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City studies proposed use of volunteers

By Mary Klemic
staff writer

An ad hoc committee will be appointed by Mayor Charles Pickering and members of the Westland City Council to review the use of volunteers in the fire department.

The nine-member panel is to review volunteer operations in other communities, determine their benefits and problems, estimate the starting and annual costs and recommend qualifications of volunteers. It is to report to the city council by March 15.

Council President Thomas Artley and Councilmen Charles "Trav" Griffin, A. Kent Herbert and Robert Wagner discussed the committee at a press conference Monday. The purpose of the conference was to explain the council's priorities for the next two years, council members said. It took place after all seven council members, in groups of three, held private discussions with Pickering.

Two council members will sit on the ad hoc panel. Three committee members will be appointed by the council, three by the mayor and one by the council and the mayor jointly.

ANOTHER AD HOC committee will be appointed to look into beautification. This panel will review ordinances concerning home and business upkeep, discuss problems with ordinance enforcement, suggest how to feasibly improve the city's appearance and discuss the use of volunteers and volunteer organizations working on city property.

Also, the committee will review a proposal by the council to give monthly awards to residences and businesses for their appearance.

"At town hall meetings, people have complained about the way the city looks and I have to agree with them," Herbert said.

"Once the grounds are in order, we could get volunteers to maintain them," Wagner said. "We hope this summer that the city grounds would be a place of pride again."

THE USE of volunteers isn't going to lead to layoffs, council members said. They said one ad hoc committee may suggest a regional plan concerning a volunteer fire department.

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city councilman

expansion of the Senior Citizen Friendship Center their top priority, saying they will go to court over the issue if necessary.

Last week, the council passed a resolution directing the mayor to hire an architect by next month to prepare building specs and take bids for the expansion. Monday, the four councilmen said that the resolution was to give Pickering one more chance to take action on the subject, and that council members will hire an architect themselves if the mayor doesn't.

"WE WAITED six months now and nothing has happened," Griffin said. "Even if it means going to court, there will be an expansion."

"We will hire an architect, if nothing else," Artley said.

Also discussed by the councilmen at Monday's press conference:

• Council members and City Assessor Robert Matzo will meet to discuss assessments in the city. The councilmen said some areas of Westland are unfairly assessed, including the far east end, according to Wagner.

• The first council newsletter is expected to be sent out in late February or early March. It is intended that following newsletters will be sent out on a quarterly basis for one year.

The newsletter will feature services, problems or the positive and an update on legislative activity. One page of the newsletter will be devoted to the council, while the remaining three pages will be devoted to the administration. The council and administration will review each other's pages.

• The council will "go all out" for the use of propane this year, Wagner said.

• Work on Monroe Park is expected to begin this spring.

Council members and the mayor agreed on most of the topics they discussed, councilmen said.

"The areas of disagreement are really very few," Herbert said. "We maintain that we can work with the mayor if given half a chance. I think he's finding that if he'd sit down with us, we will be able to accomplish some things."

Cable pact nears council review

A contract between Continental Cablevision and the City of Westland continues to take shape this week, along with the city's cable commission.

A final contract may go before the Westland City Council at its regular meeting Monday night. Mayor Charles Pickering and council members are to submit names of possible appointees to the cable commission this week.

Continental and city representatives met last week concerning the contract, Councilman Charles "Trav" Griffin said at a council press conference Monday. The city representatives were members of a cable negotiating committee appointed by the council last month.

"They completed the parameters for bargaining on the contract," he said. "They will continue to put together a contract, hopefully by Wednesday. (City Attorney Jeffrey) Jahr and (Councilman) Kenneth Mehl will get together and make sure it is what it's supposed to be. It could go to the council Dec. 19."

COUNCIL MEMBERS are to submit two names for the cable commission by



Christmas cubs

This year's toy drive, the second to be conducted by Annapolis hospital's cardiopulmonary services, brought this truckload of teddy bears, all bearing T-shirts naming each a "Christmas cub." Bob Meier (center) kneels in the 200 bears which were presented to nurses Mary Kennedy (left) and Carrie Goosby and to Gilbert

Skinner, department manager, by Deloris Kayganich of First Federal Savings of Westland. Toys, both new and used, will continue to be collected until Dec. 20. They will be distributed through Goodwill and other organizations. Anyone wishing to make a donation should call 722-4400 Ext. 200.

ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Split school tax vote due Monday

By Sandra Armbruster
editor

Few Wayne-Westland residents were on hand Monday night to question the need for a split tax collection in the school district. That public hearing on the issue was the first step in a process that could lead to half the taxes being collected in July, the other half collected during December as usual.

The board of education will decide whether to split the tax collection at its 7 p.m. meeting on Dec. 19.

Before questioning the administration and a citizens' committee appointed to study the issue, the audience learned that the district projected a \$500,000 savings by collecting half the school taxes six months earlier than is traditionally done.

If the board approves the proposal, the administration said that priorities for spending the savings would include: \$44,000 for elementary textbooks in reading, spelling, science and social studies; \$170,000 for secondary textbooks in social studies, science, vocational education, math and language

arts; \$130,000 for computer instruction in elementary and junior high schools; \$66,000 for science equipment; and another \$90,000 for teaching supplies and exit examinations.

THE SAVINGS accrue from reducing the district's need to borrow money to operate for the first six months — July through December — of the school's fiscal year. Normally revenue from taxes due the previous December start flowing into the district's coffers in January. Last year the district paid \$1.123 million in interest on money it borrowed to meet expenses.

John Baracy, assistant superintendent for business and finance, emphasized that the split collection of taxes won't result in higher tax bills.

He added that it was one of a number of things, including employee concessions, that the district was trying to implement to balance its budget.

Noted in the administration's report were the surrounding communities who now collect taxes twice a year. Those include Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Plymouth-Canton, Romulus and Van Buren.

ADDING ITS report to that of the administration was the committee appointed by the board to study the issue.

"The committee feels that the resultant savings in interest presently paid out on borrowing, and the proposed expenditure of that savings to improve

educational programs for the students of our district, make this policy not only acceptable but essential to the well being of our community and its over 19,000 students," the committee said in its report.

"We are confident that the administration and the board of education will make the necessary communication to the taxpayers, and that they will utilize this savings as they have indicated."

According to the average loss in interest income for those who pay their taxes directly would amount to a maximum of \$40 a year. The administration placed the net interest loss at \$15 a year.

In addition, senior citizens with incomes of less than \$10,000 a year could delay their tax payments until Feb. 15 of the following year.

RESEARCH DONE by the committee, along with Baracy, found that 81 percent of the small businesses in the district favored the split tax collections. Only 9.6 percent were opposed. The rest wanted more information or had no opinion.

They also found that most mortgage lending institutions said, in writing, that the split collection wouldn't affect escrow payments. Those companies responding included Manufacturer's Hanover which, two years ago during a pilot split collection program conducted

by the district, required large increases in escrow payments because of the company's accounting method.

Others saying there would be no increase were First Federal Savings, Standard Federal Savings, Graham Mortgage (sold to Fleet Mortgage), Advance Mortgage, Housing and Urban Development held mortgages, Kissell Company, Comerica, Bank of the Commonwealth (merged with Comerica) and Macomb Savings and Loan.

Fort Wayne Mortgage gave no official response, said Baracy.

ONE MEMBER of the audience whose mortgage is held by Fort Wayne Mortgage said, "My experience has been that they won't go along with anything."

"They're unbending."

"We've found that of all the mortgage companies we're dealing with, you're exactly right," said Baracy. But he added that most companies have said that if there is to be an increase, it could be spread over 18 to 24 months if there is a hardship.

Baracy noted that there are about 200 companies holding mortgages in the district.

Board President W. James LeDuc said that the district is "prepared to advocate" for those residents whose companies say there would be an escrow increase.

Livonia board rates Garver

By Dan Vecchioni
staff writer

Rating the performance of school superintendent George Garver outstanding, the Livonia Board of Education granted the district's chief administrator a 2 percent raise at a special meeting Monday.

The raise, in the amount of \$1,402, brings Garver's total compensation to \$71,302 in both direct salary and contributions to a tax-sheltered account. The raise, retroactive to July 1, was approved unanimously by the board without discussion.

The raise was set at 2 percent because that amount is equivalent to what was received by other school employees, board President Carol Stroff said later. The board discussed the amount at a closed session held immediately before Monday's special meeting, she added.

Prior to granting the raise, the board conducted its annual review of the superintendent's performance. For this year's review, the board used a new evaluation form, adapted in large part

from recommendations made earlier this year in a management study conducted by Anderson-Roethlis Inc., Strom said.

The form allowed the board to rate Garver on a scale ranging from 1 (outstanding) to 5 (unsatisfactory) in eight categories: representing the superintendent's job responsibilities.

THE EVALUATION covered Garver's responsibilities as the schools' chief executive officer, his interaction with the board, his supervision of staff, his community interaction, his participation in state legislative activities, his role as the schools' primary spokesman, his budgetary responsibilities and his monitoring abilities.

The board, and former board member Richard Belaire who was invited to participate in the evaluation, gave Garver 11 1s, 77 2s (very good), nine 3s (good), one 4 (adequate) and 11 Ns (no opportunity to observe).

The board ranked Garver highest in the budgetary responsibilities category (eight out of eight 1s) and the state legislative activities category (20 out of 24

1s). Trustee James Merner said Garver's budget for the current year was "the finest budget this district has ever seen." Board member Ronald Withers commented that "Livonia has an impact on what goes on in the state due to the superintendent."

Garver's lowest rating came under community interaction, the only category where he received more 2s than 1s. Still, the board seemed satisfied. "I'm not sure I would ask for more," said member David Cameron. And Patricia Sari, the only member to give Garver a 4 (for his role in holding community meetings), pointed out that the responsibility probably should not belong to the superintendent.

"He's doing an outstanding job," Strom said after the evaluation. "We're pleased with what is happening in the schools and thank you George is with us. We see great things happening in the future."

"He's rated outstanding," Merner added. "The bottom line is showing continuing improvement. We should re-

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Principals want to reopen pact

The employee group representing 55 Livonia Public Schools principals and administrators has asked the school district to reopen its contract.

Richard Gornick, principal at Buchanan Elementary School and president of the Livonia Educational Administrators and Supervisors (LEADS) group, said some minor improvements, to take effect immediately, and a contract extension are being sought.

"We're in the third (and last) year of our contract and the amount we were to receive in the third year was predi-

cated on what the teachers received," Gornick said.

While the teachers agreed to a wage freeze in exchange for additional teaching positions, some minor improvements in adjustments for advanced degrees and experience were made, Gornick added. Similar changes for LEADS members are being requested, he said.

At the same time, Gornick said, a contract extension patterned after the agreement reached by the teachers —

calling for a 4-7 percent raise in each of the next two years with the actual amount to be determined by the level of property valuation in the district — is being sought.

"OUR MAIN concern is that there wouldn't be a change in the difference between teacher and LEADS salaries," Gornick said.

Carol Strom, president of the Livonia Board of Education, said the board in its closed session Monday discussed the

LEADS request to reopen the contract. "Our discussion was on whether or not it should be done," Strom said. "We have no indication as to how we'll head in that."

Sam Lamonica, the school district's director of employee relations and chief negotiator, also indicated that no decision has been made on whether to reopen the contract. "We want to explore some possibilities," he said.

"Probably after the first of the year we'll get back to it."

Police ask for help in search for rapist

Westland police are asking the public for help in the investigation of an attack on two teen-age girls near the Adams Junior High School grounds.

Anyone with information is urged to contact Westland police at 722-9400 or 721-6311.

"Any information will be helpful," a Westland police officer said. The incident took place at 9:15 p.m. Dec. 1.

Police said the two girls, both 14, were walking near the school, near Palmer, when a man approached them from behind and asked them for a light.

When they said they didn't have a light, he grabbed them, covering their mouths, and dragged them back from the road toward the school and forced one of them to perform a sex act while the other watched, the girls told police.

The assailant was described as white, in his late 20s to early 30s and 5 feet 7. He has a heavy build with a "beer belly," medium brown curly hair, a mustache and a deep voice.

The man was wearing a blue jogging suit with a yellow stripe down the side and tennis shoes, the girls told police.

Board grants Garver 2% raise

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fect our appreciation of his job and recognition of his skills."

STROM SAID the evaluation was conducted at Monday's special meeting rather than a regularly scheduled meeting of the board because of the board's delay in agreeing on the form to be used. The board selected the new form at a study session held on Dec. 3 which, Strom said, did not allow enough time for the evaluation to be scheduled for the Dec. 5 regular board meeting.

"We needed a chance to look over it some more," she said. "We wanted about a week to look at the form and make our comments. We called a special meeting because we didn't have another regular meeting before the end of the year."

While board members did not share

their individual evaluations until Monday's special meeting, they were able to discuss the amount of Garver's raise in the earlier closed session in anticipation of the evaluation results, Strom added.

"We've said off and on all year that be (Garver) has done a good job," she said. "I didn't think any board members were unhappy with his performance. There were no surprises."

Belair, who served on the board before losing his seat in the June election, was invited to participate in the evaluation — although not vote on the raise — because he was in a position to observe Garver for part of the period under review, Strom said. "We've always done that in the past," she said.

The evaluation was conducted and the raise granted under terms of the five-year contract the board has with Garver. The contract is scheduled to

expire in 1987 unless the board takes action to renew it.

Following the evaluation and action

on the raise, Garver thanked the board "for the vote of confidence."

Visitors meet on 4th Friday

The city of Westland's Department on Aging's Friendly Visitors Program holds its monthly meetings at 2 p.m. the fourth Friday of every month at the Friendship Center, 37095 Marquette.

The Friendly Visitors are volunteers who provide a visit to the lonely and

homebound seniors of Westland. Persons 50 years of age or older are still needed to volunteer one or two hours a month to this program.

For further information, call 722-7628.

Carrier of the month Westland

David Orcutt, 15, has been chosen carrier of the month for the Westland Observer. He began serving his route in August 1982.

A 10th-grade student at John Glenn High School, David's future plans include auto body repair. David's favorite subjects are math and gym. He collects stamps and coins and belongs to Junior Achievement.

David is the son of Jay and Helen Orcutt. He has two sisters, Cheryl and Lisa.

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Holiday recess: Experts list ways to keep kids busy over Christmas

By Dan Vecchioni
staff writer

When the bells ring ending the school day this Friday, most area students will tromp home for a two-week Christmas vacation.

For parents concerned with how their children should spend that time, two area educators have offered some advice. Parents and children should share time together.

"The best gift if you want your child to be happy and self-confident is presence (rather than presents)," said Connie Kenty, director of the Livonia Head Start program. "You should share time with your child."

"We're looking at the interaction between parents and children or between lots of children," said Susan Ryan, the elementary adviser to the school system's gifted student program. "But children also need alone time, time to daydream and read."

Kenty offered the following tips to parents of children between the ages of 3 and 9:

- Make playdough with the children. Playdough can be made at home by: boiling two cups of water, a half cup of salt and a little food coloring; while still hot, adding two tablespoons of salad oil, two tablespoons of alum and two cups of flour; and, when cool, kneading the mixture.

- The homemade playdough, if stored after use in a plastic bag, will keep for two to three weeks. Kenty called playdough an "aggression toy" that allows children to channel their aggressiveness in an acceptable, creative manner.

- Play a holiday meal game with the children. The children can draw

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— Susan Ryan,
Livonia educator

color and cut out pictures of one of the featured dishes at the meal, say turkey or cranberry sauce. One picture then is given to each adult and child at the table. When a person mentions the featured dish, the first child to hear the word receives that person's picture. The child that collects the most pictures wins the game.

The game, Kenty said, keeps most children quiet at the table since they are listening for mention of the featured dish.

- Recall the events of the day. When tucking children into bed, parents should stimulate their children's memories by asking them what they did during the day.

- View and discuss holiday decorations. While riding through the area and looking at Christmas lights, parents should ask children to discuss the differences and similarities.

Ryan offered the following tips to parents of children under the age of 12:

- Provide children with decision-making opportunities. "Give them options," Ryan said. "Say there are three



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

With the help of a floatable barbell, Carl Groen, 3, swims in the Livonia Y pool during a lesson. The Livonia Y is one of many area

organizations sponsoring activities — including swimming — for children and adults during the holiday season.

things we can do today. Which one do you want to do? Allow children to be part of the planning. But it's not a choice of whether they should wear a winter coat when they go outside but whether they should wear the red or blue one."

- Explore creative use of toys and

other materials. "Children get so many toys (for Christmas) but get bored so quickly," Ryan said. "Often, the boxes and wrapping can be used creatively or toys can be used in ways other than what the manufacturer intended. I have a real problem with the word boredom. Have children list the things they like to do and keep it available to

refer to when they say they are bored."

- Provide children with real-life experiences. Toys, like cameras or microscopes, provide children with such experiences. Children also can be encouraged to write letters. "Even give the kids the leftovers and have them make dinner," Ryan said. The emphasis, she added, should be on real-life experienc-

es rather than scheduled or classroom activities. "Stay away from anything that has to do with school," she said.

- Do things that the family hasn't done before. "There's the idea of risk-taking," Ryan said. "Do things as a family you haven't done before." This enables children and parents to learn skills together.

'Tis the season to be jolly — and active

Holidays are a time for sharing. A time to be with friends and family. Following is a list of activities that may be enjoyed by children, teens and adults.

- For those interested in expressing their Christmas spirit in song, several area sing-alongs are scheduled. In Livonia at 7:30 p.m. Friday, carols will be sung at the Wilson Barn, West Chicago and Middlebelt. The sing-along is sponsored by the Friends of the Wilson Barn, the Clements Circle Civic Association and the Wilson Acres Association. Refreshments will be provided and the Franklin High School Belle Canto Choir will lead the singing. On Sunday at 2 p.m. a holiday sing-along will be held

at the Redford Township Civic Park, Beech Daly, just south of Five Mile. Hot apple cider and doughnuts will be served. Santa will visit. On Monday, the Livonia Rotary Club will sponsor a sing-along on the steps of Livonia City Hall, Five Mile and Farmington roads.

- The Redford Township Civic Symphony presents "A Salute to Christmas" 3 p.m. Sunday in the Thurston High School gymnasium, Schoolcraft, west of Beech Daly Road. Admission is free.

- Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village offer special events December through February. Customs, decorations and celebrations of Christ-

mas from colonial days to 1900 can be enjoyed during December in the museum and village.

- Antique toys and doll houses highlight the special exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main at Church. The museum is open 1-4 p.m. Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. Admission is \$1 for adults, 50 cents for youth ages 11-17, and 25 cents for children ages 5-10.

- A Victorian Christmas is on display in the Hill House Museum at Greenmead. Museum hours for December are 2-4 p.m. Wednesday and Saturdays and 1-4 p.m. Sundays. The mu-

seum will be closed Christmas day. Special tours may be arranged by calling 477-7375.

- The Polish Chorale will perform a concert of Polish Christmas carols at 4 p.m. at the activities center of Madonna College, 35500 Schoolcraft. The free concert, directed by Bronislaw Starkowski, is to promote and acquaint American audiences with Polish song and culture. Further information may be obtained by calling 464-796.

- Enjoy carriage rides at Banbury Cross, 219 N. Harvey, Plymouth. For more information, call 453-4233.
- The Plymouth Community Cultur-

al Center, 525 Farmer, is open for ice skating. For schedule information, call the recreation department 24-hour hotline at 455-6620.

- Open swim is available weekdays 2:30-4 p.m. at the Wayne-Westland Family Y, 827 S. Wayne, Westland. Admission is free for Y members. For non-members, the cost is \$1.50 for those under 18 and \$4 for adults.

- Rollerskating is available at the Skatin' Station, 8611 Ronda Drive at Joy, Canton Township; Skateland West, 37550 Cherry Hill, west of Newburgh, Westland, and Riverside Arena, 36635

Plymouth Road, Livonia.

- The Livonia Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a Christmas rollerskating party 1-3 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20 in Riverside Arena. The \$1.50 admission includes skate rental. For more information, call 261-2260.

- The Livonia Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring two ice skating parties Wednesday, Dec. 21 and Thursday, Dec. 22. The Wednesday party is 7-8:30 p.m. in Devon Aire Arena, 9510 Sunset. The Thursday party is 3-4:30 p.m. in Eddie Edgar Ice Arena, Farmington and Lyndon roads. Admission, which includes refreshments, is \$1.

Yule activities for youths abound throughout area

Area schools will close soon for the holiday season leaving parents with the task of keeping youngsters occupied for the next few weeks.

Students in Livonia and Redford Union Public schools will be dismissed for the year on Friday. Classes will resume Tuesday, Jan. 3. In The Wayne-Westland School District, students will end classes on Dec. 23. School resumes Monday, Jan. 9.

Students attending Plymouth-Canton Community Schools will be dismissed for the year on Dec. 23. They will return Jan. 3. In South Redford, students will end classes Dec. 23. They return on Jan. 9.

Following is a list of programs, special activities or places that will help keep children and teens busy throughout the winter holiday.

Computers

- Computer camps will be offered at the Livonia and Wayne-Westland Family YMCAs. At the Livonia Y, a computer camp is slated 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 19-23. Campers will spend half the day in computer class learning the fundamentals of microcomputers and programming. The remainder of the day, campers will participate in crafts, games, racquetball and swimming. Cost is \$50 for members and \$60 for non-members. The camp is designed for youngsters ages 9-16. The Livonia Family Y is at 14255 Stark, north of Schoolcraft. For information, call 261-2161.

- An after-Christmas computer class will be offered Dec. 26-29 at the Livonia Family Y. Classes will be offered either 1:30-4:30 p.m. or 6:30-9:30 p.m. Cost is \$40 for members and \$45 for non-members. Persons 10 years and older are welcome. One computer will be given away in each class.

- The Wayne-Westland Family Y will offer two computer camps. A program for those in grades three and up will be noon to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, Dec. 27-29 and noon to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, Jan. 3-5 for those in the fifth grade and older. Fees are \$30 for each class. The Wayne-Westland Family Y is at 827 Wayne, Westland. For program information, call 721-7044.

Y Christmas Day Camps

- The Livonia Family Y will offer day camp for youngsters ages 5-8 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Dec. 19 through Friday, Dec. 23. Cost is \$40 for members and \$50 for non-members. Bring swim and gym clothes and lunch each day. Activities will include games, stories, crafts, pillow polo and swimming. A beverage will be provided. Campers may be dropped off as early as 7:30 a.m. and picked up as late as 5:30 p.m. each day for a fee of \$3 per family per day.

- The Wayne-Westland Y will offer Christmas vacation day camp Dec. 26-30 and Jan. 2-6. Programs will be offered from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Activities include swimming, games, crafts, cooking, gymnastics, trampoline, floor games, fitness exercises, outdoor activities and lots more. The camp program is open for those in kindergarten through sixth grade. Cost is \$30 per week for members (or \$8 per day) and \$40 per week or \$8 per day for non-members. Additional child care is available beginning at 7:30 until 5 p.m. each day.

- Special day trips to Camp Ohlyesa for those ages 6-12 will be

offered by the Wayne-Westland Y on Friday, Dec. 30 or Wednesday, Jan. 4 cost is \$15 for members and \$17 for non-members. Bus leaves the Y at 9 a.m. and returns at 5 p.m. Campers should bring a bag lunch. Hot chocolate will be provided. The day will include tobogganing, ice skating (bring your own skates), archery, hiking and cross country skiing.

Other activities

- The Livonia and Wayne-Westland Family YMCAs will offer New Year's Eve parties for youngsters. The Livonia Y party is for those ages 7-13 and begins at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31 to 9 a.m. New Year's Day. Cost is \$15 for the first child and \$10 for the second child. Enrollment is limited. The Wayne-Westland party is for youngsters ages 3 1/2 through 12. Children may be dropped off beginning at 8 p.m. and picked up at 10 a.m. Sunday. Cost is \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members. The second child in a family receives a \$2 discount. Young party-goers should bring a swim suit, towel, sleeping bag and pillow.

- Santa's gift shop will be open in the Northwest YWCA, 25940 Grand River, Redford Township, for youngsters in preschool through age 12. Youngsters may buy gifts 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. which range in price from 15 cents to \$5.

- At 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21 the Carl Sandburg Library, 30100 W. Seven Mile, Livonia, will present "Stories of Christmas," a story hour for children of all ages. The one-hour program will include stories and songs, fingerplays and films. No preregistration is necessary.

- Films for children will be shown in the Carl Sandburg Library during the holiday vacation week. Films are: "Pinocchio — a Lesson in Honesty," "The Seven Ravens," and "The Swineherd" on Tuesday, Dec. 27; "The Prince and the Pauper," "Strega Nonna," and "Three Gifts," Wednesday, Dec. 28, and "The Pussycat that Ran Away," "Sam Bangs and Moonshine" and "Teeny Tiny and the Witch Woman" on Thursday, Dec. 29. Showtime is 2:30. Admission is free.

- Santaland, sponsored by the Redford Jaycees and area businesses, is open noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and 5-7:30 p.m. Dec. 19-22 in Jaycee Hall, 15534 Beech Daly, north of Five Mile. Seven rooms of holiday fantasy are open. Santa will also be on hand. Admission is free, however, the Jaycees will accept donations of canned goods or non-perishable items.

- Three Christmas movies for children will be shown Tuesday, Dec. 27 in the Alfred Noble Library, 32901 Plymouth 2-3 p.m. The movies are "Christmas Is," "Christmas Fantasy" and "Santa's Surprise." • A free basketball clinic open to boys and girls in the third through sixth grades will be 10 a.m. to noon Saturday at the Wayne-Westland Y in Nankin Mills, 33300 Cowan Road, Westland.

- Superstar competition will be offered for those 6-9 years old Tuesday, Dec. 27 and Wednesday, Dec. 28 for those ages 10-14 in the Livonia Family Y. Superstar events will be 1-3 p.m. and a free swim will be 3-4 p.m.

- The Livonia Family Y has water polo classes Tuesday, Dec. 27 from 10-10:30 a.m. for those 4-10 years old and 10:30-11 a.m. for 11-14-year-olds. On Wednesday, Dec. 28, silly relays will be offered 10-10:30 a.m. for ages 4-6; 10:30-11 for ages 7-10, and 11-11:30 for ages 11-14.

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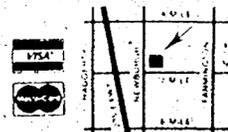
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Supreme Court to hear group home appeals

By Marie Cheetney
staff-writer

The placement of group homes for the mentally ill and mentally retarded — an issue which one state official said affects every citizen in the state — will be argued for the first time in April before the Michigan Supreme Court.

Up until now, the court has turned down every attempt by Michigan communities to have the state's highest court rule on the placement of mentally retarded and mentally ill adults in foster care homes.

On Dec. 6, the court broke that tradition. It agreed to hear appeals filed by Livonia and Southfield in their attempt to block group homes in their communities. Sometime in April, three appeals filed by Livonia and one appeal filed by Southfield will be argued together before the court.

If the two cities lose, said Livonia city attorney Harry Tatigian, "it will put the entire issue to bed once and for all."

The cities, Tatigian said, would have to honor an agreement made between them and the state's attorney general that whatever the court decides would apply in communities across the state.

"And if we won, we anticipate and expect the attorney general to honor this agreement," he added.

If the state should lose, said James Quigley, director of adult foster care licensing for the Michigan Department of Social Service (DSS), the loss would affect those 24,000 adults now in foster care homes throughout Michigan and would raise new questions on where to house the state's mentally retarded.

"This is a matter of interest to every person in the state," Quigley said. "What alternatives do these people have if the cities win? What are the financial consequences to the state?"

COMMUNITIES across Michigan have filed lawsuits against group homes ever since the state first started licensing them in the late 1970's. But the cities have had little success in the courts.

Both Tatigian and Quigley believe the state has the edge in winning these four appeals.

"Remember, our batting average except for the one time an administrative judge agreed with us has been zero," Tatigian said. "That was the first time we ever won anything. Anytime you are an appellate where you have had three lower court judges rule against you and two Michigan Court of Appeals panels rule against you, it's uphill. But if granted a leave to appeal, you have to think in terms of 'having a chance.' The court usually affirms the decision of the court of appeals. The odds are two to one against us, but we are still alive."

Quigley said the state was not worried about losing. "Lower court decisions have found in favor of our department," he said. "There is no reason to believe the higher court will see it any differently."

LIVONIA'S appeals are for homes on Stanmoor, Ellen Drive and Pickford and involve mentally retarded adults. The Southfield suit was filed by the Greentrees Civic Association and involves mentally ill adults.

William Basinger, assistant attorney general who will be arguing the cases

for the DSS, said the court might have selected these four because they "encompass all of the issues raised for either the mentally retarded or the mentally ill."

Tatigian said he was surprised at the court's decision to hear the cases. "I was surprised they granted us this leave because they turned down every one else up to this time."

He said he would argue before the court all the issues placed before the appellate courts. But he said he would lay heavy emphasis on one, which was the one small victory the city had in going through the court system.

This was when an administrative court judge agreed with Livonia that the procedure of a city having to go before an administrative court judge to fight group homes was unfair.

"Our best argument is against the entire administrative law judge procedure," Tatigian said. "It was a kangaroo proceeding and the administrative judge agreed with us. He disagreed with our other arguments but said the procedure was unfair. The judge works for the DSS."

Tatigian said the city would question the unfairness of the court procedure and the unfairness of allowing the DSS to overturn an administrative judge's ruling.

IF THE CITIES should win, Quigley said the court's ruling would settle only those issues raised in the four lawsuits. "Any issue not raised in the lawsuit may be raised."

In rejecting arguments made by Livonia previously, the appellate court ruled that developmentally disabled persons are "clearly eligible" to live in small adult foster care homes.

The court stated that the foster homes had not broken subdivision deed restrictions, as charged by the city and homeowners who were party to the suit.

It rejected the city's and homeowners' claim that "mentally ill" persons should be barred from small group homes. The court said the issue wasn't relevant because the homes were targeted for mentally retarded, not mentally ill, residents.

"It will put the entire issue to bed once and for all."
— Harry Tatigian,
Livonia city attorney

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Auto suppliers look for help

By Tim Richard
staff writer

Task force reports

Auto suppliers — the hundreds of small firms which make parts for the Big Four auto manufacturers — are in deep trouble and want state help. "We'll do anything we can do, either by getting out of the way or helping," said Gov. James J. Blanchard this week as he unveiled a long list of efforts the state will make.

A report entitled "Auto Supplier Target-Industry Development Program" said suppliers should be a priority industry once the Michigan Strategic Fund is in operation. Auto suppliers will be high on the list to receive help from federal-state job retraining funds. And they will be helped by an array of educational resources — the fledgling Industrial Technology Institute in Ann Arbor, state universities and particularly community colleges.

Blanchard praised the work of a task force, headed by General Motors Chairman Roger B. Smith of Bloomfield Hills, for its 33 pages of recommendations.

ALAN WEBBER, a Harvard University business school professor hired to review the new report, said in an interview that the auto industry provides a "case study" in how other nations "are doing a better job of integrating busi-

ness, government and labor's efforts." Indeed, a theme pervading the report and news conference was cooperation between those three economic sectors.

"The level of competition in the industry has increased dramatically," said Webber. Auto suppliers see their numbers shrinking, with remaining firms "being asked to take greater responsibility for innovation and new product development, as well as for improving product quality and productivity."

Webber said his six weeks of interviews with suppliers show they believe "the cost of doing business in Michigan is too high and must be reduced," particularly unemployment and workers compensation costs.

"MANY SUPPLIERS said they needed information and training about new technologies, new production techniques... and new approaches to managing people to help them become more productive," Webber said.

"Most suppliers said they would welcome financial aid to help defray the costs of learning new methods," as well as help in developing new markets, he reported.

Of the 2,500 suppliers of parts, com-

ponents and materials, 80 percent are small — fewer than 100 employees, he said.

While suppliers gave educational and governmental efforts high marks, they found most underfunded and understaffed, he said.

A KEY organization in helping auto suppliers will be the Industrial Technology Institute (ITI) in Ann Arbor, and Blanchard promised it support.

Jerome Smith, director of ITI for the past four months, said it is "positioned between academia and industrial experimentation. We are hastening the process of putting research results into implementation."

"We are a private, nonprofit, research and development organization in the area of industrial automation," said Smith, a former professor of fluid mechanics at Princeton University and holder of three degrees in aeronautical engineering.

"We have 30 employees now and expect to grow to 250 in three years," he said. Funding has come from the state and the Dow and Kellogg foundations.

What will ITI do? Smith gave three answers:

- Give direct consulting services to auto suppliers "where we can learn as well as perform a service."
- Put on workshops on factory communications, including use of digitally controlled devices for information flow.
- Indirectly serve as a technology

developer by attracting bright, new people to the state. "Many may choose to start their own small firms here," he said.

MUCH OF Blanchard's program for auto suppliers was a restatement of already announced plans, such as attacking the costs of unemployment compensation, workers compensation, health care and bureaucracy.

But even before Blanchard's news conference began, UAW President Owen Bieber issued a statement saying "the UAW would not favor steps to improve our state's so-called 'business climate' at the expense of necessary legislative protection for workers, or by shifting tax burdens unfairly to non-business taxpayers."

That failed to dismay Blanchard, a Democrat elected in 1982 with strong UAW support. Handed a newsman's copy of the UAW's remarks, the governor shrugged, "This is a broad statement that probably anyone could agree with. Owen Bieber has been a very helpful member of this task force."

Bieber said he supported "the process of tripartite reindustrialization." He said it was not surprising that in a report reflecting the views of business, labor and government, "specific recommendations do not totally satisfy the UAW."

Blanchard will seek removal of workers comp and unemployment insurance from the base to which the single business tax is applied — "as soon as the state's fiscal condition permits."



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

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Community groups plan events

- CLASSES OPEN**
Thursday, Dec. 15 — Preregistration for Leisure Time and Academic classes with Livonia Public Schools Community Education is being accepted through Dec. 16. Brochures will be mailed to Livonia Public Schools residents Dec. 27 and registration will resume Jan. 3-20th. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 16125 Farmington Road, south of Five Mile. For further information, call 422-1200, Ext. 334, 346 or 339.
- LAS VEGAS PARTY**
Saturday, Dec. 17 — The Wayne Ford Civic League will hold a Las Vegas Party at 8 p.m., 1661 North Wayne Road. Donation is \$3 and includes Beer and set ups. For more information, call 728-5010.
- BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING**
Monday, Dec. 19 — The American Heart Association of Michigan is offering free blood pressure screening from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Whitman Center, 32235 W. Chicago in Livonia. Please call 425-2333 for more information.
- SANTA CLAUS**
Tuesday, Dec. 20 — The Child and Family Neighborhood Program in cooperation with the Dorsey Center is sponsoring a "Visit with Santa" at the Dorsey Center, 32715 Dorsey Road. Times will be 10:30 a.m. to noon and 2-4 p.m. and on Wednesday Dec. 21, 2-4 p.m. Pictures will be available with the children for \$1.
- BINGO**
Wednesday, Dec. 21 — The Wayne-

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.
- Westland Community Schools Senior Adult Club will hold bingo at 1:45 p.m. in the Senior Adult Center, 36745 Marquette.
- BREATHERS CLUB**
Wednesday, Dec. 21 — The American Lung Association of Southeastern Michigan (ALASEM) Breathers Club, monthly educational meeting for respiratory patients will break from its normal lecture series for a holiday party, at 7:30 p.m. in classroom 3 of Garden City Osteopathic Hospital. For more information, call 961-1697.
- EPILEPSY SUPPORT**
Thursday, Dec. 22 — Epilepsy support program, a self-help group, will meet 7:30 p.m. in All Saints Lutheran Church, 8850 Newburgh at Joy, Livonia. Meetings usually are the first and third Thursdays of the month. For information, call Joanne Melster at 522-1940.
- PEERS**
Tuesday, Jan. 10 — PEERS (Positive Effort for Education and Recovery Against Substance Abuse) will meet at 7 p.m. in room 149 of John Glenn High
- School on Marquette west of Wayne Road in Westland. The group will meet the second Tuesday of the month.
- CRIME PREVENTION**
Wednesday, Jan. 11 — The Garden City Police Department will sponsor its monthly crime prevention discussion 7 p.m. The program is held the second Wednesday of every month at Maplewood Community Center. This month Judge Richard Hammer of the 21st District Court will speak.
- CPR**
Monday, Jan. 16 — The American Heart Association of Michigan will offer CPR classes at the Whitman Center 7-10 p.m. There is a \$2 charge. Please preregister. Call 425-2333.
- DOG TRAINING**
Wayne-Westland Family YMCA Obedience Training — Owners are trained how to control their dogs in a Basic class for Beginners. Sessions are every eight weeks. Call 721-7044 for more information.
- WIDOWED GROUP**
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- ing others) is a self-help and information-sharing program established by Schoolcraft College. There is always a WISER volunteer willing to share her time and information with you. If you need to talk to someone, call the Women's Resource Center, 591-6400, Ext. 430.
- DIABETIC SUPPORT GROUP**
A diabetic support group will meet 7 p.m. in the Melvin Bailey Center the fourth Monday of every month. There are no dues. For more information, call 552-0480.
- HEALTH SCREENING**
Free health screening for individuals 60 and older is being sponsored by People's Community Hospital Authority. Call Annapolis Hospital for an appointment at 722-3306.
- FREE TRANSPORTATION**
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- BINGO**
Garden City's VFW Post 7575 will host bingo at 6:45 p.m. Wednesdays at the American Legion Post, Middlebelt just south of Ford. Proceeds are used for the activities and events in which the post participates.
- BINGO**
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.
- Wednesdays in the Garden City Log Cabin building in the city park on Cherry Hill, east of Merriman. There are nominal monthly dues. The chapter is reopening membership for men and women. There is weekly participation and weigh-ins at meetings. For more information, call 728-5290.
- PARENT GROUP**
The Wayne-Westland Chapter of Parents Without Partners will meet at Westworld, Warren at Merriman, on the first and third Tuesdays of every month. For more information, call 476-3298.
- WESTLAND PARKS AND REC**
There's plenty of racquet time available for residents and non-residents of Westland, at Melvin G. Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford Road, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. seven days a week. Resident court time is \$6 and non-resident is \$8. A non-prime-time special is available Monday-Friday between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Residents pay \$5 and non-residents pay \$7. Racquets are available, work out in fully equipped exercise room, then relax in either sauna or steam room. Call 722-7620 for more information.
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Hospital changes phones

Telephone numbers at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne will change Saturday, allowing callers to dial departments directly.
Annapolis is the second of the five hospitals of Peoples Community Hospital Authority to switch over to the system that is being implemented throughout the hospital system.
PCHA member communities include Garden City and Westland, which pay a small property tax annually to help finance buildings and equipment.
Changing telephone numbers at the same time will be the PCHA central office, located across the street from Annapolis Hospital on Annapolis and Venoy roads.
Outer Drive Hospital in Lincoln Park changed telephone numbers last month, and Seaway, Heritage and Beyer Memorial will switch over to the new system in successive months.
RATHER THAN dial all calls through a central switchboard, the new system permits callers to reach hospital service departments and patient rooms directly. Directories listing frequently called numbers will be available at the hospital.
The main switchboard and information number will be 467-4000 — for information on direct telephone lines.
"Persons who call the hospital are encouraged to make a note of numbers and use the direct dial system," said Maureen Camps, PCHA community relations director.
Frequently called numbers include:
Annapolis emergency room: 467-4042; patient information (8 a.m. to 8 p.m.): 467-4100; billing inquiries: 467-4076; admitting: 467-4062; and TDD — for the hearing impaired: 467-4052.
The new system provides easier and quicker communication with patients and various departments, making the hospital more accessible to the community, Camps said.
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spotlight on community ed

The Livonia Public Schools' "Spotlight on Community Ed" is prepared by Don Friedrichs.

Best wishes for a joyous holiday season from the staff and instructors of the Livonia Public Schools' Department of Community Education Services. We appreciate the many suggestions for improvement and new ideas for programs that come regularly from more than 7,000 participants each term. Keep calling us at 422-1200, ext. 332, whenever you need information or help with locating a community resource to meet the needs of your group.

CURRENT HIGHLIGHTS

• Vacation time: Community education office will be closed Dec. 23 through Jan. 2. Regular office hours of

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. will resume Jan. 3. Persons interested in enrolling in an activity while the office is closed should plan to mail their registration to beat the rush after the holidays.

• Winter term courses: Community education books with course listings for leisure time and academic programs are scheduled for mailing to Livonia Public School District residents by early January. However, registrations are now being accepted for these programs at the community education office, 15125 Farmington. For more information regarding any of the above programs, call 422-1200, ext. 334. Most classes begin the week of Jan. 23 but popular activities fill rapidly.

• Family swim: The first night for family swimming at the Franklin High

School pool until Jan. 4 is Wednesday, Dec. 14. The pool will be closed during the Christmas holidays.

• New field trips: Flyers for the winter family field trips are available in the community education services office which is located at 15125 Farmington, rear building, second floor. The first trip is scheduled for Friday, Jan. 27 to a play at the Bonstelle Theater entitled "The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie." The registration fee is \$8 per person. On Friday, Feb. 3, a bus will take you to a Detroit Symphony Orchestra coffee concert at Ford Auditorium and fashion show at the Renaissance Center. The works of Schubert and Bruckner will be conducted by Herbert Flomsted. Other trips range from "A Sesame Jamboree" to "Annie Get Your Gun."

Jan. 7 will concentrate on rules, fundamentals, conditioning and agility/coordination. Drills and scrimmages also will be held. Students will be grouped by ability at the first meeting. Preregistration is requested since enrollments are limited.

• Facilities limited: A limited amount of space for community group meetings, a pool for a swim night, a gym or basketball or volleyball game, or a cafeteria for a large civic association meeting is still available this winter. Please note that due to the heavy schedule of activities already planned, most of our gyms and multi-purpose rooms will not be available during prime evening times (6-10 p.m.) until after March 23. They are being extensively used for local organized basketball and volleyball programs.

• Child care: Waiting lists for all programs are available to interested families by calling 422-1200, ext. 325.

• Preschool: A few selected openings are available beginning the week of Jan. 23. Call 422-1200, ext. 325.

• Sports clinics: Basketball skills clinics for elementary and secondary students, grades 4 and older, are being offered by Livonia Public Schools' Department of Community Education Services. The coed clinics which begin

YMCA highlights

Some 120 children and parents attended the Livonia Family Y Santa luncheon last Sunday to kick off the Y holiday season. Santa listened to the wishes of the young and the not so young and presented them with a gift. Tippy the clown entertained with a magic show.

Teens are invited to a holiday dance 8:30-11 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21. Cost is \$2 per person. Music will be provided by Bob Allen. No membership is required. Tickets will be sold at the door.

Give yourself time to do that last minute Christmas shopping by enrolling youngsters in the Y regular Christmas day camp (ages 5 to 10-years-old) or computer Christmas camp (ages 9 to 16-years-old). Both camps run from Dec. 19-23 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. The camps include swimming, games, racquetball and crafts.

The tennis house will hold a junior singles tourny Dec. 20 and 21. Registration for the tournament ends Friday. Cost is \$10 per player (ages 8 and older). There also will be a junior doubles tournament Thursday and Friday, Dec. 29 and 30. Cost is \$6 per player. Registration must be as a doubles team.

From Dec. 19-30, all court time will be half price. Costs are \$6 per hour (6 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and \$8 per hour (4-11 p.m.). No membership is necessary and the public is welcome. Call 261-2424 for reservations.

The after school Gra-Y and Tri Gra-Y program for fourth, fifth and sixth grade boys and girls begins session II on Monday, Jan. 2 in Livonia elementary schools. The program runs through March and includes field trips, a floor hockey tournament, a Detroit Piston basketball game, an overnight at the Y and gym activities. Call the community program department at the Y for more information. Registration for the program are being taken.

Parents, let your child (ages 7-13) enjoy a New Year's Eve overnight 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 31 to 9 a.m. (or noon for an additional fee) Jan. 1. Fun activities will be planned throughout the night. Cost is \$15 for the first child and \$10 for the second child in the same family. Limited space is available.

LOOKING FOR a last minute special gift? Try a YMCA membership. There is one for every age above 6.

The Y is offering a power volleyball class starting Wednesday, Jan. 18 for beginning, intermediate and advanced players. A sample class will be offered on Wednesday, Jan. 4 from 7-8 p.m. at

no charge. The class will be taught by Rick Stemple. Interested individuals should call the Y at 261-2161 to reserve a spot in the mini-class demonstration.

The Y winter brochure will arrive at Livonia homes by Christmas. Registration begins Tuesday, Jan. 3.

Two members of the Y Rhythmic Blues Gymnastic Team participated in an international invitation meet Nov. 26 in Montreal. Jennifer Knust, 12, placed 10th and Melissa Meyers, 14, placed 11th all around in a field of 47 contestants.

The Twisters Gymnastics Team opened its season on Dec. 4 against the Farmington YMCA in a class III and IV meet. In class IV competition, Maribeth Nail finished first on the balance beam and all around competition, second on the uneven bars and vault and third in the floor exercises of the prep division.

In class III competition in the cadet division, Susan Bona finished first on the uneven bars, second on the balance beam and third on the vault floor exercise and floor competition. Stephanie Speen brought home first place ribbons in the vault, floor exercises, and all around competition, a second on the uneven bars, and a third on the balance beam. She received the outstanding gymnast award for her 8.45 score on the vault doing a front handspring.

CHRISTINA GARRY earned a first on the balance beam, second on the vault and floor exercise and all around and a third on the uneven bars.

In the prep division, Jeanne Goddard received third on the vault, uneven bars, balance beam and all around. Amy Postek finished second on the beam, uneven bars, floor exercise and all around.

On Dec. 11, the Twisters lost a meet against the Warren YMCA. In the cadet division, Speen placed first on the uneven bars, vault and all around competition; second on the balance beam and floor exercise. Garry finished with a first on the beam, second on the uneven bars, vault and all around competition, and a third in the floor exercise.

In the prep division, Postek finished second on the beam and floor exercises and third on the uneven bars and all around competition. Goddard took a third in the vault.

In the junior division, Paula Sholten earned firsts in the uneven bars, balance beam, floor exercises and all around, a second on the vault.

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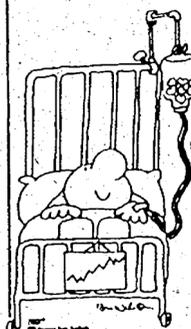
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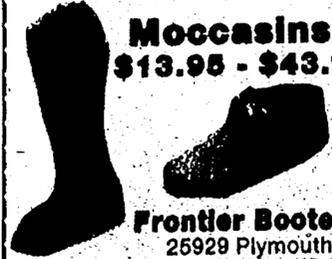
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Friday to Operation Can-Do, the Elise Brothers-Channel 7 drive to collect food for needy families. Assisting in the final efforts were (standing from left) students Kendra Parker, Randy Parker, Mark Peffrey and Ed Stadler and (kneeling from left) Da-

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CHESTER GRABOWSKI

Services for Chester Grabowski of Westland were held Dec. 7 from the RG & GR Harris Funeral Home. The Rev. Leo Sabourin of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church officiated. Burial was in Metropolitan Memorial Park.
Mr. Grabowski, 58, died Dec. 5.
He was a baker for Mills Baking Co.
Survivors are Phyllis Oberts of Detroit and Christine Soleau of Westland.

OLGA C. KOSTEVA

Services for Olga C. Kosteva of Westland were held Dec. 5 in St. Damian Church. The Rev. Andrew Nieckarz officiated. Interment was in St. Hedwig cemetery.
Mrs. Kosteva, 62, died Dec. 2.
She was a housewife and a member of St. Damian Catholic Church.
Survivors are her husband Bernard, and children, Michael, David, James and Margha.

Body of man, 52, found

The body of a 52-year-old Westland man was found lying in the snow in a field at Hunter Sunday afternoon.

Police said the man, David Jerome Henning, died of a heart attack as he was out walking. Henning's last known address was in the 5900 block of Yale.

A 22-year-old woman, told police she found the body at 3:16 p.m. as she was walking through the field looking for

cans. The woman ran to her home in the 35300 block of Westland and called police.

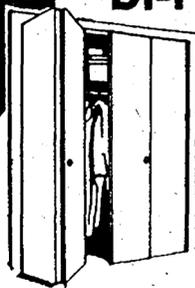
Henning's body was found on its right side, approximately 500 feet southwest of where Hunter Street ends. Police identified Henning through an identification card found on him.

He was dressed in a blue jacket and green pants, according to police.

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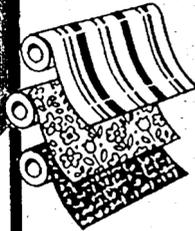


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Parents like conferences, tighter discipline

Parents of Garden City High School students gave high marks to their youngsters' education and new discipline rules.

The parents also had many favorable comments about the communications between the school and home and the revamped parent-teacher conferences several weeks ago.

The parents' attitudes were highlighted in a report by Ronald Cowden, new high school principal, to Michael Wilmot and the school board.

Cowden, who was named the school

principal in mid-summer, reported 81 percent of parents answering a survey rated their youngsters' education excellent or good.

Twenty-two percent rated it as fair with the balance answering poor or don't know.

The percentages were based on 103 responses taken shortly after the parent-teacher conferences, Cowden said, but really reflect the views of 150 to 170 parents since in many cases both parents completed one form.

With new discipline rules put into effect in September, parents like the new

discipline now is excellent or good according to 75 percent of the respondents. The rating of poor or no opinion accounted for 10 percent.

The communications section of the "report card" was even higher with 82 percent rating it as excellent or good.

Cowden, crediting the PTA and teachers for the excellent showing and comments of the conferences, provided three pages of comments from parents, mostly praising the conferences and the new disciplinary rules.

The school board and administration late last summer adopted new rules which lightened attendance policies and required students to make up missed classes on Saturday morning to avoid losing a credit.

There is also a designated smoking area, a single lunch hour and a modified closed campus rule which prohibits students from leaving the school other than for lunch or completing their school day.

SOME COMMENTS from parents in the questionnaire were:

"We enjoy the monthly newsletter. The booklet with class descriptions for the courses required is very helpful to parents and students."

"The overall discipline is so much better and my husband and I both feel the youngsters all need plenty of discipline at all times. We like the administration's approach regarding discipline and the general attitude toward students."

"No problems except I firmly believe that there should be no smoking area in the high school."

"Not enough major courses are required. Too many easy popcorn

classes are available to students."
"I really approve of your smoking ban."

"Administration is improving in discipline but teaching materials need to be improved."

"Continue with the discipline programs. I really feel the students respect you for it, the parents sure do."

"Need a class in note taking."
"Need an alternative to physical education for non-athletic children."

"Parents should be notified in advance when a student is doing falling work."

Police blotter

THE ANNUAL Christmas tree light thieves are at it again in Garden City.

Someone took two strings of large outdoor light bulbs Friday that were trapped around bushes in front of a house in the 32000 block of Bock.

Another incident occurred Monday night in the 7000 block of Helen when four strands of 25-foot lights were taken from the bushes outside the house.

A JUVENILE was apprehended by police Sunday afternoon after taking costume jewelry in the form of gold chains from the K mart store, 29600 Ford.

Police say the youth was seen running across Ford by an officer cruising the area. The officer stopped the youth at John Hauk, west of Middlebelt and while talking to him, the juvenile dropped the chains from his coat.

Police took the youth to the K mart store where it was verified he had stolen the jewelry. He was taken to the police station and held for his parents.

A MAN who fell asleep in his van early Sunday morning was the victim of a thief.

He told police he had parked the van on Florence, was awakened by a resident about 7 a.m. Sunday to find that his car keys were missing, \$20 had been taken from his wallet and that the wires had been cut from four speakers that had been taken from the van.

VANDALS BROKE a 2-by-2-foot window and storm in a house in the 33000 block of Cherry Hill Sunday night.

TWO REAR tires were flattened on a vehicle in the parking lot of a store in the 27000 block of Ford Road Monday afternoon.

The owner told police they had parked there about three hours and believes sharp objects had been put under the wheels causing the damage when the driver drove off.

POLICE ARE investigating suspects who are believed to have kicked in the bottom panel of a storm door Monday evening of a house in the 33000 block of John Hauk.

A VEHICLE parked in the rear lot in the 31000 block of Ford Road was damaged by vandals Friday night.

The tall lights, molding and rear of the car were the targets, according to police.

A WINDOW, 5-by-6 feet, was smashed Saturday night in a store in the 33000 block of Ford Road.

No entry was made, police said. The residents said they heard a loud crash and found that a large rock had been thrown through the windows.

A POP machine at a gasoline station in the 27000 block of Ford was broken into Sunday night.

The thief had pried open the coin box to get at the money. No estimate of the amount taken was available.

FOUR CHROME wire wheel covers were stolen Sunday night from a 1983 car parked in a lot in the 33000 block of Ford Road.

A STEREO receiver and a speaker were reported missing Saturday night from a shed in the 31000 block of Pierce.

Footprints were found leading from the area to where it is believed a car had been parked.

WHILE SHOPPING in a store in the 29000 block of Ford Road Sunday afternoon, a thief took a black leather, knee-length coat from a woman's car that was in the parking lot.

There were no witnesses, said police.

City council meets 4 times a month

The Garden City City Council holds two business meetings a month, meeting at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Mondays in City Hall, 6000 Middlebelt.

Informal workshops are held the

Tuesdays preceding the business meetings at 7:30 p.m., also in the City Hall.

All meetings are open to the public. Agendas are available from the clerk's office in City Hall.

Toys sought for abused kids

Patrons and the management of Malarkey's Pub in Westland are seeking donations and new toys for an annual "Christmas for Little People" benefit.

Volunteers will take all gifts collected to the Denby House, a shelter for 55

abused and battered children aged 2 to 15.

Last year the group visited the D.J. Healy home and helped provide Christmas gifts for its young residents.

Donations will be accepted at the Pub anytime before Dec. 24. For information, call 721-2920.

Ready for Jack Frost?

Are you prepared to cope with Old Man Winter and cold weather emergencies?

Home economist Elaine Glasser of the Cooperative Extension Service of Oakland County suggests that you prepare your home, your car and yourself for the severe weather that's approaching.

In the home:
• Check flashlight batteries and make sure a flashlight is stored near the phone along with important and emergency phone numbers.

• Have your chimney cleaned. Persons who burn wood need to prevent chimney fires caused by a buildup of creosote.

• Have gas or oil furnaces serviced. Burners, belts, bearing and filters checked.

fuse for the blower motor, a spare fan drive belt?

• Plan a winter fire escape route. Have you practiced your fire escape plan with your family recently? Can you open your storm windows from inside the house in case you have to make an emergency exit?

• Be cautious with portable heaters and extension cords; avoid overloaded electrical circuits.

• Do not use flammable liquids of any kind to start wood fires.

• Be able to prepare adequate food for your family that can be fixed without cooking in case you lose power in bad weather.

• Be able to drain your water system to keep it from freezing in the event of a power failure involving loss

Rotary offers scholarships

The Garden City Rotary Club is offering scholarships for adults who want to study overseas for one year.

There are five categories of scholarships available with the tuition and other costs, including living expenses, paid for by Rotary Foundation.

The foundation was formed in 1947 to send young adults overseas to contribute to international understanding as "ambassadors of goodwill," said a Rotary spokesman.

Since then, the foundation has awarded more than \$100 million with more than 10,000 men and women spending a year in another country during their studies.

Deadline for applying for the scholarships is March 1.

Preliminary applications are encouraged as soon as possible, the club said.

Details may be obtained by Clayton Kelley at Garden City High School, 421-8220.

THE FOUNDATION'S educational categories

for awards are:

• Graduate scholarships for those with a bachelor's degree or equivalent and between 20 and 28.

• Undergraduate scholarships for those with at least two years of college and between 18 and 24 and unmarried.

• Vocational scholarships for those with a secondary education and at least two years of work experience and between 25 and 50.

• Scholarships for teachers of the handicapped who are working fulltime in programs for mentally, physically, or educationally handicapped persons for at least two years.

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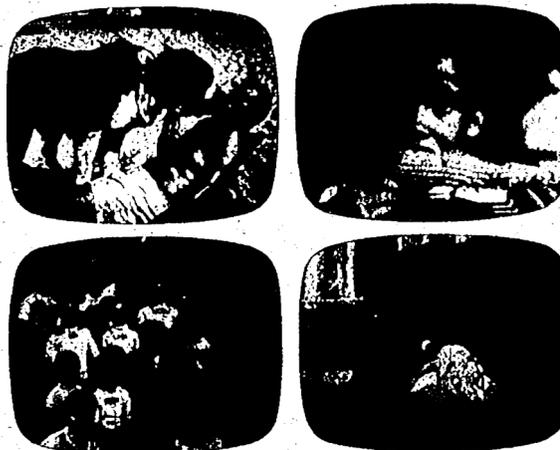
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Meetings break with covenant

"Not in the letter but in the spirit; for the letter killeth but the spirit quickeneth."

— St. Paul, 2nd Corinthians Chapter 3, Verse 6

MOST LAWS EXIST for good reason, but interpreting them requires knowledge of the spirit in which they were enacted. That spirit often goes beyond a strict reading of the letter of the law.

So it is with the state's Open Meetings Act. According to a pamphlet prepared by a state senator, "the basic intent of the Open Meetings Law is to strengthen the right of all Michigan citizens to know what goes on in government by requiring public bodies to conduct nearly all business at open meetings."

IT DIDN'T TAKE long for politicians to read some loopholes into the act. In the year before the law went into effect, the state attorney general received 32 queries about the act — and how to get around it.

The obvious question that comes to mind when one hears of a secret meeting is, "What do they have to hide?"

That question came to mind again last week as the mayor met with Westland City Council members in groups of three to avoid an open meeting. One councilman, Robert Wagner, said that the discussion would involve things that would be "ridiculous to say in an open meeting."

That's all the more reason those meetings should have been public study sessions.

But Wagner, admitting that community issues would be the topics, insisted that under discussion would be "things that can't be said in public." He added that they were "personal things, things that we'll be digging into."

IN A NEW spirit of cooperation, the mayor agreed to the meetings with the council.

"I don't think they're a violation," he said, adding that the meetings allow for "flexible discussions without having to have outside sources involved."

"It's one of the ways we can resolve our differences . . . Maybe it will work."

He was more explicit about the discussions, which included such controversial issues as expansion of the Friendship Center, who would pay for carpet damaged in a party thrown by an anonymous city employee and library services.

What the council apparently did was appoint subcommittees to meet with the mayor. The state attorney general addressed that issue in a question raised originally by state Sen. David A. Plawewski, Senate Majority Leader William Faust and former state Rep. Thomas Brown.

In his opinion, Frank Kelley said that "where such subcommittee contains the entire body of the 'public body' which it serves, it would be a violation of the act to allow such subcommittees to meet in closed session. The probable result of such meeting would be the presentation to the public meeting of a *fait accompli* and this is to be avoided."

"Members of the public must be given the opportunity to be present so that they may observe the manner in which public bodies transact public business."

The content and the confines of the discussions were flagrant evasions of the spirit of the Open Meetings Act.

Following the letter of the law but avoiding the spirit killeth trust in government.



Legislators, don't panic

A TAX REVOLT started in suburban Detroit is having national ramifications. In the past weeks, two suburban state senators have been recalled in protest over a 38 percent hike in the state income tax rate. They were Sen. Phil Mastin, whose district included Avon Township and Rochester, and Sen. Dave Serotkin of Macomb County.

Apparently, the next object of a recall effort will be Sen. Patrick McCollough, whose district includes Garden City. A committee pushing for McCollough's recall claims it almost has the required signatures to force a recall election.

Mastin and Serotkin are the first state legislators recalled in Michigan history.

NATIONAL MAGAZINES, newspapers and television programs have discussed the suburban Detroit recalls. Typical among these is the Wall Street Journal, the influential national business daily newspaper.

Last week Martin Feldstein, chairman of President Reagan's Council of Economic Advisers, suggested that taxes be raised to reduce the federal budget deficit. This position is strongly opposed by President Reagan, who has promised no new taxes.

The Wall Street Journal, in an editorial, rushed to the president's defense, citing reaction to the Michigan income tax hike "where the voters have just cashiered two



Nick Sharkey

state senators who supported Governor Blanchard's sharp increase in state taxes."

The implication of the editorial was clear: Don't raise federal taxes to reduce the national debt because of what has happened in Michigan.

A LITTLE CLOSER to home, the recall campaigns are beginning to paralyze the state Legislature. Last week legislators agreed to delay action on a mandatory seat belt law. Proponents argued that the law would save up to 300 lives a year. But it was strongly opposed by some lobbying groups.

"(Delay of the bill) is mainly due to the recalls and their fallout . . . Some legislators have identified this as a recallable issue," said Secretary of State Richard Austin, a leading campaigner for the bill.

The state Senate voted last week to override Gov. James J. Blanchard's veto of a bill that would ban state Medicaid money for abortions for the poor.

It now goes to the House where action

could occur this week. Although it will require two-thirds approval in the House to override the veto, some observers believe 74 votes could be collected. Once again, it's because of the recall campaigns; House members fear a strong "Right to Life" contingent in their districts will start recall campaigns against them.

THREATS OF A RECALL cannot bring government to a halt. A legislator's views of the federal debt, seat belts and abortion must not be determined by a small group of disgruntled persons in the home district.

It was good to see Gov. Blanchard not rush to accelerate the planned reduction of the state income tax last week, despite urgings of some state senators. The income tax rate will be reduced to 6.1 percent on Jan. 1 (from the present 6.35 percent). It may drop to the pre-Blanchard rate of 4.6 percent in 1985 if unemployment drops to 9 percent.

In the meantime, Michigan legislators should not panic. This state is only beginning to get back on a sound financial base. Many important issues still need to be resolved. They should be decided on the basis of the merits of the issues, not out of fear of a potential recall.

A relatively small number of voters in the Detroit suburbs who have recalled their state senators should not chart the course for our government.

A shocking visit to the old home town

IF YOU haven't been back to the old home town for quite a spell and plan to return for a holiday visit, be prepared for a shock.

You will find many things have changed. The places that were your favorites when you were a lad growing up have passed from the scene — even the old swimming hole.

The Stroller knows because he tried it some years ago, and he was disappointed almost beyond belief.

It all started when the Black Diamond Express, once the pride of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, didn't stop at the old home town anymore. He had to ride into the city four miles away and hire an automobile to go the rest of the way.

WHEN HE arrived at what long ago had been called the "Iron Borough," he found that even the old railroad station, once the pride of the town, had become only a memory. Only the brick walls were left, and the passenger service was long gone.

As he looked around, he found the iron furnace, which once was a special sight for visitors as it poured the molten slag into what was called pig iron, was lying in rusty bits. Another pride of the valley was gone — and the old center tip that drew hundreds of sightseers when the slag was poured each evening now was growing weeds.

Mind you, this was all before he got to the main street.

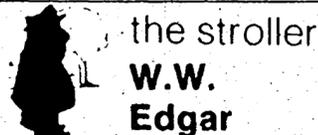
AS HE crossed the bridge that connected the two parts of the community, he looked down and gulped. The old canal had dried up.

This had been a favorite sight in the old days, for it was the waterway where mules pulled the old canal boats which brought coal from the anthracite fields to the Delaware River and then onto the ocean freighters.

It always was a treat to go to the head of our town, get on one of these boats and ride a mile to the lower end. And at times, we were allowed to steer the boat, heeding the owner's call to "push the tiller the way the bow goes."

But this wasn't the biggest disappointment.

THE OLD swimming hole was gone,



too, and nothing was left in its place but the remains of an old lumberyard.

And so it went.

The little newspaper office, where The Stroller got his start in journalism, had been replaced by a larger office building and moved to another end of our little town. The Stroller just stood at the old spot, and tears came to his eyes as he recalled the morning he was invited to sit at a typewriter and report a news item of the day.

The old blacksmith shop, just off Front Street, was missing. So was the carriage shop. The site of the old merry-go-round was now the home of a large garage.

AT THE TOP of the Pine Street Hill, where we young folks used to gather, the little white church was still standing. But somehow it didn't look the same because the steeple had been painted a different color.

It was shocking to stand there and look down the hill where we spent the winter nights sledding.

For several days, The Stroller walked about town looking and looking for the places that once were favorites when he was a young lad.

Finally, the trip back home ended, and the only things he found that hadn't changed were the Soldiers Monument in the cemetery, where lightning had struck and erased his grandfather's name, and his mother's Pennsylvania Dutch cooking.

But sitting at her table again made the trip worth while.

discover Michigan by Bill Stockwell

DID YOU know that the Michigan State University Agricultural Experiment Station has nearly 500 continuing basic and applied research projects under way? Its sole responsibility of agricultural research in Michigan is aimed at helping every resident of the state.

Lansing ducks wrong issues

REPUBLICAN and Democratic leaders are now urging the state Legislature to go home. The Legislature obviously is incapable of doing anything this year, they say.

Go home, wait for your \$2,000 pay raise to take effect in January and come back fortified to deal with life's vexing problems.

Gov. James J. Blanchard is trying to get the Legislature to shut down until January lest lawmakers in his own party do something rash, like pass a bill that would cut the unforgettable increase in personal income tax they engineered in spring.

Two of those involved in efforts to come up with a tax relief formula are Sen. William Faust, D-Westland, and Sen. Patrick McCollough, D-Dearborn. Both figure to be likely targets if recall fever continues unabated.

THE GOVERNMENT is caught in a period of "confusion, emotionalism, disappointment, fear, retribution and downright panic from moment to moment," Blanchard is quoted as telling a group of newspaper publishers.

For these reasons, we are told, lawmakers are unable to deal with the tough problem of deciding whether we should be ordered to wear seat belts while driving. And the Legislature, for the first time in 12 years, may override a gubernatorial veto of an effort to ban use of state



Bob Wisler

tax money for Medicaid abortions. The threat of recall by pro-life forces will intimidate legislators into voting to override Blanchard's most recent veto, we are told.

Legislative insecurity may be stronger than I think. I can't imagine anyone getting excited enough about seat belts to spend his afternoons hanging around some shopping center asking people to sign petitions to recall a guy who favors stopping people from being killed in car accidents.

And as emotional as abortion is, and as organized as pro-life forces are, I doubt a recall campaign would succeed in removing a legislator who did not vote for an override.

THE ONLY issues that arouse voters enough to get an effective recall campaign working in state politics are "forced" school busing and higher taxes.

Busing died out as an issue long ago. People will stand for all kinds of mismanagement of tax money without blinking an eye. Wayne County government has been mismanaging money for decades, new-

papers have regularly provided evidence of it, and yet no resident or civic group even whispers "recall."

No, the only thing that will excite residents who are busy trying to juggle a myriad of personal problems is that which they view as a confiscatory intrusion into their wallets.

Legislators should stop worrying about recall on other issues, if indeed they even are, and move on with the knowledge that the damage has been done, the tax increase was passed in April, the sleeping giant known as the public has been aroused and enraged.

The only way to mollify the giant is to convince it that government is acting to do something about cutting spending and abating its taste for tax dollars.

During the past year, the Legislature has done little to convince the public that it will take on the spending problem. Quite the reverse: The social services budget, which has been eating bigger and bigger pieces of state pie, continues to expand with no real evidence that the Legislature, or governor, can do anything about it.

It will be difficult for Blanchard and fellow Democrats to enhance their poor images. It has been difficult since April. But becoming involved in a host of projects and programs unrelated to cutting state spending will only prolong the agony.

Computers: Read before buying

"In 1978 there were about 5,000 desk-top computers in the United States. In 1982, there were 5 million. By 1990, it is estimated there will be 80 million."

So stated Michael Crichton: Yes, Michael Crichton, the best-selling novelist who wrote "The Andromeda Strain," "The Terminal Man" and "The Great Train Robbery."

Crichton recently published a layman's guide to computers. His book, "Electronic Life," subtitled "How to Think About Computers" (Alfred A. Knopf), is the latest in a flood of new books on computers to hit the market.

His message is fairly simple: Don't be afraid of them. They're only machines. They're here to make your life easier and what's more, they can be a lot of fun.

The hard-cover version costs \$12.95, but it might make a nice last-minute Christmas gift for a friend itching to know what's it all about.

ANOTHER HOT-SELLING book that has been around for a year is "The Personal Computer Book" by Peter A. Williams (Random House, 1982). A good introduction to personal computers, this book includes a very helpful brand name buying guide. For \$9.95 it is one of the best buys in your local bookstore.

Two other paperbacks published by Random House I also found useful. The first is "Computerwise" by Henry Forestein and Elliot Tarlin, and the second is "The Random House Book of Computer Literacy" by Ellen Richman. Both were published this year, and each costs \$9.95.

Basically they describe in simple terms how to understand, buy and use personal computers. As with all the books reviewed, both have excellent glossaries to help the novice overcome the jargon.

high tech Ronald R. Watcke

A number of specific publications address the need to become familiar and comfortable with computer buzzwords. Barron's Educational Services Inc. publishes the "Encyclopedia of Computer Terms" by Douglas Downing. This book sells for \$6.95 and includes "400 essential terms."

Not to be outdone, the editors of Consumer's Guide wrote "The Illustrated Computer Dictionary," which defines 1,000 universal terms. Published by Bantam Books in 1983, this is an excellent reference book for only \$3.95.

Random House, which has several computer-related books on the shelf, also published "The Random House Dictionary of New Information Technology." Don't let the title mislead you. It is another book of terms and definitions. This paperback was also published this year and sells for \$7.95.

TWO MORE books the novice may find useful are published by lesser-known houses.

"Computers for Everybody" by Willis and Merl Miller takes sort of a populist approach and explains the world of computers in very down-to-earth non-threatening terms. (Published by Dilithium Press, 1983, \$7.95).

The second book "A Practical Guide to Small Computers" by Robert M. Rinder, was published in 1983 by Monarch Press and sells for \$11.95. Similar to the other, this book would be especially useful for beginners.

An inexpensive (\$2.95) and helpful

guide is "The Personal Computer Buyer's Guide" by Murray Bowes. Published by Clarkson N. Potter Inc. (1983), this guide describes, compares and prices the 40 top personal computers.

FOR YOUNGER readers, some of the books mentioned may be appropriate.

However, Daniel and Susan Cohen have written a book specifically geared to children. "The Kids Guide to Home Computers" (Pocket Books, 1983) costs only \$1.95 and is well worth it. It is only 118 pages, so you might even be able to stuff one in a stocking on the 25th.

The last book to be reviewed is very timely. "The Hacker's Dictionary" is for the computer whiz kid or the curious spouse at home punching away on a personal computer. Subtitled "A Guide to the World of Computer Wizards," this book will not teach the user to play "War Games," nor how to change grades on a school transcript.

Guy Steele, Donald R. Woods, et al.

contributed to this book in an effort to better understand and communicate with "hackers." (Hackers are hobbyists who attempt and sometimes succeed in entering on-line computer systems illegally, or without authorization.) Published by Harper & Row in 1983, this fun book costs \$5.95.

YOU WILL NOT find any of these books on the New York Times best seller list. However, all local book stores carry most, if not all of these titles.

Notice all the books reviewed were published in the last two years. I have found it is important to read the most recently published books since the computer field is changing so rapidly. Most books published before 1980 are nearly useless.

If you are seriously considering the purchase of a personal computer, I would recommend that you first read as much as possible before parting with any of your money.

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Early intervention Catching learning difficulties quickly can help a child



The sense of balance of Jamie Jablonicky, 4, of Westland is studied as she walks along a plank at Wilson School.

By Sherry Kahan
staff writer

It starts as a small worry and continues to grow and fester.

"Is there something wrong with my child?"

The child is in the 0-5 age bracket, and his parents have no school contacts. They have no idea who is the right person to answer their question.

They don't know that out there somewhere are people who are paid by taxpayers to diagnose their child's problem and to find an education program appropriate for him or her. This sort of service was mandated by the Michigan Special Education Act of 1971, which required that education be offered to handicapped, from infancy through 25 years of age.

The first thing these troubled parents can do is call their nearest public elementary school. It will refer them to the special education department of the school district. Or they can call the school district office and ask for the special ed department.

Professionals there in fields of speech and language, social work, psychology, mental impairment, learning disabilities, emotional impairment and hearing and seeing impairment will swing into action. They first try to put a finger on the problem, and then involve the child in the early intervention program for the preschool age group.

Babies and toddlers up to 3 years are usually treated at home by the school district. There are programs at the schools for most of those 3 and older.

Other resource persons on early intervention are Libby Lockwood at Project Find (467-1362) at the Wayne County Intermediate School District and the staff of the district's Learning Center (467-1300). They diagnose those in the 0-5 group when called upon by a school district.

"WE HAVE FOUND that the earlier a school can be acquainted with the child and his problems, the more the school can involve the parent in the child's education at an early age. Then the greater our chance for success will be in assisting the child to use all his innate abilities," said Dr. Nancy Shields, director of student services for the South Redford school district.

"Right now doctors and medical institutions are more and more aware that early intervention is available, so if they see a problem they tell the parents to call the school district."

"The sooner we can stimulate children, the better foundation for success later in their education and lives," noted Linda Pallas, who does many special ed jobs for the Redford Union district. "We go to the home and assist the parents in stimulating the child. The babies and toddlers go to Keeler school with the parents once a week for an hour."

She added: "Sometimes our services are refused. So when the child enters kindergarten, we find he or she has difficulty functioning in a large group where everyone is expected to learn at the same pace. Many times the child demonstrates a feeling of frustration by withdrawing, acting silly, crying and misbehaving."

"ON THE OTHER hand, when the child experiences frustration in a formal setting like kindergarten, and is then placed in the early intervention program, we begin to see the frustration dissolve."

"In early intervention, curriculum is designed to meet individual needs so that each child can be successful at his own rate and be challenged at his own level."

"We encourage parents to call us even if they are not sure what they are looking for, or whether the youngster is handicapped," emphasized Robert Dietiker, assistant director of special services for the Livonia school district.

"The earlier we can develop a skill that's lagging, the more gain we are seeing later on," reported Margaret Naumes, director of Garden City special services. "The result is a higher potential than would be expected."

"We aim to have moderately impaired children ready for kindergarten because of their pre-kindergarten training in special ed."

She added that about half the children in early intervention special ed go to regular kindergarten classes.

"I FELT RELIEVED to find help," said Lisa Gronostalski of Westland. Before it came she hadn't known what to do about the fact that her son, Alan, was not walking the way he should at

the age of 2. But when the education wheels began to turn for him, she relaxed.

"You feel that someone is doing something, and that you are not doing it all on your own," she said. "We didn't even know about special ed. My mother-in-law told us. So we went to school. I never knew they had anything like that."

"I was really impressed. They go over the program with you. It seemed to me and my husband that the program met Alan's needs."

JAMIE JABLONICKY was a blue baby for three months after her birth in 1979.

"From the day she was born, she had problems," reported her mother, Pam Jablonicky of Westland. "She does need help, and I would rather have it now than later in life when it would be harder."

Jablonicky was sitting on a chair in a room of Wilson school in Westland, keeping an eye on her daughter while her daughter kept an eye on her for reassurance. Dave DenHouter, a social worker for the district, was questioning Jablonicky about Jamie's physical and social history. Jamie was getting a lot of attention, and eating it up.

Karen Anderson, speech therapist and preschool education teacher, was giving her a series of tests that she enjoyed. At the same table were psychologist Renee Scott and Connie Marcangelo, physical therapist, who both offered Jamie smiles and approval while they studied her physical and verbal responses.

Jamie thought it fun to use her fingers to put pegs in a board, use a magic marker and string beads. These are called small motor activities. For the large motor activities she went into another room to wallop a ball, walk a plank and jump and run as Marcangelo observed.

THESE ASSESSORS of Jamie's abilities work for the special education department of the Wayne-Westland school district. Livonia, Garden City, South Redford and Redford Union have similar diagnostic teams.

But if the child presents a more difficult assessment problem or if he seems to have multiple difficulties, then these school districts would probably ring up Ray Telman, director of the Learning

Center at the Wayne County Intermediate School District.

The center serves the 36 school districts in the county.

"We provide evaluation service only," said Telman. "We are not program providers. But we say to the school district this is the program the child needs."

"I contact the family," explained Vivian Fahle, staff development specialist and speech pathologist at the Learning Center. "I try to get a feeling of what concerns them about their child. Then I make an appointment so the team can visit the house and do an assessment. In about 80-85 percent of the cases referred, at least three people go. The visit takes from 1 1/2 to two hours. Parents are generally relieved because we are there to give answers to their questions."

"WE GIVE THEM immediate feedback at the end of the evaluation. We review what we've done, and ask them for additional input. We want to know

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Her next decision is pondered by Jamie Jablonicky.

Staff photos by Art Emanuele



While Jamie strings beads, special ed staff check on her hand and eye coordination.



Pow! Jamie is one of those modern girls who can really swat a ball.



As Karen Andrews, preschool teacher, shows (left), physical therapist, and Renee Scott, psychologist, prepare to watch how Jamie will do it.

Coronary artery bypass is not always necessary

Approximately 20,000 patients a year in the United States could forego coronary artery bypass surgery, according to a federally funded, nationwide study of heart patients. The study showed there was no significant difference in survival overall between heart patients in the study who underwent medical and drug treatment and those undergoing bypass surgery.

The study was discussed recently by Dr. Thomas Killip, chairman of Internal Medicine at Ford Hospital. Dr. Killip reported findings of the Coronary Artery Surgery Study (CASS), of which he was steering committee chairman, at a press conference at the National Institute of Health (NIH), the funding agency, in Bethesda, Md.

The study further concluded that patients similar to those enrolled in the trial (those with stable heart disease

and mild symptoms) can safely defer bypass surgery with no penalty until symptoms worsen to the point that surgery is required. At an estimated cost of \$15,000 to \$20,000 a surgery, this could represent a saving of about \$400 million a year.

THE FIVE-YEAR study involving 15 medical centers included a patient group (780 patients, half medical and half surgical) in a randomized, controlled clinical trial. The study was designed to compare the effectiveness on survival of coronary bypass surgery to traditional medical and drug treatment in certain patients with stable heart disease.

The average age of patients studied was 51, 90 percent were male, and 60 percent reported having had a prior heart attack.

In his announcement Dr. Killip said, "After six years, 90 percent of the medical and 92 percent of the surgical patients studied are alive. The medical survival rate is the best that has been reported in any study comparing medical and surgical treatment in coronary artery disease."

As expected, surgical patients in the study have enjoyed greater relief from angina (chest pain) during follow-up. They were also able to exercise longer and took fewer drugs than the medical group. However, there is no difference between the two groups in recreational activity or return to work. There are more hospitalizations in the surgical patients."

AT A PRESS briefing, Dr. Eugene Passamani, associate director for cardiology at National Institute of Health,

said, "It had been clearly demonstrated that bypass surgery prolongs life in patients with left main coronary narrowing, the most dangerous coronary lesion. In addition, coronary artery bypass surgery results in partial or complete relief of angina in 70-80 percent of patients."

"Coronary artery bypass surgery is clearly indicated in patients with 60 percent or greater narrowing of the left main coronary artery and in patients whose symptoms impose unacceptable limitations. In these two categories, surgery increases both the quantity and quality of life."

CASS studied patients with only mild symptoms for which the indications for surgery are less clear, said Dr. Killip.

According to an article prepared by the CASS principal investigators and

their associates to appear in the November issue of "Circulation" magazine, medical and surgical treatment for heart patients have changed considerably over the past 20 years. Medical therapy today includes aggressive modification of risk factors (high blood pressure, cholesterol level, weight, smoking, exercise habits, etc.), liberal use of nitrates and beta-blocker drugs, and more recently, use of calcium antagonists.

"The outlook for patients undergoing medical therapy currently is much improved compared to when the coronary artery bypass operation was first introduced," Dr. Killip emphasized.

Surgical treatment of coronary artery disease today often involved coronary artery bypass grafting, which experienced surgical teams now perform with low risk to the patient.

Other interventions include implanting a pacemaker to help correct abnormalities of the heart's rhythm and balloon angioplasty (in which a balloon catheter is inserted into the obstructed vessel in the heart to dilate the lesion).

While HFH, a regional referral center for cardiac care, was not a site for this heart study, it has been and continues to be actively involved in the nation's large, multifaceted basic and clinical research effort in heart disease. Such collaborative studies have resulted in known improvements in both diagnosis and treatment of patients with heart disease.

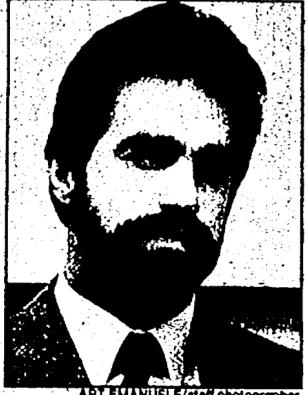
FOR EXAMPLE, HFH's Dr. Sidney Goldstein, head of Cardiovascular Medicine, chaired the nationwide, NIH-funded study of "beta blockers" for heart patients.

Early intervention helps kids

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if what we saw the child do was typical of the child.

"We don't always give parents enough credit for knowing their own child. Sometimes they deny the extent of the problem, but they know there is one. I've had parents so on target they almost could write the report themselves."



ART EMAMUELE/staff photographer
Ray Telman, director of the Learning Center at the Wayne County Intermediate School District, directs a staff which diagnoses cases in need of early intervention.

Members of the team are Karen Crogrove, occupational therapist; Mary Lou Dawson, teacher consultant and specialist in emotional impairment and learning disabilities; Judy Alhamisi, speech pathologist, and Byron Aldrich, psychologist.

"Young children need continual assessment because it is so difficult to interpret a 7-month baby's response," said Telman. "The law requires periodic review and evaluation of all special ed students."

He added: "In a sense the mandated special education existing today is insurance that special ed students are not excluded because of their handicap. They have the same opportunity for education as the non-handicapped. Infant and toddler evaluation is a beginning step in a whole program of service."

AS SPECIAL education programs were implemented in the 1970s, catchment areas were created, with school districts serving children with one or two disabilities rather than the whole range.

In the 3-5 age group, the hearing impaired go to the Redford Union district and the autistic to Garden City. Livonia serves the trainable mentally impaired and visually impaired, and the physically handicapped go to Wayne-Westland. Northville takes the severely multiply impaired and the severely mentally impaired.



ART EMAMUELE/staff photographer
Mary Lou Dawson (left) of Livonia, teacher consultant at the Learning Center of the Wayne County Intermediate School District, talks about early intervention with Vivian Fahie, staff development specialist.

consumer mailbag

Personal study of duties is best

Q. Are there any nutritionists using computers to help analyze diet and health? How much would it cost?
Beverly, W. Bloomfield

count dietary considerations that apply specifically to your unique profile. It is usually no more expensive to do it this way and probably more beneficial.

A. I know of no local programs of the type you describe in your letter. However, two such programs are available by mail. In both cases the client fills out forms and the information is fed into a computer.

If you still want to give it a try, Center for Science in the Public Interest, a non-profit Washington based group recommends the following two systems: Computriton Inc., 21021 Devonshire Street, Suite 201, Chatsworth, Calif. 91311 and General Health Inc., 1046 Potomac Street N. W., Washington, D. C. 20007.

A word of caution, however, from nutritionist Fredelle Fealk of the Southfield area. "A computer is only as reliable as the information it receives. Remember the watchword of the computer industry: 'Garbage in, garbage out.'"

ECO-TIP: Concern Detroit Inc. cookbooks are now gift packaged and specially priced for holiday giving. To receive the two book packet which includes both "This Can't Be Healthy I Like It Too Much" and "I Am Not a Vegetarian," send \$5 plus 75 cents to cover postage and handling to Concern, 1 Northfield Plaza, Troy.

The best approach to use when seeking guidance in diet and nutrition is to find a professional you can relate to and sit down face to face for a personalized analysis which will take into ac-

Bennetts have anniversary

Sixty years of married life was celebrated recently by Nelson and Clema Bennett, who settled in Westland more than 50 years ago. A party in their honor, planned by their daughter Eunice Wittrick of Canton, was held in Sweden House.

tracks with her mother. Bennett is a machinist and before his retirement worked for the Detroit Diesel-Allison Division of the General Motors Corp. They attend Newburgh Baptist Church.

Both have lived all their lives in the area, Bennett in Plymouth and Westland, and Mrs. Bennett in Northville Township as well as Westland. She is the daughter of a farmer and remembers going to Salem Baptist Church with a horse and buggy or walking along the Pere Marquette railroad

Their eight children are Dorothy Caleb of Emmett, Lucille Griffin and Linda Colosky of Vassar, Irene Paquin of Westland, Kathryn Coburn of Bonita Springs, Fla., Mrs. Wittrick, Karen Manwell of Detroit and Leon Bennett of Plymouth.

They have 29 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Check your blood pressure

Free blood pressure screening will be available from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday at Whitman Center, 32335 W. Chicago, between Farmington and Merriman, Livonia. Volunteer nurses will take part in the

American Heart Association of Michigan program discussing the detection of high blood pressure. They will also provide counseling on diet and medications.

For more information call 425-2333.

Ultrasound used in brain surgery

Ultrasound, best known for providing images of developing fetuses, has been moved into the operating room at the University of Michigan Hospitals where it is making brain surgery safer for many patients.

operation, Dr. Knake adds. "There are times when the quick pathology report (the frozen slice of tissue examined under a microscope within 20 minutes) gives uncertain results," Dr. Knake explains. "The definitive results permanent sections take three days. The ultrasound images give us confidence that we have indeed taken tissue from the abnormal area, regardless of the frozen section report."

Radiologists James E. Knake, M.D., and Terry M. Silver, M.D., and neurosurgeon William F. Chandler, M.D., lead a U-M team that has pioneered the use of ultrasound during brain surgery.

Ultrasound creates images from very high frequency sound bounced off tissues. A transducer generates the sound waves and then transforms the returning signal into an image that appears on a television screen. The shading ranges from black for areas such as water that return no signal, to white for solid surfaces which produce very intense return signals. Differences in density between normal tissue and abnormal growths create patterns that reveal abnormalities to the surgical team. Videotape, X-ray film and Polaroid pictures can be used to retain the images.

Safe, high-frequency sound waves are beamed into the brain to locate abnormal growths and guide surgical procedures. In the last three years, intraoperative ultrasound has been used in almost 100 selected brain and spinal cases at the U-M Hospitals.

"Clearly, it has made brain surgery safer," Dr. Chandler reports. "Ultrasound provides very accurate localization of tumors and cysts; it provides very accurate guidance for biopsies, and it tells us the shortest pathway possible for removing abnormal tissue. It's gotten to the point where in some cases I will postpone surgery until this equipment is available."

Because the soundwaves cannot penetrate bone, in neurological imaging the ultrasound device is used after an opening is cut in the skull. The U-M

physicians wrap the fist-sized transducer in sterile coverings and place it on the brain, moving it around as necessary to get angles they need for an image.

One major advantage of ultrasound is that there is no time delay in producing the image, making it possible to use it to guide surgical instruments into the brain.

Ultrasound also provides a way to monitor the placement of shunts in the brain of infants, sparing these children exposure to X-rays. The shunts drain off cerebrospinal fluid that otherwise would build up and cause brain damage. It is possible to get ultrasound images through the infant's fontanelle, the soft spot at the top of the skull where the bones have not yet grown together.

WORKING WITH the division of physics and engineering in the department of radiology the U-M team has fashioned a stainless steel device that attaches to the ultrasound transducer. This allows the surgeon to following the beam or intersect it at specified depths. The beam marks a direct path to the cyst or tumor for the surgeon's scalpel or needle. The guide is especially useful for biopsies and for draining cysts.

It was work by Silver and others in 1979 on using ultrasound to find hemorrhages in the brains of newborns that suggested to Knake that ultrasound might help surgeons like Dr. Chandler operate on older patients.

Silver says that use of ultrasound during operations is being expanded to other parts of the body, including locating deep liver tumors, small pancreatic tumors, and kidney and bile duct stones.

Ultrasound equipment already is available in most hospitals, say the researchers, and its portability makes it easy to move into the operating room.

If ultrasound transducers could be miniaturized, the physicians say, intraoperative ultrasound could guide catheters into the brain for chemotherapy and other procedures that require only a tiny hole drilled in the skull.

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The boy was named Muhammed because his grandfather had dreamed that a son would be born, who would lead the world through his character and personal example. The name Muhammed means one who is praised.

The date of the birth of the boy who became the prophet, Mohammed will be celebrated, according to the Gregorian calendar used in this country, on Wednesday, Dec. 16, by the Islamic Community of the Western Suburbs in Bryant School in Livonia.

Starting at 7:30 p.m. there will be prayers, food and a discussion of the prophet's life and what can be learned from his personal example. The Quran

(Koran) will be read, and songs will be sung in praise of God and the prophet.

At 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, a similar event will occur in the Islamic Association of Greater Detroit Masjid (mosque), 865 W. Auburn, Rochester.

Dr. Syed Shameem Ahmed Razvi, a resident of Westland who is president of the Monotheistic Congregation of Metro-Detroit, discussed the birth of the man venerated by about a billion Muslims all over the world.

"There were no lights, no trees, no ornaments, no trinkets and no mistletoe" when Mohammed came into the world, noted Razvi. "Arabia in those days was a very bad place. Dark clouds of ignorance were over the peninsula. Tense enmity existed between the scattered tribes. Killing a member of another tribe, even though generations had elapsed, was a matter of duty and tribal pride.

"Lawlessness was rampant. Gambling and drinking were carried to their extreme with ugly consequences. Hatred and shame of the mere presence of a female was so immense that little girls were buried alive to avoid giving them to another tribe.

"Makkah was there but it housed 363 idols by pagans."

Razvi explained that a prophet was sent to replace all vices with virtues, "to turn the wild people into a learned society, to eradicate the evils and to instill the good, to equalize women's status with that of men, and to restore law, order, truth, honesty in every walk of life."

He also destroyed the idols, favoring instead a monotheistic religion worshipping God.

"This was Muhammed — peace be upon him — who single-handedly accomplished what our modern society cannot seem to achieve," Razvi said.



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This year, the Arthritis Foundation is urging businesses and residents to decorate their offices and homes with poinsettias at Christmastime, while helping arthritis patients.

"It is our hope that the donations received by us from the sale of these plants will not only brighten a receiver's holiday season, but will also be a reminder that each poinsettia is helping to brighten the life of arthritis patients," said Dr. Gilbert B. Bluhm,

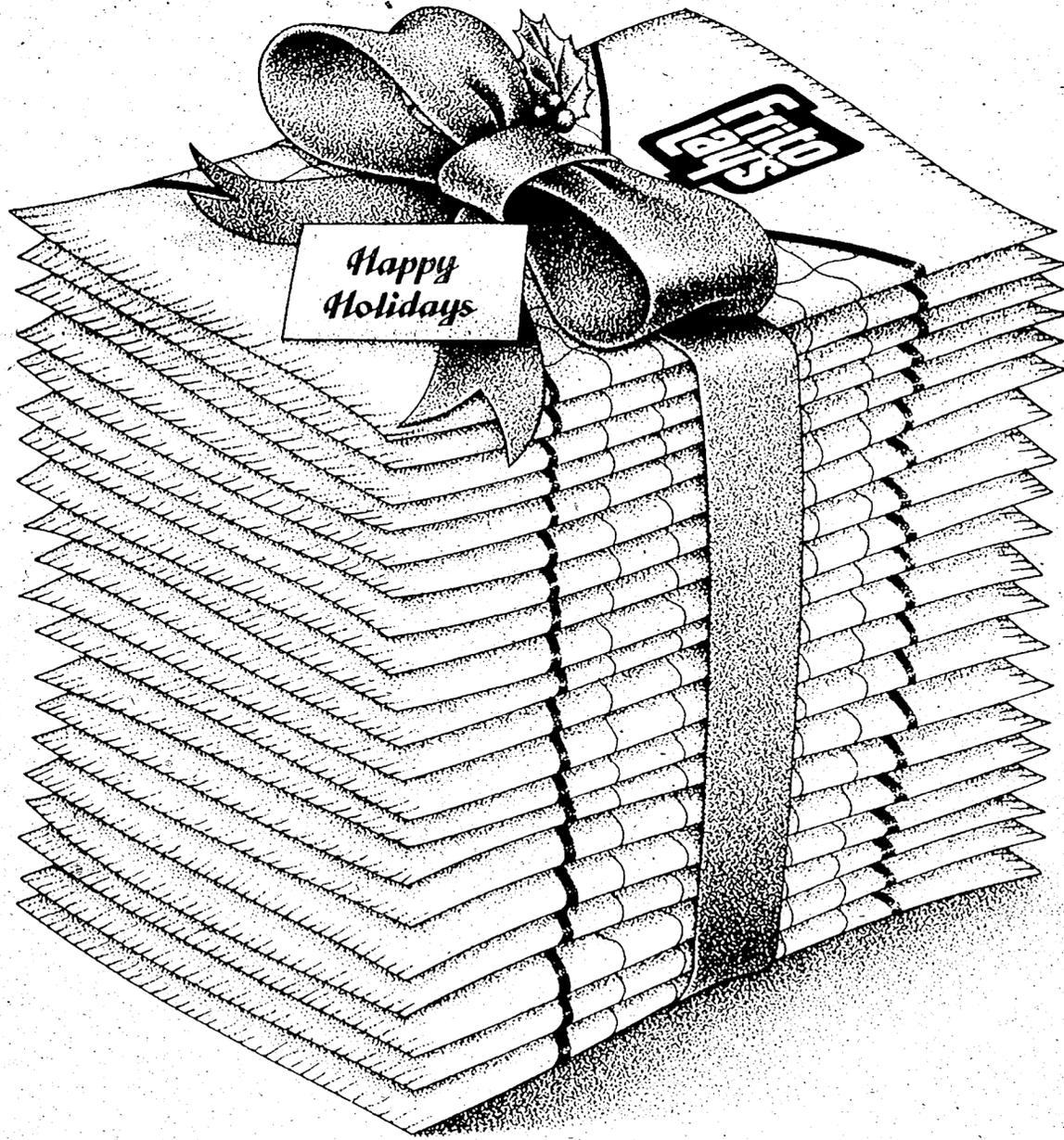
Michigan Arthritis Foundation president.

"For us, these plants represent poinsettias for progress," he said.

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● BROTHER RICE/MARIAN

The Brother Rice and Marian alumni associations are hosting a holiday homecoming party 8 p.m.-1 a.m. Friday, Dec. 23 at Marian High School. Casual attire. Music and dancing. Cash bar. Donation is \$5. Volunteers are needed. For more information, call Kathy Pontius Zack, 669-4243.

● PONTIAC CENTRAL

Plans are under way for a 20-year reunion for August 1984 of Pontiac Central class of 1964. For more information, call 682-9635 evenings or write to 1356 Avondale, Pontiac 48053.

● PONTIAC NORTHERN

Pontiac Northern High School class

of 1974 will hold a reunion July 14, 1984 at Kingsley Inn, Bloomfield Hills. For more information, call 831-8136.

● REDFORD

The Redford High School class of 1978 will hold a five-year reunion Dec. 29 at Rosedale Community Hall. For further information, call 537-8004.

● SEAHOLM

Seaholm High School's five-year reunion will be held Dec. 23. Reservations may be made by calling 994-3089.

● CENTRAL/NORTHERN

A combined reunion of the classes of 1934 of Detroit Central and Northern high schools is being planned for July 1984. For more information, contact I. Mallin, 864-2506.

● REDFORD UNION

Classes 1947-50 of Redford Union High School are planning a reunion. For more information, call Beverly Frayne, 531-8650.

● BISHOP BORGESS

Bishop Borgess class of 1974 is plan-

ning a class reunion. Anyone interested in helping with plans is asked to call 535-4059, 464-6947 or 427-2293.

● CHADSEY

Chadsey High School class of 1955 is planning a 30-year reunion. Information is needed on students' whereabouts. Call Barbara (Brown) Allen at 271-8267 or Yvonne (Caron) Zapinski at 422-2565 with information.

● FRANKLIN

Anyone interested in working on the 20-year reunion of the class of 1964 of Franklin High School, to take place in the summer of 1984, may call Linda Papp at 981-4524, Dan Martin at 981-5919 or Joyce Drewry at 981-5328.

● BENTLEY

Phone numbers of the class of 1964 of Bentley High School are being sought by class members planning a 20-year reunion in the fall of 1984. Call Sharon (Tink Roderick) Krause at 591-2401 or Ginger (Marshall) Zabelt at 427-0551.

Gold awarded AAUW grant

Kathleen Gold of Canton Township is the 14th woman student at the University of Michigan to receive a scholarship donated by the Plymouth branch, American Association of University Women. The U-M Center for Continuing Education selects the recipient of the award which is given to women who have returned to college after an educational interruption.

Gold is earning a university degree in nursing.

Her earlier education was in French languages and literature, which she taught for several years before raising her family of three children, including twins.

During the past several years she has worked in a hospital and become interested in the health care field. The Plymouth AAUW scholarship is awarded to assist in achieving new career goals.

The Center for Continuing Education of Women serves women who are pursuing education. The AAUW also has the commitment to encourage women's education, often in combination with job and family responsibilities.



5 generations

Joseph A. Pfister, 95, a resident of Redford, sits with members of his extensive family. Next to him is his daughter Sally Johnson of Redford. Then comes his grandson Joel Johnson of Farmington Hills. Great-granddaughter Jull Dawson of Detroit is holding Pfister's great-great-grandson, Larry Joel Dawson (far right).

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clubs in action

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● ENCORE

A Christmas party for members of Encore, a support group for women who have had mastectomies, will be held from noon to 2 p.m. today in the Forum Health Spa, 34250 Ford, between Wayne Road and Wildwood. For reservations call Sharon Morris at 722-7329.

● ALONE-TOGETHER

A buffet dinner will be served at 8 p.m. today at the Christmas meeting of the St. Edith Widow-Widower social group in St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. It will be followed by a sing-along. Cost is \$6.50. For reservations, call Sarah Skatikat after 5 p.m. at 464-3136.

● CAMERA CLUB

"Rivers, Streams and Waterfalls" will be the topic of photographs shown at 7:30 p.m. today at a meeting of the Livonia Camera Club in Grant School, 9600 Hubbard, Livonia.

● SPINNAKERS

Vans and cars will leave Northville Presbyterian Church at 5:15 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, for an evening of food and entertainment in Greentown. For reservations, call Ed Papciak at 420-0455.

● NEWBURG SINGLES

The Sound Ambassadors, a male quartet known for its barbershop and gospel music, will entertain and lead members of Newburg Singles in Christmas carolling at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, in Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Marian McCorkle will be at the piano.

● SARAH ANN COCHRANE DAR

Christmas of bygone days will be the topic of the Christmas tea of the Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution at 1 p.m. Monday, Dec. 19, in the home of Mrs. Albert Heindrickx.

● BEREAVED PARENTS

The next meeting of Bereaved Parents will be at 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 19,

in Newman House on Haggerty south of Schoolcraft College. It is a self-help group for parents who have lost a child. For more information call Raymond or Gloria Collins at 348-1857.

● CARD PARTY

Circle 764 of the Daughters of Isabella of Our Lady to Fatima will hold a dinner and card party at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20, in Immaculate Conception Council, Knights of Columbus Hall, 30759 Ford, Garden City. Cost is \$3.50 per person.

● LIVONIA LA LECHE

Nutrition and weaning will be the subject of a meeting of the Livonia La Leche League at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20. The league is a support group for nursing mothers. For further details call Janet Rost at 464-1526.

● XIZETA

Members of Xi Zeta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority will hear Pat Gromacki talk on accessories at an 8 p.m. meeting Wednesday, Dec. 21, in the home of Faye Tata of Livonia.

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Senate asks House for 2nd chance on reapportionment

By Tim Richard
staff writer

Senate Republicans attempted Wednesday to pull back the reapportionment bill from the House of Representatives by requesting that the House return the bill to the Senate. The party-line vote was 18 Republicans in favor, 16 against and two Democrats absent.

Ordinarily when one body requests return of a bill from the other, the request is honored. But it is unlikely that the Democrat-controlled House will do so in this case.

The Senate passed the reapportionment measure the night of Nov. 30, only hours after Macomb County voters had voted to recall state Sen. David Serotkin, D-Mt. Clemens with Serotkin casting a deciding vote.

Richard Fessler, R-Union Lake, author of "the respectful message" to the House requesting the bill's return claims Serotkin's vote was invalid. He became "Citizen David Serotkin" as soon as the election results were known, Fessler said.

Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, ridiculed "the idea that the election is over at 8 o'clock. The idea that lame ducks can't vote is anathema to the American system. Certification becomes essential."

Sen. Jackie Vaughn III, D-Detroit, predicted, "the House will never act on it."

SEN. ALAN Cropsey, R-DeWitt, noted that two Democratic members of the state Election Commission failed to show up for their first meeting to certify the Serotkin recall. Cropsey asked rhetorically, "How long could Sen. Serotkin have served if

members of his own party had failed to show up for a certification board meeting? If you follow that logic, he (Serotkin) could've continued to serve for three days, three months, three years — even to Dec. 31, 1985."

Sen. Norman Shinkle, R-Lambertville, said Faxon erred in "trying to relate a recalled senator to a lame duck senator. Normally one serves out the term to the end of the year, but a recall says voters want him out now."

All area senators voted with their parties. Republicans Doug Cruce of Troy, Fessler and R. Robert Geake of Northville voted to ask for return of the bill. Democrats William Faust of Westland, Faxon and Patrick McCollough of Dearborn voted against.

Holiday blues are real

The "holiday blues" are real, they are normal, and they sometimes intensify in January. And they often can be overcome with thoughtful doses of tender, loving care.

Those are the observations of four Michigan psychiatrists whose practices include treatment of clinical depression and of temporary emotional disturbances.

"THE 'BLUES' at holiday time are very real, but they are not real mental illness," said Adnan Varol, M.D., a family psychiatry specialist in Grand Blanc.

"This is a short-term problem that stems from the special combination of circumstances produced by the year-end holidays.

"It may relate partly to too many expectations," Dr. Varol said. "A wife expects her husband to be nicer to her and to show his love with a thoughtful gift.

"A husband may expect his wife to understand the family financial picture and to restrain her family buying. Both are often disappointed," he said.

"PEOPLE REMEMBER things, and they anticipate things in their lives that become most important to them at holiday time," according to Beverly Fauman, M.D., who specializes in emergency psychiatry and is director of Psychiatric Education at Sinai Hospital in Detroit.

"Important losses are most keenly felt: a divorce, the loss of a loved one, the enforced absence of someone close," Dr. Fauman said. "It's normal to feel sad, when you're thinking about a void in your life while the joy of the season is all around.

"At the same time, some people are looking ahead with dread at the prospect of a new year, which they fear will bring new problems and woes," she said.

"CONFLICTS IN emotions are paramount at Christmas time, with memories of good and bad times in the past struggling with present realities and the anticipation of things to come," said J.F. Girard Rooks,

M.D., an adult psychiatrist in the Grand Rapids suburb of Grandville.

"It's much like Ebenezer Scrooge's three dreams in Dickens' 'A Christmas Carol.' Some people give gifts out of guilt. Others use them as a vehicle for dealing with interpersonal struggles, which means some withhold gifts completely.

"And still others simply cannot give material gifts because of financial problems. People in these situations feel a certain emptiness," Dr. Rooks said.

MARIA PALUZNY, M.D., a child psychiatrist at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, said children are particularly sensitive to the divorce of their parents at holiday time.

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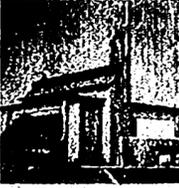
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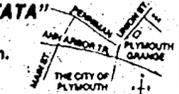
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Sun. Sch. & Bible Classes 9:45 to 10:45 A.M.
LATE SERVICE 11:00 A.M.

LUTHERAN (English Synod A.E.L.C.)

FAITH
30000 Five Mile Road
East Livonia
421-7249

Worship 8:15 and 10:45 a.m.
Bible Classes 9:30 a.m.
Nursery Available
Education Office 421-7359

HOLY TRINITY
39020 Five Mile Road
West Livonia
464-0211

WORSHIP SERVICES
8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.
Nursery Available
Sunday School - All Ages
9:45 A.M.
Wed. Class - All Ages
6:45 P.M.

ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN Church & School
5885 Venoy
180 N. of Ford Rd., Westland
425-0260

Ralph Fischer, Pastor
Charles F. Buckhahn
Asst. Pastor

Divine Worship 8 & 11 a.m.
Bible Class & 8:30 a.m.
Monday Evening Service 7:30 p.m.

Christ The Good Shepherd
42690 Cherry Hill
Canton 981-0286
Sunday School
Adult Bible 9:15 A.M.
Worship Service 10:30 A.M.

ST. MICHAEL LUTHERAN
7000 Sheldon Rd
Canton
459-3395

Pastor Jerry Yarnell
Asst. Pastor Joseph Dragun

WORSHIP 8:15 & 11:00 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.
Nursery Provided
Fast & Prayer 7 p.m. Wednesday

CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH
9300 Farmington Rd. - Livonia
421-0120 421-0749

WORSHIP 8:15 & 11:00 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.
Rev. Richard A. Martot

FIRST APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH
16325 Halsted Rd. at 11 Mile
Farmington Hills, Michigan
SERVICES 11:00 A.M. Every Sunday Sept. - May
10:00 A.M. Every Sunday June - Aug.
7:00 P.M. 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month
Sunday School 9:30 A.M. Sept. - June
Bible Class 7:45 p.m. Tues. Sept. - May
Psalm Services Last Sunday of each month Sept. - May

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Churches WISCONSIN LUTHERAN RADIO HOUR
WCAR 1090 SUNDAY 10:30 A.M.

In Livonia - St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, 17810 Farmington Rd.
Pastor Winfred Koelgin - 261-8759
Worship Services - 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

In Plymouth - St. Peter Ev. Lutheran Church, 1343 Penniman Ave.
Pastor Leonard Koeninger - 453-3393
Worship Services 8 & 10:30 a.m. • Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

In Redford Township - Lola Park Ev. Lutheran Church, 14750 Kintoch
Pastor Edward Zell - 532-8655
Worship Services 8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. • Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

TIMOTHY LUTHERAN CHURCH
8820 Wayne Rd.
Livonia, MI. 48150
PASTOR ROLAND C. TROIKE

SERVICES:
8:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
OFFICE: 427-2290

DETROIT LAESTADIAN CONGREGATION
290 Fairground at Ann Arbor Trail - Plymouth
Donald W. Lahti, Pastor
471-1318
Sunday School 9:30 A.M.
Sunday Worship 11:00 A.M.
Also First Sunday Monthly at 8:00 p.m.
Bible Class Tues. 7:30 P.M.
All Services in English, Finnish language service scheduled monthly
Third Sunday at 11:00 A.M.
Also available at any time.

First Baptist Church
PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN
45000 N. TERRITORIAL RD 455-2300
1/4 Mi. West of Sheldon

9:40 A.M. Sunday School
11:00 A.M. "THE PAIN OF CHRISTMAS"
8:30 P.M. "PSALM'S CHRISTMAS CALAMITY"
Sunday School & Choir Children's Program
Dr. William Blah, Sr. Pastor
Thomas Pala, Associate
Mrs. Richard Kaye, Music Director

HERALD OF HOPE
WYFC 1520
Mon. thru Fri.
8:45 AM



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"JOSEPH, THE CARPENTER"
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David Markle

RIVERSIDE PARK CHURCH OF GOD
NEWBURGH AT PLYMOUTH ROAD 464-0990
Sunday School 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:45 & 6:30 Wednesday 7:00 P.M.

Our Christmas Directory will be published Monday, December 19, 1983.

NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH
Dr. J.E. Karl, Pastor
422-LIFE
34645 Cowan Rd.
(just East of Wayne Rd.)
Westland

Sunday Service 10:00 A.M. & 6:00 P.M.
Wednesday 7:00 P.M.
Children's Ministry at all Services

THE LORD'S HOUSE
A Full Gospel Church
36924 Ann Arbor Trail & Newburgh
522-8483

Pastor Jack Forsyth
Sunday School 10:00 am
Morning Worship 11:00 am
Evening Service 7:00 pm
Wednesday Service 7:00 pm
Open Every Day 9:00 am
Until 11:00 pm
Children's Ministry at Every Service
24 Hour Prayer Line 522-8410

CHURCHES OF CHRIST

"A Caring & Sharing Church"
LIVONIA
15431 Merriman Rd.
SUNDAY WORSHIP
11:00 AM & 6:00 PM
Rob Robinson Minister
427-8743

See Herald of Truth
TV Channel 20 Saturday 9:30 am
Call or Write for Free Correspondence Course

GARDEN CITY
1657 Middlebelt Rd
SUNDAY WORSHIP
11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Bible School 10 a.m.
Wed. 7:30 p.m. Worship
FREE CLOTHING TO THE NEEDY
MON. EVENINGS 7:30 PM
in Church Building
Minister Dennis Swartz
422-8660

MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST
(Christian Church)
35475 Five Mile Rd.
464-6722
MARK MCGILVEREY, Minister
CHUCK EMMERT
Youth Minister
BIBLE SCHOOL
(All ages) 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship & Youth Meetings
6:30 p.m.

EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH OF AMERICA

FAITH COVENANT CHURCH

Worship & School
9:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

35415 W. 14 Mile Road
at Drake
661-9191

Pastor Michael A. Halleen
Associate Pastor Mary Miller
Minister of Christian Education Clara Hurd

Christ Community Church of Canton 981-0499
Meeting at: Canton High School
Canton Center at Joy
WORSHIP 10:00 A.M.
Fellowship - Youth Clubs - Choir
Bible Study
Reformed Church in America

REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA

CHURCH OF THE SAVIOR
Reformed Church in America
WORSHIP 10:30 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

28100 Five Mile Road, West of Newburgh
Rev. GERALD DYKSTRA, Pastor 464-1062

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Henry Ruff at West Chicago
Livonia
421-1408
WORSHIP & CHURCH SCHOOL
10:00 A.M.
Dr. Michael H. Carman

SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
33424 Oakland Farmington, MI 474-8880
WORSHIP 10:15 A.M.
Church School 9:00 A.M.
Baptist-Free Sacrament
Nursery Provided
REV. LEE W. TYLER
Pastor
REV. CARL H. SCHULTZ
Pastor Emeritus
PARSONAGE 477-6478
"YOU ARE WELCOME!"

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CHURCH 41355 Six Mile Rd. Northville 348-9030
Larry Frick, Sr. Pastor

10:00 A.M. School of the Bible
11:00 A.M. Morning Worship
6:30 P.M. Evening Worship
Wed., 7:00 P.M. Family Night

Christian Community Schools Pre-school - 7th
Nursery Available at all services Dan R. Sluka, Director of Music

Brightmoor Tabernacle
26555 Franklin Rd. • Southfield MI
11 696 & Telegraph Just West of Holiday Inn

Sunday School 9:45 A.M. - Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
6:30 P.M. Children's Christmas Program
"A CERTAIN SMALL SHEPHERD"
Nursery provided at all Services
A Charismatic Church where people of many denominations worship together
Thomas E. Trask, Pastor

EPISCOPAL

HOLY SPIRIT LIVONIA
9083 Newburgh Rd.
Livonia
591-0211 522-0821

SERVICES
8:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist
9:30 A.M. Christian Education
10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist

The Rev. Emory Gravelle

SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
16360 Hubbard Road Livonia, Michigan 48154
421-8451

Wednesday 9:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist
Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Holy Eucharist
Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m. - Christian Education for all ages
10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist
Sunday Morning - Nursery Eucharist
Available
The Rev. Kenneth G. Davis, Pastor
The Rev. Gary R. Seymour, Associate Pastor
The Rev. Edward A. King, Deacon

UNITY

UNITY OF LIVONIA
28650 Five Mile
421-1760
SUNDAY 10:00 & 11:30 A.M.
Dial-a-Thought 261-2440

UNITY

Christeens produce show for cable TV

By Marie McGee
staff writer

Youth director Ron Priggee was looking for a new way to get young people involved in another dimension of church activities at Lutheran Church of the Risen Christ in Plymouth when he came up with the idea of a TV show done entirely from their point of view.

At the outset, he wasn't sure if the idea would catch on. After a year, he's sure it has. The interest of the young people is as keen as ever. Now he'd like to expand his idea by having other teenagers join in the operation that calls for producing a half-hour show every other week. The young members of his production company feel the same way. They would welcome new members into their fledgling production company.

Besides the camaraderie, they say it has proved to be great hands-on experience for anyone interested in the field of mass communications and the use of video equipment.

THE NAME OF the group is Christeens Video Productions and the weekly show is "Youth View." To date, the handful of Plymouth-Canton area teens have produced 75 cable television shows using a community access programming made available to them by Omnicom cable company which serves the Plymouth-Canton area. The shows are aired in Redford Township and Ann Arbor as well as the Plymouth-Canton

communities on every other week, on Tuesday nights at 8:30 p.m. and Thursday nights at 9:30 p.m.

The shows have a variety format with skits, music and interviews.

"Our goal is to show what Christians are doing and to show we have a good time being Christian together," said Priggee, a marketing research consultant.

The teen organization is the only group to have a regular spot on the public access channel, he says with pride.

THAT'S DUE directly to the enthusiasm of the teens who give up a lot of their personal time to film the special events that occur away from the Omnicom studios.

In this regard, Priggee had high praise for Omnicom.

"We are lucky to have a cable company that allows this. Most companies," he said, "let you do public access in or out of their studios, but not both."

Because of Christeens' format of filming events of local interest in area churches, about 80 percent of their shows are produced on actual location where they are taking place.

An example of that came when they recently went to Holland where they taped the rock group "Servants" to promote the group's appearance in this area at Thanksgiving time.

OTHER SHOWS involved off-stage interviews in Ford Auditorium with gospel recording stars Amy Grant and Sandi Patti.

Their most recent celebrity interview was with missionary Bernard Johnson, often referred to as the Billy Graham of Brazil. Johnson was a guest preacher at the United Assembly Church of God in Plymouth Township recently as part of a U.S. speaking tour.

Two special Christmas programs are planned. One is a half-hour segment featuring events at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, Canton Calvary Assembly of God, First United Methodist of Northville, Huron Hills Baptist Church in Ann Arbor and the Agape Christian Center in Plymouth.

On Dec. 20, they plan to have a live show in which they hope to involve the community by asking people to call in and comment on a topic that will be announced.

They're hoping for a good response, but even more, they're hoping they'll get some new members who will be part of their show — even if it's only to call and alert Christeens about special events in their respective churches. Advance notice is needed, Priggee pointed out, because the show is taped three or four weeks in advance.

Christeens can be reached by calling Priggee at 455-3999 or by writing to P. O. Box 91, Plymouth 48170.



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Christeens members include Scott Eddy (left), 17, Plymouth-Canton senior; Kevin R. Schuessler, 15, Plymouth-Canton sophomore; Robert

Schuessler, 16, Plymouth-Canton junior; and Roger Hannibal, 14, Pioneer Middle School freshman.

Your Invitation to Worship

UNITED METHODIST

NEWBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
36500 Ann Arbor Trail
422-0149
Ministers
Jack E. Giguere
Roy G. Forsyth
Director of Youth
Cory Gledstone
Director of Education
Terry Gledstone
Church School & Worship
9:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

CLARENCEVILLE UNITED METHODIST
20300 Woodloch Ln. #104
474-3444
Pastor Gerald Fisher
8:45 am First Worship Service
10:00 The Church School
11:15 am Second Service of Worship
7:00 Sunday Evening Service
Wed. The Midweek Service 7:00 pm
Nursery Provided at All Services

ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
(Redford Township)
10000 BEECH DALY ROAD
Between Plymouth and West Chicago
MINISTERS
ARCHIE H. DONIGAN BARBARA BYERS LEWIS
WORSHIP 9:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.
CHURCH SCHOOL 11:00 A.M.
"THE DAY CHRISTMAS CAME TRUE"
Rev. Donigan
Minister of Music Ruth Haden Turner, Dir. of Ed. Barbara Colwell

ST. MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST
30900 Six Mile Rd.
(bet. Merriman & Midwestern)
David T. Strong, Minister
422-6038
10:00 A.M. Worship Service
10:00 A.M. Church School
(3 Yrs. - 8th Grade)
10:00 A.M. Jr. & Sr. High Class
11:15 A.M. Adult Study Class
Nursery Provided

CANTON FREE METHODIST CHURCH
Now worshipping at
44815 Chery Hill Road
Canton, MI

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Junior Church 11:30 a.m.

Praise and Worship 6:00 p.m.
Fellowship 7:00 p.m.

Wed Family Night 7:00 p.m.
C. Harold Weiman, Pastor
Home Phone 453-7366
Church Phone 981-5350

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Of Garden City
6443 Merriman Road
421-8628
Dr. Robert Grigoreit
Minister
8:30 A.M. Church School
Thru Adults
10:45 A.M. Morning Worship
Sharing Time For Children

SALVATION ARMY
27500 Shawnessee
at Inkster Road
SUNDAY SCHEDULE
Sunday School 10 AM
Morning Worship 11 AM
Evening Worship 8 PM
Captain John Clampton

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

FOURTH CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST
24400 W. Seven Mile
(near Telegraph)
HOURS OF SERVICE
11:00 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:00 A.M.
Child Care Provided
WEDNESDAY
TESTIMONIAL
MEETINGS 8 pm

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PLYMOUTH
45201 N. Territorial Rd.
Nursery Care Provided
Worship & Church School 9:15 a.m.
Worship & Children's Church 11:15 a.m.
Ministers
John N. Greenfield, Jr. - Stephen E. Wenzel
Dr. Frederick Voeberg
453-5280

NARDIN PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
29887 West Eleven Mile Road
Just west of Middlebelt
476-8850 Farmington Hills
9:15 & 11:00 A.M.
Worship Service and Church School
"WHICH WAY HOME?"
Dr. Ritter
Dr. William A. Foster, Pastor
Judy May, Dir. of Christian Ed.
Mr. Marvin Rookus, Dir. Music

CONGREGATIONAL



What is it for you? The job? The boss? Traffic? Bills? Family? Deadlines? Outlets? Getting on top? Or just staying afloat? Are there more conflicting demands in one day than you'd rather face in one week?

This pressured pace of life can come from your own drive for recognition and achievement. Or, it can be the result of those outer pressing demands.

You may not be able to alter your schedule or situation. But you can change the way you look at it, deal with it, live through it, and rise above it. Our people are realizing that an inner center of calm and serenity is available. What Jesus said about laying aside that nothing can take away makes a lot of sense.

We all have pressure — but do you have peace?

Mt. Hope Congregational Church
30330 Schoolcraft
Livonia, MI 48150
425-7280
WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

church bulletin

WESTLAND FREE METHODIST

A musical and dramatic presentation of the Christmas cantata, "Noel, Jesus is Born" will be given Dec. 18 and 19 by the Sanctuary Choir and members of the Westland Free Methodist Church, 1421 Venoy, Westland. The performance starts at 7:30 p.m. each evening. Complimentary tickets may be obtained at Eden Book Store or at the church.

MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

The young people of the church, ages 4 through sixth graders, will present a musical titled "The Great Late Potentate" at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 17 and 18 at Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. This is a story of the fourth wise man who took a worthwhile journey, but was sidetracked from seeing the important things. The children will be telling the potentate what he has missed in Bethlehem.

Director of the program is JoAnn McCrery. Her assistants are Pat Gossard, Janef Goudie and Sandy Wingate. Steve Aldridge plays the role of the potentate.

CANTON CALVARY ASSEMBLY OF GOD

"The Prince of Peace," a Christmas cantata, will feature the Canton Calvary Choir and the drama department when it is presented Dec. 17 and 18 in Canton Calvary Assembly of God, 7933 Sheldon. Hours are 7 p.m. Saturday and 6:30 p.m. Sunday.

The Rev. Gordon J. Mesic, pastor of youth and music at the church, will direct the choir. Vicki Gentry, director of the drama department, will direct the acting.

GARDEN CITY PRESBYTERIAN

"The Great Late Potentate," a Christmas musical, will be presented by members of the Sunday school at 7 p.m. Sunday in Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt. John Peter will be the potentate. Children in speaking roles are Julie Balge, Jennifer Holt, Richard Karis, David Kemmner, Wayne Krause, Dana Miller, Angela Morawa, Norine Nelson, Lynn O'Rear, Cheryl Russell, Kristina Wyper and Jon Segasser. Susan Garr will direct.

TEMPLE BAPTIST

A concert titled "An Old-fashioned Christmas" will be held at 8:30 p.m. Sunday in Temple Baptist Church, 2300 W. Chicago, Redford.

The Temple Christian School will have a Christmas Choral Concert Dec. 15, 16 and 17 in the school at 19990 Beech Daly. Hours are 7:45 p.m. Thursday and Saturday and 1 p.m. Friday.

CALVARY BAPTIST

The music department of Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy, Canton, will present its annual Christmas musicale at 6 p.m. Sunday. The concert and youth choirs and orchestra will offer Don Wyrzten's "Home for Christmas," a dramatized musical of extraordinary love among those in an ordinary family.

Soloists will include Lori Igrisan, Shirley Hovermale, Allison Foster, Nancy McKinstry, Lisa Ramage, Debbie Woodman, Wendy Anderson and Andrea Elkins. The musical is directed by J. Richard Rowe, and master of ceremonies is Tom Hovermale.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST

"Why the Chimes Rang?" is the title of the Christmas pageant to be offered at 7 p.m. Sunday in First United Methodist Church of Garden City, 8443 Merriman. The program will include children, youth and some adults of the congregation. A reception and visit from Santa will follow the program.

WARD PRESBYTERIAN

The 150-voice Chancel Choir of Ward Presbyterian Church, Six Mile and Farmington, Livonia, will be heard in portions of Handel's "Messiah" at 7 p.m. Sunday. Soloists for the performance are George MacDonald, Patti Marshall, Marjane Baker, Marilyn Pretty and Dan Williams.

The choir is under the direction of Dr. Jerry Smith. Organist is Carole Halme kangas, and pianist is Sharon Smith.

ROSEDALE GARDENS UNITED PRESBYTERIAN

Advent Evensong written and arranged by Lois Swanson of Livonia and David Good, assistant pastor will be presented at Advent Evensong at 4 p.m. Sunday in Rosedale Gardens United Presbyterian Church, Hubbard and W. Chicago, Livonia. Performing will be members of the church school and children's choir.

LIVONIA ASSEMBLY OF GOD

A Christmas cantata called "A Gift of Love" will be heard at 6 p.m. Sunday in Livonia Assembly of God, 33015 Seven Mile.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

One of Christeens most recent celebrity interviews was with church leader Bernard Johnson, often referred to as the Billy Graham of Brazil. Here, Mike Nafe (left) and Kevin Schuessler interview Johnson for later replay during the youth group's cable TV program. Manning the camera is Ron Priggee, executive producer. More often than not, a teen member of Christeens is behind the camera. Priggee likes to remain behind the scenes as much as possible.

PLYMOUTH FIRST BAPTIST

The Sunday School Christmas party and the Children's Choir musicale will be held at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, in First Baptist Church, 45000 N. Territorial, Plymouth. A play called "Psalty's Christmas Calamity" will be offered.

LORD'S HOUSE

A Christmas pageant featuring adult and youth choirs and Sunday school students will take place at 7 p.m. Sunday in the Lord's House, 36924 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

The Plymouth Seventh Day Adventist Junior Academy will present its annual Christmas program at 7:30 p.m. today in the church at 4295 Napier, Plymouth. The play is directed by Mary Thorrez, school principal. Choral groups are directed by Steven Baptist.

DETROIT LAESTADIAN CONGREGATION

An evening of Christmas songs, hymns and recitations in English and Finnish will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday,

Dec. 17, in Detroit Laestadian Congregation, 31684 Fairfax, Livonia. Paul Nevala, pastor of the Cokato, Minn., Laestadian Congregation will speak. He will also talk at Christmas services on Friday, Dec. 16, and Sunday at 2 and 5 p.m.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

A pageant of sight and sound called "A Living Christmas Tree" will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 16 and 17 and at 6 p.m. Sunday in Plymouth Church of the Nazarene, 41550 E. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Participating will be the 55-voice Sanctuary Choir, an adult ensemble, a children's choir and Brothers II, a men's trio. A 35-foot tree will be decorated with 375 feet of garland and lights. Free tickets may be obtained by calling the church at 453-1525.

BETHANY BAPTIST

A Christmas play, "The Hidden Scrolls" can be seen at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21 in Bethany Baptist Church of Livonia, 34541 Five Mile.

Troubles caused soul-searching

I have just returned from three weeks in Haiti with a construction team of persons from the Detroit area. Along with a crew of Haitians, we built a cement block building on top of a mountain. It will be used as a pastor's residence and guest house.

Each day our work team had to climb two miles up the side of the mountain to reach the building site. There are no roads in this part of Haiti.

On the way down from this mountain one afternoon, a member of our work team fell on the steep trail and broke both bones in her leg. A Haitian went to find someone with a donkey so that the person could be brought down from the mountain to a nearby highway.

That night as we were making arrangements for the person with the broken leg to be taken into a city for medical care, all of the money that two of our team members had brought with them as well as some of their clothing was stolen.

AS A result of both events happen-



moral perspectives

Rev. David Strong

ing in one day, our group was upset. Most of us could not sleep that night as we turned the two events over in our minds.

We wondered who had stolen the money? Was it someone whom we had come to know? We wondered how our team member was doing with her broken leg. Would she have to go back to Detroit to get proper treatment?

We also struggled with this issue as Christians. We were upset by both events. How should we feel, and what should we do? Should we try to investigate the theft? Would we as a group collect money from each other to assist

the couple who now had no money with them?

After sorting out our feelings we came to the conclusion that we must forgive the thief. Yet this was not to be the end of the issue.

A Haitian who had accompanied us during this time raised a deeper question: Would we pray for the thief? Still this was not to be the last question which was raised concerning these two events of that day.

WHEN A Haitian pastor in Port-au-Prince met with us a few days later he expressed his sympathy for these three

people who had experienced a broken bone or the loss of their money. Then he raised yet another question.

"How much is enough?" he asked. How much are we prepared to give to people in need and to God? How far are we prepared to go?

This question has stayed with us. Evil forces within our world are prepared to press their goals to the point of death. What about those who speak and act for God and all that is good and healing for our fellow people?

This is a root question of any religious faith. How much will we risk for what we believe? This alone would make religious people into fanatics. In addition, what will we risk to bring healing, reconciliation, hope and justice to this world?

How much is enough? This is a question with which we must be prepared to struggle in a world which moves ever closer to the precipice. This is an issue which eleven church folk who went to Haiti from America have upon their hearts.

Travel



Thursday, December 15, 1983 O&E

(S.F. 17C, Ro. 8B, P. C. 12C, R. 8C, W. G. 8B, Wb) 15C

New York, New York

Small bites of big apple

THIS IS what it was like in the books we all read, about growing up in New York City: sitting on the wide stone steps of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, eating a big soft pretzel with mustard and watching Fifth Avenue go by.

There are two Yum Yum Hot Dog stands selling pretzels and hot dogs under striped umbrellas and an endless stream of yellow taxis going by to the expensive apartment buildings and the museums that stretch along this east side of Central Park.

I was in one of those taxis moments ago, what I saw from there was a New York City postcard: school kids, tourists, locals and lovers sitting all over the steps of the Metropolitan Museum. Huge red, blue and yellow exhibit banners, and the pillared museum, make a backdrop behind the step-sitters, with long white fountains, like wet white trees, on either side.

I SAW the Manet Exhibit, but at any time you can see the new Douglas Dillon Galleries for Chinese Paintings, the Egyptian collection (including the authentic Temple of Dendur), the Michael C. Rockefeller Wing dedicated to primitive art, or the new American wing.

These are only the relatively new collections, the ones you haven't seen if you have not visited the museum in recent years. There are also, of course, the collections on which the Met has built its reputation since it was founded in 1870. It occupies 1.4 million square feet and extends along Fifth Avenue from 80th to 84th streets so don't expect to see it in a day.

There is something about the Met that encourages people to sit and stare, on the wooden bench that encircles a garden in the lobby, in front of the Temple of Dendur in the newly opened Egyptian exhibit, on benches in front of the current exhibits.

This is a huge museum, with all the grandeur that goes with marble floors, domed ceilings and Grecian pillars, but it is very much a people place. Kids swarming about, fresh flowers in the alcoves, housewives and businessmen dropping in during lunch.

AFTER THE MET, relax over afternoon tea, a cup of cappuccino or a glass of wine in the intimate little tearoom at the American Stanhope Hotel, the best known hotel in the area, its awning entrance facing across to the 81st Street entrance of the museum.

You will find local people on the empire couches and on the skirted early American chairs, informal handfuls of flowers on the tiny tables and a treasure of paintings on the tea room wall. The room is very busy at lunchtime, as is the cosy but elegant Saratoga dining room and the outdoor terrace of the hotel.

The American Stanhope is a small luxury hotel that recently underwent a \$9 million renovation. It claims to house the country's largest collection of nineteenth century American art and antiques. There is a lot of art and money on the east side of uptown Manhattan, but there are also a lot of fresh young faces here in the hotel and along this stretch of Fifth Avenue.

Guests enter the hotel through a small intimate lobby, from which doors open to the various dining areas and bar. The bedrooms are spacious and beautifully furnished with antiques.

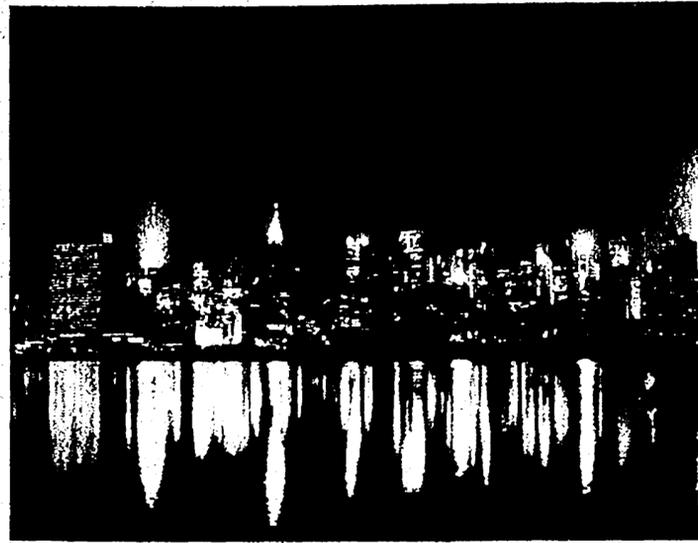
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Iris Jones
contributing travel editor



The Metropolitan Museum of Modern Art is a people place: Yum Yum Hot Dog stands selling pretzels and hot dogs under striped umbrellas, kids swarming about, people sitting outside the museum.



New York's magnificent skyline at night along the East River. The glowing spires are of the Empire State Building (left) and Chrysler Building.



The well-known Fifth Avenue where shoppers, business people and friends stroll along. Saks Fifth Avenue is at left.

JFK Express is an adventure all by itself

The JFK Express. It sounded like a marvelous idea. Take a fast train from Manhattan to John F. Kennedy Airport for \$5. Save at least \$20 over the taxi fare to JFK. Save yourself the hassle of New York City traffic, especially at rush hour.

It is a great idea, if you don't have any more luggage than you can easily carry in one hand. I had a suitcase almost too heavy to lift, an airline bag, my camera bag and a purse.

The cabbie told me what he thought about the JFK Express on our way to 57th St. and Sixth Avenue. The train would take me only to the Jamaica area, I would have to go the rest of the way by bus, there would be nobody to help me with my luggage and I would probably get mugged.

I DIDN'T respond because reliable New Yorkers had told me that the train is different from the graffiti-colored, crime-inclined subways. They said the train was clean and had plenty of security guards aboard.

"Besides," the cabbie added petulantly, "nobody takes taxis for long runs anymore. They use us as a shuttle!" That was the real reason for his opposition of course. It made me feel guilty enough to say "keep the change" but not to divert me.

I had a little portable luggage cart with wheels. That would be enough wouldn't it? Every public facility has ramps for wheelchairs don't they? The answer is "no" and "no."

It was raining lightly. The handle broke off my luggage cart as I was trying to tug the wheels up the curb on 57th Street. I kicked and cursed my luggage to the nearest dime store. I growled and yelled for 20 minutes before I could buy another; they were chained in, as if they were leather coats or made of gold.

THE FIRST one I chose was broken. I had to growl and yell all over again to get one that worked.

There was no ramp down to the subway. Two flights of stairs to the ticket booth and two more to the train, with my almost-too-heavy-to-lift suitcase falling off the cart every twenty feet down each staircase.

Little portable luggage carts aren't made for this much luggage.

Fortunately, New Yorkers are much friendlier than they are given credit for. Three times I was rescued by strong young people who helped me stairway-by-stairway to the train.

My pundits were right. The cars were clean. There was no graffiti. Security guards were very visible. And the doors were locked so that nobody could get off and on, as the cursing young man discovered — he was only planning to go a few blocks.

I got off, all right, securely strapped. The bus was right there, waiting for us all to board, no extra charge, it was all part of the J.F.K. Express ticket.

My luggage was securely strapped to my cart, but I had to unstrap it to carry it aboard the bus, and I learned five minutes after we took off that I was on the wrong bus. My fault. The driver asked me where I was going and I was so dazed by then that I said "to the airport."

EVERYBODY was going to the airport. When I came to my senses and walked forward to say "El Al!" I learned that there are two buses, each of which circles half of the airport. I circled it, and then I got off, boarded another bus and circled it again.

The only thing I did right that day was to leave myself plenty of time to get from downtown to my plane, three hours for a 6 p.m. plane; all of late afternoon is rush hour in New York, so I would have done that even if I had used a taxi.

The JFK Express. It is still a great idea. The trains run approximately every half hour from 5 a.m. to midnight with stops at eight stations: Along the Avenue of Americas it stops at 57th Street, 47th to 50th

streets, 42nd Street, 34th Street and West Fourth Street.

The train runs from JFK to the city roughly every half hour from 5:30 a.m. to midnight. Look for the bus stop in front of your terminal that says "Bus/Train to New York City."

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Here's tips for selecting a home for elderly

Dear Jo:

My mother at age 74 is no longer able to manage on her own at home and has agreed to move to a nursing home. We are looking for a suitable one for her, but never having done this before, do not really know what we are looking for. We would appreciate anything you could tell us on this.

Mrs. E.M. and family

Dear Mrs. M.:

Probably, my first question for you would be, does your mother have a preference for any particular nursing home? It is of utmost importance that your mother or any other person being admitted to a long-term care facility have a major say as to where he or she is going as it is to be his or her home.

To find out the names of nursing homes in your area, contact the social services department at your local general hospital or consult with your doctor or community health nurse.

You should first consider the homes that are close by so your mother can continue to see her family and friends and still feel she is a part of the community as a whole. Also, research has revealed that older persons living in nursing homes who have a continued contact with the outside world are healthier and happier.

Before making your decision, you and your mother should visit several facilities. Although the quality of a nursing home is difficult to determine in one visit, several homes can be eliminated, and you can narrow your choice down to a few.

Unfortunately, the stresses involved in finding a home as well as the ability to finance the move, overshadow many important facts that should be considered when selecting a nursing home.

First, you should make sure that any home you are considering is licensed. Licensure of a nursing home is essential as it denotes that the home has maintained specific minimal stand-



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Grace Gluskin

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ards and that it is inspected frequently for observance of safety and fire codes, proper sanitation, health codes and food preparation and service.

When looking over the homes, you and your

mother should ask certain revealing questions, such as:

• What is included in the cost and are there additional charges for personal services?

- What does your mother's insurance cover?
- What medical and social services are available?
- Are residents allowed to furnish their own rooms? Can they have their own radio, television and telephone?
- What are the regulations regarding alcohol use and smoking?
- How large is the facility? Are there any vacancies?
- Is the size of the staff adequate? What are their qualifications?
- Are the rooms private... If not, how

many share a room? ... and, are there provisions made for married couples?

- What are the visiting hours? Can a resident leave the home for a day, a week, etc.?
- What are the dining arrangements?
- Are religious services available?

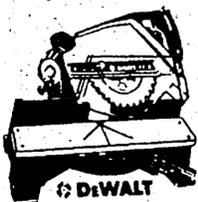
While touring the homes, observe the residents as to how they are dressed and what they are doing. It may be helpful to stop and talk to some of the residents.

Try not to make your decision too quickly, remember this is a major move for your mother and a very important one.

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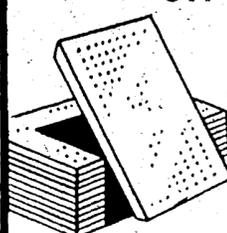
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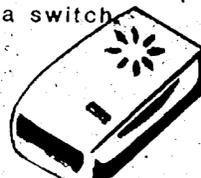
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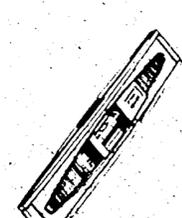
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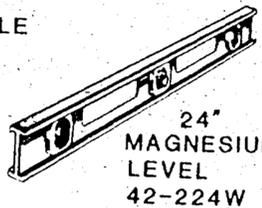


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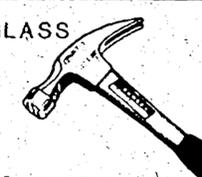
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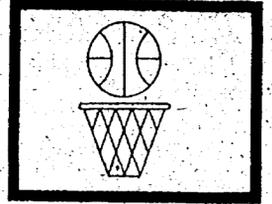
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Girls' game: good and bad

Thoughts idling wild down I-94 east, coming home from Kazoo.

MY EYES are heavy and my head hurts from too little sleep and the six emotion-filled girls' basketball games I had covered in the last 29 hours. The thought of this three-hour drive is killing me. It's amazing how homesick one can get spending a weekend in Kalamazoo.

A car full of young, happy girls speeds by. They hold a poster up to the window that proclaims, "Ladywood No. 1". I honk my horn and shake my fist in the air triumphantly. The girls in the car clap and smile.

They were happy because their team just won the state championship. I was happy for them. It must be a great feeling. I was also happy because they were facing the same arduous three-hour journey that I was — for some reason, I took comfort in that. I guess it was like having someone in the car with me.

GIRLS BASKETBALL has sure come a long way in a short period of time. The talent I had seen in the last two days was phenomenal. And you know what? Most of the top players were underclassmen.

When Farmington Hills Our Lady of Mercy, last year's Class A state champs, took on Flint Northwestern in the semifinals Friday night, there was just one senior on the court — Mercy's Sarah Basford.

Mercy started three juniors and a sophomore. Off the bench came two more juniors. Northwestern, which eventually became this season's state champs, started three juniors and two sophomores. Off the bench came freshman Stephanie Tipton, and all she did was hit five straight shots to help her team defeat the Marlins.

Class B champ, Ladywood, started three juniors and two sophomores. River Rouge, which Ladywood defeated in the championship, started four juniors and a sophomore.

Who are these underclassmen? See if you don't recognize these names: Annette Ruggiero, Mary Rosowski, Terri Ford and Amy DeMatilla, Mercy; Emily Wagner, Char Govan, Ladywood; Franthea Price, River Rouge; Tonya Edwards, Northwestern. These are some of the best players in the state, and they will all be back next year.

YES, THE talent level in girls basketball has improved at a rapid rate. Unfortunately, some other areas are a step behind — at least.

The most noticeable area is the officiating. The quality of officiating in high school girls basketball is light years behind the quality of the players.

It's to the point where a girl makes a legal move and gets called for a violation because the referee has never seen a girl make that kind of a move. Since he's never seen it, it must be wrong.

Case in point: Several times this season I've seen traveling unjustly called on Mercy's Mary Rosowski. She possesses a very strong, and quick, first step to the basket — it's a move that, until recently, was never seen in the girls' game. Players are being penalized for having extraordinary talents.

I ALSO think too many refs read the newspapers. They know which teams are the pregame "favorite." They know who the underdogs are. They know who the top scorers are. Sometimes, and I really believe this, these preconceived attitudes affect their judgment on the court.

Harper Woods Regina feels an ill-advised three-seconds call late in the game cost them the state championship last Saturday against Northwestern. They might be right. A shot was taken and missed. Regina's Jolynn Schneider pulled down the offensive rebound, took one dribble toward the baseline, and the ref called three seconds. Regina trailed by a point at the time.

Three seconds, in girls basketball, should be the least-called violation. Unless the girl just camps out in the lane, the call shouldn't be made. The girls' game, unlike boys hoops, is not primarily an inside game. It's more of a perimeter game. There are very few occasions to call three seconds.

Sign on the freeway reads Marshall exit one mile. Come on, baby, another hour and a half. Don't fall asleep. Wish I could find a decent radio station.

I THINK the Michigan High School Athletic Association should seed teams for the state tourney. That would avoid a situation like we had this year. Three of the four state championships were, for all intents and purposes, decided in the semifinals. In Class A, No. 1 ranked Mercy lost to No. 2 ranked Northwestern. In Class B, No. 2 ranked Ladywood beat No. 1 ranked Manistee. In Class D, No. 1 ranked Leland lost to DeTour.

If that's not argument for seeding, I don't know what is. The tournament should be seeded from the districts right up through to the finals.

"Welcome to Jackson." Man, one more hour! You know what else I think the MHSAA should do? They should have all the boys basketball teams schedule byes for the weekend of the girls state finals.

I can't remember if I thanked WMU's sports information director John Beatty for all his help.

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Glenn event is all Mules

When the name Temperance-Bedford is mentioned, thoughts turn to wrestling — and winning.

The Mules showed Saturday they are a good bet to win another state championship as they dominated a tough field in the 16-team Westland John Glenn Invitational.

Bedford racked up 249½ points to host Glenn's 128. Rounding out the top six were: Wayne Memorial (112½), Birmingham Brother Rice (91), Romulus (79½), Garden City and Plymouth Canton (72½ each), Plymouth Salem and Mount Clemens (71 each). Complete results appear on page 4c.

In winning the title, Bedford claimed four individual titles and added five runners-up out of 13 different weight classes.

However, Glenn's 112-pound standout Dan Gibson was named the meet's outstanding wrestler. He pinned four opponents, including Bedford's Rick Deeb for the title in 5:28. Deeb finished third in last year's state meet.

GLENN, the defending Northwest Suburban League champion, also had 105-pound Rick Gillies reach the final. He lost a 5-2 decision to Bedford's Doug Harper. Two other Glenn matmen, Mike Rossi and Tom Forchlone, each finished third at 119 and 155, respectively.

"Bedford was clearly the outstanding team in the field," said Glenn coach Tom Buckalew. "I thought our wrestlers performed exceptionally well."

"The long hours of hard work and personal sacrifice are paying off. The

wrestling

team has shown improvement in every meet."

Plymouth Salem's John Jeannotte won the 132-pound crown, while Canton's Tim Collins ruled the 138-pound division.

The heavyweight champion was Bedford's C.J. Rimmer, who pinned Monroe's Randy Sieler in 3:50.

Other Bedford champions included Adam Siedlecki (155) and Greg Borden (198).

GARDEN CITY, a veteran team, had a pair of third place finishers — Tom Mack at 126 and Scott Purr (198).

The two were also instrumental last week in leading the Cougars to a pair of easy dual meet wins.

GC first routed Southgate Anderson 58-15.

Scoring pins were Dan Picla, 98 pounds (23 seconds); Ron Taggart, 105; Bill King, 126; Ron Kasperek, 138; Dale Creech, 145; Mark Grigereit, 155; Larry Combs, 167; Purr, 198; and Marlyn Pike, heavyweight. Mack, meanwhile, scored a 9-1 decision.

The Cougars then raised their dual-meet record to 5-2 by blanking Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 78-0.

Kevin Dee, a 185-pounder, led the parade with a 38-second pin of his opponent. He was joined by pin pals Taggart, Roger Dsler (112), King, Mack, Combs and Pike.



All-Area team

This year's All-Observer girls' swim team displays state quality. Area coaches gathered recently to select the top talent. Livonia Stevenson leads the

way with four girls on the team. For a complete look at the 1983 squad, please turn to page 4c.

Osterland takes Churchill reigns

By Brad Emons
staff writer

There was no need for suspense. All along everybody knew Herb Osterland was going to succeed Ken Kaestner as football coach at Livonia Churchill.

Osterland finally got the word last week.

"Herb has paid his dues," said Churchill Athletic Director Larry Joiner. "He's been an assistant for 10 years. He was the leading candidate all the way."

"And it's so much easier to deal with somebody inside. He works here in physical education and that's a real plus."

Kaestner, the affable and successful coach of the Chargers for 16 seasons, recommended Osterland for the job.

"He coached junior high football and has a good background," Joiner said. "He's well qualified."

OSTERLAND is a graduate of Marine City High School and Eastern Michigan University. He lettered in football at EMU in 1982.

He spent nine years coaching at Holmes Junior High in Livonia and moved over to Kaestner's staff in 1974, where he served as JV coach.

During the past five seasons he's been Churchill's offensive coordinator.

"The thing about Ken is that he's a great person and a great human being," Osterland said. "He meant a lot to me and he's a good friend."



Herb Osterland

football

"He let me share my personality. He still wants to be part of the program and he told me that he'll be our No. 1 fan and help in any way he can."

Osterland said that Darrell Copley will be retained as coach of the offensive and defensive lines.

The new coach, however, is seeking a new defensive coordinator.

"It's different in that I'm responsible for the entire thing now — not one niche," Osterland said. "We're going to stay with the same defensive package — an even front. We'll have the same defensive philosophy, but whoever gets the job, we'll all work together."

DON'T look for any radical changes from Osterland, especially on offense.

The new coach will be able to build around a good nucleus.

Returning is quarterback John Stoitsiads, who helped engineer a 13-12 upset of No. 1 ranked Farmington Harrison, which at the time held a 29-game winning streak. Also returning is All-Observer tackle Dave Mize, center Steve Brooks, guard Kirt Stacherski, running back Steve Bond, middle linebacker Scott Papich and defensive back John Oltman.

Those underclassmen were all instrumental in helping Churchill win its final three games of the season and finish with a 4-5 overall record.

"The last three games left a good taste in their mouths," said the new coach. "More numbers will be available because they saw the success after beating teams like Harrison and Stevenson. It all depends on the attitude between now and the start of next season."

"But I feel happy — we'll come out to play I'm sure. I feel good about what's happening to us."

IN ADDITION to his new football duties, Osterland plans to continue as the school's head baseball coach.

"I'm going to coach baseball this spring and then see after that," he said. "You can do both. John Herrington does it at Harrison and so does Chuck App at Walled Lake Western. I'll wait and see until after the season."



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Schoenle leads talent-laden club

By Brad Emms
staff writer

What an improvement from last season! With the addition of the Farmington schools, the 1983 All-Observer Girls Swim Team lists some of Michigan's best.

But you should start once again with some familiar faces — the Livonia Stevenson contingent — led by 100-yard breaststroke Class A champion Mary Schoenle. She helped the Spartans to the Western Lakes Conference title and a fourth-place finish in the state.

Next comes North Farmington, ninth in Class A, and its young cast of talented swimmers. North won the Northwest Suburban League crown.

And Catholic League champion Farmington Hills Our Lady of Mercy, another newcomer, adds more twinkle to an already star-studded team.

Here is this year's All-Area Girls Swim Team.

FIRST TEAM

Jennifer Rowe, North Farmington, 200 freestyle: The hard-working freshman went to the state meet and placed sixth in the 500 freestyle, 12th in the 200 and was a member of the Raiders' fourth-place 400 freestyle relay squad.

She also established school, pool and league records this year.

"Jennifer is a very hard worker — willing to go more," said coach Jordan Hatch. "She's a competitor."

Sherrie Sudek, Livonia Stevenson, 200 IM: The sophomore's best finish in the state meet was fourth in the individual medley (2:12.54). Her best time in this event was 2:11.53 (state preliminaries).

She also helped Stevenson to fourth place in the 200 medley relay at the same meet.

During the season, Sudek set a varsity record in the 200 freestyle (1:57.4) and a Stevenson pool record in the 100 backstroke (where she was undefeated).

A two-event conference champ, Sudek was called "very talented, a good student and very spirited" by her coach, Lois McDonald.

Mary Manderfield, North Farmington, 50 freestyle: A senior, Manderfield was a team captain and leader.

Her win in the 50 freestyle enabled North to beat West Bloomfield for the first time ever in a dual meet.

Making her fourth straight state meet appearance, Manderfield finished 12th in Class A with a season-best time of 25.28.

"Mary would swim any event that might need to be filled to help her team," coach Hatch said. "The team comes first to her."

Katie MacIntosh, Farmington, diving: The junior standout finished 15th in the state and second in the Class A regional.

The Western Lakes Conference champ won 10 of 11 dual meets and set a Farmington varsity and pool record with a 236.4 point total for six dives.

Shella Taormina, Livonia Stevenson, 100 butterfly: Only a freshman, Taormina finished fifth in the butterfly at state with a time of 59.46. Her best time in this event was 59.12.

A member of Stevenson's fourth-place medley relay team at state, Taormina was "very talented with all strokes," according to her coach.

"She has lots of spirit and is liked by the whole team," McDonald said. "She knows how to practice to succeed."

Taormina also won two events at the Western Lakes Conference meet.

Ann Schlaepfer, Livonia Bentley, 100 freestyle: The sophomore was 13th at state in the 100 freestyle where she holds the school record.

At the Western Lakes meet, Schlaepfer finished second in the 100 freestyle (55.80), fourth in the 50 freestyle (26.03) and helped Bentley to second place in a school record-setting 400 freestyle relay performance (3:48.5).

"Ann's a very competitive swimmer who enjoys the challenge of competing against the best swimmers from other teams," said Bentley coach Keith Wright.

Sue Herzog, Farmington Mercy, 500 freestyle: Herzog's best finish in Class A was in the 500 freestyle where she placed fifth in 5:09.31.

She also helped the Marlins to 12th place in the 400 freestyle relay and 14th in the 200 medley relay.

Herzog also grabbed eighth at the state meet in the 200 freestyle (1:58.36).

Kathy Sullivan, Livonia Stevenson, 100 backstroke: 13th at state in the backstroke, the sophomore excelled in a variety of events this season for the Spartans.

She was second in the backstroke and fourth in the 200 IM at the league meet.

Sullivan was also a member of the Spartans' fourth-place 200 medley relay team at the state Class A finals.

"She's fun to have on the team because she likes to race, have fun and succeed," McDonald said.

Mary Schoenle, Livonia Stevenson, 100 breaststroke: The junior holds four school records, including the 100 breaststroke in 1:06.46 (where she won the state title) and the 200 IM (2:08.52) where she was second in the state.

Between the breaststroke and IM, Schoenle lost only one meet all year. She won two individual events at the league meet as well.

"She's fun to coach because she can mentally make changes as well as physically," McDonald said. "She's a good student and participates in other sports."

Schoenle and Sudek will co-captain the Spartans again next season.

AT-LARGE

Kim Dorsey, Garden City: Dorsey is on the All-Observer squad for the third consecutive year.

She was Northwest Suburban League champ in the 200 freestyle and 100 butterfly, and was a state qualifier in the 200 and 500 freestyles.

As a senior, Dorsey appeared in the listings in five different individual events.

Jill Andries, Farmington Mercy: Andries was instrumental in the Marlins' Catholic League title quest.

She won the 200 IM in 2:20.7 and the 100 breaststroke in 1:11.6.

Her best finish at state was 11th in the breaststroke (1:11.29).

Ginlie Johnson, Plymouth Canton: The Chiefs' top swimmer this season, Johnson qualified for two finals at the state Class A meet.

She was 14th in the 200 IM (2:16.91) and 12th in the 100 butterfly (1:00.35). An injury at the state meet prevented Johnson from swimming the finals of the butterfly.

The Canton junior was second in the butterfly and third in the 200 IM at the Western Lakes meet. She also had an outstanding time of 1:08.0 in the 100 backstroke.

Gayle Gorgas, Livonia Churchill: The Chargers' mainstay was impressive at the state meet despite swimming in the shadow of Schoenle, gaining two places in the final 12.

She was fifth in the 100 breaststroke at the state meet with a season-best clocking of 1:08.83. In the 200 IM, Gorgas was 10th with a season-best time of 2:16.1.

RELAY EVENTS

Sherrie Sudek, Mary Schoenle, Shella Taormina and Kathy Sullivan, Livonia Stevenson, 200 medley: Four outstanding swimmers add up to one outstanding relay team.

The four girls, already mentioned as first-teamers, combined for a fourth-place finish at the Class A meet with a season-best time of 1:51.81. That clocking tops all area schools.

Stevenson also won this event at the Western Lakes Conference meet champions.

Marge Cramer, Mary Manderfield, Colleen Carey and Jennifer Rowe, North Farmington, 400

freestyle: This team surprised the field with a fourth place finish in the Class A finals with an area best clocking of 3:41.1.

Manderfield and Rowe made the All-Observer first team in the 50 and 200 freestyle events, respectively.

Carey, a junior, had an outstanding season. She was fifth in the 200 IM at state with a time of 2:13.12. This was accomplished after missing all of last season with a shoulder injury.

"It was a great pleasure to see Colleen return this year," said her coach. "She is a very spirited swimmer and is always trying to keep the team up emotionally."

Cramer, just a freshman, posted five different state qualifying times this year. She holds North records in the 50 and 100 freestyles.

"She is going to go along way before she's done in four years," Hatch said.

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Thurston's Filipiak guns down Trenton

After both teams scored a combined 19 points in the first half, Thurston's Scott Filipiak scored 19 of his game-high 22 points in the second half to give the Eagles a 51-40 non-conference basketball victory Tuesday over Trenton.

At first, it looked like neither team wanted victory as Thurston took an 11-8 halftime lead.

"There were a lot of missed layups," said Thurston Coach Gary Fralick of his team's sluggish start. "Trenton did a nice job of pressing us and kept us out of our offense."

Then came Filipiak, who scored 10 points in the fourth quarter alone.

"It wasn't anything I particularly said (at halftime)," Fralick added. "We just got mad at ourselves and decided to go after them offensively."

Four other players had six points apiece for the Eagles, now 4-0 overall.

Trenton, whose record fell to 0-4, was led by John Milligan with 13 points.

FORDSON 51, JOHN GLENN 50: Mustafa Hamid pumped in 26 points, including a 15-foot jumper with five seconds remaining, giving Fordson, the home team, its non-conference victory Tuesday.

The Rockets, down 21-11 after one period, slowly crept back the rest of the game and allowed the Tractors only one field goal in the fourth quarter.

Fordson (2-0), however, outscored the Rockets 19-12 at the free throw line.

Jeff Hawley and Dave Long had 15 and 10 points respectively for John Glenn, whose record fell to 3-1.

Mark Matras added 11 points for Fordson.

W.L. WESTERN 57, CHURCHILL

basketball

56: Troy Nichols and Dan Gabriele led a balanced scoring attack with 11 points each as the Warriors handed Churchill its first loss of the season Tuesday.

Churchill controlled the game, 50-45, in the fourth quarter but was outscored 12-6 the rest of the way. The Chargers committed 28 turnovers in the game.

John Grzybek led Churchill with 17 points. Craig Hunter added 12, Steve Juodowikis had 11 and Mike Hermanson popped in 10. Churchill's record is now 3-1.

The Chargers missed four shots, including two tips by Mike Pangalis, in the final 11 seconds which could have won the game.

Western, which had scoring from 11 players, outshot the Chargers 21-12 at the free throw line.

WAYNE MEMORIAL 50, GARDEN CITY 46: Keith Strickland tossed in 18 points in the non-conference affair to keep Wayne undefeated.

The Zebras built up as much as a 12-point lead, but the Cougars tied it at 44-44 with about a minute left.

Scott McCloskey led Garden City with 22 points. Pollis Robertson contributed 11 points for Wayne, whose record is 3-0. Garden City fell to 2-2.

TAYLOR TRUMAN 64, REDFORD UNION 49: Brothers Aaron and Derek

Glenn scored 21 and 17 points respectively to lift Truman to its third victory without a loss, while keeping the Panthers winless for the 26th straight time.

The Panthers were bothered by Truman's press early while missing his first five shots. The Cougars took a 18-6 lead after one quarter and led 44-34 after three periods. John Copley led RU with 13 points, while Dennis Bushart added 12.

HARRISON 70, FRANKLIN 59: John Miller, an All-American running back for the Hawks' football team, scored 25 points and grabbed 13 rebounds Tuesday night in a non-conference basketball victory over Franklin.

Miller helped stake Harrison to a 37-22 halftime advantage. Dave Quarles added 15 points and seven rebounds for the Hawks, who are now 1-2, while Brian Hickey scored seven points and dished out six assists in his first game of the season after coming off an illness.

Senior Dave Carravallah led the Patriots with 17 points and junior Jim McGillivray added 13. Franklin, which was outrebounded 46-37, fell to 1-3.

ST. ALPHONSUS 61, ST. AGATHA 45: Terrence Hall tossed in 17 points as fast-breaking Dearborn St. Alphonsus evened its record at 2-2 with a non-league victory over St. Agatha.

The Arrows put the game away in the middle quarters, outscoring the Aggies 18-8 in the second quarter and 16-8 in the third to take a 49-30 lead.

Mike Belczyk, a 6-5 senior, led St. Agatha with 17 points and 11 rebounds.

Spartans win thriller

By John Reby
staff writer

hockey

Livonia Stevenson's Brian Cox won the showdown between the top two scorers in the Suburban Prep Hockey League (SPHL), but it was probably a pair of lesser known players who stole the show when the Spartans met Wyandotte Roosevelt Tuesday night.

Cox scored two goals, including the eventual game-winner in the third period, to lift Stevenson to a 5-4 SPHL victory over the Bears at Eddie Edgar Arena.

Cox, whose tallies gave him a league-leading 14 goals and 16 points in six games, offset the performance of Bears forward Chris Bialobreski, who scored a goal and an assist for his seventh goal and 12th points of the season.

However, despite the fun the pair may have had, it was Spartan goalie Phil Bryant and reserve forward Joe Conway who put together their best performances in recent memory, catching the eye of Stevenson Coach Jerry Kestner. Bryant stopped several shots destined for the net, while Conway, only a sophomore, added a pair of assists.

Wyandotte players were in the penalty box and another was without his stick.

"WE'RE JUST having some tough luck," said Wyandotte Coach Jim Allison. "We've lost three in a row now, and several have been pretty close games. Stevenson and Bentley — who we lost to earlier — popped in a couple of quick goals on us that set us for the night."

The Bears managed to tie the game 2-2 in the second period when forward Craig Sawicki tallied on a three-on-one break. Senior forward Ken Michniak, however, untied it 16 seconds later and senior Phil Lann gave Stevenson a 4-2 lead with the Spartans' second goal in a 46-second span.

Bialobreski lifted a nifty backhander over Bryant near the end of the period to make it 4-3, but Cox's final goal was the insurance Stevenson needed despite Tom Surcek's goal for Wyandotte less than a minute later.

Kestner added that his team was fortunate to have come out on the winning side.

"We were outshot (28-23), which gives you an indication of what the game was like," said the Spartan coach.

Title rerun: CC turns tide

By Paul King
special writer

The pain which Catholic Central endured after losing to Fraser in the Class A state hockey finals a year ago was softened somewhat as the second-ranked Shamrocks upended the ninth-ranked Ramblers, 5-3, Saturday night in the Redford Arena.

Dan Michaels led Catholic Central to its fourth victory in five games with two goals, including an empty net tally with 28 seconds remaining in

the contest. Steve DeMattos added a goal and two assists, while Dave Morse had a goal and assist. Jeff Steffes tallied the other goal.

Fraser junior goalie Wayne Jones had a rough initiation. CC pummeled Jones for 43 shots, while the Ramblers managed only 17 on junior Dave Gaskey, who was making his first start.

Bill Carnaghi led Fraser with a goal and two assists, while Mike Togle and Frank Panski added the other tallies.

Fraser is now 2-2-2 overall.

CHURCHILL 3, HARTLAND 3: Livonia Churchill found yet another way of tying its opponent when Hartland's John Siedlick scored with one second remaining in the nonleague game during a mad scramble in front of the Charger net.

Todd Baumann had a goal and assist Saturday for Churchill, now 1-0-3. Matt Wiljanen and Rick Robitaille scored the other Charger goals.

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Wayne County Employment & Training Administration
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Big splash: Stevenson conquers North

"This was a real big win for us because North Farmington is one of the better teams in the area."

Those remarks were made by Livonia Stevenson boys' swim coach Doug Buckner, who watched his team open the season with a 91-81 triumph Tuesday night over the visiting Raiders.

The Spartans wrapped up the meet in the final individual event, the 100-yard breaststroke, as Steve Taormina and Kevin Murphy finished one-two with times of 1:08.4 and 1:09.2, respectively.

Kurt Hein had a big night for Stevenson, winning the 50 and 100 freestyles in 23.4 and 51.3, respectively. He also

teamed up with Kevin Everhart, Kevin Murphy and Greg Deska to capture the 200-medley relay in 1:46.3.

Everhart was first in the 100 backstroke (59.0) with Roger Corderre taking second (1:03.9). Everhart also grabbed an important second in the 50 freestyle (23.6).

Stevenson's other individual winner was diver Ken Milligan (159.9 points).

Somewhat overshadowed was the performance of North's Brian Goins, who won the 200 IM (2:10.9) and set a Stevenson pool record in the 100 butterfly (54.9).

Teammate Mike Tumey was equally impressive, taking the 200 and 500

freestyles in 1:55.3 and 5:10.8, respectively. Tumey also anchored North's winning 400-freestyle relay squad (3:36.3).

JOHN GLENN 94, CHURCHILL 78: The Rockets rode the kick of Brian Pawlowicz Tuesday, who captured the 200 and 500 freestyles in 1:54.0 and 5:13.0, respectively.

Pawlowicz also teamed up with Lou Farkes, Craig Fitch and Tim White to claim first in the 400-freestyle relay (3:43.0).

Other Glenn individual winners included Dan Kozar in the 200 IM (2:13.1) and Mike Jensen in the 100 backstroke (1:02.3).

Eric Baird did his best for Churchill, which suffered its first dual meet loss in three starts.

Baird won the 50 and 100 freestyles in 23.4 and 52.3, respectively. He also teamed up with brother Drew, Eric Hutchison and Chris Morasky to win the 200-medley relay in 1:49.5.

Other Churchill individual winners included Eric Brandenmill, diving, 149.25; Morasky, 100 butterfly, 57.9; and Hutchison, 100 breaststroke, 1:06.1.

"I thought our kids swam well," said Churchill coach Manse Tian. "We had good times. We might of lost on the score, but within we feel we won."

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Liv. Stevenson	2	1	1	5
Liv. Churchill	1	0	2	4
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B. Hills Andover	0	3	1	1
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Cath. Central	0	1	0	0
A.A. Huron	0	3	0	0

Team	East Division			
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- Southfield
- Midland Dow
- Portage Central
- Birm. Brother Rice
- Fraser
- (Tie) Howell and Flint Kearsley
- Brighton
- East Kentwood
- Midland
- (Tie) Ann Arbor Pioneer, Flint Southwestern, Grosse Pointe South, Alpena

Schoolcraft to welcome 4 new additions at break

By C.J. Rieck
staff writer

Four days. No, this isn't an announcement for an appliance store sale. Although Schoolcraft College men's basketball coach Rocky Watkins figures to cash in about four days from now.

That's when he'll pick up a quartet of players cheap. All four become eligible to join the team Dec. 19. And the Ocelots could use the help.

It was evident in Schoolcraft's one-sided 101-68 triumph over Madonna College Saturday at Eastern Michigan. But it was even more apparent in a 109-84 humbling at the hands of Glen Oaks Community College last Wednesday (Dec. 7).

"Turnovers and poor defense have been our problem," Watkins said of his 5-5 Ocelots. "We've been working on it every day in practice. We're making poor decisions on the floor."

"I told them I was taking the asylum back from the inmates. We're going to play it closer to the vest."

basketball

WHAT WATKINS wants is more controlled play on the court, and he hopes that the addition of 6-foot-3 forward Eric Stokes, 6-3 guard James Orr, 6-6 center-forward Larry Martin and 5-8 guard Rich Shavers will provide that. All four were sidelined because of academic problems.

Watkins figures Stokes, a transfer from Utah Tech; Orr, a transfer from Wayne State; and Martin, who switched from Henry Ford CC; are all potential starters.

Those four, combined with the return of guard Tom Van Wagoner, who had been out with a leg injury, could get Schoolcraft on track in time for the start of the Eastern Conference.

"Orr, Martin and Stokes are outstanding defensive players," Watkins said. "And that kind of play is infectious."

One player Watkins would like to "infect" its high-scoring guard Carlos Briggs. The sophomore sensation poured in 45 points, grabbed 12 rebounds, dished out six assists and made six steals against outmanned Madonna. But he also committed nine turnovers.

"CARLOS CAN play good defense when he wants to," Watkins said. "But he can't seem to put his mind to it for 40 minutes."

Pat Martin added 21 points and 13 rebounds to the Ocelot cause against Madonna. Van Wagoner had 10 points and four assists.

Watkins called the loss to Glen Oaks "the worst since I've been here as coach. It was a total breakdown." Briggs finished that game with 34 points, with Vince Merriweather netting 13, Pat Martin 12 and Eric Sink eight to go with 13 rebounds.

Schoolcraft travels to Lansing Community College Friday.

Bentley falls to Ypsi

Bentley's wrestling team won six matches — four by pin — but still suffered a 34-30 defeat at the hands of Ypsilanti.

Mark Zenas led Bentley with a pin at the 39-second mark over his opponent in the 167-pound division. Other

winner for the Bulldogs were: 105, Salem Yaffal with a pin at the 2:16 mark; 126, Abe Yaffal, with a 7-1 decision; 132, Bill Paddison with a 4-0 decision; 198, Marty Allouanian with a pin at the 3:38 mark; heavyweight, Tracy Scott with a pin at the 1:33 mark.

Secretary answers bowling critics

By W.W. Edgar
staff writer

Unlike most young people who go to college to shape a career or go to a shop to learn a trade, Bill Lemerand, owner of the Williams Engine Service at Mill Street and the railroad in Plymouth, took an unusual route.

He just watched his father who was a landscape architect at a chemical firm in Rocwood, and his grandfather who spent his time working on all sorts of engines, especially those connected with groundskeeping and Model T Fords.

He was only 16 years old when he began to work on his own.

"It was an old Sears lawnmower and it needed work badly. But I worked at it and finally got it back into condition. And I was proud that I was able to do such a job so early in my career."

From that start he advanced to where he now owns his own business and has branched out to handle all sorts of engines.

in the pocket by W.W. Edgar

You will find all sorts of engines in the shop he has renovated in the past few months. They range from the ordinary mower to the large riding mowers used on golf courses. And when there are no lawnmowers to work on, Lemerand finds time to work on what he calls a racing machine.

WHILE MOST of his life — he is now 41 years old — has been wrapped up in motors, he still has time for a hobby as a drag racer.

"This is a great sport," he said, "and it is fun going around the state and even into Canada to compete in the big races."

As he talked, Lemerand pointed to a large shelf filled with trophies of all

shapes and sizes. "I didn't do badly. I won my share of trophies."

He belongs to a drag racing association and has raced in the major events in Grand Rapids. He especially likes the races in Canada where most of the competition is held on weekends at a track near Roubeau Park.

He competes in what is called the 250 open class with a machine powered by a Kohler engine capable of going 72 miles per hour.

When the drum heater shop at Mill and the railroad closed several months ago, Lemerand quickly seized the opportunity to come to Plymouth. He renovated the old building and now it is a haven for drag racing enthusiasts and serves as a "hospital" for all sorts of engines in need of repair.

And the successful career all came about because he watched his father and grandfather in their shops in Rocwood, and started with the repair of a Sears mower when he was only 16 years old.

the week ahead

PREP BASKETBALL
Thursday, Dec. 15
Garden City at Liv. Franklin, 7:35 p.m.
Wed. Thurston at N. Farmington, 7:35 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 16
W.L. Central at Liv. Churchill, 7:35 p.m.
Liv. Stevenson at Northville, 7:35 p.m.
Redford Union at Wild. John Glenn, 7:35 p.m.
Ply. Salem at W.L. Western, 7:35 p.m.
Farmington at Ply. Canton, 7:35 p.m.
Bishop Borgess at Warren Carmel, 7:35 p.m.
St. Agatha at Wyand. Carmel, 7:35 p.m.
Ply. Christian at St. Leo Christian, 7:35 p.m.
Temple at Inter-City Christian, 7:35 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 17
Liv. Bentley vs. Farm. Harrison at Pontiac Silverdome, 1 p.m.
PREP HOCKEY
Thursday, Dec. 15
Liv. Stevenson vs. B. Hills Andover, Liv. Franklin vs. B. Hills Lusher, at Detroit Skating Club, 6 & 8 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 16
Liv. Churchill vs. Liv. Franklin at Livonia's Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 17
Catholic Central vs. Ann Arbor Huron at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.
GREAT LAKES JUNIOR A HOCKEY
Thursday, Dec. 15
Redford Royals vs. S.C. Shores Falcons at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 16
Redford Royals at Fraser, 7:45 p.m.
COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Friday, Dec. 16
Schoolcraft (men) at Lansing Journey, 6 p.m.
PREP WRESTLING
Monday, Dec. 19
Garden City Invitational, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Girls' game: good with bad

Continued from Page 1

Even though Western was nice, I can't help feeling the weekend would have been twice as successful, in terms of fan support, if the games were played at Calihan Hall.

M-14 Livonia's Alright!
How's this for a parting shot: Liz Bonello, Mercy's scorekeeper who is as sweet a person as you can know, was crying her pretty brown eyes out after her team's loss Friday night. The loss wasn't the only reason for her tears.

She had sat next to a scorekeeper from Northwestern the entire game. The woman was loud and obnoxious throughout. After the game, the Northwestern woman shook Liz by the shoulders shouting, "I told you we'd win. I told you."

Liz, totally frustrated, slapped the woman. (Who wouldn't have?) It wasn't really a violent slap. It was more of a "get-away-from-me" slap. Still, Liz was very upset. She shouldn't have been. The woman deserved it.

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CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

Heavyweight — C.J. Rimmer (T-B) pinned Randy Sieler (Monroe), 3:50.
98 pounds — Scott Glasgow (NBH) dec. Dave Fulton (T-B), 5-3.
105 — Doug Harper (T-B) dec. Rick Giles (JG), 5-2.
112 — Dan Gibson (JG) pinned Rick Deeb (T-B), 5:28.
119 — Todd Snooks (Rice) dec. Tony Glace (T-B), 5-0.
126 — Ed Fowler (Wayne) dec. Jeff Aristed (T-B), 7-4.
132 — John Jeannotte (PS) dec. Glenn Strigow (T-B), 18-2.
138 — Tim Collins (PC) dec. Tom Kopsh (S-L), 5-1.
145 — Bill Rose (S-L) dec. Jim Ertman (Wayne), 7-5.
155 — Adam Siedlecki (T-B) pinned Prim Netto (Adrian), 0:35.

167 — Ab Hazen (Farmington) dec. Larry Gienki (MC), 12-7.
185 — Scott Wyke (EF) pinned Dominic Maccorm (Rice), 3:49.
198 — Jeff Borden (T-B) pinned Phil Abdo (MC), 3:47.

CONSOLATION FINALS

Heavyweight — Tracy Cine (Romulus) dec. Lyle Burrell (MC), 9-4.
98 — Rich Malta (Wayne) dec. Joe Mabolini (Romulus), 6-5.
105 — Carlos Johnson (Adrian) won by default over Dave Davis (Wayne).
112 — Bob Dameron (Salem) dec. Terry Brown (Adrian), 3-0.
119 — Mike Rossi (JG) dec. Chuckie Wilson (Romulus), 6-5.
126 — Tom Mack (GC) dec. Manar Abbo (S-L), 8-0.
132 — Terry Cornet (Rice) pinned Pat Cyrus (GC), 2:58.
138 — Bob Damosio (Monroe) dec. Dan Ziegler (NBH), 8-2.
145 — Scott Lucas (JG) dec. Larry Janiga (Canton), 12-4.
155 — Tom Forchione (JG) dec. Pat Schafer (Rice), 14-6.
167 — Bob Webb (Romulus) pinned Larry Combs (GC), 2:02.
185 — Mike Coombe (Monroe) dec. Vaughn Vair (JG), 6-0.
198 — Scott Purr (GC) pinned Dan Parvo (Farmington), 4:48.

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Central nips Bentley

Tom Cummings almost scored one basket too many Tuesday night in Walled Lake Central's 55-54 nonleague basketball victory over Livonia Bentley.

Cummings, who led Central with 17 points, took a 12-foot baseline shot at the wrong basket with one second remaining which, had the shot been good, would have left Bentley scratching its head with a one-point victory.

Dramatically, the ball bounced twice on the rim before falling harmlessly to the floor.

"I've never rooted so much for a shot by the other team to fall in all my life," said a bewildered Bentley Coach Tom Niemi.

However, Niemi added that his team should have had the lead all along.

"We played miserable in the first half," he said. "We didn't execute at the end. We didn't go to the floor like they did."

Marvin Rous led Bentley with 16 points, while teammate John White had 11 and 6-foot-8 center Phil Graczyk had 10 points and 11 rebounds. Bentley is 1-2.

Rob Gardner added 16 points for Central, while Clark Bock had 10.

STEVENSON 59, FARMINGTON 36: Bob Sluka, a 6-6 junior, tossed in 14 points and grabbed 11 rebounds to lead the undefeated Spartans in Western Lakes action Tuesday.

Stevenson, nursing a 37-27 lead after three quarters, outscored the Falcons 22-9 in the final stanza to raise its record to 4-0.

Todd Baggett and Tom Domako, a 6-8 forward, added 10 points each for Stevenson.

Coach George Van Wagoner was also pleased with the floor play of 6-2 point guard Rick Rozman (eight points) and the inside work of 6-5 senior Steve Russo (eight points).

Tim Carruthers led Farmington (0-2) with 10 points.

NOVI 44, CLARENCEVILLE 39: Dave Fisher made the best of a poor shooting night for both teams Tuesday, scoring 17 points to lead Novi in a nonconference battle.

Clarenceville shot a paltry 24 percent (15 of 64) from the field, while Novi hit 38 percent of its shots.

Rob McCamant led the Trojans (1-3) with 12 points.

Tully Gillick added 11 points for Novi, which lifted its record to 2-2.

The Wildcats enjoyed a 14-9 edge at the free throw line and outrebounded Clarenceville, 39-30.

Best spikers meet

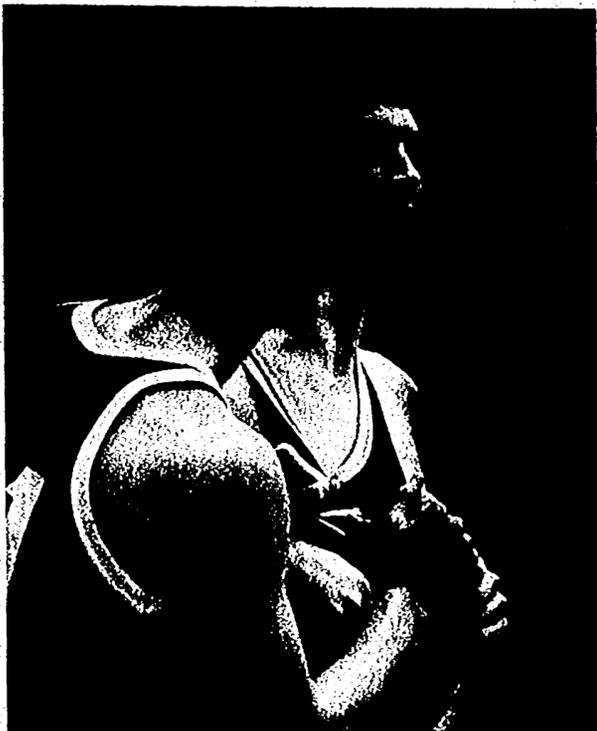
Several area schools will vie for the Yuletide Invitational volleyball crown Saturday at Henry Ford Community College.

The 10-team field includes Redford Bishop Burgess, last year's Catholic League champion; Livonia Franklin and Livonia Stevenson. Rounding out the field is last year's state Class A champ Wayne Memorial, Trenton, Dearborn Fordson, Ypsilanti, Howell, Madison Heights Bishop Foley and Gibraltar Carlson.

Teams will be divided into two pools, with the first and second place winners from each pool advancing to the semifinals followed by the championship match.

Play begins at 8:30 a.m. at the Athletic Memorial building. Admission is \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for students.

For more information, call HFCC athletic director Nancy Bryden at 271-2750, ext. 462.



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Tom Cummings (right) of Walled Lake Central is stunned after learning from teammate Robb Gardner that his last-second shot almost went in the wrong basket which would have given Bentley a victory.

Long layoff helps Wayne St. cager

By Brad Emons
staff writer

You would have never known Eric Thorderson was away from basketball for two years the way he played Monday night in Ypsilanti.

The 6-foot-6 swingman from Livonia Bentley scored 19 points in 25 minutes of action as his Wayne State team suffered a painful 61-59 loss to Eastern Michigan.

Thorderson returned last spring from Italy, where he served as a missionary for the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints — the Mormon Church.

"It's really remarkable the way Eric has come back and played," said WSU coach Charlie Parker. "Eric red-shirted his first year at Wayne, and I didn't know that much about him."

Thorderson also played well in Saturday night's four-point loss to the University of Detroit, contributing six points.

"I kind of set goals before the season started," said the soft-spoken sophomore with three years of eligibility left. "After Christmas I wanted to be a major factor on the team. When I was called I wanted to jump in there and do the best job I could."

"BUT I WANTED to take it kind of slow — set my goals gradually."

While in Italy and Sicily, Thorderson didn't have much time for basketball.

"My mission entailed working with the members, and letting people know about our religion," Thorderson explained. "It was a very disciplined time

schedule. We had one day off a week. On my day off I'd wash clothes, shop or play a little basketball — mostly shooting."

Thanks to a "two-month cram course," Thorderson learned to speak Italian. He now speaks the language fluently.

"I think I'm a better player now," he said. "It helped me get my mind together. But it takes awhile to get back in shape."

Thorderson worked out the kinks in his game during the summer at Wayne, playing with his teammates, or on the outdoor courts at Bentley.

His brother, Kurt, a member of the WSU squad two years ago, just returned from his mission in Argentina.

"ERIC was lucky because he came back in the spring," said Kurt, who plans to rejoin the team next season. "He was able to get back in shape during the summer."

"I just got back and I'm in no condition to play yet."

Eric's emergence could make the talent-laden Tartars that much tougher when the Great Lakes Conference season opens in January.

"He gives us a stabilizing force," Parker said. "He's smart and never takes a bad shot. He gives us a good dimension off the bench."

Trailing 35-26 at the half, WSU rallied to take the lead as soft-shooting Thorderson and Herb Bostic got hot.

Thorderson, a sound ball-handler and passer, was a major factor in the Tartars' breaking EMU's full-court press.

The Hurons, however, pulled out the victory as Fred Coffield, the game's high scorer with 26 points, hit a clutch basket in the final minute of play.

Schoolcraft College alum Phil Blevins, a 6-6 forward, came off to the bench to add 13 for EMU.

Both teams are now 3-3.

THE MODEST Thorderson, despite two solid performances, isn't talking about starting.

"I'll do just whatever coach Parker wants me to do," he said. "I feel more comfortable out front at the No. 2 guard, but Saturday I was playing down inside and had to guard Doug Chappell (U-D's center)."

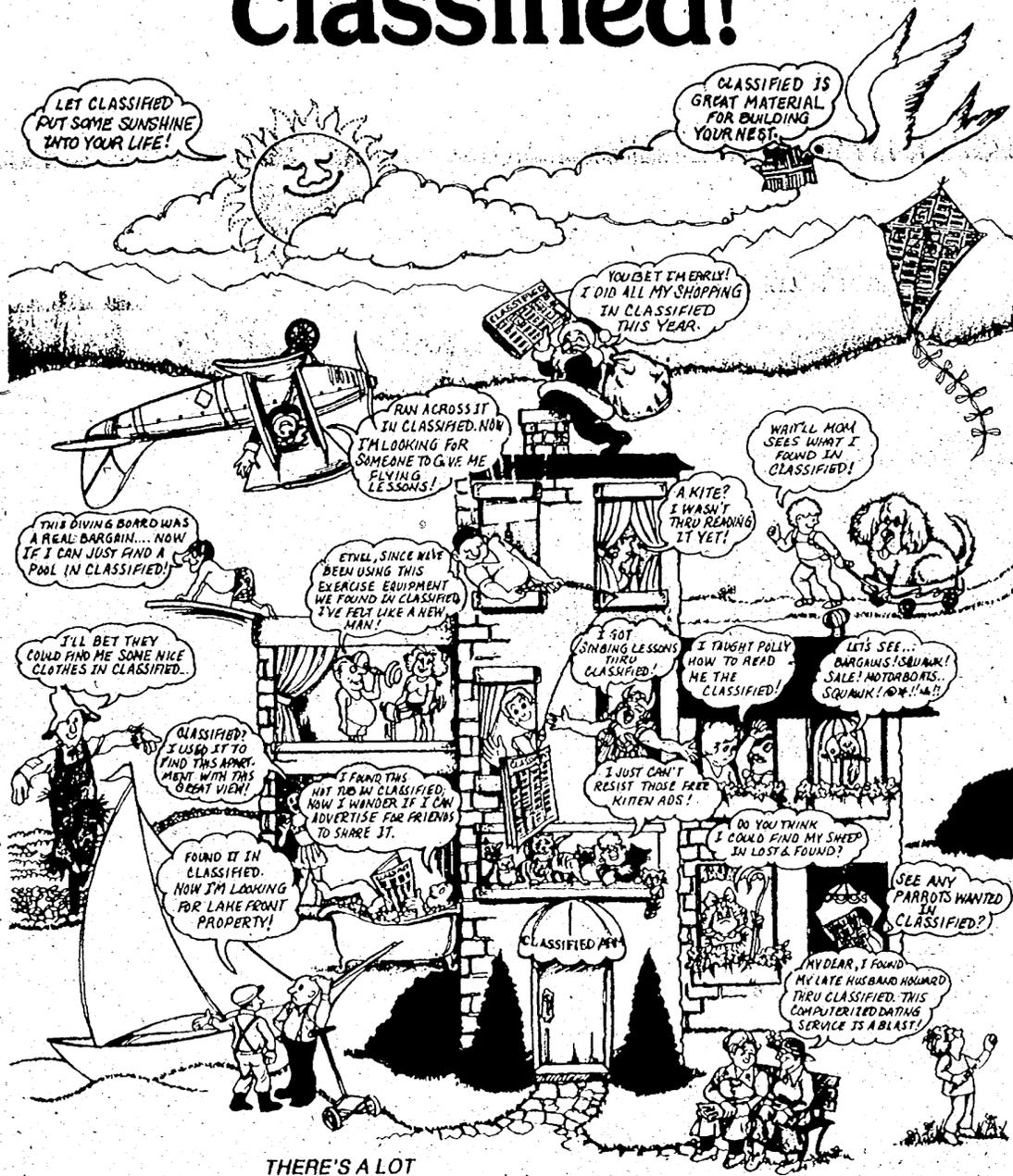
Despite the heart-breaking loss, Parker admitted that Thorderson is a pleasant surprise.

"Eric can make the good offensive and defensive play," said the WSU coach. "He's the type that can do that. Right now, though, I'd say he's more valuable off the bench."



Eric Thorderson

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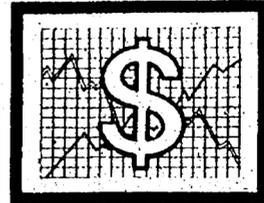
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Know your worth when drawing up a will

part I

Many people naively assume that a will drawn several years ago is still valid and can do the job. In almost all such cases, such a will is at best inadequate and at worst useless.

In a two-part article, we will touch upon some of the key elements that should be borne in mind in developing a valid will.

• **Your real worth.** Before you begin, you will need a clear picture of your taxable estate. Draw up a list of your property, estimate its value, and identify what is owned by each spouse. Then make a separate list of the as-

sets that will not be taxed in your estate (for example \$100,000 of death benefits paid from a pension plan are estate-tax free).

• **Unified credit.** Estate-tax exemptions are scheduled to increase over the next few years, reaching \$600,000 in 1987. However, that does not imply that you do not need any estate planning.

The first taxable dollar in your estate will be subjected to the marginal tax bracket of 34 percent.

• **Marital trust.** A married couple can avoid all levies on the death of the first spouse with the unlimited marital deduction. But all the property left to the surviving spouse can be taxed in his



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or her estate if it exceeds the exclusion amount.

You have to consider the total amount of estate taxes that must be paid upon the deaths of both spouses. The objective is to maximize the amount of estate that could be passed on to your children or your heirs.

One important consideration is to use

the exemption to the fullest to shelter your estate by leaving property to other heirs. The marital deduction will shelter any remaining property you leave your spouse, and only it will be taxed later.

• **Risiduary trust.** Another way to take the full benefit of the increasing exemptions is with a risiduary trust. It

is paid for with property up to the amount of the exemption.

Your surviving spouse gets the trust's income until death, when the balance passes to your children. Your spouse can also leave them property under his or her estate's exemption.

• **Joint ownership.** To minimize the estate-tax liability, each spouse should own property up to the amount of his or her exemption. The reason should be obvious.

If a spouse who owns little property dies first, the estate's exemption will go unused and will be wasted. To insure your double exemption, transfer assets during your lifetime.

The marital deduction will cover the transfer so you do not have to worry about any gift taxes. A note of caution should be added here.

If appreciated property is transferred within one year of death, it will not be entitled to a step-up tax if it returns to the surviving spouse.

Next week we will talk about additional considerations for drawing up a useful will.

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business people

W. Del Wisecarver of Livonia, president of the League for the Handicapped-Goodwill Industries, was re-elected president of the Michigan Association of Rehabilitation Facilities. Wisecarver is in his seventh year as a MARF board member and has just completed his first year as president.



Wisecarver

Dorothy C. Bokor of Garden City has been appointed assistant banking officer in the National Bank of Detroit's Eastern Regional banking division.

Gary S. Moss, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Moss of Livonia, has been elected a senior vice president for J. Walter Thompson USA advertising's Chicago office. Moss, who graduated from Bentley High School in 1967, holds a bachelor of science degree in marketing from Michigan State University.

Arthur Kramer, owner of the A.R. Kramer store in Livonia, was honored by Mannington Mills Inc. during a trip sponsored by the sheet vinyl flooring manufacturer. Kramer was inducted into the Inner Circle. Membership signified exceptional success in using the company's Gallery of Floors consumer display system.

Marcia M. Stroko of Livonia has been appointed a financial consultant with Shearson/American Express. She

will be working at the company's Renaissance Center office and will answer questions related to tax-advantaged investments, stocks, bonds, mutual funds or other aspects of the financial services industry.

Please submit black-and-white photographs, if possible, for inclusion in the business people column. While we value the receipt of photographs, we are unable to use every photograph submitted. If you want your photograph returned, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Indicate in a margin on the front of the photograph that you want it returned. We will do our best to comply with your request. Send information to business editor, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

business briefs

● GROWING RAPIDLY
Computer Methods Corp. of Livonia made Inc. magazine's list of the 500 fastest-growing companies in the United States. To qualify for the Inc. 500 rating, a company must be an independent, privately held corporation with a sales history of at least five years and with at least a 200-percent increase in sales from 1978 to 1982.

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Send information for business briefs to business editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Deadline is Monday for publication in the upcoming Thursday issue. If your item is about something to happen several weeks in the future, it will be run more than once, space permitting.

Don't overrate P/E ratio



today's investor

Thomas E. O'Hara

of the National Association of Investment Clubs

I bought stock in a company called Van Dorn in 1975, and my cost was \$8 a share. When I bought the stock, the company earned 94 cents a share, so I paid just about six times earnings for it. I have been taught to look for stocks that sell at about that price earnings ratio.

Recently the stock has been above \$25 a share. I had just about decided to sell the stock because the price earnings ratio is now nearly 20. I know when a stock sells at that high a price earnings ratio, it's in danger of an adjustment. Also, I have quadrupled my money and would have a very nice profit.

However, I just received a recommendation from my broker on this stock, in which he suggests it could go quite a bit higher. I have always found that it pays to buy stock with a low P/E and sell it when it gets high. Do you see where I may be making a mistake in this case?

Your general thinking seems good to me, but there is more to a price earnings ratio than just the number. First, it is necessary to relate price earnings ratio to the general state of the stock market.

We have just come through an 8- or 9-year period when price earnings have been at a cyclical low. Over long periods of time, we move from periods of

very little confidence in the stock market, when stocks in the Dow-Jones Industrials sell at about 6 or 7 times earnings, to periods of excessive confidence when they sell at 20-21 times.

We seem to be in a period now when we are making a probably long-term move from the lower end of that range to the higher range. This means the price earnings ratios that stocks sold at their highs in the last four or five years are likely to be exceeded in the future.

PRICE EARNINGS ratios are also affected by the nature of the particular company. Van Dorn has some aspects of its business that are severely influenced by the business cycle.

In the very bad period we have just come through, it had some volume declines and a substantial reduction in profits. So at this time, you have the price up and earnings down. The result of that is the company is selling at a very high price earnings ratio.

When you come out of a recession, the market begins to boost the price of

good quality stocks quite a while before their business is actually producing increased profits. This gives a high price earnings ratio, but the expectation is that the company's earnings will be coming up rapidly, and this will drop the P/E.

Thomas E. O'Hara of Bloomfield Hills is chairman of the board of trustees of the National Association of Investment Clubs and editor of Better Investing magazine. O'Hara welcomes questions and comments but will answer them only through this column. Readers who send in questions on a general investment subject or on a corporation with broad investor interest and whose questions are used will receive a free, one-year subscription to Better Investing. O'Hara will send a free copy of Better Investing magazine or information about investment clubs to any reader requesting it. Send 50 cents for postage and write Today's Investor, P.O. Box 220, Royal Oak 48068.

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WHAT'S IT WORTH?
A ratings guide to the movies

Bad	\$1
Fair	\$2
Good	\$3
Excellent	\$4

"Bells of St. Mary's" (1945), noon Friday on Ch. 9. Originally 126 minutes. **WARNING** - TV time slot: 120 minutes.

Bing Crosby is back as Father O'Malley in the sequel to "Going My Way," the most popular film of 1944. Ingrid Bergman co-stars as a nun trying to raise money for a parochial school, but the most curious element of this film are the sparks of forbidden love that fly between father and sister. Surely those sparks are unintentional but, all the same, they heat up an otherwise drab film.

Rating: \$2.85.

"To Catch a Thief" (1955), 1:40 Saturday night on Ch. 2. Originally 106 minutes. **WARNING** - TV time slot: 105 minutes.

So Cary Grant will be 80 shortly. He was 51 and, like co-star Grace Kelly, on top of the world when he starred in this Alfred Hitchcock film. It was also during filming in the south of France that Kelly would meet Prince Charming - er, Rainier. All that good fortune

and good friendship comes out in the film, which is one of Hitch's most excellent, least threatening and thoroughly enjoyable works. Jessie Royce Landis and John Williams co-star.

Rating: \$3.20.

"40 Pounds of Trouble" (1963), 4 p.m. Sunday on Ch. 50. Originally 106 minutes. TV time slot: 120 minutes.

Tony Curtis and Suzanne Pleshette

star in this bouncy and entertaining film - the first by director Norman Jewison, who would go on to direct such pictures as "In the Heat of the Night," "Fiddler on the Roof," "Jesus Christ Superstar" and many more memorable works. A Disneyland locale adds to the frivolity, as do co-stars Phil Silvers, Larry Storch, Howard Morris and Stubby Kaye. Children especially will get a kick out of this one, but adults won't tire from the pacing, either.

Rating: \$2.95.

"The Song of Bernadette" (1942), 11:40 p.m. Wednesday on Ch. 9. Originally 156 minutes.

Jennifer Jones made a smashing film debut as Bernadette, the peasant girl who experienced a vision of the Virgin Mary near Lourdes, France, in 1858. Jones won a best-actress Oscar for the role, a feat that represents the Motion Picture Academy's faith in Jones, who was 24 when she portrayed the 14-year-old Bernadette. Jones is convincing but the film, directed by pioneer filmmaker Henry King, drags. Charles Bickford, Vincent Price and Lee J. Cobb co-star.

Rating: \$2.70.

Saxophonist performs

Saxophonist Donald Sinta will be guest soloist when the Schoolcraft College Wind Ensemble presents a Christmas Concert at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Marquis Theater in downtown Northville. Last year Sinta performed in 15 states and in a world premiere in Stockholm, Sweden. The ensemble is under the direction of Victor A. Markovich. Tickets are \$4 for the general public, \$3 for students and senior citizens. Tickets will be available at the door.



Steelcase announces student art competition

Steelcase is inviting all Michigan university-level art students to enter Steelcase Student Art Competition I, the first student art search Steelcase has conducted in the nation.

Steelcase, headquartered in Grand Rapids, is a leading designer and manufacturer of office furniture.

"The artwork chosen will be displayed in the new Steelcase showroom in Southfield," said Jeff Block, architect/designer liaison for Steelcase in Detroit. "This will provide architects and designers an opportunity to see the variety and quality of Michigan student art."

The Steelcase Detroit office is requesting that Michigan students submit 35 mm color slides of artwork in four categories: sculpture, ceramics and pottery, prints and mixed media. The deadline for entries is Friday, Dec. 16.

THE ENTRY judged "Best of Show" will be awarded a \$500 scholarship. Top winners in each category will receive \$300 scholarships; second-place winners in each category will receive scholarships of \$150.

Block said that entries in the sculpture category can be in any medium, including marble, glass, wood and cast polyester.

The print category could include silkscreens, lithographs or photographs, with a size limitation of 3 feet by 5 feet maximum, 8 inches by 8 inches minimum.

Ceramic and pottery pieces should

be high quality, decorative pieces with a finish and scale appropriate for an office environment.

The mixed media category could include oils, acrylics, watercolors, pastels, and should be suitable for hanging on fixed walls or system furniture panels, according to Block.

"A panel of Michigan artists and designers will review the slides and determine which art selections qualify for further consideration," Block said. Actual artwork will be submitted to the judges at the Steelcase showroom in Southfield on Jan. 9.

ON JAN. 12, the selected artwork will be displayed at an open house at the Steelcase Detroit Showroom. The students, Michigan architects, designers, facility managers and Steelcase clients will be invited. Awards will be presented on that day.

Steelcase Detroit Student Art Competition judges include Robert Kidd, noted artist and owner of Robert Kidd Gallery in Birmingham; Charles A. Lewis, curator of education, Detroit Institute of Arts; Joyce Bromberg, senior interior designer at Steelcase; and Terry West, Steelcase manager of architect-designer programs.

Students wishing to submit slides of their art to the competition may send as many entries as desired to: Steelcase Inc., 3000 Town Center, Suite 80, Concourse B, Southfield, Mich. 48075. Attention: Art Competition.

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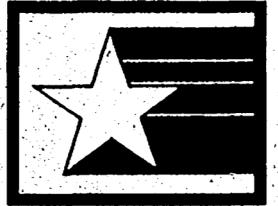
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TV shows give new talent a chance



BILL BREBLER/staff photographer

Lisa LiGreci practices at home, accompanied by husband Joe, who plays in a band called Smokin' that she occasionally sings with.

By James Windell
special writer

REMEMBER, DREAMS really do come true right here on the "Saturday Night Music Machine," says Curtis Gadson on WDIV-TV's prime-time talent showcase.

The dream that could come true and not only could but does propel most talented people is the big one: Getting discovered. That's the bait that draws hundreds of talented area people to audition for the "Saturday Night Music Machine" as well as several other local and national talent-competition television shows.

And there probably isn't an entertainer alive who hasn't at one time or another in his or her career hoped for the big break.

That dream never seems to change. The venues and the shows and opportunities do. Once there were TV shows like "The Auntie Dee Show" and Ted Mack's "Amateur Hour." Now there's "Star Search," "Saturday Night Music Machine" and "Stars of Tomorrow."

BUT GETTING ON one of these shows isn't a breeze. That's what Rebecca Wheeler found out when she and her trio (Tap, Ltd.) went for an audition.

"Mary (Frankfurth), Barb (Hamel) and I went down to the studio four or five times for auditions in front of audiences," said Wheeler, a pianist and singer who lives in West Bloomfield. "Finally, out of about 400 auditions, they chose about 12 acts for the first four shows. We were one of the groups selected."

Singing in an Andrews Sisters style, Wheeler and her two partners appeared on the Dec. 10 "Saturday Night Music Machine." They didn't win (three acts compete against each other) but Wheeler said it was a great time.

'I hope it leads to a good band offer or possibly some work in some studios.'

— Lisa LiGreci
Canton singer

"It was a lot of fun, and we got some exposure in Detroit," she said. "It's a lot of hours but it's worth it."

Wheeler and Frankfurth already have a fulltime career as performers in a show that runs regularly at the Holly Hotel. For other area talents, though, the need to get exposure and be discovered is more critical.

TAKE DOMINIK Certo, for instance. Certo is a singer who lived with his parents in Livonia — until recently. He was selected to sing as one of the three contestants on the very first "Saturday Night Music Machine." However, he didn't wait around to see if the increased exposure would lead to anything good for his fledgling music career.

"He taped the show and then moved to California," reports his mother.

Certo was impatient to get on with his career and figured Los Angeles was the place to be. "I'm not counting on anything happening," he told his parents as he left for the West Coast.

Strange things do happen in the entertainment business. An Atlantic Records representative saw Certo sing on the Sept. 7 show and has contacted his parents, indicating interest in his career.

ANOTHER SHOW that is produced locally refers to itself as a showcase for young Detroit-area talent. Now in its second season, WJBK-TV's "Stars of Tomorrow" proved a turning point for one young girl.

After 13-year-old Lisa Evans appeared on one "Stars of Tomorrow" show, she was invited back and appeared on the program for 12 weeks. She admits it was exposure, despite the hard work and long hours. It helped her settle some questions about her life, however.

"She learned the difficulties of dancing on a regular show," said her mother, Mrs. Melvin Evans of Westland. "The hours of rehearsal were very long, and she had to be at those rehearsals and still do her homework. She either had to accept that this was the way it was going to be as a dancer or she would have had to give it up."

The turning point was in the direction of a dance career. Lisa is now at Interlochen on a dance scholarship and will study in New York next summer with the David Howard ballet company.

Mark Barnowski knows a lot about the long, hard climb toward success in the music business. Just 25, Mark along with his six brothers and sisters who form the music group Relation, have been at it since 1976.

OVER THE YEARS there has been an album, a single that got national airplay, and engagements at nightclubs in Lake Tahoe and Reno. But Relation is still waiting for the big record hit and the elusive Big Break.

The group may have gotten it last week when Mark sang on the nationally syndicated TV show "Star Search" (seen locally Saturday nights on WKBD-TV, Channel 50). Singing a song written by him and his brothers Steve and Wally, the Bloomfield Township resident represented his whole family when he made his solo vocal debut.

Though he didn't win in his category, Barnowski wasn't discouraged. "The exposure is real good," said Mark, who on the show used the last name Edwards. "I think this song will help expose the group enough to get national attention from a major record label."

Relation and Mark Barnowski are further up the entertainment success ladder than some other local talents.

Lisa LiGreci is a 24-year-old singer who has been doing the local club scene for six years. As a lead singer for the band Smokin' she at least had steady work.

BUT SHE WANTS more. Like more time off to play with her baby and more daytime gigs instead of late-night scenes in bars.

So she jumped at the chance to appear on "Saturday Night Music Machine." "When they called me," she said, "I went down for an audition the next day."

Her performance has been taped for a future show, but LiGreci hopes that more comes of it than just exposure. "I know no producer is going to see the show and just call me up," said the Canton singer. "But I hope it leads to a good band offer or possibly some work in some studios."

Birmingham's Russell Park is hoping that his three-minute song on the same show will lead to work in area lounges. He hasn't worked in the local night spots enough to tire of them yet.

"I play a lot of weddings but I haven't been out in a club in a while," said Park, 22. He is hoping that will change when the "Saturday Night Music Machine" show he taped airs in January 1984.

"It was the biggest thing I've ever done," he said, "and it was exciting for me to just be on the show. What I wanted most out of the show was exposure, and I think I'll get that."

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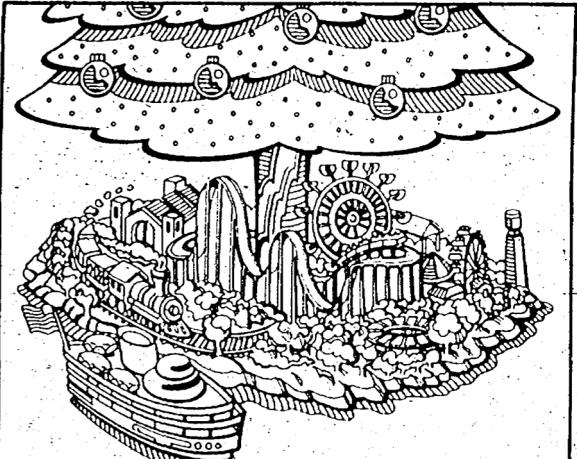
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Pianist emerges as major talent

By Avigdor Zaromp
special writer

While enthusiasm for classical music among the general population could never match the fervent, religious worship of Rock Idols, the supply of gifted young artists seems to be plentiful these days.

Thus, the competition for a place at the top, with universal acclaim and recognition, is a fierce and unrelenting contest, indeed.

One talent in our midst who deserves attention and recognition is Polish-born pianist Leszek Bartkiewicz. After having studied at the most prestigious institutions in his native Poland, he came to this country in 1981 and is currently studying for his doctorate at the University of Michigan.

His latest performance was given at the Birmingham Temple. He was joined by another gifted young artist — Borivoj Martinic-Jercic. This 23-year-old violinist, born in Yugoslavia, came to this country in 1978 and is studying at U.M.

A THIRD talent in this event was William Shapiro, M.D., who combines successfully his substantial musical talent as a pianist with his medical career.

I have heard Bartkiewicz on a couple previous occasions. While great potential was evident on those occasions, my enthusiasm for his performance was less than total.

In view of this latest performance, my evaluation has to be substantially revised. Bartkiewicz is definitely emerging as a talent to be reckoned with.

The program consisted of works by Liszt, Beethoven, Chopin, Kreisler, Brahms and Prokofiev. On an overall basis, the performance in the Beethoven and Prokofiev works was the most impressive.

The program opened with Liszt's Transcendental Etude in F minor, which is an extremely technically demanding piece. Bartkiewicz has conquered most of the technical difficulties, but there were still some rough edges.

The following Sonata No. 7 in C minor for Piano and Violin by Beethoven was one of the highlights of the evening. The roaring piano passages were well integrated with the bright, colorful violin sound. Each of the four movements aptly conveyed its unique mood.

The final movement was easily flowing, with the themes switching most naturally from instrument to instru-

review

ment. Violinist Jercic also participated in two shorter compositions — the Tambourin Chénols by Kreisler and the Hungarian Dance No. 1 by Brahms.

He displayed good technique and virtuosity in the Kreisler piece, but ran into some difficulties in the Brahms.

Beethoven was also represented with his short seven piano Bagatelles. While this is not the pinnacle of Beethoven's music, Bartkiewicz's performance gave these pieces meaning and substance.

He was temporarily agitated after having hit a wrong note at the end of one of these Bagatelles, but he regained his composure to pull off a fine performance.

THE POLONAISE in A Flat Major by Chopin is one of the composer's most popular pieces, as well as one of the most difficult. For the most part, Bartkiewicz presented a momentous and brilliant performance of this work, even though it wasn't flawless.

Among the flaws were the parallel, ascending scales. But he handled well the difficult, rapid left hand octaves.

The program was capped with a two piano arrangement of Prokofiev's Concerto in D Flat Major for Piano and Orchestra. The second piano was played by Shapiro, who displayed a remarkable ability in this role, which was his only one on the program.

The sparkling and spirited performance for both pianists did justice to this youthful composition. The cascading piano passages with the sprightly dashes were most refreshing. The substitution for the second piano for the orchestra didn't seem to detract substantially from the charm of this work.

Bartkiewicz was the dominant performer in this program and we should be hearing more of him in the future. The ability of his colleagues shouldn't be underestimated. They deserve more exposure, whereupon their potential can be more accurately appraised.



In 'Nutcracker'

Julie Pollack of Bothfield is a Spanish dancer from the Kingdom of the Sweets in the Oakway Symphony Orchestra production of "The Nutcracker" ballet at 3 p.m. Sunday at Mercy High School Auditorium in Farmington Hills. James Dunne will be guest artist, dancing with the Contemporary Civic Ballet Company directed by Rose Marie Floyd. Tickets are \$7 for general admission, \$4 for students and older persons. For more information, call 478-6544.

Ehrling conducts excellent program

By Ruth Zaromp
special writer

This week we had the opportunity to see Maestro Sixten Ehrling at a level of greatness that we haven't seen for the last couple of years.

On Thursday evening, he was a spry, slender, agile conductor, who showed complete control of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and provided us with an excellent musical program.

The first piece, Howard Hanson's Symphony No. 2, written in 1930, was nicknamed "Romantic."

In comparison to some of the music which was written in the 1930s, this is extremely tonal.

It has extremely rich orchestral properties which enhance the depth of polyphonic music. Classical harmony is used throughout.

To quote the composer, "The symphony represents escape from the rather bitter type of modern musical realism which occupies so large a place in contemporary thought. Much contemporary music seems to be showing a tendency to become entirely too cerebral."

THE MELODIC themes in this music were based on ideas that one might find in the accompaniments of predecessors, such as Mozart, Haydn, or Handel, but these accepted depth when provided with richer harmonies and substance by the orchestra.

The intermingling and the discourses among the different types of instruments was superb. It is my opinion that this piece of music should be presented to the audience on a more frequent basis.

The second and major piece of music performed was Wagner's Act I of "Die Walkure." This, of course, was done within the limitations of the orchestra and singer without the addition of scenery and explicit acting.

Even so, the part of Sieglinde, performed by soprano Siv Wennberg, was done with the action in mind.

This was evident in the make-up, the facial expressions, the actions, as well as the singing itself. Wennberg was a very convincing Sieglinde, her voice indicating delicacy of expression as well as delicacy of spirit.

James King, who portrayed Siegmund, on the

other hand, gave a beautiful vocal presentation, but didn't show as much acting ability as Wennberg did. Arthur Korn portraying Hunding, again didn't portray much action although his voice was in excellent form. This is basically a thing to be expected in an orchestral presentation of an opera.

However, at least at one point, when Siegmund and Sieglinde were supposed to embrace as the finale and focal point of finding each other, the action was clearly missed.

The orchestra performed excellently, integrating with the singers and reiterating the main themes in between the arias. Notable was Italo Babin's cello solo after Sieglinde's part offering water to Siegmund.

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Table talk

Christmas lights

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Holiday buffet

Northfield Hilton's Holiday Buffet will be served on Christmas Day in the Wicker Works restaurant. The buffet, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., includes roast duckling, breast of chicken in champagne sauce, seafood mornay, roast baron of beef and carved honey-glazed ham, plus side dishes and desserts. Children may get their photos taken with Santa Claus. The staff will be dressed as elves. For reservations, call 879-2100.

Family feast

The Troy Hilton Inn will host a holi-

day brunch from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Christmas Day. It's priced at \$7.50 for adults, \$6.50 for senior citizens and children over 3. Children under 3 eat free. For reservations, call 583-9000.

Buffet brunch

L.J. Loophole's restaurant at the Sheraton-Southfield Hotel in Southfield will offer a Christmas Day Buffet Brunch from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Carved steamship round of beef, carved whole roast turkey, seafood newburg and chicken cashew are the main attractions. A salad bar, potatoes, vegetables and a dessert table complete the menu. Prices are \$6.95 for adults, \$3.95 for children under 10. For reservations, call 557-4800, ext. 2287 or 2281.

Michigan dinner

An All-Michigan Menu at \$30 per setting was served recently at a Michigan Dinner Night at the Santa Fe Bar & Grill in Berkeley, Calif. Some of the specialties "imported" from Michigan were apple cider preserves, butter, beans, wild elderberries, smoked chub, pheasant, morel mushrooms, white fish caviar and smoked buffalo sausage.

English feast

An Old English Holiday Feast will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Dec. 27-28, at the Lark, 6430 Farmington Road, north of Maple Road in West Bloomfield. The first course is Melton Mowbray Pie with Cumberland Sauce, followed by Broiled Oysters with Bacon, or Prawn Bisque, then Grilled Fresh Dover Sole a la Me-

niere. After palate-refreshing English Apple Cider Sorbet is a main course of Roast Goose with sausage, sage and onion dressing, accompanied by braised celery and chestnuts. English Trifle for dessert, then Stilton Cheese Savory and a glass of Sandeman Founders Reserve Oporto Wine, and afterward tea or coffee completes the meal. Price is \$49.50 per person; tax and gratuity is additional. English music to accompany the feast will include both madrigal and carols. For further information, call 661-4466.

Winter feast

An American Winter Feast is being offered every Wednesday during December at the Meating Place, 4105 Orchard Lake Road, Orchard Lake. The menu includes Tomato Cabbage Soup, Rabbit Terrine with Chestnuts or Pike Quenelles with Cranberry Sauce, Chicory and Romaine Salad with Oil and Lemon Dressing, Sweet Potato Puree, Turkey Breast Oklahoma — or Lake Superior Whitefish with Julienne of Vegetables and Vermouth Sauce, Dill Toasts and Banana Nut Bread. The entire meal is \$12.95.

Mama & Pasta's

The accent is on homemade pasta, with freshly made sauces, and chicken dishes at Chuck Muer's new Mama & Pasta restaurant at 3511 Michigan, Wayne. Customers can see the pasta being made while they sit at their tables, and there is a daily pasta special. Chicken cacciatore and Julienne breast of chicken sauteed with fresh vegetables are among menu items. Muer's restaurant empire began with seafood specialties but has been ex-

panding to include other kinds of popular entrees. A seafood offering here is Fresh Boston Scrod with fusilli noodles. Lunch is served weekdays and dinner Mondays-Saturdays. The restaurant seats 165 customers, the cocktail lounge 25.

Menu guide

"Dining Showcase 1984," a restaurant and menu guide, has been distributed to Southfield households by Restaurant Promotion Associates of West Bloomfield. The guide includes reprints of menus and information, along with gift certificates from the 38 participating restaurants. This is the third annual edition prepared by Howard E. Tyner, resident of Restaurant Promotion Associates. The other guides have been distributed in West Bloomfield and Troy.

Makes pastries

Pastry Chef Chuck Olson has put together an array of pastries made on the premises at the Rhinoceros in the Warehouse District near Detroit's riverfront. Among desserts are Windsor tortes; chocolate-walnut mousse cake; fresh fruit pies; and puff pastry with chocolate mousse, raspberry jam, orange marmalade, fresh fruit, whipped cream and coconut.

'A la carte' eve

The Kingsley Inn in Bloomfield Hills again will offer "a la carte" partying this New Year's Eve, Saturday, Dec. 31. Dinner will be offered from 4:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. with a special menu and prices starting at \$11.95 for dinner. Live entertainment will be available in three rooms, with the group Medallion playing for singing and dancing in the Athenian Hunt Room, Charlie Dubin at the piano in

the dining rooms, and Pogo at the piano bar in the lounge. There is no cover charge. Brunch will be served from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, New Year's Day, and dinner starting at 2

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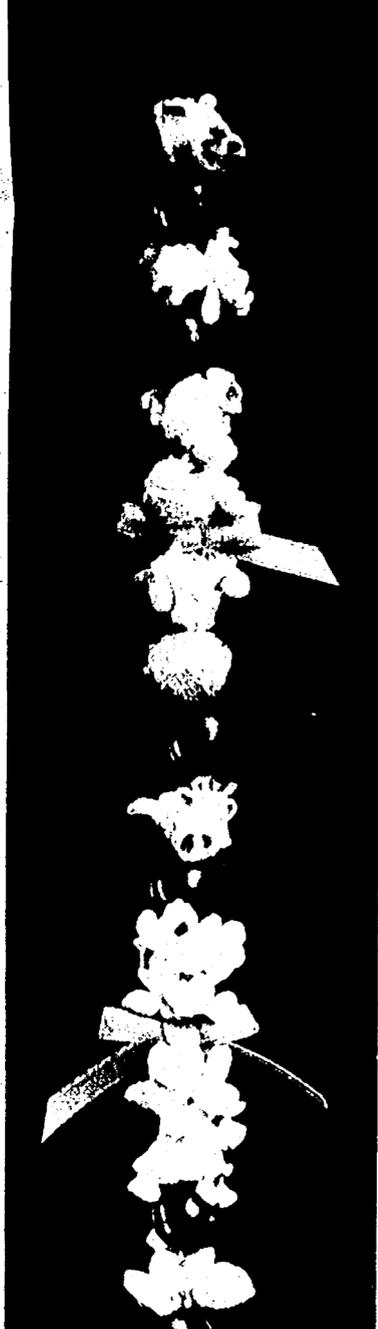
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upcoming things to do

● POLISH CAROLS

The Polonaise Chorale sings Polish Christmas Carols (Chor "Polonez" Splewa Koledy), under the direction of Bronislaw P. Siarkowski, will give a concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, at Madonna College, Activities Center, 35500 Schoolcraft at Levan in Livonia. The Polish Christmas Carols will be performed by mixed and female choruses of the Polonaise Chorale, a soprano soloist, Danuta Siarkowski, accompanied by Bronislaw Siarkowski. The program includes several English carol selections, a harp solo and some poetry readings in Polish and English. Valerie Denzin, Frank Kowal and Mary Wallig of Redford are singing members of the Polonaise Chorale. For further information call 484-7998, 939-3007 or 886-7425.

● DESSERT THEATER

The Garden City Parks and Recreation Department is offering a Family Dessert Theater presentation by Gemini, a folk duo, at 2:30 and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20, at Maplewood Community Center's Multi-Purpose Room, 31735 Maplewood. The afternoon show is geared toward families with children. Sandor and Laszlo Slo-movits, Hungarian-born twins, sing and play a number of unusual instruments. The \$2 admission price includes dessert and beverage. Tickets are on sale at the community center, phone 421-0610.

● BENEFIT PERFORMANCE

Fred Travena, singer-impressionist, will do a benefit performance for Southfield's Providence Hospital on Friday, Jan. 20, at Ford Auditorium in downtown Detroit. Travena will perform more than three dozen of the 100-plus impressions in his repertoire in a one-man show backed by the Johnny Trudell Orchestra. Travena's trademark impression is that of Frank Sinatra. Tickets are \$15, \$25 and sponsors \$100. Sponsors are being invited to a reception for Travena after the show. For more information call the Providence Hospital Foundation at 552-9001.

● OAKWAY'S WASSAIL

England in the 16th century is the setting for Oakway Symphony Orchestra's second Wassail — a feast of sights and sounds — to be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 27, at Madonna College's Residence Hall Dining Room at Schoolcraft and Levan roads in Livonia. Entertainment includes the Dave Jorlett Singers, the Perpsichorean Ensemble (Renaissance dancers) and medieval instrumentalists Upercan Consort. The menu includes hot cider, platters of cheese and French bread, whole cornish hens with apple dressing and walnuts, and plum pudding. An open bar is provided. Tickets are \$20 per reveler. Tables for six or 10 may be reserved. For reservations call 476-6544 or 591-5046, or purchase tickets at Madonna College or Hammell Music.

● LAUREN BACALL

"Woman of the Year," starring Lauren Bacall in her Tony Award-winning role, begins performances at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 23, at the Masonic Temple Theatre in Detroit. The musical comedy also stars Harry Guardino in his original Broadway role. Marilyn Cooper appears in her Tony Award-winning role for best featured actress in a musical. She sings only a one-song duet with Bacall, entitled "The Grass Is Always Greener," and is a show stopper. Also, in the cast is Kathleen Freeman as Helga, the imperious housekeeper. Freeman recently appeared at Detroit's Fisher Theatre in "Annie." For ticket information call 652-2232 or 872-1000.

● BENEFIT CONCERT

The Society Cabaret will present "Music for Words," a benefit concert for the Detroit Public Library's "Keep the Doors Open" campaign, at 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, at St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, in downtown Detroit. Featured bands are Society, What If Thinking, Changing Bodies, Mechanix and Private Angst. Tickets are \$6 in advance or \$5 at the door for those who bring a can of food for the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. For more information call 833-4044 or 721-7605.

● REPERTORY THEATER

Performances of "Valesa, a Nightmare," continue through New Year's Eve at the Detroit Repertory Theatre, 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. The docu-drama "Valesa" was recently smuggled out of beleaguered Poland. All seats are \$6. Bar privileges are \$1 additional. For ticket information call 868-1347.

● PLAYS ALEXANDER'S

The Latin salsa band Amigo is being featured in shows from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. through Saturday, Dec. 17; Wednesday-Friday, Dec. 21-23, and Wednesday-Friday, Dec. 28-30, at Alexander's, 4255 Woodward, between Mack and Warren avenues, in Detroit. Cover charge is \$2.

● MUSICAL COMEDY

"Sleeping Beauty," a musical comedy for children and grownups, will be staged at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20 and 27; 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21 and 28, and 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, at the Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main, Northville. Tickets at \$3 are available at the door, or they may be obtained by calling 349-8110 or 349-0868.

● MUSIC FESTIVAL

Focus: HOPE will present its 15th annual Holiday Music Festival, featuring top Detroit jazz, folk, gospel and theater music performers, from 2:30-7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, in the Grand Ballroom of the Book Cadillac Hotel in downtown Detroit. Performers include Ortheia Barnes, Barbara Bredius, Ron Coden, Phil Marcus Esser, Chuck Mitchell, Dean Rutledge, Josh White Jr., and the Lyman Woodard Organization. Tickets for reserved seating are \$12.50 per person. For reservations or information call Focus: HOPE at 883-7440 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

● 'FAMILY CHRISTMAS'

"A Family Christmas," with music, song and drama using American Sign Language, continues for a second Sunday at 2 p.m. Dec. 18 at the Actors Alliance Theatre Company, at Lycee International, 30800 Evergreen, Southfield. The production is offered by Actors Alliance's group called the Open Door, which features hearing and hearing-impaired actors. Tickets are \$3 for adults, \$1 for children. For further information, call 642-1326 or (TTY) 358-4697.

● AT FOLKTOWN

Chuck Mitchell will perform at Folktown at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, at the Southfield Civic Center, Parks and Recreation Building, on Civic Center Drive. In the heyday of folk, Mitchell played at such clubs as the Chessmate, with his then-wife Joni, and the Retort. He also was a favorite at the Raven Gallery. This is a rare appearance in the area by Mitchell, who has moved to Iowa. Admission is \$5.

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exhibitions

- **EARLY ISLAMIC ART**
The first showing of 10th through 13th century textiles from the Detroit Institute of Art's permanent collection will run through Jan. 8 at the Institute, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. The garment fragments on display were found in the burial grounds of Old Cairo and sites in Upper Egypt, where they were preserved by the dry climate.
- **ITALIAN 18TH-CENTURY DRAWINGS**
Drawn from a period when Venetian art was the most important in Italy, 65 works in the exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Arts reflect diverse subjects and styles from religious studies to caricatures. Artists include Canaletto, Francesco and Giacomo Guardi and Giambattista Tiepolo. The exhibit will run through Jan. 15.
- **CONTEMPORARY PHOTOGRAPHS**
More than 100 photographs dating from 1960 to 1983 will be shown at the Detroit Institute of Arts through Feb. 5. Included in the display are works by Diane Arbus, Howard Bond, Harry Callahan, Elliott Erwitt and Ralph Gibson.
- **BLIXT GALLERY**
A two-man show of the photographs of Jay Asquini and William Pelletier, entitled "Downriver and Upstream," will be on exhibit through Jan. 8 at the Blixt Gallery, 229 Nickels Arcade, Ann Arbor. Asquini's subject is people going about their daily lives. The photographs were taken in Detroit's downriver area. Pelletier's photographs were taken in the woods of Vermont. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, and by appointment.
- **DE GRAAF FORSYTHE GALLERIES**
Fifteen paintings and 10 drawings by David Miretsky will be displayed through Jan. 5 at De Graaf Forsythe Galleries, 201 Nickels Arcade, Ann Arbor. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday and by appointment.
- **VALDEMAR'S GALLERIES UPSTAIRS**
A panoramic view of the Oriental print will be shown this month at Valdemar's Galleries Upstairs, 103 S. Ann Arbor St., Saline. Graphics and related arts from the 17th through 20th centuries will be exhibited and sold. For information, call 429-7864.
- **DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS**
"Design in America: The Cranbrook Vision 1925-1950" is a major exhibition of the wealth of architecture and design in our midst. The influence of Cranbrook Academy of Art on 20th century life is traced and documented with 240 masterworks from public and private collections. Continues through Feb. 19. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Free public tours at 12:15 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 1 p.m. Sunday, 5200 Woodward, Detroit.
- **YAW GALLERY**
Ancient Peruvian weaving and a group of small objects are on display through the holiday season, 550 N. Woodward, Birmingham.
- **PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS**
Works by five photojournalists — Manny Cristomo, David Turnley, Hugh Grannum, Taro Yamasaki and Todd Weinstein — are on display through Jan. 7. Titled "Personal Focus," the content includes Turnley's color photos from Lebanon as well as Weinstein's people in an urban environment. Yamasaki, a Pulitzer Prize winner, shows his black and whites dealing with a migrant worker camp in Florida. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 407 Pine, Rochester.
- **FIRST FEDERAL OF MICHIGAN**
"Bears," a show of stuffed and stitched art by Carolyn Vosburg Hall of Birmingham, is on display in the main office lobby window through the holidays. Hall is an artist, author of six books on soft sculpture, stitched and stuffed art and innovator par excellence. First Federal is at 1001 Woodward, Detroit.
- **DETROIT GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY CRAFTS**
Holiday show emphasizes functionalism in items ranging from blown perfume bottles, ceramic trivets, handwoven ties and leather baby shoes to cookware, notecards, wearables and jewelry. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, until 7 p.m. Dec. 19-23, 301 Fisher Building Detroit.
- **ALICE SIMSAR GALLERY**
Works by gallery artists will continue through Jan. 18. Included are Garo Antreslan, David Lee Brown, John Brusdon, Laura Shecter, Julian Stanczak, Jean Weibbaum and Vasa and Adja Yunkers. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Closed Dec. 25 to Jan. 2, 301 N. Main, Ann Arbor.
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- **RUBINER GALLERY**
Holiday exhibition of paintings, sculpture and graphics includes works by Aviva Robinson, Susan Crile, Sherron Francis, Jeanne Tennent, David Tammany, Marjorie Hecht, Chuang Che, Glen Michaels, Larry Zox, Kikio Saito, Robert Roesch, Darryl Hughto, Nancy Thayer and Fritz Mayhew. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, until 5 p.m. Saturday, 7001 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 430A, West Bloomfield.
- **ROBERT L. KIDD ASSOCIATES GALLERY**
"Update Cranbrook," includes works by 62 alumni and faculty of Cranbrook Academy of Art. Organized to complement the big Cranbrook show at Detroit Institute of Arts. Continues through Jan. 28. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 107 Townsend, Birmingham.
- **HABATAT GALLERIES/VENTURE GALLERY**
Works by William Carlson and Stephen Weinberg continue at Habatat Galleries are on exhibit through the month. Bennet Bean's glazed and painted ceramic vessels are on display at Venture Gallery (on the street level) through December. Bean exchanges clay for canvas for his beautiful, painterly work. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, until 9 p.m. Friday, 28235 Southfield, Lathrup Village.

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At Greenfield Village

Great Christmas ideas of the past

By Mary Klemic
staff writer

A visit to Greenfield Village in Dearborn this month offers more than history lessons.

Structures at the Henry Ford Museum and the village contain a wealth of decorating ideas for Christmas present from Christmases past. They show that Victorian style flourishes and lush decors may never be outdated.

Do-it-yourselfers who want to have an old-fashioned Christmas may make their own period tree ornaments and greeting cards from the 19th century. Demonstrations on how to make the ornaments are taking place in the museum this month.

CHRISTMAS AS a holiday developed during the 19th century. Americans borrowed customs from Europe and combined them with new ideas, Greenfield Village guides say.

At that time, how Christmas was celebrated depended on one's religious beliefs. The Amish and Mennonites in Michigan, for example, didn't celebrate the holiday as much as the English, Germans and others of other religions did.

In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, people turned to such publications as the Ladies Home Journal, Farm and Home, and Successful Housekeeper for holiday decorating tips. Both rural and urban homes abounded with the lavish, romantic touches that characterized the Victorian style of that era.

Tabletop trees were popular at first, covered with natural and homemade ornaments. As seen in Henry Ford's 1870s home, American flags were added to the branches in honor of the country's centennial. Candles were placed on the branches, but almost never lit because they were much too hazardous. If the tree candles were lit at all, it was only for a brief time on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. A bucket of water was kept right by the tree, ready to douse it if necessary.

GREEN BRANCHES were placed behind every picture on the wall, guide Jackie Maist pointed out. "The more, the better," she said.

Livonia resident Jim Brodick, a guide in the Wright brothers' home, said that store-bought ornaments became popular at the turn of the century. Full-size trees, like the one in the brothers' home, provided room for more ornaments.

Visitors to the Wrights' home in Greenfield Village see that it is filled with laurel and poinsettia plants. Wreaths hang on the stairway banister.

Greenery surrounds a mantelpiece and frames the sides of the fireplace.

The Wright home illustrates that tables can be decorated as well as the rooms. Napkins are folded to form a pocket, crown, tiara or water lily. Holly, pine or ornaments could be placed in the napkins, guides said. Or napkin rings were used, each one slightly different from another to mark the place settings.

Corners of a tablecloth at the home are gathered up and a ribbon pinned in place. Two red ribbon runners, with Christmas shapes cut out and sewn onto them, are laid on the tablecloth.

A VISIT TO the Heinz home shows that traditional holiday treats included peanut brittle and molasses taffy. Spiced nuts usually were set out for company at this time. Pretzels were popular seasonal treats, as each resembled hands folded in prayer, according to guides in the home.

If you would like to plan your holiday meal according to that of 100 or so years ago, a visit to the Eagle Tavern, a stage stop and inn of the 1850s, could be in order. The food may have been the same as today — turkey, cranberries and pumpkin pie — but the preparation was somewhat different. The turkey was cooked in a tin reflector by the fireplace, while the pie was baked in a pot covered with hot coals.

Homemade ornaments of this era, seen throughout Greenfield Village, include popcorn strings and paper chains. Walnuts are wrapped in foil, coated or painted and hung from the tree. Cone ornaments are filled with nuts and homemade candies.

A demonstration at the museum shows how to make a cone ornament, using a paper cone, foil, a dolly and ribbon.

FIRST, THE cone is wrapped with the foil. Slits and a small hole are cut in the center of the dolly so it could slip onto the cone, and it is glued in place. Two holes, one opposite the other, are punched near the top of the cone and a ribbon is tied through them to form a handle. Holiday stickers could be added to the sides of the cone.

Visitors to the Henry Ford Museum this month can hear about other holiday traditions. "First hands" — almost character portrayals of the Victorian era St. Nick, cartoonist Thomas Nast, "The Night Before Christmas" author Clement Moore and Sarah Rorer, food editor of the Ladies Home Journal during the 1890s, will be on hand. Brodick is scheduled to portray Nast in some appearances.

For information, call Greenfield Village at 271-1620.



Photos by JIM JAGOFFELD/staff photographer

Jim Brodick of Livonia, a Greenfield Village guide, explains how magazines influenced 19th century Christmas decorating at the Wright brothers' house.



A tabletop tree at the Henry Ford Homestead shows the homemade decorations and candles that were part of a rural Christmas.

A napkin forms a setting for fresh pine at the Wright dining table.



How to make picture perfect pets

This is another in a series of lessons on art and drawing by special columnist David Messing. He has taught for eight years and operates an art store, Art Store and More, 18774 Middlebelt, Livonia. Messing encourages questions and comments from readers. You may write him at his store or c/o Observer Newspapers, 23352 Farmington Road, Farmington MI 48024.



By David P. Messing
special writer

Without a doubt, pet portraits are the most common commission. Cars and boats run a close second to pets and animals.

Today, I would like to talk about people and their pets and how best to portray them.

First of all, it is known that Americans love their animals, and I am the most crazy animal lover around. In fact, my wife accuses me of opening the door in the summer to let the flies back out so I don't have to kill them!

That might be true, but it's nobody's business. I feel that God has blessed me greatly with family, friends and a career in art. But,

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withheld from me still is my secret dream to work at a zoo!

I WANT TO hose down giant turtles and feed loaves of bread to the rhinos. I would be flattered if a lion just wiggled his nose a little at my familiar scent.

I want someday to have an elephant curl her trunk around my arm, feel the leathery hand of a monkey and watch as that silent giant the giraffe takes a treat from my own hand.

Until that day, I will continue to imagine and draw from animal photographs.

I am so crazy for animals that once passion over came caution. One day, we were inside the lion exhibit at the Detroit Zoo, and most of the lions were pacing back and forth in their cages.

But one giant male lay serenely with his tail hanging right out of the cage. Well, there were no attendants and nobody else around except my wife and three sons.

So I said, "Honey, I gotta touch that tail." I silently stepped over the guard rail and tipped up to the cage.

I gently stroked this unbelievably thick and

beautiful tail. He twitched not an ear but lay there in peace.

With my hand completely around his tail, I turned to my wife and whispered "I think he likes it." As I looked back at him, I gently squeezed his tail, just to feel the muscle in it.

Instantly, his 400 pounds leaped from the floor of the cage, his three-foot head turned and roared directly in my face.

EVEN THOUGH there were bars on the cage, there is something about feeling a lion's breath in your face that has a way of petrifying even an animal lover. I swear the heat of his breath steamed back an inch of my hair line, and I pulled my left arm back so quick that it is today shorter than the right.

This kind of love for animals allows me to study them and draw them accurately. If you have an ability to draw and at least an appreciation for animals, then you, too, may find plenty of commissions in the area of pet portraits.

The best way to handle this type of commission is to first agree on a price. Since a veterinarian gets about \$40 just to wave a flea collar over a dog, I think that it's a pretty good price to start with.

This \$40 should be a minimum because your picture will be hanging around long after the pet is gone. Next, secure a down payment sufficient enough to cover your time.

LET'S SAY YOU agree on a fee of \$100 for a pet portrait. Now when your customer re-

turns home, he or she finds a heating bill for \$110 and an insurance premium due in two weeks.

If you, the artist, did not secure a down payment and your customer's money becomes limited, you may have an unwanted entry into your portfolio. And believe me, there is nothing more useless to you than a portrait of someone's pet.

Always secure photographs to build your basic portrait. If for some reason these photographs do not offer enough details or trueness of color, make an appointment to do finishing details with the pet and owner present.

Photographs are very helpful to work from, especially at the beginning of the work. (I once did a portrait of a Yorkshire terrier. With pad and pencil I bounced from chair to chair chasing this little dust mop. Finally in the poorest light possible, this little snort came to rest under a coffee table!)

So after you have established most of the rendering, get a response from the customer. Usually they are happy. But occasionally their favorite characteristic is too small or doesn't show in the photograph.

So it may require they bring in their pet for the finishing details. Do not even begin until you have good photographs.

Often a customer will say, "I like this position of the body in this photo, the head in this photo and this photo shows the color of his eyes better."

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How to paint perfect pets

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The more photographs you have, the less likely you will need to draw from the actual pet. People who have never attempted to draw do not realize that you cannot draw accurately without seeing at least a good photograph.

ONCE A MAN asked me to draw a picture of his parakeet. When I asked for a photograph, he said "He's just a regular parakeet, draw whatever you think a parakeet looks like and that's him."

So . . . I drew a green and yellow parakeet. When I proudly unveiled my drawing he said "Uh oh . . . Hercules isn't green, he's blue."

"What media do I use?" Is the most frequent question when my students receive commissions for pet portraits. I tell them if the customer doesn't care or doesn't specify, the use of pencil (graphite) is easy and can be photographic in its realism.

I always spray pencil drawings with dulling spray to cut down the metallic shine produced in heavy black areas. Pen and ink is also a favorite people pleaser.

If you like, you can always wash water color or felt-tip pen over pen and ink to liven up the drawings. Of course, water color and oils or acrylic colors are great for color paintings.

IF, HOWEVER, YOU are thinking, "Hey I'm just a 'draw-on-the-kitchen-table-when-everyone-goes-to-bed artist' I can't oil paint! But I still get asked to do a picture now and then."

Here is what you should do. Find, borrow or buy a set of pastels. A set of 46 colors of pastels costs as little as \$8. Pastels are the all-time favorite media for pet portraits.

The quality of pastels varies according to the pureness of pigment and richness of color. The least expensive variety has a dusty chalk base, and the most expensive (90 cents to \$1.50 per stick) is pure pigment suspended in a glue base. Both the cheap and the expensive brand can produce beautiful results.

It is best to begin your drawing with a vine charcoal stick. Vines are merely charred pieces of wood, and the line they produce is easily erased with a kneaded eraser.

After the basic structure is established, start blocking in the main colors in pastels. Save all the details for last or they will surely be lost in the process of rendering.

Lightly spray your finished piece with fixatif and don't forget to sign close to the drawing.

PASTEL ON WHITE paper is nice, but on colored paper, it takes on a whole new dimension. Pick out a color that complements the pet's colors.

A middle color is best so that dark pastel colors will show and whites or light pastel colors also will show.

When doing a pet portrait, I highly recommend you use colored pastel paper. Strathmore has a nice



line of colored text papers that are 80 cents per sheet.

Also, Morilla has a canson paper that offers beautiful colors at 85 cents a sheet. Your customers would like white paper, they would be thrilled with colored paper but if you want to "knock them out of the ball park" do their pet's portrait on velour.

Velour is a fuzzy paper that grabs onto the pastels, producing rich colors and soft photographic realism unattainable in most media except air brush. Velour also comes in a variety of colors. Quality sheets of velour cost around \$3. When viewing a well-done pastel on velour, people ask questions ranging from "How was this done?" to "Is this a photo or airbrush?" I just don't think you can miss on velour.



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● HILL GALLERY

Paintings by Eddie Arning and charcoal and pigment on handmade paper by Michel Haas will be on display through Jan. 10. The gallery is at 163 Townsend, Birmingham.

● BALENFORD ARCHITECTURAL BOOKS

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projects and buildings by Gunnar Birkerts of Birmingham are on display through Jan. 13; 98 Scollard St., Toronto, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday.

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