive offset the additional cost for a Grand Prix instead of an Indy race?

There's a big help: one week after Detroit's event, the Grand Prix circuit swings north to Canada. That means the transportation costs are considerably less, since the Canadian and Detroit sponsors share the responsibilities.

Indy-style racing is mostly oval track racing. A trip to Michigan International Speedway on one of several weekend dates will satisfy those enthusiasts.

GRAND PRIX IS much different. The Formula One cars surged to speeds of 160 mph. at Long Beach before braking to a dead crawl for a hairpin turn (Long Beach winner John Watson averaged 80.625 mph).

A good seat at a Grand Prix race will allow you to see much more than cars blurring by with engines whining. A straightaway and a sharp turn or two will provide enough insight to figure who the favorites are and why.

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Cougars have talent

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"We've developed some arms — I think," he said. "I'm hoping it's there. We'll play defense with any body and score runs."

Junior Gino Picano returns. He's the team's hardest thrower. Both Mike Harte, a junior, and Dennis Mather, a sophomore, have a season of varsity experience. Another sophomore, Pat Lowney, should be the team's stopper out of the bullpen.

Rose hopes that catcher Greg Drön, who lettered as a freshman, is ready to blossom as a junior.

First base will be shared by Harte and Jay Politi while junior Don Taylor the team's top hitter last summer, returns to play second base.

Senior Steve Rodriguez is the team's shortstop and Rich Williams will play third base when he's not pitching.

RU is really solid in the outfield with the return of second-team All-Leaguer Brian Johnson. Keith Manus (who also pitched), junior Bob Macek and Kevin Schwanz.

LIVONIA FRANKLIN

The Patriots, 12-14 last season, will be banking on seniors.

"We have decent pitching, catching and our outfield should be solid," said Cullin. "But we have some holes in the middle."

"The experience, though, could be helpful."

The catching situation is concrete with the return of starter Mike Johnson. But he will share the duties with the area's leading hitter, Rich Popp, who will move to periodically from the outfield.

A veteran pitching staff includes seniors Rich Wood, Bob Copovic and Bill Hayes.

Junior Mike Wilkins, a standout last year in Babe Ruth baseball, will plug

baseball

the gap at short and could also be an effective pitcher. Lefty Larry Patsch, a junior, also figures to be given a look by Cullin.

Second base is a battle between Bob Dickerson and Jeff Malek. Steve Willbanks, meanwhile, can also play third and short. Senior John Chmielewski is also battling for a third base spot.

First base is set. That goes to hard-working Scott Kränig.

Speedy Chris Lewis returns in the outfield which will also include Wood and Popp.

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN

Norm Hoenes lost six key players from last year's 18-7 squad, but he's excited about a rookie cast of characters.

For the first time three sophomores have made the varsity. They include shortstop Cass Simpson, second baseman Dave Jensen and center fielder Mike Baydarian.

"It's fun to see the young kids doing the job," Hoenes said, "but they haven't been under pressure. We have good athletes, but they're 10th graders."

"We may have to rely on rainouts." Although "we have enough pitching, our arms are untested," said the Glenn coach.

Juniors Donn Wolfe, Jeff Neiman and Bill Purdue have potential for mound efficiency along with senior returnee Steve Jaskolski, who can also play the outfield.

Senior Dennis Lambert returns as the team's catcher and Tim Filary is back at first base. Gordie Hassien returns as the team's right fielder.

Great Lakes women try expansion

By Dan Bodens
staff writer

A myth is being debunked.

There are scores of women from all over southeastern Michigan, who are erasing forever the taunt, "You play soccer like an old lady!"

The women are part of the Great Lakes Women's Soccer League.

Formed about five years ago, the league was affiliated with the Michigan Soccer Association in 1979. Now, it's the only women's league with that affiliation.

The purpose of the organization is simple. "It gives women of all different ages and experience a chance to play soccer," explained league secretary Julie Ilacqua.

The league is divided into three divisions to accomplish that purpose.

The Open division features no age limit. In previous seasons, teams could include no more than three players under age 18, but that rule no longer exists.

"WE'VE now made this division accessible to players who might be coming out of Bonanza leagues or high school soccer programs," Ilacqua said.

B division players are generally among the most skilled and competitive, Ilacqua said. It's the division which attracts the upper echelon of women soccer players.

Less experienced or inexperienced kickers can join the action in C division.

Teams signing up in the league hail from all over the metropolitan Detroit area — and beyond. Ilacqua said there are teams from Flint, Brighton and Ann Arbor as well as from Troy, Redford, West Bloomfield, Dearborn Heights, Sterling Heights, East Detroit, Dearborn, Plymouth-Canton and Farmington.

Four teams of kickers are already in the thick of tournament action.

"This year we sent four teams to the Budweiser Indoor Tournament in St. Clair Shores," Ilacqua said. "It was the first year that women's teams were invited. The finals will begin April 10."

her league duties, but she also coaches a league team, plays, referees and serves as the league's representative to the Michigan Soccer Association.

League play is held Sunday evenings, beginning at 6 p.m. The playing schedule will start soon, and run until the end of summer.

SOME TEAMS already have been accepted to play in the Robbie International. Tournament, which features soccer squads from all over the world. Last year, the Farmington Angels team battled its way to the semis before being knocked out of contention.

And this season, an over-30 team will be sent to a regional tournament scheduled June 11 and 12 in Cleveland.

The highlight of the season will be the annual Soccer Festival in September, which has been staged at Schoolcraft College in years past.

"I think this kind of a soccer program is interesting for one reason," Ilacqua said. "It's an aggressive sport, but on teams you have mothers and daughters, lawyers, dentists — all ages and walks of life."

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FOR THE rest of the league, April 1 was the deadline for team sign-up. "Almost all of last year's teams are back already," Ilacqua said. "We very seldom lose a team."

There's still time for individual sign-up, however. Prospective players can call any member of the league board, "And we'll do our best to find them a spot on a team with an opening," Ilacqua said.

The league board includes president Mari-Jo Handlon, 227-2107; vice president Paula Hockster, 360-1099; secretary Julie Ilacqua, 624-6591; treasurer Marge Stoutenburg, 326-3164; and registrar Ann Steiner, 996-1369.

Coaches and referees are needed, too. The current shortage is exemplified by the effort of league president Handlon. She not only coaches boys and girls high school teams in addition to

Rocks boast hard-hitting starting contingent

By Dan Bodens
staff writer

Coach Brian Gilles thinks the big unknown in Plymouth Salem's baseball forecast for this season is pitching.

"I've got two varsity pitchers back this year," Gilles said. "But their varsity experience is not great. I'm going to wait and see for the time being." One positive influence will be pitching coach Tom Willette, who was Salem's hurler for the 1975 state championship team and later performed at North Carolina State.

Salem's pitching staff includes 6-foot-6 Rick Berberet, Barry McNamara, Dave Haut, Chris Mowees

and Mark Deraud. The remainder of the Rocks' infield lineup will depend on how the bullpen staff shapes up this season.

Senior Dan Carlson and sophomore Tom Moore will most probably share duties at third base depending on who is on the mound, Gilles said. Carlson will also play first base, a double-duty he proved himself at last year.

SALEM'S potent double-play of Todd Reidel at second base and Mick Madsen at shortstop will also be back again. "They're an outstanding combination," Gilles said.

Madsen is a two-time All-Observer performer, hitting over .300 during his sophomore and junior seasons.

Another outstanding player that Gilles says will be a man to watch this year is catcher Dave Slavin, in his fourth year behind the plate for Salem. "There's a good chance he'll get drafted by the pros this year," Gilles said. "He could definitely be a major league player." New Mexico and the University of Detroit are both vying for his talents.

In the outfield, Haut will handle some of the chores in right field for the Rocks besides pitching. "He's played a lot, and we'll use him quite a bit," Gilles said.

MIKE CINDRICH is back at center field, while Tom Yakas will play left field. A new face in the outfield will be Tom Royal Oak, who moved to Plymouth last summer from Royal Oak.

"I've got seven starters back, and all but one is a senior," Gilles says. "Most of these kids have played a lot of ball — even the kids who didn't start last year have had playing time."

Gilles says the Rocks look fast and are strong defensively. "We'll do fairly well at the plate, too, but we probably don't have great power there."

In pre-season workouts Salem will be working on general aspects of the game. "We'll be trying to cut our mistakes to the minimum," Gilles said. "In baseball, a base hit or an error can change the whole ballgame."

Other variables will be in the player lineup itself. "I've got the starting lineup pretty much set, plus whoever blossoms toward mid-season," Gilles explained.

COMPETITION IN the Western Lakes Activities Association is tough to predict, Gilles said. "In our division, Bentley and Stevenson will both be contenders," he said. "In the other division, Canton and Walled Lake Western will be tough."

Cross-field rival and Class A runner-up Plymouth Canton may again be the team the Rocks have to beat. After winning the Suburban Eight League title last season, Salem fell to the Chiefs in the district title game and finished with a 21-4 record.

Gilles admits, "It'll be a battle for us, no question."

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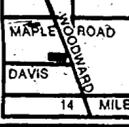
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Untested players key to '83 season

A fountain of youth will spray four Livonia baseball diamonds this spring. Livonia Bentley, Churchill and Stevenson will rely on young talent in quest of a Western Lakes Activities Association championship.

And Class B Clarenceville, an independent, hopes to make improvement in the season goes along.

Here is a look at the four Livonia teams:

LIVONIA BENTLEY
"If desire and enthusiasm count, we'll be on top," said coach Marty Klozik, now in his 19th season.

The Bulldogs return three starters: Dan Rathwell, second base; Jim LaSosa, center field; and Jim Prokes, pitcher-outfield. The three have been named co-captains.

Other returning letterwinners include Greg Hilton, left field; John Streslicki, shortstop; and Brian Brickman, third base-outfield.

Senior Gary McSweeney and junior

John Walsh can also play the outfield. But Klozik will rely on sophomore Dave Jennings to do the catching and fellow 10th graders Mark Ziomek and John Williams to help Prokes on the mound.

Another talented sophomore is Pat Schneider.

"He looks good at short," said Klozik. "He's got the range, but he could be at third. I'm anxious to see how he comes along."

"But catching is my main concern. We need somebody to handle the pitchers."

LIV. CLARENCEVILLE

First-year coach Rey Fracassi is going with an all-sophomore infield.

"I'm happy with their progress," he said. "They're improving every day."

"You have to start somewhere. If they hold together, I think we'll be competitive. They're disciplined and defensively sound."

Matt Pyle returns at first base. He will be joined by Dan Courtney, catcher; Tommy Caluca, second; Todd Statzney, short; and either Pat Burke or Scott Green, third.

Senior John Emmons is the team's top pitcher with Chris Kraft, sophomore Ron McCamant, and Pyle also in the plans for mound action.

"If John comes through," said Fracassi. "It will be a big help."

The outfield is set with Ron Petrie (right), McCamant (center) and Chris Soave (left).

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

Fourth-year coach Herb Osterland will be going with seven returning seniors and 13 juniors for the start of the season.

Shortstop-pitcher Bill Gavin, now on a baseball scholarship at Eastern Michigan, must be replaced.

But that should be in capable hands as junior Bob Foust, who hit .400 as a

sophomore, returns to fill the void. Senior, Dave Herrod, meanwhile, is back at third base.

The pitching staff could be formidable with the return of lefty Jim Gendjar and right-hander Keith Kluczev — both seniors.

Junior John Fraser and Chris Semic should also see time.

"I'm hoping our pitching staff is stable enough because we'll play good team defense," Osterland said. "I'm hoping the juniors will play like seniors."

"I've got to believe we'll be one of the stable clubs, but with our new league (Western Lakes), it will be very competitive on both sides (Western and Lakes divisions)."

LIVONIA STEVENSON

First-year coach Jim George and assistant Don Berg could have one of the top pitching staffs in the area.

But that has been clouded somewhat

by a shoulder injury to 6-foot-4 Brian Porter, who may be lost for the season after being injured in Stevenson's regional basketball game against Catholic Central.

Porter, one of the top pitchers in the area last year as a sophomore, has a top-flight partner on the mound in junior Rick Rozman, who was also a mainstay on the varsity last season.

Senior Don-McGinlay also is in the picture there as well as third base.

The top returning hitter and fielder is All-Observer pick Pete Rose. The senior shortstop batted .318 last season and was a regular last summer on Ron Helli's Livonia Aday team which finished fourth in the AAABA tourney in Johnstown, Pa.

Other potential infield starters include Tom Miller (second base), Dan Gilmartin (first) and Tom Kovarik (catcher).

Brad McLive, meanwhile, is set to take over in the outfield.

New golf loop

The Golf Association of Michigan (GAM) has a new link.

The Men's District Golf Association of Metro Detroit (MDG) will begin play May 10 at Tam O'Shanter Golf and Country Club in West Bloomfield.

Six clubs are currently participating in the new league with competition set at Farmington Hills (May 24), Forest Lake (June 14), Western (July 12), Washtenaw (Aug. 9) and Meadowbrook (Sept. 20).

According to one of the league's founders, Dr. Jerome Kaufman of Garden City, the MDG hopes to have four other clubs join the fold.

Play will be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

To join, players must have a private club membership, belong to the GAM and have a 0-18 handicap.

The league membership fee of \$25 should be sent to Kaufman at: 6255 Inkster, Garden City, 48135.

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Batter on deck!

Aggies aim high; CC, Borgess uncertain

By Brad Emons
staff writer

What are the prospects for three area Catholic League baseball teams?

For Redford St. Agatha, it's time to quit playing second fiddle in the C-D's West Division, according to fifth-year coach Paul Werth.

For Redford Catholic Central and Redford Bishop Borgess, young players must learn fast in the tough A-B Central Division.

Here is a preseason look at the three schools:

REDFORD ST. AGATHA

The Aggies were 17-8 overall last season, but finished a disappointing second behind league champ Wyandotte Mt. Carmel.

"We're tired of being the bridesmaid," said Werth. "I told our team this year that for the past three years, I felt we had the talent to win the league."

"And if we want it, we can have it, but it has to come from the heart. We have to play with desire."

Agatha's pitching staff is deep with the return of junior Andy Robertson, who was 6-2 last year. Other returnees include senior Pat Contway and Tracy Tonti, the latter whom batted .406 as a catcher last season.

Junior, lefty Pat Haran lends pitch-

ing support as does 6-foot-5 senior Joe White, who is back after a year's absence.

White, an outstanding basketball player, can also play first base.

"I feel I can go eight-deep that I can throw," said Werth. "We'll need all eight because we play those double-headers."

Shortstop Steve Beattie graduated, but Contway will be his replacement when he's not pitching.

Junior Frank Freeburn, who played as a sophomore, takes over at second base and junior Cris Gort is penciled in for the third base slot.

The outfield, meanwhile, returns Pat Haran and John Golinske.

"We're going to have to scrap," said Werth. "We'll have to bunt-and-run. We'll need to get four-or-five-runs (per game) and let our pitching hold us in."

REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL

The Shamrocks return just one starter from last year's 26-8 team, which captured a district title.

And naturally, coach John Salter's main concern is pitching.

Junior left-hander John Rogers has the most experience on the mound. He returns after winning two games as a sophomore.

"Our pitching is a question mark,"

said the third-year CC coach. "We have a lot of arms, and except for Rogers, we have no experience."

Vying for time on the mound along with Rogers are junior John Nissen, who saw some varsity action last year; senior Ron Raymond, plagued by a sore arm a year ago; Rich Muller, Dan Michaels and Tim Michalik.

"If the pitching comes through we'll be right there," Salter said. "We'll be young, but I think we'll have a chance to win the Central Division."

"But we won't score as many runs this year."

Senior Jeff Gatt, the only returning starter, will play center field. He will be flanked by Scott Ronan in right and probably Michalik in left.

Ed Ewald takes over as the Shamrocks' catcher. Junior Chris Parsons has the inside track at second and senior Scott Summers is ready to go at short. Junior John Connor will be the third baseman.

"We won't score as many runs as we have the last two years," said Salter. "But most coaches will tell you anyway that pitching and defense are the keys."

BISHOP BORGESS

Coach Jim Brisky has only five seniors and graduated his entire starting unit.

But the veteran Borgess coach re-

mains optimistic about his team — especially his all-junior infield.

"We're young, but we're competitive," he said. "They work hard, and I think we'll surprise a few teams."

"These kids all came off of our JV team. We wanted them to work together and play together."

The 11th grade-laden infield includes Jack Vantiem and Bernie McLaren at first base; Matt Sedlock, second; Kevin Diaz and Fred Portillo, short; and Mike Hackett, third.

But Brisky knows good pitching is vital to success.

"In our league you have to have strong pitching and defense," Brisky said. "But in any league — I think — those are the two priorities."

Brisky is excited about senior lefty John "Goose" Martindale.

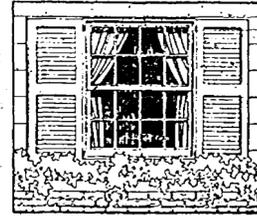
"He's really worked hard, and he's improved his game by going down south to a camp," said the Borgess coach.

Other pitching candidates include Diaz, Hackett, and Portillo. Knuckleball specialist Mike Danlovich could also see action, but he will most likely play the outfield along with Kelly, Portillo and John Ward.

Kelly is the team's most versatile player. He can pitch, catch and play the outfield. Teammate Larry Korona, meanwhile, can also catch and play the field.

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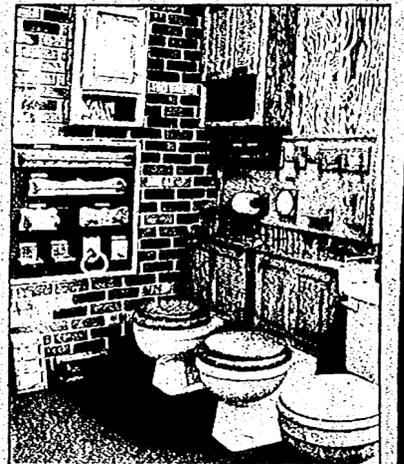
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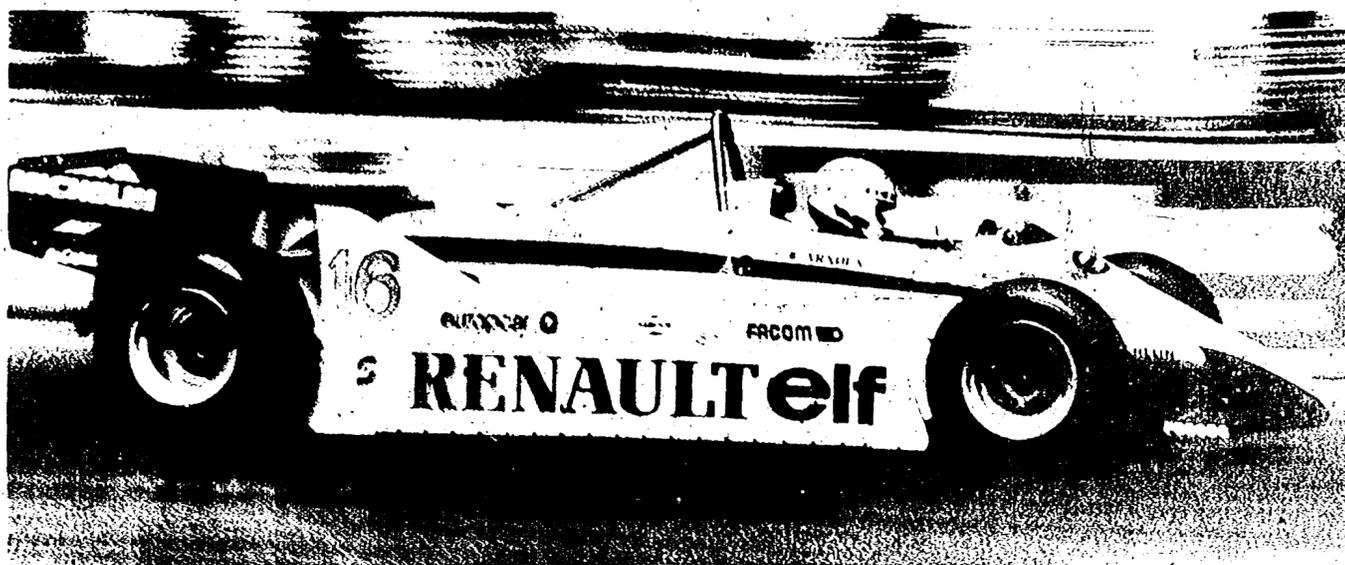
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● FCA WEEKEND

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes will present its Weekend of Champions Dare to be Different program Friday through Sunday, April 29 to May 1, at Central Michigan University's Rose Arena.

The program is open to junior and senior high school men and women. The price is \$15 (advance registration).

For more information, call Clay Graham at 349-5515.

● SOFTBALL TOURNEY

The second men's double-elimination "Season Opener Tournament" will be the weekend of April 22 in Redford Township.

Class B and C team are invited with a guarantee of three games. Team can enter by paying \$100 or by selling raffle tickets.

The tournament is sponsored by Law Auto Sales and Harrow's Food & Spirits.

For more information, call 532-5200 (days) or 981-2502 (evenings).

● THEUS WIN RACE

Russ Theus of Garden City drove his GT-3 Toyota Corolla to a first place finish recently in the Charlotte, N.C. Spring Sprints.

Theus was clocked in 1:26.7 for an average speed of 93.4 mph. He qualified third in the two-day event, which was halted by eight inches of snow.

The Garden City driver will attempt to improve his national standing April 24 in the Indianapolis Raceway Park National.

● COLLEGE NOTES

Catholic Central grad Joe Chops led Wayne State University in hitting during its recent spring baseball trip.

The Tartars went 3-3 as Chops, a junior, collected seven hits in 15 at-bats for a .467 average.

Other area players on the WSU baseball roster include Ken Surchna and Mike Schneider (Livonia Bentley), and Jim Kuzara (Livonia Franklin).

Mary Moran of Livonia earned a varsity swim letter this year for Adrian College. She is a senior marketing major.

● MEET A PISTON

Rookie forward Cliff Levingston of the Detroit Pistons will appear from 8-8:30 p.m. Monday, April 11, at Livonia Chrysler-Plymouth.

The former Wichita State standout will talk basketball with area fans.

● TOP SWIMMER

Angie Neville, 11, of Livonia, took a first place for the Clarenceville Swim Club in the recent McDonald's Junior Olympics swim meet held at Oakland Community College.

She captured first in the 100-yard breaststroke for girls ages 11-12.

● REDFORD TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the girls senior travel slow-pitch softball team in the Redford Township Junior Athletic Association (RTJAA) will be held from 2-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at Mann Field.

The tryouts are open to girls 16-18 (as of Aug. 1, 1983). Tryouts will continue the following weekend from 2-5 p.m. at Mann.

To be eligible, candidates must reside in Redford or attend school in Redford.

For more information, call Ted Kress at 937-9341.

● GUN SAFETY CLASSES

The Western Wayne County Conservation Association (WWCCA) will sponsor a pair of classes aimed at firearms safety.

The first is a Home Firearms Responsibility Class, a four-day National Rifle Association course intended to teach safe storage and handling of firearms. The class will be 7-9 p.m. April 12, 14 and 21 at the WWCCA building, located at 6700 Napier in Plymouth.

On April 23, the class will meet at a shooting range at 9:30 a.m. Cost for the four-day session is \$2.

The WWCCA also will host a DNR Hunter's Safety course 7-9 p.m. May 10, 12, 17 and 19. On Saturday, May 21, the class will meet at 9 a.m. for a test, field trip and a session at the shooting range. All young hunters, 12-16 years old, must attend the entire course to get a hunting license.

Cost for the Hunter's Safety course is \$3. For information on either class, contact the WWCCA at 453-9843.

● BASKETS FOR MDA

The Detroit Pistons and 7-Eleven Food Stores have joined forces to raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA). "Buy one ticket, get one free" coupons are available at 7-Eleven stores for the Pistons-Washington Bullets game Wednesday. The coupons are good on all \$10, \$9 and \$7 seats.

For each ticket sold, the Pistons will donate \$1 to MDA. Coupons are good only on tickets purchased at the Pontiac Silverdome or ordered through the mail from Detroit Pistons Tickets, Silverdome Box Office, 1200 Featherstone, Pontiac 48057.

For more information, contact 7-Eleven Food Stores at 774-2711.

● LETTER WINNER

Amy Knickerbocker, daughter of Raymond and Dorothea Knickerbocker of Canton, has been awarded a varsity letter in swimming at Adrian College. Knickerbocker is a freshman at Adrian majoring in biology.

● WRESTLER QUALIFIES

Mike Howell of Garden City was among many area wrestlers who have qualified for the national regional AAU wrestling tournament.

Howell placed fourth in the 149-pound class in the 15-16 age division at the AAU state meet March 27 in Anchor Bay.

Tournament time is here

The tournament season swings into high gear shortly for Detroit-area bowlers as they'll be busy bidding for titles and contributing to charity during the next three months.

The real action starts on Saturday, April 16, when the men's city tournament unfolds. It has drawn more than 800 teams, and the opening ceremonies are scheduled for 5:30 p.m. at Satellite Bowl.

After that gets underway, the statewide charities event, sponsored by the Bowling Proprietors, opens on Saturday, April 23 with qualifying rounds in 20 sites across the Detroit area.

Then comes the Champion of Champions at each member establishment starting on Saturday, April 30 with the finals set for June 23-24 at Cherry Hill Lanes in Dearborn Heights.

CONNIE POWERS, a Hall of Fame member, will be bowling in her 46th WIBC tournament when she steps on the lanes next week in Las Vegas. She was a member of the famed Colonial Broach team when it ruled ladies competition in the 1930s. Only one other American woman has a longer record. She will be bowling in her 48th event.

THE UNLUCKIEST BOWLER in the area last week was Victor Pilar. Bowling in the St. John's League at Garden Lanes, he had 11 strikes in a row. Then "Lady Luck" frowned on him. On what looked like a solid hit, he left up the No. 6 pin and settled for a 299 and a 703 series.

in the pocket

by W.W. Edgar

THE HIGH SCORING houses enjoyed a big week with the heaviest firing occurring on the west side.

At Westland Bowl, five new members were inducted into the 700 club, with three of them earning membership in the Classic. The leaders included Chuck Ruol with a 244 in 723 and Dave Friedman who tied that figure with the aid of a 267 opener. The third occurred when Bob Goike fashioned a 700 with a 257 opener.

The other two came in the Monday men's league where Larry Taylor and Larry Seibert tied at 704. Taylor had a 265 high game and Seibert a 247.

There were also some high scoring at other area establishments:

BEL-AIRE LANES: The 700 barrier was broken three times in the Classic last Thursday. Topping the sharpshooters was Ron Shevalier, who fired a 714. He was followed by Bill Walker with 704 and Chuck Cassise with a 700.

GARDEN LANES: Joe Buzanowski won the closest finish of the year in the St. Linus League. He fired a 631 and

beat Pat McGhie by a single pin, while Rudy Chandler landed third with 602.

MERRI-BOWL: Ann Troke was the pacemaker in the Invitational a 217 finish in 612, six pins more than Lida Hendersen. In the men's league Ed Patino with finishing games of 246 and 241 posted a 709 series.

WOODLAND LANES: Sherry Broyles was best with a 226 and Lillian Klapp scored a 222 for single-high games of the week on the distaff side.

the week ahead

PREP BASEBALL
Thursday, April 7
Cath. Central at Red. Thurston (DH), noon
Saturday, April 9
Red. Thurston at Ply. Salem (DH), noon
Brother Rice at Ply. Canton (DH), noon
Wald. John Glenn at Wayne (DH), 10 a.m.
Cath. Central at B.H. Cranbrook, noon
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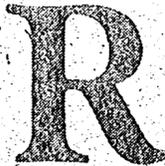
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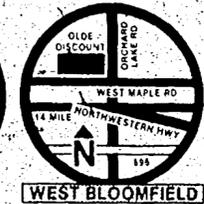
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roll call report

Ford, Levin support Social Security reform bill

Here's how area members of Congress were recorded on major roll call votes in the days before the Easter recess.

HOUSE

REFORM: By a vote of 243 for and 102 against, the House gave final congressional approval and sent to the White House the bill (HR 1900) designed to keep Social Security in the black for the next 75 years.

The bill's major structural change is gradually to raise the retirement age — from 65 to 66 by 2009 and to 67 by 2027.

Members voting yes favored the Social Security rescue legislation. Voting yes: William Ford, D-Taylor and Sander Levin, D-Southfield.

Voting no: Dennis Hertel, D-Detroit, and William Broomfield, R-Birmingham.

Not voting: Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth.

To raise \$165 billion to avert insolvency this decade, the bill in part:

- Makes Social Security mandatory for federal workers hired after next Jan. 1.

- Speeds up tax hikes so that employees and employers will move more quickly toward contributing 7.65 percent of wages by 1990 (each now contributes 6.7 percent).

- Delays certain costs-of-living benefit hikes.

The bill also:

- Levies income taxes on part of the benefits of higher-income recipients.
- Raises contribution levels for the self-employed.

- Brings employees of non-profit organizations into Social Security.

- Sets conditions under which the

wage index rather than the consumer price index can determine benefit hikes.

- Seeks to control Medicare costs.
- Makes Social Security mandatory for members of Congress, federal judges, the president and vice-president.
- Prevents state and local governments from pulling out of Social Security.

Supporter Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., called it "as remarkable as it is monumental" that the bill could work its way through Congress in two months, adding, "Beyond these doors we may never receive the recognition we have earned."

Opponent Michael Barnes, D-Md., said, "We have asked federal employees and retirees to buy a surprise package with their limited incomes in the midst of the worst economic times in 50 years."

COMMITTEES: By a vote of 262 for and 141 against, the House voted to spend \$43.2 million this year for investigations and studies by its committees and subcommittees.

The figure is up nearly 9 percent from 1982. It excludes separately-appropriated salary outlays of more than \$31 million. The measure (HR 127) did not require Senate Approval and now is law.

Supporter Frank Annunzio, D-Ill., said the House committees "promise to produce good value for every dollar budgeted in this resolution."

Opponent Lynn Martin, R-Ill., denounced the much higher average salary paid white men above women and minorities and said this shows "these committee budgets are both sexist and racist. . . There is an institutional racism and sexism" in the system.

Members voting yes supported the

\$43.2 million committee outlay. Voting yes: Hertel, Ford and Levin.

Voting no: Pursell. Not voting: Broomfield.

SENATE

SOCIAL SECURITY: By a vote of 58 for and 14 against, the Senate approved and sent to the House the final version of the Social Security rescue bill (HR 1900; see House vote above).

Michigan's Sens. Carl Levin and Donald Riegle, both Democrats, voted yes.

MARRIAGE PENALTY: The Senate rejected, 34 for and 62 against, an amendment to minimize the "marriage penalty" imposed by the Social Security rescue bill.

The bill levies an income tax on some Social Security benefits received by high-income retirees. For single tax-

payers earning more than \$25,000, one-half of benefits are to be taxed. For married taxpayers filing a joint return, the taxation threshold is \$32,000.

Two single persons living together thus could have a combined income of \$50,000 before paying income tax on benefit, compared to the \$32,000 threshold for a married couple. The amendment sought to lower the thresholds to \$20,000 for singles and \$36,000 for spouses.

Sponsor David Boren, D-Okla., said, "We should not have another area of the law where we again write in a marriage penalty."

Opponent Robert Dole, R-Kans., acknowledged Boren had raised "a very serious philosophical question," but he said the marriage penalty was addressed elsewhere in the tax code.

Levin and Riegle voted no.

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