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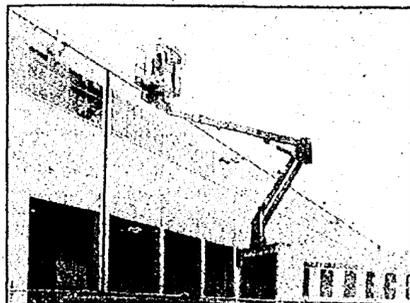
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Roof check: Work crews check the roof of the Textron Automotive plant on Newburgh Road for damage where a fire burned early today.

Firefighter injured in fire at plant

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Westland and Wayne firefighters doused a raging fire today that burned for more than seven hours at the Textron Automotive plant on Newburgh Road north of Palmer.

"We don't really know what caused the fire to start, but it got very big very fast," Westland Assistant Fire Chief Mark Neal said today.

Fire officials reported one injury during the blaze that erupted at 10:45 p.m. Wednesday and burned until 6 a.m. today, Neal said.

Westland firefighter Ken Leftwich, wearing a 50-pound air pack, suffered cuts and bruises when he plunged 12 feet from a platform inside the plant, Neal said. Billowing smoke made it impossible for Leftwich to see the platform's edge.

"He just fell off," Neal said. "It was very smoky, and he couldn't see that there was no flooring. He was trying to climb toward the roof."

Leftwich, 46, was recovering late this morning at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. "He's going to be OK," Neal said.

Initial reports indicated that "a loud noise or an explosion" may have occurred inside the plant, which makes automotive headliners — liners for roof interiors — and door panels, but Neal couldn't confirm a blast.

A plant manager hadn't returned a phone call late this morning.

The blaze erupted in the plant's south end in a storage area where finished products had been placed, Neal said.

"The fire was deep inside a lot of the packed parts, which are stacked on top of each other, so it was very hard to extinguish," he said. "We've not found anything that would account for the fire starting in that area."

Neal said some Textron employees were inside the plant at the time. "I saw about 14 people," he said, "but they had been evacuated prior to our arrival."

Neal couldn't confirm whether arson might be suspected. "It's always a possibility, but we don't know."

Firefighters using Textron's Bobcats and Hi-los carried burning materials from the plant and doused them with water outside, Neal said. Water that accumulated in a shipping ramp area was used to submerge burning materials, he said.

"The structure itself wasn't damaged that much — just the contents," he said. "We had firefighters inside using Bobcats and Hi-los to lift whole piles of burning materials and bring them outside."

The flames proved stubborn to put out because of the way the products had been tightly stacked.

Baracy recommended quietly



A three-member subcommittee of the Wayne-Westland school board is expected to recommend the full board hire Greg Baracy as the district's superintendent. The board will meet Aug. 18.

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Raising questions of possible Open Meetings Act violations, a Wayne-Westland school board subcommittee met privately and decided to recommend interim Superintendent Greg Baracy for the district's top job, the Observer has learned.

The three-member panel's recom-

mendation to hire Baracy as superintendent, rather than launching a search, will be decided by the full seven-member board on Aug. 18, board president Debra Fowlkes said Tuesday.

Fowlkes, vice president Mathew McCusker and trustee Robin Moore discussed Baracy during closed subcommittee sessions on Monday and on July 29 — sessions that raise

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questions about possible Open Meetings Act violations, according to an attorney.

Dawn Phillips, an attorney for the Michigan Press Association, said recent court rulings require subcommittees to meet openly if they are performing a function that would otherwise be done by the full school board.

Choosing a superintendent, she said, "is a power of the board."

Linda Bruin, legal counsel for the Michigan Association of School Boards, noted that "many boards are

now instructing their committees to have open meetings."

Bruin declined to address the Wayne-Westland situation specifically, but agreed to offer a general opinion.

"If a committee is performing a function of the board or any portion of a function of the board, then they are required to comply with the Open Meetings Act," she told the Observer.

Baracy said he believes that the Wayne-Westland subcommittee acted appropriately.

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Four more years?



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JACOFFELD

Re-election bid: Mayor Robert Thomas, left, chats with Irving Leirstein of Westland at a picnic for residents Saturday at Central City Park. Thomas hopes to ward off challenges in this year's mayoral race from former councilman Ken Mehl and political newcomer Dixie Johnson McNamara.

Thomas seeks a third term as mayor

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Despite a grueling year that has challenged his mettle both professionally and personally, Westland Mayor Robert Thomas seems as confident as ever that voters will return him to office for an unprecedented third term.

As he seeks another four-year term, Thomas, 46, proudly boasts a level of

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Interim school chief unhappy with dropout rate

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Wayne-Westland school officials Tuesday couldn't explain precisely why the district's student dropout rate jumped in one year from 8.9 percent to 11.7 percent.

"I'm not happy with it," interim Superintendent Greg Baracy conceded.

Baracy pledged that school officials will study the problem amid hopes of decreasing the double-digit dropout rate.

"We're going to work toward low-

ering it," he said. "We need to take a close look at why that's happening."

Baracy cautioned, however, that Wayne-Westland's dropout rate is no worse than districts comparable in size and demographics. Wayne-Westland had 14,700 students at last count.

Dropout rates and other school statistics appeared in the latest Michigan School Report, released by the Michigan Department of Education.

Larry Galbraith, Wayne-Westland executive director of student services, said the dropout rate may be

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artificially high. He suggested that students transferring to other districts may somehow be reported as local dropouts.

"We need to look at students who are unaccounted for and identify where they've gone," he said. "If we can do that, then they're not dropouts."

Galbraith noted that the 11.7 percent dropout rate for 1995-96 was

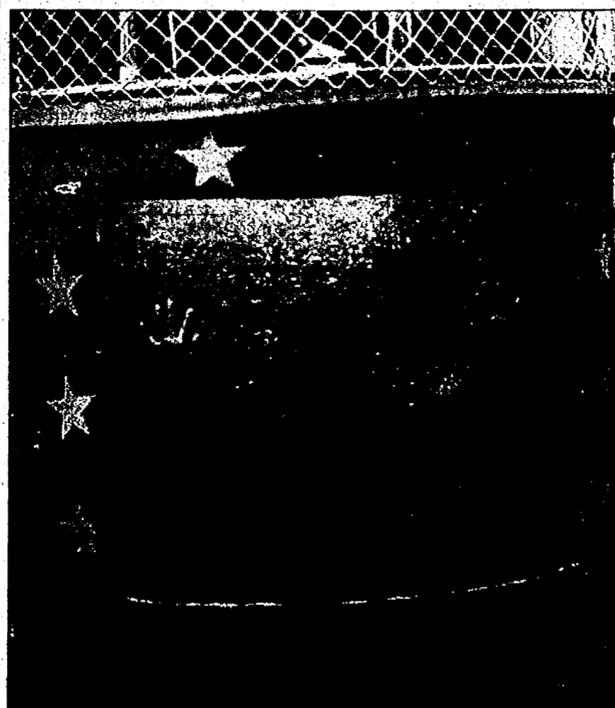
comparable to the 11.3 percent recorded two years earlier. He said the 8.9 percent figure sandwiched between the two years "appears to have been an aberration."

"We really haven't had a chance to analyze the big changes," Galbraith said.

He conceded that an 11.7 percent dropout rate is too high.

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A real soaker



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JACOFFELD

It's dunk time: Heather Holloway, 9, makes her way to the surface after being "dunked" at Saturday's block party for Lonnie Street residents. See Page A3 for more photos.

Livonia's rate stable, but superintendent questions state's figures

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
STAFF WRITER

Figures released by the Michigan Department of Education in its Michigan School Report show an average jump in student dropout rates from 8.7 percent to 20.7 percent for school districts throughout Wayne County.

This includes a jump from 8.9 percent to 11.7 percent in Wayne-Westland in 1994-95 to 1995-96; from 3.5 to 4.3 percent in South Redford; and from 2.2 percent to 5 percent in Redford Union.

Sally Vaughn, associate superintendent for the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency (RESA), the intermediate district serving Wayne County, said taxpayers should be concerned, especially if the increase is more than 5 percent.

"A 3 to 4 percent dropout rate is not alarming," she said. "Anything higher than 5 percent, and I'd start looking at the system."

Dropout figures for districts statewide even show an upward trend. In 1994-95, the state dropout average was 6.2 percent; in 1995-96, 7.7 percent.

Livonia stays stable

Livonia Public Schools, however, still bucks the trend. Here, the dropout figure has remained about the same those two years, 3.3 percent in 1994-95 and 3.9 percent in 1995-96.

While pleased with Livonia's continued low dropout rate, Superintendent Ken Watson said he has seen too many errors plugged into the Michigan School Report to give him confidence that numbers in this year's report are accurate.

"The dropout rate is up significantly in some districts and there's nothing to explain this," Watson said. "But I have a basic mistrust of these figures. I've seen too many errors, and trying to get things corrected is a horrendous job."

"The good news is that Livonia's dropout rate is stable, even though there appear to be significant increases based on data in other districts," he added.

Watson gave one possible explanation for the jump, especially when it occurs in districts that are losing students, not gaining them such as Livonia still is.

He suspects the state compares

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TODAY

COUNTY

Opening soon: The new Automotive Hall of Fame, next to Greenfield Village and Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, is "truly a '90s museum, with many interactive activities," said Gene McKinney, former Westland mayor, who is president of the museum. /A9

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city services that he views as among Michigan's best.

Thomas said Westland voters face an easy question this election year: Do they support a mayor with a proven track record of delivering top-notch services, or do they want to gamble on a mayoral newcomer?

"It's basically a question of whether the citizens want us to continue to provide the best services," Thomas said during an interview with the Observer.

Thomas faced a critical leadership test in February when a sewer-system backup flooded 402 north-end homes. City officials denied any responsibility and pointed fingers at contractors and engineers, and residents filed two still-pending lawsuits.

It took months for insurance adjusters to begin settling homeowner claims. Some residents said Thomas did all he could to push for a resolution, while others said the city abandoned residents.

As leadership pressures mounted this year, Thomas also suffered bleeding ulcers that hospitalized him and forced him to adopt a less-stressful attitude toward his job.

Thomas said he has rebounded, and he vowed that he is ready for a campaign against two candidates - former Councilman Kenneth Mehl and political newcomer Dixie Johnson McNa - in the Sept. 9 primary election. The top two finishers will

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Robert Thomas
—Westland mayor

advance to the Nov. 4 general election.

Thomas easily captured a second term in 1993, riding a tidal wave of popularity that propelled him to a 2-to-1 margin of victory over challenger Charles Pickering. That followed his 1989 upset against then-Mayor Charles "Trav" Griffin.

"Their mistake was underestimating me," Thomas said of his 1989 victory that rocked the Westland political establishment.

Making friends

Thomas now counts as his allies some of the same people, including Griffin, who fiercely opposed him eight years ago.

Thomas rose to office from the hourly ranks of the city's public services department, but his ties to Westland started in childhood after his family moved from Detroit to Garden City and then here.

One of nine children, Thomas spent most of his childhood in the Norwayne neighborhood except for brief stints in the Upper Peninsula and Butte, Mont., where his father held mining jobs. His father, the late John W. Thomas, also worked as

a truck driver, and his mother, Blanche, stayed home to care for the children.

A 1968 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School, Thomas worked for a local business, Harlow Tire & Service, and Ford Motor Co. before he started his job with Westland's public services department on Sept. 21, 1970.

He recalls being told by his peers and even his superiors that he was reading too many water meters and making other city workers appear lazy.

"I was working too hard," Thomas said. "I actually had a foreman who would tell me to get lost for the day."

His frustrations over poor productivity made him think about running for public office. Watching former mayors bicker tirelessly with council members only cemented his ambitions for change.

Early on, many people dismissed Thomas' political ambitions. By the time his opponents began viewing him as a potential threat in 1989, he had already gained the momentum that swept him into office.

In his latest campaign, Thomas has come under attack

from Mehl and McNa for issues such as his salary/longevity pay, which will climb from \$77,084 to \$89,950 during the next two years.

Thomas noted that he refused a pay increase during his first four years of office. Now, he said, "I think the salary is commensurate with the duties."

Thomas also has assumed a regional role as chairman of the Conference of Western Wayne County, indicating that he has gained the respect of his peers outside of Westland.

Despite his recent health problems, Thomas isn't backing away from his campaign. In fact, he freely admits that he campaigns year-round by listening to his constituents.

"I'm not just campaigning at election time," he said. "I talk to people at the mall, at Meijer, wherever I go. That's how you win an election."

Thomas also tries to remain close to his constituents by holding town hall meetings around the city and by riding in a motor home that he calls his mobile City Hall.

Thomas and his supporters will be seeking votes in a door-to-door campaign that will focus heavily on his administration's ability to provide top-notch services.

"We have a good team put together," he said. "We have a well-oiled machine, and we are service-oriented."

Despite his longevity in office,

he said he has new ideas for a third term. He wants to improve city parks, possibly build an indoor public pool and consider expanding or renovating buildings such as the Bailey Recreation Center, Westland City Hall and 18th District Court.

Plans for future

Thomas also has plans to expand a community police program that has proven popular in his former Norwayne neighborhood, and he said efforts will continue to improve the fire department's Advanced Life Support services.

Thomas cites many accomplishments that make him proud as mayor, such as a joint effort with council members to build the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland. The library, hailed by Thomas as second to none in the area, was named in honor of the late state Sen. Faust.

Speculation has emerged that Thomas, if elected to a third term, will call it quits when he finishes the next four years.

"There's a chance this would be the last term," he told the Observer. "But I've learned that you never close doors."

Court: State owes Livonia millions

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
STAFF WRITER

Livonia Public Schools will get the second highest amount of money — \$10.2 million — as a result of the Michigan Supreme Court's final decision in the so-called Durant case. Only the Pontiac School District is slated to get more, \$12.8 million.

After a 17-year legal fight, Superintendent Ken Watson expects days of political infighting ahead before Livonia or any of the other 83 districts in the lawsuit ever collect a cent from the ruling.

"Much wrangling is still to come before anybody sees a nickel," he said.

In fact, Watson said, the wrangling already began Aug. 1 when Gov. John Engler vetoed parts of the 1997-1998 school aid bill.

The veto, he said, took money from mostly poorer school districts in the state to pay off a judgment to the mostly richer school districts which joined forces in the lawsuit.

Watson called it a reversal of the old in-formula, out-of-formula routine when the state took money from richer school districts to give to the poorer ones.

Now, he sees the opposite happening — the state taking from poorer districts to give to the rich — and fears a backlash from districts which see some of their state aid slipping away.

"This picks on the poor ones and will pit some districts against others," he added. "They'll be a lot of screaming in Lansing."

Watson suggested the money should have come from the state's rainy day fund instead.

State budget director Mark Murray was quoted as saying the cuts were necessary to begin paying the judgment to the 84 school districts.

Engler cut funds destined for at-risk children, for smaller class size, and for faster-growing school districts.

The Michigan Supreme Court's ruling requires the state to pay \$210.4 million to the 84 districts for special education and transportation programs the court said the state had underfunded since 1980.

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the number of students who start high school with the number of students who finish. If students who leave for any number of reasons are not replaced with new students, then the district could wind up with a hefty dropout rate, even if the student just moved and enrolled in a new school.

Wayne-Westland has been losing students, according to the Michigan School Report. In 1994-95, the district enrolled 15,370 students; in 1995-96, 14,992 students; in 1996-97, 15,151 students.

The Michigan School Report, called a "snapshot" of Michigan

schools by the department of education, gives a district-by-district comparison in such areas as teacher salaries, MEAP test scores, enrollment, pupil/teacher ratio, and basic foundation allowance from the state.

Information filed in bits and pieces by the district is sent on to the state, where it is compiled all on one sheet.

Reports on both Livonia and Wayne-Westland or any other school district can be received by calling the Michigan Department of Education at (517) 373-1833 or by visiting the department's Web site at <http://www.mde.state.mi.us/>

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"When you're looking to graduate everyone, it's definitely too high," Galbraith said. "We want to get that to drop significantly. It's our job to get the students through school."

Baracy questioned the accuracy of the dropout reporting methods used at the local, state and county levels.

"The whole reporting process needs to be reviewed," he said.

Galbraith said the district is trying to place more emphasis on career training in technical fields to retain students who might not be college-bound.

"Even at the middle school level, we're creating career awareness," he said.

Many other districts received the same troubling news that dropout rates had increased.

In Wayne County, dropout rates increased from 8.7 percent to 20.7 percent from 1994-95 to

1995-96.

Statewide, the rates jumped from 5.2 percent to 7.7 percent during the same period.

The Livonia district, which serves the northern portion of Westland, reported dropout rates that inched upward from 3.3 percent to 3.9 percent. By comparison, Wayne-Westland's dropout rate tripled Livonia's.

Joan Sedik, assistant principal at Westland John Glenn High School, questioned whether increasing dropout rates may be "a sign of the times. I hope not."

Sedik stressed that educators this summer have been examining ways to help ninth-graders become better adjusted at Wayne-Westland's two high schools: John Glenn and Wayne Memorial.

Some programs already are in place to help incoming fresh-

men, she said.

"If we're going to help the dropout rate, we have to start at the ninth grade," Sedik said.

Ninth-graders who fall behind in achieving high school credits can become frustrated, perhaps increasing the likelihood that they will eventually drop out, she said.

"Maybe that plays into it," Sedik said. "Our feeling is that we've got to target our ninth-graders better than we have in the past."

Sally Vaughn, associate superintendent for Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency, said a 3 percent to 4 percent dropout rate "is not alarming."

"Anything higher than 5 percent and I'd start looking at the system," she concluded.

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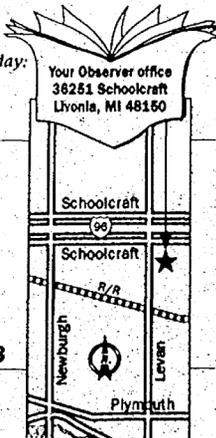
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Having a blast: Jessica George, 5, above, wears a sombrero at the Lonnie Street block party on Saturday, which celebrated a Mexican theme this year. Fire Capt. Dennis Wysocki treated the kids to an impromptu shower, right photo, using the fire truck's hose and water supply.



Summer fun: Tommy Hurst, 5, above photo, left, lets a barrage of balls fly as he tries to dunk Jamie Meyers. Mac the dog, photo below, is the 7-year-old yellow labrador of Cindy Lena who says that Mac likes to party as she adjusts the dog's sunglasses.

STAFF PHOTOS BY JIM JAGDFELD



Block-buster

Nearly 500 gather at Lonnie Street's bash

If you drove in the Ann Arbor Trail and Middlebelt area of Westland on Saturday, you may have noticed a throng of about 450 people.

It was only residents on Lonnie Street throwing its fourth annual block party for residents, family and friends. Residents of Lonnie and adjacent streets attended the festivities.

"It's a real nice time and nobody goes home unhappy,"

said Pat Pachota, one of the party organizers.

This year's the party included a fire safety demonstration by the Westland Fire Department, which included firefighters spraying down the children to cool them off from the summer's heat.

The party also featured a dunk tank, karaoke, pinatas and sev-

eral tables of food.

The party was hosted by Pat and Jean Pachota, Tom and Teresa Zigman, John and Linda Shakarjian, Greg and Janice Davis, George and Lynn Vella, Tony and Linda Wolfenbargel and Rich and Michelle Matyszewski.

Sponsors who donated prizes included: Applebee's, Benny's, Bonanza Wine Shop, Corvus

International, DePalma's, Don Pablo's, East Side Mario's, Farwell & Friends, Flint Ink, Hawthorne Valley, Lone Star, Oak Lanes, Panetta's, Quo Vadis, Ram's Horn and Village Paperback Exchange and Ram's Horn.

Other donations were supplied by Vintage Wine Shoppe and GBS Scaffolding and Service Corp.

Hungry herons rule the area

BY LEANNE ROGERS
STAFF WRITER

Hungry herons are continuing to prowl the area.

"The fish won't come out in daylight," said Mary Jane Schildberg, a Garden City resident who returned from vacation to find that a heron had been chowing on the Koi that live in her 12-foot by 10-foot back-yard pond.

The Garden City incidents follow several sightings and similar situations reported in Westland over the past few months.

Lest anyone think the blue herons are being accused unfairly, Schildberg's neighbors also lost fish from their pond and caught the birds in the act on videotape. And they have their own theory about where the herons came from.

"Everyone says they came from Newburgh Lake. They've got to go somewhere," said Schildberg.

Joe Barson of Barson's Greenhouse agrees that draining the lake has forced the heron to relocate.

"We just had one or two heron in the area last year. I don't know if the same pair are working Garden City, Westland and Livonia," said Barson. "I don't think it's one pair."

Back-yard fish ponds are increasingly popular. "I keep telling people that if we put all the ponds in Garden City together, the city would be under water," Barson said.

About 20 percent of Barson's business is now fish and pond-related materials for the do-it-yourselfer. Barson offers tips and advice but doesn't do pond installation.

"We're selling a lot of fish (due to the herons)," said Barson, who reports receiving one or two calls daily from people whose fish are being eaten.

"They just eat a lot of fish —

expensive fish. No fish is too big. They can easily take a 12-inch Koi that can cost up to \$300," he said. "They will pick a pond clean until the fish are gone."

Since the heron are solitary feeders, Barson said a decoy can be put near a pond to scare off other birds. That would cost \$30-50 although Barson's doesn't carry the decoys.

An effective, but less expensive, method suggested by Barson is to put some bamboo stakes around the pond and string it with clear nylon monofilament.

"They will sit on a garage and view different ponds, then decide what to do," he said. "The heron lands in a yard and walks into the pond. When they hit the wire it scares or startles them, so they take off."

Offering an alternate food wouldn't work since the heron only eat fish, Barson said, and only live fish at that.

Kids can ride tractors

Your child — if between the ages of 7 and 12 — can climb behind the wheel of a tractor between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday at the Westland Kmart on the southeast corner of Cherry Hill and Wayne roads.

Accompanied by adult passengers, children will drive tractors that will go no faster than 5 mph during Kmart's second annual "Kids Race Against Drugs." The program tours major U.S. cities and provides a family-oriented racing tour similar to the professional NASCAR and Indy racing cars circuit.

Children compete on the modified lawn tractors to win scholarships and other prizes and compete in the national championships in January 1998. For every child that participates, Westland's Kmart will donate \$5 to the Westland Police Department's DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program.

Summer celebration

Three days of free family ori-

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ented fun, sponsored by the Westland Free Methodist Church, will begin Friday with a host of activities such as pony rides, street hockey, games and much more.

The first of its kind "Summer Celebration" will kick-off festivities Friday evening at 7 p.m. as community members and church goers enjoy presentations from performing arts camp students, followed by a celebration of the Stanely Cup, as the "Hockey Town" video is shown on a big-screen in the church parking lot at 9:45 p.m. Participants are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets.

Saturday activities include pony rides, basketball, street hockey, kids and adult games, a bike giveaway and much more. The fun starts at 1 p.m. while a petting zoo exhibit runs from 2-5 p.m.

The giveaway of an 18-speed bike (donated by Wild Bill's

Bike Center) and other great prizes will take place at 4:30 p.m., Saturday. You must be present to win.

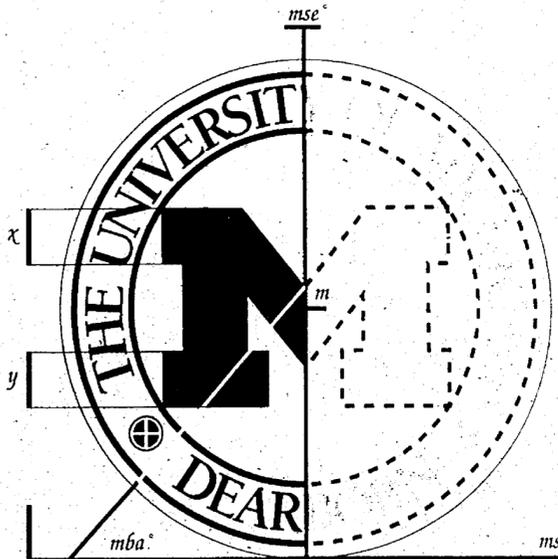
Proclaim, a Christian rock band, will host a 2-hour live concert from 8:30 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. Sunday as part of a morning concert service at the Westland church.

The three-day event is open to the public and provides community members an opportunity to meet and join their neighbors. The Westland Free Methodist Church is located at 1421 Venoy Road.

For more information about the Summer Celebration call, (313) 728-2600.

Home League hosts sale

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A Nashville hit

Former resident wins song competition

BY BETH SUNDRLA JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

He went to Nashville and won a recording contract.

It sounds like a dream or the plot of a movie, but it happened recently to a Redford Township resident.

Scott Keebaugh, 24, who performs under the name Scotty Williams, competed earlier this month against about 60 other performers to win a \$15,000 recording contract.

In a performance that his wife called "awesome" and he called "terrible" Keebaugh performed the Christian song "The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power" in the competition which was held at the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville.

A 1991 graduate of Livonia Franklin, Keebaugh is a former Westland resident and the son of

Bill and Linda Keebaugh of Westland. He married his high school sweetheart, Sheila, and they have two sons, Scotty, 5, and Cameron, 2.

He sings all the time, according to his wife, who says she hears him singing while he does just about everything, including working in the basement and mowing the lawn.

A \$425 fee was required to enter the competition, which first required an audition. Accompanied by Sheila, Keebaugh went to Nashville July 20.

"I actually thought I did a terrible job," Keebaugh said. "But I am very hard on myself when it comes to music."

He left the competition determined not to get his hopes up, he said.

But the next day he found out that he had won. He is now looking for an origi-

nal Christian song to record in his recording session. During the session he will record one song, which will be his demo record.

And he will be recording at the Hill Top Studios in Nashville, where the likes of Garth Brooks have recorded and he will get to use the same backup singers that have been used by artists such as Pam Tillis, according to his wife.

He will also be included on the Internet as part of Don Reed Productions Stage One music access. This will allow agents from all over the world to learn more about him and hear his music.

Keebaugh works in security at Pico Resources in Novi, but has been singing most of his life.

He credits retired Franklin choir teacher Bob Ballard with giving him his training and

'It's been something I've wanted to do for a long time.'

Scott Keebaugh
—singer

background in music.

A member of Temple Baptist Church in Plymouth, Keebaugh sings solos on some Sundays.

He also performed in an alumni variety show at Franklin and that has resulted in invitations to sing at other area churches.

Keebaugh said the reason he likes to sing is to glorify God, and hopes his music will be inspirational to others.

"I plan to make it a career," Keebaugh said of his music. "It's been something I've been wanting to do for a long time."



A winner: Scott Keebaugh, 24, who grew up in Westland and graduated from Livonia Franklin in 1991, stands outside Ryman Auditorium in Nashville where he won a song competition and a \$15,000 recording contract.

CHAMBER NOTES

The Westland Chamber of Commerce will host another business luncheon on Tuesday with guest speaker Dorothy Kirby, a social worker and marriage counselor, who will discuss stress management.

The event will take place at the Hellenic Cultural Center at 11:30 a.m. Tickets are \$13 and reservations must be made by Friday (tomorrow) by calling 326-7222.

Happy anniversary

The chamber celebrates its 35th anniversary with a recep-

tion scheduled for 5 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, at the Joy Manor.

Every members in attendance will be honored, and an electronic highlight of the chamber's 35 years will be presented. A light buffet, anniversary cake and beverages will be served.

Chamber members will meet past presidents, board members and others. Chamber members should watch their mail for the invitation.

Car Show & Swap Meet Sept. 7

Bring the whole family to southeast Michigan's premium fall car show - the Westland Chamber of Commerce 8th Annual Car Show & Swap Meet on Sunday, Sept. 7 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at Central City Park. Chamber officials are expecting hundreds of classic and originally restored cars and trucks.

Pre-registration for entries in the show is \$10 per entry, and \$13 at the gate, and \$15 for a Swap Meet space. There will be games, food and door prizes abound.

Call 326-7222.

Canned pet food can be donated to MHS

The Michigan Human Society is asking for canned pet food donations in recognition of "National Homeless Animals Day" on Saturday, Aug. 16 to increase public awareness about the plight of homeless

animals.

Those wishing to donate canned pet food in support of Homeless Animals Day can visit the MHS shelter at 37255 Marquette in Westland. Everyone who donates will receive

an "I Helped A Homeless Animal" sticker.

All the food will help feed homeless or abandoned animals at the MHS.

Baracy from page A1

"We feel very strongly that it's not a violation of the Open Meetings Act, and our attorneys agree with that," he told the Observer on Tuesday.

Different view

Baracy didn't share the opinion of some legal analysts who said the subcommittee's recommendation amounts to a portion of the overall board's function in choosing a superintendent.

"We don't agree with that," he said.

According to information from MASA, "Once a committee has the power to exercise any portion of the governing body's authority, including the power to make recommendations on matters where the full board must act, the committee must comply with open meetings requirements."

MASA's information stemmed from a case in which Federated Publications Inc. challenged Michigan State University's Board of Trustees.

On Tuesday, board member Moore said she was "fairly confident" that the subcommittee complied with the Open Meetings Act.

Board president Fowlkes said the subcommittee will place Baracy's recommendation as superintendent on the board's Aug. 18 agenda.

"We will put it on the agenda and then everyone votes on it, and it's a done deal," she said

during a telephone interview.

During subcommittee meetings, Fowlkes said, "there was no question at all that it was Greg Baracy. We didn't even discuss anyone else."

"No one even wanted to discuss any other candidate," she added later. "We didn't discuss anyone but Greg."

The decision to recommend Baracy for the job was made during a July 29 closed meeting, she said. Moreover, the subcommittee on Monday discussed how to handle Baracy's pending contract, she said.

"I personally will meet with the attorneys to start the negotiations for the contract," Fowlkes said.

Do a search?

At least one board member, Ed Turner, told the Observer on Tuesday that he believes the board should conduct a search.

"I think there should be a search," Turner said. "I think we should make sure we get the best person for the job. I don't know whether Greg is that person or not."

"As long as we're looking no further than our nose, we'll never find out," Turner concluded.

The Wayne-Westland Education Association, the union representing local teachers, also had urged the board to conduct a search to lend credibility to the process.

Robin Moore said she didn't favor a search because of "timing constraints and money constraints." Departing Superintendent Duane Moore is officially leaving Aug. 30, at time when the district faces a possible budget deficit in the coming year.

"I have every confidence in the world that Greg can do the job as superintendent," Robin Moore (no relation to Duane Moore) said.

Without any public debate, Baracy was named interim superintendent on July 14. The board's decision came after Duane Moore announced that he was retiring from K-12 public education to teach at Oakland University in Rochester Hills.

Baracy has been a district employee since 1988, serving as vice principal and principal of the William D. Ford Career Technical Center before being promoted to the central office in 1992 as assistant superintendent for general administration.

Fowlkes conceded that Baracy has had strained relations with some central office administrators.

"We weren't aware of this until this whole thing started," she said, referring to Baracy's appointment as interim superintendent. "But Greg has told me that he has pledged to bring the cabinet together."

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O&E, WXYT to host local town meetings

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers organization has teamed up with WXYT radio and host Jimmy Barrett to present a series of town meetings broadcast live from local venues.

The gatherings will take place from 10 a.m. to noon the first Thursday of each month on WXYT-AM 1270. Each will spotlight the towns served by one of

the O&E's 15 editions. The fast-paced format will create a forum for public debate on local issues and an opportunity for non-residents who tune in to learn more about the spotlighted cities, townships or villages.

"I think we're creating something a little unique here," said Doug Gondek, operations manager and program director at Southfield-based WXYT. "It's a spotlight on the town. It's an

opportunity to show one community to other communities," he said of the collaborative arrangement, entitled First Thursday Town Meeting with Jimmy Barrett.

In addition to Barrett, the program will feature one of the O&E editors serving as co-host as well as a community guest panel specially chosen to stimulate discussion before a "studio audience." The concept is intend-

Discussion topics and guest lists will be developed jointly by O&E editors and WXYT.

ed to give local residents a chance to get to know their civic leaders and local newspaper editor - not to mention pressing community issues.

"We're excited about teaming

up with WXYT in an interactive project that focuses on local issues," said Susan Rosiek, managing editor of the Observer Newspapers.

Since audience participants will be able to ask questions and offer views, it's hoped that the program generates lively and informative discussion. Barrett will invite call-in questions,



Jimmy Barrett

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Kite classic at S'craft this weekend

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Kite flyers from across the United States and Canada will be converging on the grounds of Schoolcraft College in Livonia this weekend, vying for a chance to compete in World Cup kite competition next month.

The 4 Seasons Kite Club is sponsoring the Michigan Sport Kite Classic, the last stop on the regional tour for kite flyers who are fighting for a chance to compete in the nationals, and possibly the World Cup.

"We expect to have nearly 70 kite teams," said Joe Wright, president of the 4 Seasons Kite Club. "It's the last competition of the year on the kite circuit, and the teams are competing for much-needed points to move on."

And if you believe kite competition is just seeing how high you can fly, think again.

"Like figure skaters, the competitive kite flyer must execute certain maneuvers, in order, in a certain amount of time," added Wright. "There is also a ballet portion where flyers pick music and choreograph maneuvers."

Competition ranges from individual kite flyers to team train, 5 flyers who each control 6 kites.

The events run Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 9 and 10, from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. Schoolcraft College is on Haggerty between Six and Seven Mile roads in Livonia.

Residents tapped for state boards

Gov. John Engler has appointed area people to three state boards.

Juvenile justice

Sixteen persons were named to the bipartisan Committee on Juvenile Justice, responsible for the annual review of a federally-required program. Their terms expire March 15, 1998. Area members include:

Y. Gladys Barsamian, Plymouth, retired probate judge and attorney, representing the general public.

Joseph E. Thomas, Southfield police chief, representing law enforcement.

Frederick G. Gibbs, St. Johns, court administrator in Clinton County, representing public providers.

Carl S. Taylor, Grand Ledge, Michigan State University professor in the department of family and child ecology, representing the general public.

Strategic Fund

David Brandon of Plymouth Township was appointed to the board of the Michigan Strategic Fund, the state's lead business development finance agency. His term runs to Dec. 31, 1999.

Brandon is president, chief executive officer and director of Valassis Communications Inc., a Fortune 500 company in Livonia which prints and distributes coupons.

Brandon played football at the University of Michigan where he earned a bachelor of arts degree in education in 1974. He is founder and president of the David A. Brandon Foundation, a member of the Young Presidents Organization, and a trustee of St. Mary Hospital in Livonia.

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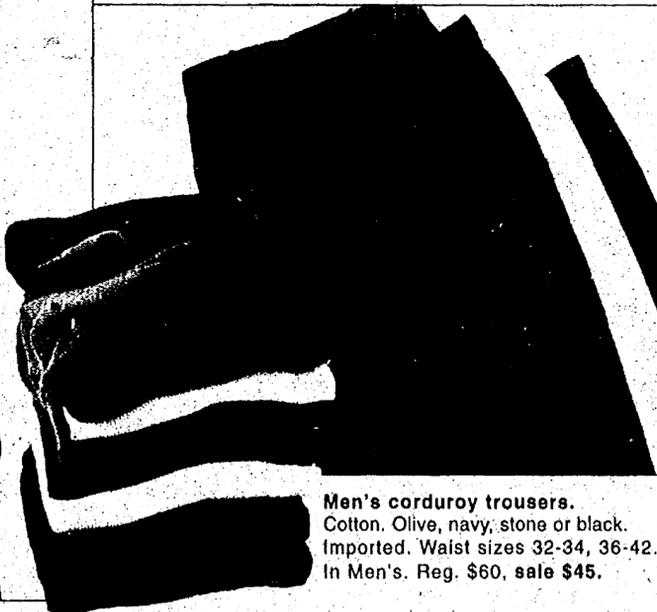


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Residents can apply for home repair funds

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"This program provides low income residents with funds to help improve windows, fix roofs, repair furnaces and provide insulation," said Tim Johnson, Wayne County department of jobs and economic development. "The program attacks anything that helps keep heating bills down."

Johnson says each year Wayne County spends approximately \$1-million in weatherization funds to help low income fami-

lies. The funding for the program, according to Johnson, comes from the U.S. Department of Energy, the Michigan Independence Agency, and Detroit Edison. Recipients of the program do not have to pay any of the money back.

"After filling out an application to determine eligibility, we then send an inspector to look at the problem and then assign a contractor," said Johnson.

For eligibility requirements and information on the weatherization program call 313-326-9422 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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ensuring residents who weren't able to attend are able to share concerns, questions and ideas.

Observer & Eccentric promotions director Stefee Kim is working with local cable companies to encourage that each town meeting receives television coverage. "This is community involvement taking a different format," said O&E marketing director Rick Ficorelli. "We're bringing issues of relevance to that community and giving members of that community a forum for discussion...and it gives us a chance to display our editorial excellence."

With such extensive media coverage, it's hoped that each featured community will acquire a bigger voice and greater presence in the metro area. "It's an opportunity for members of the community, really, to design their postcard for their own town," Gondek said of the concept, explaining that the forum would not only be informative but also entertaining.

Each guest panel will include four community leaders or activists who are well-versed in local issues and matters of interest. Discussion topics and guest lists will be developed jointly by

O&E editors and WXYT. Anticipated guests include mayors, township supervisors, city managers, police chiefs, school superintendents, small business owners and other civic leaders. Discussion topics will be suggested but dialogue will most likely be governed by each audience's questions, feedback and concerns. The composition of each guest panel and its interplay with the audience should influence the nature of the discussion, said Barrett in anticipation of the program's start.

The kickoff First Thursday Town Meeting with Jimmy Barrett is scheduled for today in Rochester.

Future programs will be broadcast live from Canton (Sept. 4), Farmington (Oct. 2) and Birmingham (Nov. 6).

Information about that and the upcoming town meetings will be broadcast on WXYT and published in your hometown Observer. Residents who wish to be a part of the audience are encouraged to contact the broadcast venue about seating availability prior to each town meeting.

Hole-in-one



Lucky on the links: Thirteen turned out to be Robert Edwards' (left) lucky number on July 22. While golfing in last month's Italian American Club of Livonia eighth annual golf outing at The Links At Pinewood, Edwards made a hole-in-one on the 13th hole. That hole featured a contest sponsored by Michigan CAT awarding a new Caterpillar M318 excavator to the first golfer to ace the 140 yard, par 3 hole. Edwards, a Brighton resident, is president of Custom Electric, a manufacturer of electrical components in Wixom. He's been golfing for more than 35 years and this was his first hole-in-one. Edwards doesn't need an excavator so he opted to accept the cash prize of \$120,000. On hand for the presentation last week in Livonia were (next to Edwards from left) Charles Tangora, president of The Italian American Club, CAT President Jerry Jung and Angelo D'Orazio, vice president of The Italian American Club. Edwards said he didn't see the ball go in but when the spotter told his foursome the last golfer's ball went in "I almost wanted to cry."



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Bike day: Novi resident Ray Burnett and his children Tyler Burnett, 5, (front center), Kent Burnett, 3, and Janice, 2, pedal along Hines Drive during a recent Saturday in the Park. The roadway is closed to car traffic from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. between Outer Drive and Ann Arbor Trail every Saturday and Sunday until the end of September.

Metro madness

Airport congestion to grow as flights abroad increase

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

If you've noticed that it's a bit crowded at Metro Airport lately, you are right.

Airport officials say increases in the number of passengers continues, and it promises to get even busier.

"In 43 of the last 45 months, we've broken previous year's records in total passengers," said Mike Conway, community relations manager at Metro.

"It's getting more crowded on the roads near and around the airport, the curb areas where passengers are dropped off, the baggage claim areas, and the passenger screening points."

The main reason for the increase in passengers at Metro Airport is the increase in the number of flights abroad.

"No doubt we are seeing increases in the number of flights, particularly international," said Conway. "The increase in those flights by our hub carrier, Northwest Airlines, is a major factor. KLM also flies abroad."

In 1996, total passenger count was up 5.3-percent from the previous year. During that same time period, international flights

alone increased 15.1-percent. In particular, Conway credits international flights to China as a significant reason for increased numbers.

"Metro is the only U.S. airport to have a non-stop flight to mainland China on a U.S. flag carrier, which is Northwest," added Conway. "That is important because there are 74 companies based in Michigan with a physical presence in China. There is a lot of international business and interest in Michigan."

For April, the last month in

which figures are available, the total number of passengers was 1,058,932. From January to April, the total figure is 9,718,540. That's about the same population as the entire state of Michigan.

At last count, Metro Airport is listed as the ninth busiest airport in North America...14th in the world.

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Mike Conway
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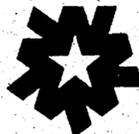


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Durant settlement

Local board to decide how to spend court-ordered payoff

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

It's up to local school boards to decide how to spend the \$210 million they're getting as the result of the Michigan Supreme Court's final decision in the so-called "Durant" case.

The high court awarded that sum to 84 plaintiff school districts who sued the state under the state constitution's Headlee amendment, which requires the state to pay for all local programs it mandates.

The districts get about 43 percent of the \$492 million they were asking.

"The board of education of each plaintiff school district is to determine the appropriate distribution between taxpayer relief and projects for the benefits of the district," said a summary of the majority opinion, issued last week.

In the metro Detroit suburbs, it's unlikely taxpayers will see any refunds or future relief. Most school officials contend the new state aid formula under the 1994 Proposal A is less than the rate of inflation for school costs. They may be inclined to keep the money, either for operations or capital improvements.

Here's what western Wayne County school districts are scheduled to collect:

Livonia \$10.2 million, second highest in the state (behind Pontiac's \$12.9 million).

Northville \$3.8 million.

Plymouth Canton \$5.4 million.

South Redford \$3576,000.

Garden City, Redford Union and Wayne-Westland weren't part of the lawsuit. It's still unclear whether they can file later claims if they believe the state shorted them.

The Supreme Court ruled 4-3

to award money damages. The districts had sought \$492 million in principal plus interest for a total of \$567 million. The high court did not award interest.

The districts filed suit beginning in 1980, two years after voters passed the Headlee amendment to the constitution. It added Sec. 29 to Article IX, requiring that the state pay for any local services it mandates.

Said Dennis Pollard, the Bloomfield Hills attorney who handled the 17-years-long case:

"The court ruled in our favor on all of the legal issues pertaining to the state's funding duties by 7-0 and ruled in our favor as to the issue of a remedy by 4-3. However, the majority ruling limited our damages to the 1991-2, 1992-3 and 1993-4 school years, without any interest attribution."

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New auto museum aims to educate, entertain, inspire

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The new Automotive Hall of Fame, set to open Saturday, Aug. 16, next to Greenfield Village and Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, is not going to be your typical, keep-your-hands-off museum.

Unlike many other galleries, this one won't be filled with roped-off cars and glass-enclosed memorabilia of the auto industry. In fact, this museum has only 5 cars in it...only one of which is actually owned by the museum.

"This is truly a '90s museum, with many interactive activities," said Gene McKinney, former Westland mayor who is president of the museum. "We want to make it educational, interactive and quick. The average visitor will take about 90 minutes to get through the entire museum."

"What you're going to experience is entertainment and something that will motivate you to a higher achievement in your life or career," says Bob Stockton, director of development and public affairs. "There will be stories of 155 highly accomplished individuals who became a part of automotive history. What is interesting is that some of them failed a number of times before finally succeeding. We want to show people who visit the museum how that can also apply and inspire them in their lives."

"We want people to walk out of here saying 'I can do that,'" said Stockton.

Some of those people Stockton

refers to have names like Benz, Chevrolet, Chrysler, Ford, Honda, Mack and Toyota.

Attracting visitors

The Automotive Hall of Fame is moving from Midland, Michigan, to Dearborn, mainly to attract more visitors.

"In Midland we saw about a thousand visitors a year," said McKinney. "With the visitor base of Greenfield Village and

Henry Ford Museum, we hope to attract 150,000 people...which is what we need to break even."

McKinney thinks that number is achievable, considering the Village and Museum see about a million people a year.

The Hall of Fame has a 99-year, \$1-a-year lease with the Edison Institute, governing body of the Henry Ford Museum, for the 2-acre of land along Oakwood Boulevard.

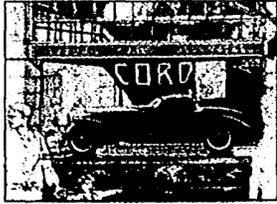
McKinney is well aware of an earlier venture to lure car industry enthusiasts, the failed Auto World in Flint.

"We hopefully learned our lesson from Auto World," said McKinney. "We selected this site because of its visitor base, now we have to keep it interesting. Visitors today, especially kids, want to do things, not just look."

From the time of inception, to the end of construction, four years will have passed.

"I would have preferred at least another year of planning," said McKinney. "Four years is a crash course in the museum business. Seven years would

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Elegance: This 1931 Cord L-29 Speedster is on loan to the hall of fame for its grand opening on Saturday, Aug. 16.



Motoring mural: John Gable, a former designer at GM, painted the largest pieces of automotive fine art for the new Automotive Hall of Fame since the DIA's Diego Rivera paintings. The 12-foot high, 65-foot long mural contains nearly 100 scenes associated with the last century of motoring and the global motor vehicle industry's impact on lives and lifestyles. The new Automotive Hall of Fame is in Dearborn, next to Greenfield Village.



Brushing-up: Child actor Jeffrey Hyke of Rochester gets a make-up touchup from producer Paul Long during the making of "The Driving Spirit," the video that will introduce visitors to the new museum. At right, Klaus Berner, creator of "Aeropede," shows off a model of the metal sculpture to Michael Summers. "Aeropede" is just one of the many exhibits in the new museum.

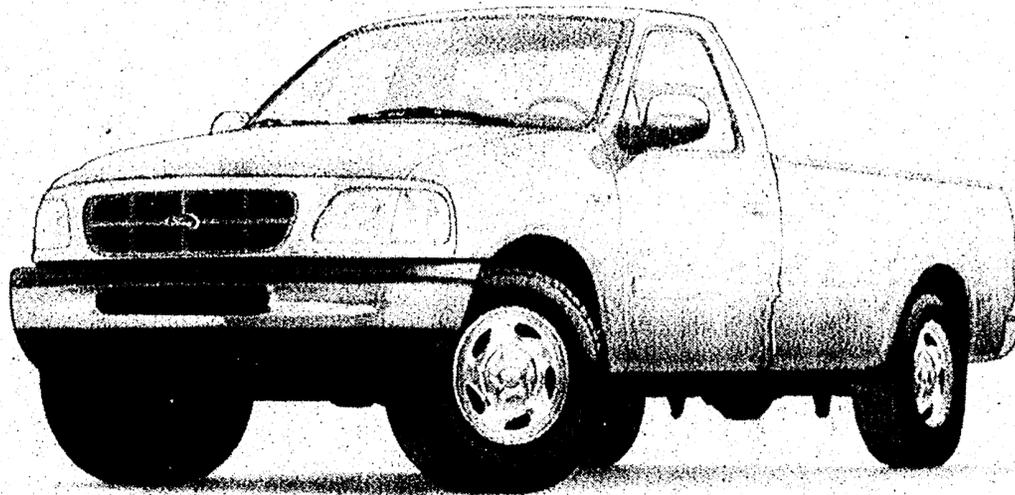


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College students can win scholarships in essay contest

Undergraduate college students have until Aug. 15 to submit essays for Wayne County Commissioner George Cushingberry's fourth Annual Civic Literacy Scholarship Contest.

Three \$500 first place awards will be given to the winners, along with a \$300 second place and a third place \$150 award. The writing contest is open to Wayne County residents of all ages who are enrolled at an accredited university.

In addition to providing a means to help thwart skyrocketing tuition rates, the contest is also designed to foster participa-

tion in the political process and encourage civic literacy.

"Sadly, the average voter turnout in most primary elections is 20 percent and only 55 percent in the generals. If there's no hope in our political process, then we have failed as a democratic society. Each year the students' essays tell me what issues they would like to see government address and the solutions they have to offer," said Cushingberry.

Students must write a two-page double-spaced essay on one of the following topics:

- Minorities/Women who have shaped Michigan political histo-

ry; how does their legacy affect us today? What was significant about their contribution?

- What are the top three issues that affect youth/young adults today?
- How do you think government should resolve them?
- What would increase voter participation?

The contest is sponsored this year by Consulting Engineers, ISS Cleaning Services, Guardian Alarm, Sun Valley Foods, and The Farbman Group. For more information, or to receive an entry form, contact Brooke McCauley at 313-224-0942.

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Those were the years for which the Court of Appeals made judgments, he said.

The high court split along straight party lines in awarding damages - Democratic nominees Conrad Mallett Jr. (chief justice), Michael Cavanagh, Patricia Boyle and Marilyn Kelly in favor; Republican nominees James Brickley, Dorothy Comstock Riley and Elizabeth Weaver against.

Special education, a growing program in Michigan, soaked up the biggest chunk of money. Transportation for special ed, driver's ed, school lunch and supplemental milk programs also were involved.

The Supreme Court majority said:

- The funds are "constitutionally dedicated" and cannot be cut by a governor's executive order.
- The school districts' attorneys' fees are covered.
- A money judgment for fiscal 1992, 1993 and 1994 for the full amounts of underfunding is appropriate. The state's "prolonged recalcitrance" in paying up was noted.
- What to do with the money is up to the local school boards. They may use it for public purposes, tax refunds or tax relief.

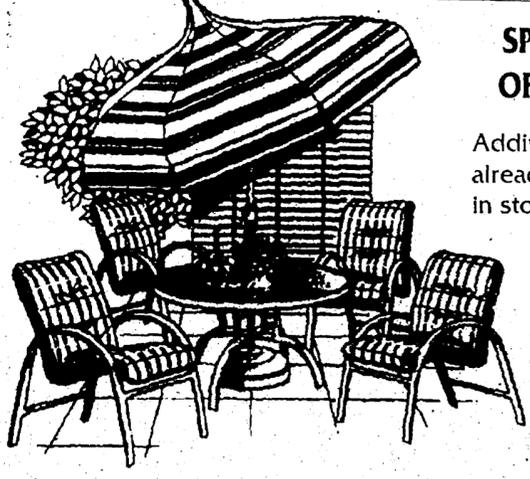
The minority opinion, written by Justice Brickley, agreed with everything but the need to pay

damages.

It said the Supreme Court lacks authority to order monetary damages. It charged the majority went too far in fashioning a remedy because "the Supreme Court has not been empowered to create this novel solution."

"The result is not consistent with the basic point of the Headlee Amendment, which is to provide relief for taxpayers. The practical effect of this relief is to give the taxpayers in these school districts relief at the expense of the taxpayers of the rest of the state."

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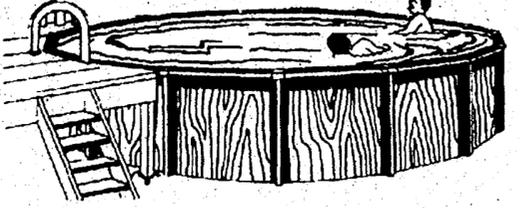
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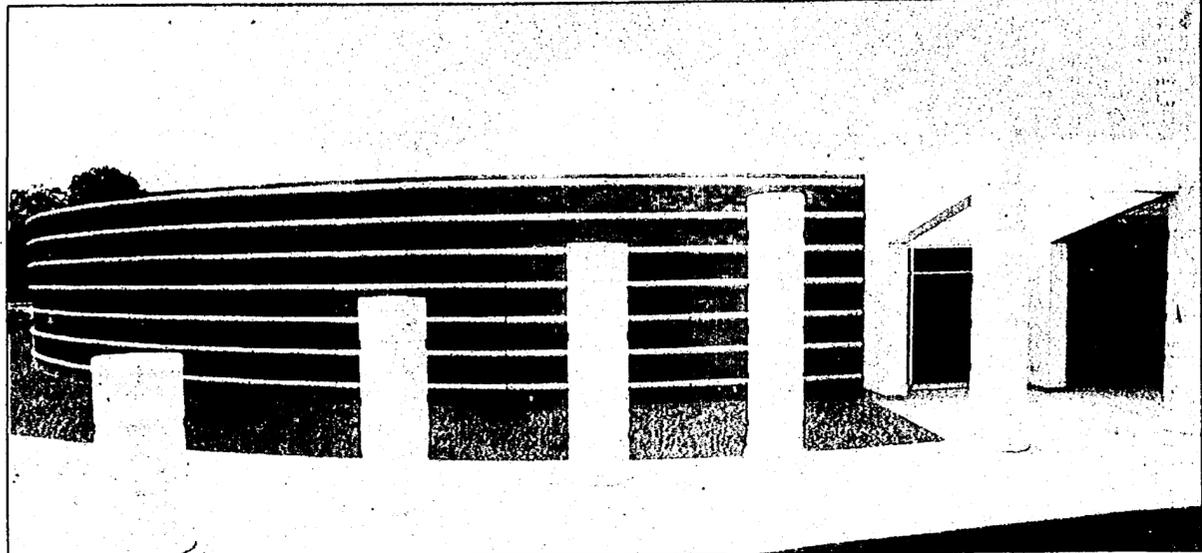
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Automotive Hall of Fame: Curving horizontal lines of white masonry and black glass, topped by a pyramid skylight mark the striking exterior of the new museum in Dearborn. The distinctive architectural design sets it apart from its neighbor, Henry Ford Museum. The new museum, which opens Aug. 16, contains 11,000 square feet of exhibits.

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have been ideal. However, the automotive industry does it quick."

Fund-raising success

McKinney has led the fund-raising campaign to get the \$10-million needed to complete the

project. He's almost there with \$9.3-million in the coffers.

"It's been quite a task," noted McKinney. "We got great support from the Big 3 for this project."

McKinney said he was a bit awestruck when General Motors handed him a check for \$750,000. Ford donated \$1-million over three years. Chrysler added a half-million. Mercedes pledged \$500,000 with an additional \$100,000 from the family. "The original check was made

out to me for \$100,000," chuckled McKinney. "I really had to think for a minute."

McKinney said Toyota, with \$350,000, and Honda, \$150,000, were also instrumental.

"The Japanese automakers have a tremendous sense of history, and are enthused about telling their story," said McKinney.

Special displays

The Hall of Fame experience begins in the Henry Ford II

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After a surround-sound, high-impact video demonstration, the screen disappears to reveal the Soichiro Honda Atrium, site of special changing exhibits.

The atrium leads to the Hall of Fame Dedication Center, which contains a 12-foot high, 65-foot long mural which shows the impact of the motor vehicle from the 1800s to the present.

The mural is the largest piece of automotive fine art since the Diego Rivera mural in the Detroit Institute of Arts.

The Exhibit Hall contains a number of displays relating to the accomplishments of individuals whose pasts are part of the auto industry.

Exhibit Works of Livonia spent hundreds of hours of research to design the content of the museum.

"Our goal was not to make this a museum of cars, but of people who helped shape the industry," said Jim Notarianni, Exhibit Works museum project manager.

"The automobile has had more effect on our culture than any other aspect of our lives, our work, leisure, identity," added Notarianni. "The museum looks at the past and takes a peek at the future."

For those who like cars, there are a few.

The only one the museum actually owns is a 1912 Flanders 20 Speedster, donated by the Flanders family. There's an 1886 Benz Patent Motorwagen, one of the few recreations in the world built by the Benz factory in Germany of what is regarded as the first vehicle to be called an automobile. On loan is a 1931 Cord L-29. From the big tail fin and engine era, a 1957 Plymouth Fury 4-door hardtop. And, a 1965 Honda RA272 which won the Mexican Grand Prix, the first Pacific rim car to win an international race.

Dream come true

The new Hall of Fame is the final dream of those who founded the museum nearly 60 years ago to remember and preserve automotive achievements. They included Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker, race car driver, World War I ace and builder of Rickenbacker motor cars; Charles King, credited with building and driving the first motor car in Detroit; M.J. Duryea, who with his brother, Frank, produced the first volume run of vehicles; Miller Reese Hutchinson, inventor of the electric horn; and Albert Reeva of the Automotive Manufacturers Association.

The Automotive Hall of Fame in Dearborn is set to open its doors Saturday, Aug. 16.

Automotive Hall of Fame hours of operation and admission: through October, daily, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; November through Memorial Day, daily except Mondays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; admission, \$6 adult, \$5.50 senior, \$3 youth. The museum is located next to Greenfield Village and Henry Ford Museum, 21400 Oakwood Boulevard, Dearborn, Michigan. Telephone number, (313) 240-4000.

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Homecoming

Former Westland mayor heads new museum

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

It's like a homecoming for the president of the new Automotive Hall of Fame in Dearborn.

Gene McKinney, 62, is no stranger to the area, particularly Westland, having been the city's second mayor. He defeated incumbent Tom Brown and served from 1969 to 1976.

McKinney says after returning home, he's amazed at the city's growth.

"When I was mayor we were struggling to get the commercial aspect of the city moving along to increase the tax base," said McKinney. "Now they can't stop it. It's just amazing what they've done along Wayne and Ford roads. It's quite a place."

McKinney says he likes to believe he helped pave the way for Westland to grow to what it is today.

"I would like to think my



Gene McKinney, former Westland mayor and former director of the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association, is now president of new Automotive Hall of Fame.

relations and for the Automotive Hall of Fame.

"It all comes down to working with people, whether it be politics, public relations or fundraising," said McKinney.

After politics, McKinney took his newspaper reporting skills to work at Sandy Public Relations in Detroit, where he worked on the Chevrolet account.

He was there less than a year before heading to Washington as the director of communications for the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association.

After 17 years, McKinney was feeling pretty confident in that position.

However, four years ago, the Automotive Hall of Fame came calling. He became president of the museum to lead the largest initiative in the worldwide organization's 56-year history.

McKinney lives in Grosse Pointe. However, his mother is still a resident of Westland.

Mall."

McKinney got out of politics after his stint as mayor, but says he's done much of the same thing while working in public

administration laid the groundwork," said McKinney. "During my years, we formed a professional staff and developed some of the land along Westland

Airport from page A7

we have a lot of private and corporate planes taking off and landing."

Help to alleviate some of the congestion is on the way, in the form of the current \$786-million project to upgrade the airport, which should be completed in the year 2000.

"Currently we have only 6

gates for international flights," noted Conway. "The new terminal will help as we'll be able to have a maximum of 10 gates. We'll have 99 gates in all, an increase of 25."

The renovations, in conjunction with Northwest Airlines, doesn't include the \$60-million in improvements made by the

air carrier just to keep it going until renovations are completed.

"They've done extensive improvements to concourse C, put in additional moving sidewalks, and expanded the customs and immigration areas," said Conway.

Don't look for expansion renovation at the airport to stop

after the year 2000.

"It just never stops out here," said Conway. "There is always something that we'll be doing to increase and improve service."

Madonna late registration continues through Aug. 29

Madonna University is holding late registration for the fall semester through Friday, Aug. 29.

Payment of a registration fee is no longer required at the time of registration. The \$50 registration and technology fee will be billed along with tuition.

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A done deal?

Board should open up search

A subcommittee of Wayne-Westland school board members has met twice in closed session and is expected to recommend on Aug. 18 to the full board that Greg Baracy be hired as superintendent for the district.

This is not a criticism of Baracy's professionalism or his qualifications, but the subcommittee should at least advertise and obtain a pool of candidates' resumes and conduct a legitimate search before deciding on who will lead Wayne-Westland over the next few years. And again, as we stated a few weeks ago, it should be discussed publicly.

We've had a subcommittee of three trustees — president Debra Fowlkes, vice president Mathew McCusker and trustee Robin Moore — who will recommend to the full seven-member board the next leader of the district. That trio has met privately, and nobody knows what was really discussed. We can only assume that they discussed Baracy, because the board president said all three subcommittee members supported him for the superintendency. She also said no other potential candidate was discussed. A formal superintendent search was not conducted by the subcommittee.

The full board should consider rejecting or

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tabling the recommendation of Baracy, not because they disagree with the choice, but the method of how that recommendation came to be. Otherwise, the process could taint Baracy's selection and leave district residents wondering whether the district actually found the best person for the job.

We also are concerned about a possible violation of the Open Meetings Act. Linda Bruin, legal counsel for the Michigan Association of School Boards, has said many school boards are now instructing their committees to conduct open meetings. We believe that is the right way to go. On an issue as important as selecting a new superintendent, the public's right to know outweighs a board subcommittee's questionable right to deliberate privately.

Schools need to be competitive

We have our concerns about charter public schools, especially those just starting up. We wonder about educational accountability and quality of instruction. We wonder about curriculum and academic performance. We wonder about equipment, books and supplies. We wonder about extracurricular opportunities.

But charter schools promote several values that seem to appeal to parents across the board — an extended school year, an upgraded dress code and a sense of ownership of the schools.

Public schools would do well to imitate charters on all three of those issues.

The Academy for Business and International Studies in Dearborn Heights chartered through Eastern Michigan University will provide for 190 days of instruction this academic year.

The Henry Ford Academy of Manufacturing Arts & Sciences in Dearborn chartered through Wayne County Regional Education Service Agency requires an eight-day orientation in August prior to the start of its school year.

State law mandates a minimum of 1,041 instructional hours this year. That works out to 173 1/2 days based on a six-hour school day. In years past, with half-days for staff training, comp time for parent-teacher conferences, time out for testing and snow days, some public school students actually were in class less time than the intent of state prescribed minimums.

The charter schools mentioned here seem to grasp the idea that more can be learned with more time spent in a learning situation.

Having dress codes in public schools is a controversial issue for most students. They decry the loss of individuality and self-expression, which is ironic since most kids dress alike anyway.

Requirements can range from uniforms to semi-casual.

Charter schools seem to grasp the idea that dress codes help set a tone. School is serious

■ Charter schools seem to grasp the idea that parents want to be involved in educational matters other than discipline problems, fund-raising and millage campaigns. Especially in the upper grade levels.

work, not play or party time.

We're also struck that charter school administrators go out of their way to make parents feel welcome and part of the educational process. Nagi Musleh of the Academy for Business and International Studies told parents and prospects at a recent informational meeting, "This is your second home."

Charter schools seem to grasp the idea that parents want to be involved in educational matters other than discipline problems, fund-raising and millage campaigns. Especially in the upper grade levels.

School boards, administrators, teachers and booster organizations shouldn't take these matters lightly as another academic year is about to begin.

Here's why. State aid follows students to charter schools. The figures for this year are \$7,067 per pupil in Livonia; \$6,588 in South Redford; \$6,145 in Garden City; \$5,986 in Plymouth-Canton; \$5,883 in Wayne-Westland; and \$5,677 in Redford Union.

Students leaving the local public school for a charter at even the tiny rate of two out of every hundred — 2 percent — could have major budget impacts. Those children transferring could be among the best and the brightest in a community, too.

Parents are shopping for schools. We continue to believe public education is the best route for the majority of residents, but it's up to local public school districts to improve their product wherever they can to stay competitive. And the competition is growing.

Bang the drum



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

Day of heritage: St. Andrew's Pipe band bass drum player Tom Course of St. Clair Shores beats a bass drum during opening ceremonies at the 148th annual Highland Games in Livonia at Greenmead Historical Village on Saturday.

LETTERS

A 'zero sum game'

With the stock market soaring 20 and 30 percent per year on a seemingly regular basis, many new "401K millionaires" have been created.

But, does the public really understand what the market is and how it operates?

Wall Street is really a "zero sum" game. That amount of money removed from the stock market at the end of any given market day is exactly equal to the amount of money that came into the market on that day.

Still, most people believe that their stock is worth what the last sale was quoted at, and multiplied by the number of shares they own. But, in effect, even that last sale price was a rigged price. Here's why:

Only a tiny fraction of a company's shares are in play on Wall Street on any given day. This is called the "float." Market professionals buy and sell only the float available on any day.

Because the float is so small, relative to all shares outstanding, it is easy to manipulate the share price using relatively small amounts of money. Some large players try to buy up the available float to achieve a technical corner on the market on a given day. Some corporations will buy back their shares to reduce their float — thus boost the price of their stock.

Some mutual funds, loaded with new cash, will buy up the daily float in such a frenzy that stock prices soar.

Market "bears" who sell shares they don't own in hopes of buying the same shares cheaper in the future, are often forced to buy from a shrinking float no matter how high the stock price has soared. This forces prices even higher, in what is called a "short squeeze."

The point is that the stock market is about floats, not share prices. Share price is really a creature of the float. As long as you and I and Bill Gates don't sell our shares of Microsoft today — market professionals can manipulate the float in Microsoft shares, and thus its price, to any level they want.

As long as market psychology stays favorable and the floats stay manageable, Wall Street will be able to continue its magic show.

But if anything happens to increase the float, even slightly, things could deteriorate a lot quicker than many people think. Even blue smoke and mirrors will not conceal the wires that manipulate this market. The magic show will be over.

At that point, the 401K millionaires will

quickly see why Wall Street is called a "zero sum" game.

Walter Warren
Westland

Beanie mania reigns

I could not believe what went on last Thursday at Livonia Mall.

Beanie Babies were being sold at one of the stores. People were waiting in line for hours. They actually needed crowd control, mainly because of two women who spent their time in line complaining about how many children there were and whether or not someone would get the one they wanted.

One of the women started arguing with a 10-year-old and verbally abusing her. She shouted at this poor child telling her she (the girl) should give her (the adult) the Beanie Baby that the little girl had in her hand. Yes, this was a mother, or should I say a very poor excuse for one.

I was about to step in and intervene with this obviously uneducated, ignorant woman, but before I had the chance, one of the employees at the store pointed out to her that this was a stuffed animal and she was arguing with a small child.

I will never forget this lady's face full of anger and I'm sure others were just as appalled at this scene. I hope this woman is in a minority of mothers who would stoop so low for a \$5.99 stuffed animal.

Half the fun of collecting Beanie Babies is trying to find them. When women like this cross the line and shout and try to manipulate small children, then they have gone too far. I hope she is ashamed of herself.

So parents: Please show some self-control and remember we are examples for our children.

And again: IT IS JUST A STUFFED ANIMAL.

G. Blair
Livonia

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COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

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We asked this question at the Westland public library.



"I'd like to see more programs for children."

Sandy Sonak
Westland



"I'd like to see mandatory recycling like some other communities have."

Debbie Stawasz
Westland



"The school funding issue. There are some issues with the state and millages that I'd like to see addressed."

Kevin Brewer
Westland



"Crime and drugs."

Delores Turner
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— Philip Power

POINTS OF VIEW

Column shows Native American bias

I read Tim Richard's op-ed column of July 24 with foreboding. His opinion of Native Americans is quite biased. In the past, he has written columns accusing Native Americans of raping his ancestors (I doubt he can provide documentation of this event). He must apparently get even by using his pen to rape Native Americans today.

Please allow me to comment on Tribal/U.S./State/Municipal relationships from a historically correct viewpoint. There are numerous common misconceptions on which Mr. Richard's opinion is based;

Native Americans have super rights with dual citizenship.

The land we occupy and all the resources within it were originally the domain of various tribal groups. They were taken from these tribal groups by a combination of greater firepower and political savvy. The political savvy of the time resulted in a relatively bloodless taking of the land and

resources here in Michigan, but also caused today's political situation, as the tribal groups retained their sovereignty as separate nations. Just call it payment for the land and resources; and you will see that the acquisition was cheap at the price.

Native American people have paid and paid for their citizenship in the United States. This was granted in 1924 by an Act of Congress in return for service in the armed forces, in which Native American men served in greater proportion to their population than any other group.

Indians can elect our judges, but we can't elect theirs.

A native American is a citizen of the U.S., the state and the local government where he lives, and is also a tribal citizen. He can vote in each of these milieus. He has more level of citizenship than the people who are not tribal members. There are some other countries where this dual citizenship is allowed. I believe these include



ELAINE SCHUSTER

Israel and Poland. If he lives off reservation, or commits a state or local offense while off reservation, he is subject to the same court systems as his neighbors. If the said state or local offense is committed in a jurisdiction other than his home precinct, he has, like anyone else in the country, no say in the election of the presiding officials.

Trial rules and privileges are different in Native American Courts.

This is true. It is the same in any

different jurisdiction. Try committing an offense or suing for a violation in Windsor.

Indians do not pay taxes.

Native Americans do pay U.S., state and local taxes. The only exemptions are for those who live on the reservations. Their property is not taxed by the state, and if their income is earned on the reservation, it is taxed only by the U.S. not the state. In Michigan, more than three-quarters of the Native Americans live off the reservations, and are subject to all taxes. The casinos are paying huge cumshaw to the state for the privilege of their existence within the state's borders.

Tribes, as sovereign nations, are claiming to be immune from suits over claims against them by state residents.

In the annals of our courts, there are numerous examples of governmental immunity pleas. One sues a government only if it waives its

immunity, be it state or local. In fact, one can only file against the state in the Court of Claims.

If these are "abuses," they are common to all governments. The only objection Mr. Richard seems able to raise is that Indians should not be able to do it. I refer back to the cost of the land and resources. To know how important the political power of sovereignty is, one has only to listen to how loud the opponents of sovereignty howl, once the sovereign nation begins to achieve economic parity. This is our right as citizens of our nations. We are coming closer to the future our forefathers envisioned, as they planned for seven generations into the future. This is where their wisdom used the political savvy of the day to shape a future based on terrible sacrifices of their present day. We can all benefit from such wisdom.

Elaine Schuster works for the Michigan Department of Civil Rights. She lives in Southfield.

Whatever he was called, Mojo was cat's meow

Good lord - not another cat story! I can almost hear eyes rolling like so many pinballs. There is not much more of a crashing bore than those who extol their cat's seemingly endless charms.

To twist Shakespeare's take on Greatness I would have to say not afraid of cats: some are born with cats, some acquire cats and some have cats thrust upon them. I place myself in the third state as cats have simply always been there through no particular plan of my own but as gifts, guests, stubborn strays that insinuate themselves into your heart and home.

One of our cats, best known as "Mojo" died quite suddenly in May from what might have been a stroke. The shock had me crying out loud, I don't think I have wept so hard since

my dad died and with it came the revelation that I, in fact, had known Mojo longer and better. There - I said it.

Perhaps I am a very shallow woman. Even stranger is that as I write my ode to Mojo I must say that his particular charm rested in being nothing special. His brother "Grey Boy" seems to have gotten all the glamorous good looks, astounding athleticism and keen intelligence the litter had to offer. Mojo, on the other hand, might be viewed either as a Zen master or a cardboard cutout in comparison.

Originally they graced the crazy squalor of the bachelor pad Mr. Matsu and his dear friend Matthew shared. When we married and moved to Michigan five years ago these cats would be ceaseless comfort during



DOROTHY MATSU

crushing homesickness and a balm to my sanity when Mr. Matsu traveled.

Their strong Abyssinian strain gave them very clownish natures I could relate to after the long string of neurotic felines that came before.

Mojo was so unpretentious compared to his brother that we had many names for him. His given name

was Mr. Green Jeans for his funny stripes that looked like a pair of pants. Where his brother was sleek with gorgeous blue eyes, Mojo had feet too tiny for his throw pillow body, giant ears and one eye with a weird cloudy cataract. We often called him "Sidecar" because he followed his brother so closely like a clumsy shadow. His brother would perform amazing feats of fetching while Mojo was always like the fellow in the middle of a "Keep-Away" game, happy just to be involved and lurching along never quite getting it.

His brother moved with speed and precision where he liked to lope and scuttle sideways like a crab. Rather than wind about your legs to trip you up he simply dropped on our feet as if shot. We also called him "Pigpen"

because his heavy shedding created a cloud around him like the Peanuts character, "Wethead" for when he took to sitting under a dripping faucet, apparently enjoying it. He loved hot spots and we joked constantly when he was "toasting his buns" or "baking a ham."

He was "Slo-Mo" when we caught him gazing doltishly with his tongue sticking out. The sky wept torrents of rain while Mr. Matsu, a man of great heart, dug a deep grave where we laid him with the first sprigs of catnip. His name is carved into the fence of our first home on the occasion of this first grief. Winds howled as madly as I for him, my simple fellow, but the sun came too, carrying him to glory.

Dorothy Matsu is a Plymouth resident who writes about ordinary life.

Parents' rights amendment carries concealed fishhooks

Let's try one more time, folks, to get this issue straight. The problem with the now-repealed State Board of Education mission statement wasn't the references to God. It's the hidden agenda of "parents' rights," a religious effort to impose one brand of religion in public schools.

Betsy DeVos, the ideological Republican state chair, is pushing a "parents' rights" amendment to the state and U.S. constitutions. She makes it sound innocent enough - parental control of a kid's education. Then we find the concealed fishhooks.

We find two last week in Florida, where Howard Simon of Plymouth is heading after 23 years with the American Civil Liberties Union in Michigan. As head of Florida's ACLU, Simon will see immediately what Michiganders are likely to see in the near future.

Circuit Judge Donald Pellicchia in Charlotte County dismissed the suit of the Rev. and Mrs. Bob McDuffie against a Port Charlotte High School history teacher-counselor claiming he violated their (non-existent) parental rights to prevent use of a novel in class.

The Charlotte Sun reported that teacher Bob Johnson used the book "despite three written notices from the parents opposing it. Johnson used the book without giving parents prior notice, (his attorney) said."

The judge responded instead to the teacher's argument: A parent has no right to dictate what materials are used in school. The judge was quite correct. A layman, with an obvious religious ax to grind, has no business arrogantly ordering a teacher not to use a book. Tax-funded public schools couldn't operate if any zealot could dictate the curriculum.

The Rev. McDuffie objected to "The Last of the Wine" by Mary Renault, saying it contained references to homosexuality. Sounds sensational, huh? Look it up. I did.

The 1956 novel by an English author educated at Oxford is one of many historical novels she wrote to teach about ancient cultures. The narrator, Alexias, tells his life story and contacts with the great philosophers Socrates and Plato.

Such novels by women writers, I find, are pretty tame. Yes, there are references to an uncle who is "in love" with another male. Anyone who has read Greek literature knows about that. Renault's references, however, are far from explicit. You know it's there, but she refrains from the "gosh, gee whiz" approach.

There are other things that the McDuffies probably didn't like. Alexias' father orders him



TIM RICHARD

killed at birth, though obviously the nurse didn't carry out the order. The father also orders, by mail, a daughter killed at birth, but Alexias destroys the letter.

Yes, that kind of stuff is true, too. Parents aren't always the nice creatures that religious fundamentalists and greeting card hucksters portray. There are bad parents as well as good ones.

The second example, in Lee County, is reported in the Fort Myers News-Press. A fundamentalist's dream has been answered with creation of a 15-member "citizens committee" to advise the elected school board on history teaching.

(We saw the same kind of mischief in the 1994 flap over Michigan's health education program where fundamentalists demanded that parent-controlled committees call the shots. The late state Sen. Gil DiNello promoted that line. The Senate ignored DiNello's report, and voters bounced him out of office.)

Well, this panel wants the Bible taught as an elective, including the tale of Adam and Eve, and considered as history. Apparently, committee members are totally ignorant of the archeological work Israel has done since 1967 on the Sinai peninsula and Jericho. To the committee, the Bible must be true because it's true because it's true.

There are, of course, threats of lawsuits. Those suits are destined to turn out the way all such lawsuits have turned out in the last 15 or so years - defeat for the fundamentalists, victory for the educators. Bon voyage, Howard Simon.

Don't be surprised if school districts around here aren't subjected to more of the same kind of (legally expensive) religious harassment in the years ahead.

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional events.

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COMMON SENSORS



JACQUE MARTIN-DOWNS

Sometimes, we could be sitting on our 'ticket'

Robert Fulghum in his book, "It Was on Fire When I Lay Down on It," tells a story about a young woman who sat in the Hong Kong airport weeping. In short, she had been traveling for months, had run out of money, and was now catching the next flight back home.

Except ... that she has just lost her ticket in the airport. For three hours prior to takeoff, she had been sitting there, searching through her backpack, looking in all her pockets, but no ticket.

Finally, a couple who had been watching her agony, wanted to be helpful and offered to take her to lunch. So she stood up, turned around to pick up her belongs and SCREAMED.

Fulghum, who tells the story repeatedly, says that everyone "laughs in painful recognition" as he concludes with, "She was sitting on her own ticket." And how often have we "sat on our own ticket," not even aware that the answer is right before us?

A friend of mine tells a similar story about a difficulty she had with her 14-year-old whom she signed up for an outward-bound sort of trip. The minute she heard about this terrific outdoor adventure, she knew it would be good for her son who was inclined to stay indoors. But, unfortunately, he wanted nothing to do with it.

The trip could be life changing for him, but when he started throwing up roadblocks, her own fears got in the way of her staying positive. When she mentioned that there would be a 90-mile biking portion, he complained that he'd never be able to keep up.

She started to doubt her decision and wondered if it was going to be too much for him. She ruminated over the white water rafting ... would he be worried about that, too? The more she let her son voice his discomfort with the trip, the more hesitant she became about pushing into it.

Turning on the light

Her "ah-ha" came one day after talking about it to a friend. In trying to weight out the positives and negatives, it suddenly occurred to her that she had thought the trip was a great idea in the beginning and only started to doubt it when her son moaned and groaned about it. Thus, her uneasiness gave him the ammunition to "push her buttons" and make her doubt her original decision. When the light bulb went on, she quickly adjusted her attitude to ward off his pessimism.

And she reports, what a relief it was to be able to come back at him with retorts like, "I know you'll do just fine on this trip," and "Yeah, I'll bet other kids feel the same worries about the trip, but they're going and you're going, too."

At that point, her son dropped his sword and resigned himself to the fact that he was indeed going to go. And the rest of the story? He had a wonderful time and found that HIS attitude played a large part in helping him cope with the grueling challenges of the trip.

When the ticket is "right under your seat," how will you know it's there? There are two ways to know. The first solution is to sit tight and wait. There are times when our patience pays off. Speed demons have the most trouble with this. They cannot tolerate sitting still and waiting, so they jump ahead, determined to get out from under the discomfort and frustration they're feeling.

Nancy, who lived alone, began her Monday morning last week madly searching her house for her cordless telephone, which she'd left off the hook the night before. She went from diving through her laundry basket to searching high and low in her couch pillows only to come up "cordless." After two hours of frustration and anger, the phone rang. She followed the ringing to the hall closet and found it sitting on the shelf. (Don't ask why it was there!)

Talking it through

The second response is to talk through your problem or dilemma. Of course, talking to real people is the best measure, but inanimate objects can be talked to as well. The answers to our difficulties are often right in front of us, through other people.

Through a state grant, Bill is responsible for getting 8,000 hours of public service out the door each year. When he mentioned to a colleague that he was worried about them being 1,000 hours short of their mark, the colleague immediately went into action and discovered many hours that they had not accounted for. Had Bill not brought the concern to someone's attention, trying to piece it together himself, he says he

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HELEN FURCEAN / STAFF ARTIST

BY DIANE HANSON
SPECIAL WRITER

For some folks, going to the chapel and getting married means a trip to such exotic destinations as Hawaii, St. Thomas, Lake Tahoe or Barbados.

And couples looking for something different, romantic and out-of-the-ordinary have no trouble finding hotels, resorts and travel agencies that eagerly cater to long-distance lovebirds.

When Marguerite and Chris Johnson decided to get married, they agreed they wanted to tie the knot far away from their native Livonia.

"It started off with neither one of us really wanting to have anything big here at home," said Marguerite. "Everyone did that type of thing and we wanted something different, something just for us. We wanted it to be our own special moment together."

Finding the right place for that special moment took some deliberation.

"I kind of wanted to go with the out-West theme," said Chris, but his suggestions of Reno and Las Vegas merited a "No way!" response from Marguerite. Then one day he threw out the idea of Lake Tahoe. Although neither of them had ever been there, friends told them how beautiful it was and they decided it would be the perfect spot to exchange vows.

The couple started calling 800 numbers from an Automobile Club of Michigan book and wound up with a volume of information through the mail.

"There are a zillion chapels that you can go to," Marguerite said. "We narrowed it down to either getting married on a mountaintop or by a waterfall."

Most of the chapels offered a variety of packages from just a minister to everything including photographer, video, flowers, cake and limo. Since the Johnsons planned a reception, complete with dinner and wedding cake after returning from their honeymoon, they chose

the basic package with minister and photographer.

Another decision they made was to have a very private ceremony with just the two of them, no family or friends.

"I think my mom might have been the most disappointed," said Marguerite who also has two brothers and two sisters. "I think she would have really wanted to be there, but we warned her beforehand that we were going to do what we wanted to do."

"She really respected our wishes on that."

Although Chris is an only child, his parents encouraged the couple to pursue their plans. They were "the ones who said, 'Go away. Do what you want,'" Marguerite recounted.

Ceremony with a view

The couple chose a spot near a waterfall to say "I do" on Sept. 14, 1996. They could hear it but not see it, and Marguerite admits she "was a little disappointed" until she took in

the beauty of their chosen spot overlooking Emerald Bay on Lake Tahoe.

"It was absolutely gorgeous," she said.

Chris concurred, "I couldn't have asked for anything more picturesque than that. We had a great view of the lake and the mountains."

A sunset dinner cruise and honeymoon in California followed. Their reception in October was for 80 family members and friends at Longacre House in Farmington Hills. Chris felt like they had the best of both worlds.

"We had the benefit of having something that was private and meaningful with just the two of us and we also came back and had the gathering and all those feelings that go along with that," Chris recounted.

"It kind of feels like we cheated the system. We got two for one."

Karen Herbst, a travel agent at All Aboard Travel in Livonia,

Just married: Marguerite and Chris Johnson said "I do" at Lake Tahoe's Emerald Bay.

has recently arranged for two weddings in Hawaii. She sets up the land and air packages and works with a company in Honolulu that handles the actual wedding. She helps make things fairly simple when the couple arrives at their island paradise.

"The only thing that they (the bride and groom) have to do is when they get to the island, they have to get their marriage license," said Herbst.

And obtaining those licenses is getting increasingly easier. Las Vegas, known for round-the-clock marriage licenses and volumes of nuptial traffic, has provided incentives for other locales.

Several states, including California and Tennessee, have recently made same-day weddings available by cutting out the blood-testing requirements and pre-license waits.

Wedding-related tourist booms have been especially beneficial for areas like Gatlinburg, Tenn. Last year alone, the small town of 3,500 experienced an economic swell of \$10 million from the 11,000 weddings held in 30 area chapels.

For couples whose families live in different areas, an out-of-town wedding can be a tactical, neutral solution to possible conflict. It can also be a way to trim guest lists and can be quite economically feasible. Herbst said wedding packages range from \$600 to \$800 for a Hawaiian wedding. Las Vegas or St. Thomas weddings cost from \$300 to \$500.

Then there is transportation. Air fares are "all over the ball park," explained Herbst. She can set up a package for a Las Vegas junket for two for \$900 to \$1,000, while a three-night cruise for a St. Thomas nuptial can run from around \$1,500 to

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Couples pack more into honeymoon

'Just Zoo It' promotes organ donation

BY DIANE HANSON
SPECIAL WRITER

"We're at the waiting stage," explained Kim Micekovicus of the anticipation and wait with her mother, Maxine Roe, a 50-year-old Garden City resident.

Roe is among 2,000 Michigan residents and nearly 54,000 in the United States who are quietly waiting. They are on a list and are waiting for their phones to ring with the news that someone has given them a chance to live. They are waiting for an organ transplant. Some of them won't make it because they become too sick and there are not nearly enough people who have made it clear they would like to donate their organs for transplant in the event of their death.

Micekovicus, a Royal Oak resident, her husband, Dennis, and her father, Tom, are not content to wait quietly. They are joining a host of others Saturday, Aug. 9, for The Gift of Life/Just Zoo It!, at the Detroit Zoo.

There will be a 5K run starting at 9 a.m., and a 1.5 mile Fun Walk starting at 9:10 a.m. Registration is available at the gate for \$16, and

awards will be presented to the top five male and female finishers in each of seven age groups. Participants are encouraged to register early - 7:30-8:45 a.m. - and each contestant will receive a choice of a hat or T-shirt and admission to the zoo. Discounted adult zoo tickets purchased in advance are \$5 and all children 12 and under are free before 10 a.m.

In addition to all the zoo attractions, the annual Just Zoo It! will have special activities for children. Members of the Safari Soccer Team from the Palace of Auburn Hills will be there along with Carlos Rodgers of the Toronto Raptors basketball team, whose sister died while waiting for a kidney transplant.

Tammie Haverahl, education director for The Gift of Life agency, said there are two major things the organization hopes to achieve with Saturday's events - "The first is that people see that transplants really work."

Spreading the word

She said there will be many transplant recipients, waiting recipients and donor families wearing blue caps on Saturday to be easily

identified. The transplant recipients are living proof of donor organ success.

Among notable recipients attending Saturday's event will be Chet Szuber. He is the Michigan man who received his own daughter's heart when she was killed in an automobile accident. He will be at an information booth to establish a support group for donor families, transplant recipients and waiting recipients.

Tiffany Culy, the Saline High School student who contracted Wilson's disease and recently received a liver transplant, will attend Saturday's program. The high school senior also is living proof that transplants work.

The second and most important thing, Haverahl stressed, is to increase awareness that potential donors must "let their family members know what their decision is."

"People, once they've made that decision, need to take that extra step of letting their family members know what their wishes are," she said.

According to Haverahl, taking those steps often gets put on the back burner along with

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CRAFTS CALENDAR

Listings for the Crafts Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (313) 591-7279. For more information, call (313) 953-2131.

LIVONIA MALL

Huff's Promotions Inc. will have an arts and crafts show 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Aug. 13-16 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 17 at the mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt roads, Livonia. Juried artisans from across the country will showcase their work in pen ink drawings, silver and amber jewelry, doll furniture, geese clothing, stained glass lamps and more.

ST. THEODORE

St. Theodore's Confraternity of Christian Women will hold their annual Busy Bee Boutique craft show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 11 at the church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Table rental is \$20. For information, call (313) 425-4421 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

GARDEN CITY AFROTC

Crafters are needed for the Garden City High School AFROTC craft show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 11 at the high school, 6500 Middlebelt Road, Garden City. For space information, call Jerry at (313) 427-2540.

ST. AIDAN'S

Crafters are needed for St. Aidan's Church's 14th annual craft show Oct. 18 at the church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Applications are available by calling (248) 477-8942 or (313) 427-1457.

ABUNDANT LIFE
The Abundant Life Church of God is accepting applications for table rental for its annual Angelic Boutique from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 25. For more information, call Elaine Chambers at (313) 595-0011 or (313) 595-8062, or Theresa Weaver at (313) 467-9046

WILDWOOD ELEMENTARY
Crafters are needed for Wildwood Elementary School's annual arts and crafts show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 25 at the school, 500 N. Wildwood, Westland. Admission will be \$1. There also will be a bake sale, raffles and lunch. For table information, call (313) 721-3454.

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MADONNA UNIVERSITY

Madonna University is accepting applications from crafters for its 13th annual holiday arts and craft showcase to be held 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 1-2, in the Activities Center. Booth space measuring 9 feet by 6 feet with two chairs and one 6-by-8-foot table is available for \$50 either day or \$90 for both days. Booths with electricity are limited and are an additional \$5. For an application, call (313) 432-5603. Madonna University is a Schoolcraft and Levan roads, Livonia.

LIVONIA YMCA

The deadline is Sept. 1 for qualified crafters to submit applications for the Livonia Family YMCA's 13th annual Mulberry

Holiday Market Nov. 1. Booth space is \$70 and the Y has room for 60 regional crafters. For more information and for applications, call the Y at (313) 261-2161, Ext. 310.

LIVONIA STEVENSON

Crafters are wanted for Livonia Stevenson high School's Holiday Happening craft show 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 1 at the school, 33500 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. 10-by-10-foot or 6-by-16-foot spaces are available for \$55. Chairs (no tables) are available on request and a limited number of spaces with electricity are available at no additional charge. Bake sale and concessions foods will be available throughout the day and admission will be \$1. For more information, call (313) 464-1041 or (248) 478-2395.

SS. SIMON AND JUDE

The Mother Cabrini Guild of Ss. Simon and Jude Church will sponsor its 15th annual arts and crafts boutique 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 8 at the church, 32500 Palmer Road, west of Merriman Road, Westland. There will be crafts, a free raffle every hour, snack food, bake sale and 50/50 raffle. For table rental, call (313) 722-8098.

KETERING

The Kettering PTA will have its 11th annual craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 8 at the school, 1200 S. Hubbard, Westland. For more information, call Kathy at 722-7433 or Jamie at 467-8085.

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\$2,000. A 10-night package including three islands in Hawaii would cost around \$3,000 to \$3,500 for the couple.

A dream wedding

Rochelle LaFollette fairly bubbles when she describes what her dream wedding will be like on Nov. 3. The ceremony will take place at the Maui Prince Hotel in Hawaii.

"The hotel has a courtyard and waterfalls and ponds," said the Garden City native. "There are fish in the ponds and there is a walkway where you can walk through the ponds and rocks and waterfalls. There will be white chairs set up and flowers and the waterfalls will be in the background."

The cake, LaFollette added,

will be set up in a gazebo where their first weddings will also have their first champagne toast together.

LaFollette's father, Robert, was the one who proposed the Hawaiian idea and is the one making the dream come true. Shortly after her father offered the Hawaiian wedding trip, LaFollette began calling the 800 numbers from the back of Bride magazine.

She chose the Maui Prince because the wedding consultant there was the most helpful, returned calls, and sent the most information, including videos. Everything from food to flowers to photographer will be coordinated by the hotel. All LaFollette was required to do was to

select a color scheme and send pictures of the type of bouquet she wants.

There will be about 20 guests at the wedding, including her parents and a sister, and fiancé Mark Smola's mom and grandmother. His father, two brothers and sister and LaFollette's four brothers will have to wait until the second reception at the Hellenic Cultural Center in Westland on Nov. 14, to congratulate the newlyweds.

Thanks to the magic of videotape, the 150 expected family and friends who attend that reception will be able to relive the ceremony with the newlyweds. Another cake, fresh flowers, and wearing the wedding gown again are all pluses to the

replay arrangement. Another plus is that Smola's best friend, Jim Baker, will be going to Hawaii with them and bringing his fiancée, Anne Reik. They will be married the following day at the same hotel and the guys will serve as each other's best man.

"He's been my best friend for years," said Smola. "I called him, told him (about their wedding plans), and it just kind of snowballed. It didn't take me too much to sell him on it. We joined the Navy together and it looks like we're going to get married together."

Both Smola and Baker are 1986 graduates of Garden City High School. LaFollette and Reik are 1988 Garden City grads.

While the LaFollette-Smola wedding is in the works, the Johnsons have no regrets about their away-from-home nuptial. As their first anniversary approaches they still wouldn't change a thing.

"I think we probably would have done the exact same thing," Marguerite said. "We were really happy that it was something just for us."

"After having done it, we looked back and said, 'This is great,'" Chris added. "It seems like we captured more memories."

making out a will. It involves facing mortality which can be unpleasant but, she pointed out, accidents do happen. So making that decision ahead of time can take a tremendous burden off grieving family members.

"It doesn't take much," Haver-mahl said. "It doesn't have to be any kind of formal communication. It can be as simple as having them witness signing the driver's license or the donor registry card."

Donor registry cards are available to be filled out and sent in to the Transplantation Society of Michigan for state registry. A bill has passed the state House and is due for consideration when the Senate reconvenes in September, so that donor registry cards can be distributed at all Secretary of State offices.

Meanwhile, Maxine Roe and her family anxiously anticipate the phone call that will mean a lung donor has been located. She just needs one lung. Roe had asthma when she was a child and lived with the condition for many years before being diagnosed with pulmonary hypertension.

Tough for families

She has been on 24-hour oxygen for nearly two years and has

been on the recipient waiting list for more than a year. And she is still waiting.

It has been extremely hard for Mickevicius to watch her mother, her cheerleading coach and PTA mom, grow progressively worse. Mickevicius has taken the Gift of Life training and is prepared as a speaker for the organization.

"At least I have something I can do," she said. "I'm trying to get as active as I can. I stop and think about every day of my life ... My mom has done everything she could for me, anything from being there for me emotionally to fixing a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. If there is anything I can do to help save her life ... and awareness is the only thing I can do right now."

Since family members must still sign a written consent for transplantation even if the donor has filled out a registry card, Mickevicius has a message for donor families.

"To be able to save someone else's life through the loss of a loved one is a wonderful thing to do," she said. "It truly is saving the life of someone else."

For more information about The Gift of Life/Just Zoo It! or organ donations, call The Gift of Life at 1-800-482-4881.

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would have spent many sleepless nights worrying unnecessarily.

Other people serve as good sounding boards, too. Therapy and counseling are opportunities for people to find the ticket right under their seats because therapists may steer the conversations, but people have significant "ah-has" by talking through their difficulties, and they are more likely to take action when they discover that ticket them-

selves.

Our children need to know that finding our own answers to most of life's problems is easy IF, we are open to it, if we are patient and if we share the problem out loud. HINT: Kids will often try to throw you off track when you're attempting to help them solve their own problems. They will either play victim as in, "I don't have any idea how to take action" (shrugged shoulders) or they'll deny there's a problem in the first place. Don't let them throw you those two curve balls ... it let's them off the hook too easily!

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McDonald-Norcutt

James and Katherine Shannon of Wayne announce the engagement of their daughter, Samantha Jane, to John A. Norcutt of Plymouth, the son of James and Maryanne Norcutt of Grandville.

The bride-to-be will study criminal psychology at Eastern Michigan University this fall.

Her fiancé, a Michigan State University graduate, is employed by Ford Motor Co.

An October wedding is



planned.

Sobania-Moriarty

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sobania of Dearborn Heights announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Ann, to John Michael Moriarty, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Moriarty of Redford.

A graduate of Crestwood High School, the bride-to-be earned a bachelor of science degree in nursing from Oakland University in Rochester. She is employed as an intensive care nurse at Oakwood Hospital.

Her fiancé, a graduate of Thurston High School, earned a bachelor's degree in management from Northwood University. He is employed as a programmer/analyst by Wolverine



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Bouchillon-Jarvi

William Bouchillon and Paula Bonzo announce the engagement of their daughter, Lora Ann of Westland, to Jeffrey Mathew Jarvi, also of Westland, the son of Emil and Betty Jarvi.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is employed by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

Her fiancé, a graduate of Michigan Technological University, is employed by the Ford Motor Co.

An August wedding is planned for Negaunee, Mich.



August-Riether

Sharen and Al August of Plymouth announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Christine, to Andreas Riether, the son of Leo and Regina Riether of Friedrichshafen, Germany.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and Central Michigan University with a bachelor of science degree in business administration. She is employed as a sales support representative at Detroit Diesel Corporation.

Her fiancé is a graduate of the University of Munich, where he received a business/economics degree. He was employed at Bertram Schreinerei before moving to the United States in June.

An August wedding is planned at First Presbyterian Church in



Plymouth.

Hirami-Gosciewski

Patrick and Cynthia Hiram announce the engagement of their daughter, Eileen Erin, to Victor James Gosciewski, the son of Dominick and Bertha Gosciewski of Renton, Wash.

The bride-to-be is a 1976 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School and a 1980 graduate of the University of Michigan. A resident of Seattle, Wash., she is employed as the manager of the appraisal department of Washington Federal Savings and Loan.

Her fiancé is a 1983 graduate of the University of Washington. He is employed as a mechanical engineer by Boeing.

A March wedding in Seattle is being planned with Ann-Nora



Hirami as maid of honor and Glen Kusai as best man.

Thomczek-Bailey

Sharon and Larry Thomczek of Canton announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Lori Christine, to Scott William Bailey, the son of Pat and Lynn Bailey, also of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a bachelor of business administration degree in marketing. She is employed at American Mailers as an account representative.

Her fiancé is a 1997 graduate of Lawrence Technological University with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering. He is employed at AFL Automotive Operations as a design engineer.

An August wedding is planned



at St. Thomas A'Becket Church in Canton.

Galloway-Rouse

Terrence and Denise Galloway of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca Ann, to Scott Thomas Rouse, the son of Vincent and Kathleen Rouse of Dearborn.

The bride-to-be earned a bachelor of science degree from Madonna University and is employed as a case manager at Family and Neighborhood Services in Dearborn.

Her fiancé earned a bachelor of arts degree from Wayne State University and is employed as a network administrator for Farmington Public Schools.

An October wedding is planned at St. Valentine Church in Redford.



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Felczak

Edwin and Rita Felczak, 41-year Westland residents, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary by renewing their vows and attending an anniversary blessing during Mass at St. Damian's Catholic Church on July 5. A reception followed at Sokol Cultural Center in Dearborn Heights.

The couple married July 5, 1947, at St. Ladislaus in Hamtramck. She is the former Rita Zacharias.

They have four children - Edwin Jr. and his wife Jeannine of Fort Worth, Texas, Michael Sr. and wife Shirley of Livonia, Marcy Kopacz and her husband Paul of Clinton, and Ritaanne Otto and husband Brady of Livonia. The Felczaks also have 11 grandchildren.

Retired from Fisher Body/General Motors Corp., Edwin Felczak enjoys golfing and bowling. Rita Felczak, a housewife, liked to travel, spend time with her grandchildren, and play bingo.



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Horner

Charles and Betty Horner of Northville celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a cocktail reception at Ernesto's Restaurant in Plymouth.

The couple married July 12, 1947, in Detroit. She is the former Betty Mosier. They have one child, Cheryl Sargent of Livonia.

Charles Mosier retired from General Motors after 36 years of service. His wife was a housewife.

As a couple, they enjoy golfing and are members of Masonic and Elks clubs.



Bobrowski

Walter and Marie Bobrowski of Livonia celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with Mass at St. Edith's Catholic Church, followed by a dinner party at the Hawthorne Valley Country Club in Westland, hosted by their children and grandchildren.

Twenty-six-year residents of Livonia, they exchange vows on July 5, 1947, at St. Cunegunda Church in Detroit. She is the former Marie Krolkowski.

The Bobrowskis have six children - Robert and wife Gloria of Livonia, David and wife Joyce of Livonia, Michael of New York City, Theresa of Livonia, Patricia Goodreau and husband Peter of Boca Raton, Fla., and Walter and wife Peggy of Tecumseh. They also have seven grandchildren.

Retired for 10 years, he was a toolmaker for GM-Fisher Body



and she was a secretary with the Detroit Public Schools. They are active with the Livonia Seniors and enjoy traveling with the group and delivering for Meals on Wheels.

Jess

Robert and Kathleen Jess, 46-year Redford Township residents, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary by renewing their vows Saturday, June 28, at St. Sabinas church in Dearborn Heights with the Rev. Joseph Romano. The couple's children hosted a dinner at Monaghan's Knights of Columbus Hall in Livonia following the Mass. Members of the original bridal party attended the dinner.

The couple married June 28, 1947, at Visitation Catholic Church. She is the former Kathleen Madden.

They have eight children - Kathy Tennant of Redford Township and her husband, the late Earl, Diane Sucha and her husband David of Lansing; Robert and his wife Deborah of Charlevoix; Denise Green and her husband Jack of Lansing; Daniel and his wife Nancy of Farmington Hills; Ronald and his wife Michelle of Brighton; John of Livonia; and Pat Graham and her husband Tim of



Redford. Robert Jess is a retired Wayne County employee. His wife retired from Comerica. They have been members of St. Agatha's Catholic Church in Redford for 45 years.

The couple is taking a belated honeymoon trip in September to the East Coast.

Tihanyi

A "second honeymoon" to Europe is in the offing for Geza and Julianna Tihanyi of Canton who will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on July 27.

Natives of Hungary, the couple fled their homeland during the 1956 Hungarian Revolution against the Soviet Communist regime.

As part of their celebration, they will repeat their wedding vows before the Rev. Drex Morton of St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Canton.

They have seven children - Eva, Istvan (Steve), Julianna, Marilynn, Mari, David and Suzanne - and 11 grandchildren - Ken, Jesse, Jamie, Jenni, Christopher, Alex, Eric, Brandon, Meggie, Jacqelin and Ian.



Allen

Harold and Thelma Allen of Canton celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a dinner cruise aboard the Diamond Jack Riverboat on the Detroit River. The July 26 party for family and friends was given by their children.

They were married July 12, 1947, in Detroit.



Archer

Joe and Dorothy Archer of Plymouth are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

They were married June 14, 1947, in California. She is the former Dorothy Smith.

They have four children - Ken Jr., Gail Barrett and Mary Jo Archer, all of California, and Kelly Archer of New York City. They also have three grandchildren.

He is a 10-year retiree of Burroughs Corporation, while she was employed by Scripps Clinic and Research. They lived in California for 25 years before returning to the Plymouth area in 1994.



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Special time

Service helps children accept remarriage

When Kimberly Cavanaugh agreed to marry Tony Garcia, she realized she was consenting to be more than his wife. After the "I do's," she would become an instant stepmom to Christy and Travis, Garcia's two adolescent children from his first marriage.

Cavanaugh didn't wait until after the wedding to start building a family bond with the two youngsters.

"I wanted to give the kids a very special role in the wedding so they would know from the start how important they were to both me and Tony," she said. "I didn't want them to be treated the way so many children of divorce are treated during a remarriage situation: like excess baggage, something that interferes with the relationship of the man and the woman."

Cavanaugh and her fiancé were confronted with a problem that will be experienced by most of the nearly one million single parents who will remarry in the United States this year:

What can be done to ease the fears of young children who feel, on a conscious level, that their secure place in the family is threatened by the pending marriage of a parent?

The couple found a simple and emotionally satisfying solution in the form of a family-oriented wedding service that gives children a meaningful role in the wedding nuptials.

The five-minute ceremony — known as the Family Medallion service — can easily be integrated into any religious or civil ceremony.

With approximately one in four U.S. marriages involving divorced or widowed parents

'Kimberly could have had an ordinary wedding like everyone else. But she went beyond the ordinary to make the wedding a day we all would remember. I realized how much she cared about me and my brother.'

Christy Garcia
—Family Medallion recipient

with young children, the family wedding concept is an idea whose time has come. It was developed by the Rev. Roger Coleman, chaplain of Urban Ministry for the Community Christian Church in Kansas City, Mo.

Coleman, who was marrying more and more people who had children from previous marriages, was frustrated that virtually every traditional wedding ceremony focused entirely on the bride and groom.

"A marriage involving children is a lot more than simply the union of a man and a woman," Coleman said. "It's a merging of two separate families."

The Catholic priest who officiated at the Cavanaugh-Garcia wedding agrees.

"When there is a marriage situation, it's critical that children from previous marriages be affirmed and welcomed into the new relationship created by their parents and stepparent," said Msgr. John Barry of the American Martyrs Catholic Church in Manhattan Beach, Calif. "The Family Medallion service is a good way to celebrate this new beginning."

It differs from the traditional wedding in only one respect: after the newlyweds exchange rings, their children join them

on the altar for a special service focusing on the family nature of the remarriage.

Each child is given a gold or silver medal with three raised interlocking circles, a symbol that represents family love in much the same way the wedding ring signified conjugal love.

The Garcias said that no one will forget the moment during her wedding last summer when she and Tony placed a Family Medallion around the necks of Christy and Travis.

"It was an emotionally powerful event," Tony recalled. "We gave the kids something tangible to show them they were going to be an integral part of our lives. They were beaming. I could tell they were happy."

Eleven-year-old Christy still refers to the wedding as "the day we all got married."

"I felt so special when they gave me the family medal," she said. "Kimberly could have had an ordinary wedding like everyone else. But she went beyond the ordinary to make the wedding-a day we all would remember."

"I realized how much she cared about me and my brother."

Many of the guests attending the wedding told the couple they were moved to tears by the service.

"People kept asking us how we found such a beautiful and unique way to recognize the children," Kimberly said.

More than 5,000 couples each year incorporate the service into their weddings each year as a way to help cement the bond between parents, stepparents and children.

Many of those couples say they continue to experience the long-term benefits of restructuring their weddings to embrace existing children.

Regina Butler and Philip Smith married in 1990 and used the service to combine their separate families which included her 9-year-old son and his three sons ages 6-16.

Smith is convinced that the family service did more than create some temporary good feelings among his children and stepchild.

"It made the merging of two very different families easier," he said. "You might not believe this, but I could see a change from the day we gave the children the medallions."

"They seemed to understand that we loved each one of them and that they were all a part of our new family."

"Things that would have sparked a fight between the kids before the wedding rarely even cause an argument. I'm not trying to say we're the 'Brady Bunch' but something happened during the ceremony that made out children respect each other."

For more information about the Family Medallion service, call Rev. Coleman at (816) 752-3886 or Clergy Services Inc. at (800) 237-1922.

Outings benefit institute

Golfers are heading for the greens and benefiting the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute at the same time.

Four upcoming golf outings will benefit the center's cancer research, treatment and outreach programs.

On tap is the third annual Foxy Lady Golf Classic, sponsored by the Detroit chapter of the Eastern Airlines Silverliners, will be held Aug. 7 at the Tanglewood Golf and Country Club in South Lyon. Proceeds support the institute's breast cancer programs.

Tickets are \$98 per person, and include breakfast, lunch and golfing contests throughout the day. Golfers may register for the four-lady scramble with or without partners/foursomes.

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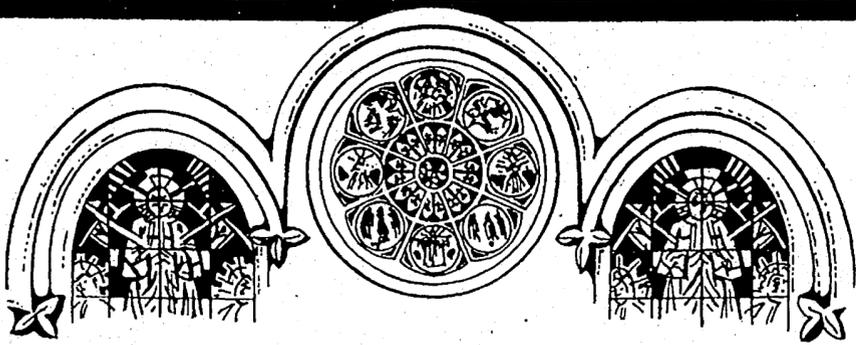
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RELIGION CALENDAR

Listings for the Religion Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (313) 591-7279. For more information, call (313) 953-2131.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

The Catholic Television Network of Detroit (CTND) is airing programs for and about children 10 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday through Aug. 15.

Called "Kids Camp," the special programming features a variety of entertaining and educational show for school-aged children, including "Daedal Doors," a popular 30-minute program that teaches Christian values and encourages creativity, "Heroes and Saints," an animated series that brings to life the stories of St. Francis, St. Francis Xavier, Bernadette of Lourdes, Our Lady of Fatima, St. Patrick, Columbus and Ben-Hur; and "My Secret Friend: A Guardian Angel Story."

CTND is available on 27 cable systems throughout Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and St. Clair counties. Viewers should check their local television guide or call their cable company for the CTND channel number in their area. For more information about CTND programs, call (313) 237-5938.

NEW BEGINNINGS

The Rev. Kearney Kirkby will discuss "Personalizing the Process" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, as part of "New Beginnings," a grief support group held at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. There is no fee for the discussion. Free resources are available and related books may be purchased at cost. For more information, call the church at (313) 422-6038.

SUMMER FESTIVAL

Michigan's oldest parish and second oldest active parish in the United States, Ste. Anne de Detroit, will host a summer Fiesta Day following noon Mass on Sunday, Aug. 10. There will be Mexican, Puerto Rican and American food, a DJ, folkloric dancing, arts and crafts, family fun, game booths and prizes 1-9 p.m. Ste. Anne de Detroit, at the corner of Ste. Anne and West Lafayette in Detroit, recently celebrated its 296th anniversary. For more information, call (313) 496-1701.

BEANIE BABY SALE

Congregation Beit Kodesh will hold a fund raiser, Ty Beanie Baby and Bagel Sale, 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, at the

synagogue, 31840 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia. For more information, call Lyn Wagner-Ditzhazy at (313) 426-5116.

NEW PASTOR

Good Hope Lutheran Church of Garden City will install its new pastor, the Rev. Steven K. Bieghler, at 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, at the church, 28680 Cherry Hill Road.

The guest preacher and installing officer will be Bishop J. Philip Wah, bishop of the Southeast Michigan Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Churches of America. A reception honoring Rev. Bieghler will follow the ceremony. He previously served a congregation in Greensburg, Ind., for 10 years. Married, he and his wife Patricia have two daughters, Laura and Emily.

SUMMER ORGAN SERIES

The First Presbyterian Church of Northville is presenting its final summer organ performance at 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, at the church, 200 E. Main St., Northville. Performing will be Joanne Vollendorf, music director for Christ Episcopal Church of Detroit.

A reception will be held in Boll Fellowship Hall after the concert. A free will offering also will be taken and child care will be available for \$2 per child. For more information, call the church at (248) 349-0911.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The radio series, "What is This Christian Science and Who Are These Christian Scientists?" is being broadcast at 1:30 p.m. Sundays of WQBH-AM 1400. Topics include "Is care in Christian Science as reliable as medicine?" on Aug. 10, "How do Christian Scientists feel about Jesus?" on Aug. 17 and "What kind of faith in God heals?" on Aug. 24.

"The Christian Science Sentinel-Radio Edition" also can be heard at 9:30 a.m. Sundays on WAAM-AM 1600. The conversational program discusses current public topics as well as shares healing through prayer from people all over the world.

'THE RESURRECTION'

"The Resurrection," sometimes called "The Temptations of Gospel Music," will be ministering at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 17, at the Canton Community Church, which holds services at the Michigan Theological Seminary, 41600 Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth.

At 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 24, the church will hold its annual concert at Kellogg Park. This year's free concert will feature contemporary Christian singer/song-



Beginning classes: The Rev. Gene Sorensen is teaching classes, based on Abraham Speaks's material from the New Beginning 1 book by Jerry and Esther Hicks, at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays during August at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile Road, Livonia. For more information, call (313) 421-1760.

writer Chris Wright. For more information, call the church at (313) 455-6022.

GUEST SPEAKER

Flossie Erzen, a licensed Unity teacher, will speak at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 17, at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile Road, Livonia. Joan Ham, chairperson and licensed Unity teacher, will be the guest speaker on Sunday, Aug. 24.

Erzen will speak on the topic, "The Chance of a Lifetime," which questions what opportunities of a lifetime are and asks if there is an unseen presence that has accompanied people on their journey. Ham will speak on "A Matter of Honor," which deals with new birth on a daily basis and honoring who we really are. For more information, call Unity of Livonia at (313) 421-1760.

Prayer luncheon will be held at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20, at the Livonia Sweden House, 29477 Seven Mile Road, Livonia. The room opens at 11 a.m., and the guest speaker will be Sister Loretta Mellon. Cost is \$5.75 per person. For reservations, call Kathleen Hollowell at (313) 427-

4371 or Mary Ellen Klotz at (313) 427-0002.

'REPEAT PERFORMANCE'

Calvary Baptist Church will host a showing of "Repeat Performance" at 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 31, at the church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton. The film deals with a teenager who faces utter hopelessness, struggles with anger and bitterness towards others who have "done him wrong," and feel there is no place to go and no one to turn to, but finds Christ's absolute and unconditional forgiveness and love. For more information, call the church at (313) 455-0022.

'POWER OF SILENCE'

"The Power of Silence," a guided healing retreat into the heart of God with shaman spiritual teacher Winged Wolf, will be held 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6, at the Brighton Recreational Area: Organizational Campground in Brighton. The cost is \$55 and each participant will receive a free workbook, designed by Winged Wolf, as well as a free discourse, "The Practice of Shamanism." For more information, call (800) 336-6015.

Partnership results in degree program

The Archdiocese of Detroit Office for Catholic Schools, Madonna University in Livonia and Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit have become partners in offering a master of science in administration degree in Catholic school leadership.

"The Catholic Schools Office of the Archdiocese of Detroit came to Madonna University with a need: Catholic school principals, who in the past were usually sisters, brothers or priests, require a stronger foundation in the Catholic faith in order to be effective religious leaders," said Dr. Ernest Nolan, vice-president for academic affairs at Madonna University. "Through Madonna University's federation with Sacred Heart Major Seminary, we were able to marshal our combined resources to respond to this need."

Catholic schools serving the metropolitan Detroit area enroll 54,000 children in kindergarten through high school. The 32-semester hour graduate program follows the guidelines for administrator certification and is designed for part-time students who are working full-time.

"This program will be beneficial both now and in the future; it will enable teachers to be prepared to work as principals in our Catholic schools," said Sister Frances Nadolny, superintendent for the Archdiocese of Detroit's Office for Catholic Schools. "And our current principals will receive a strong foundation in our Catholic heritage."

As a lay person leading a Catholic elementary school, Carolyn Weidenbach agrees that the new degree will strengthen her skills and that of her peers.

"This program will give us a better background in Catholicism and help us as leaders of Catholic schools," said Weidenbach, principal of Our Lady of Loretto School in Redford.

Students will take courses in areas such as teaching and learning theory, data management, legal issues and curriculum leadership. Five courses focus specifically on Catholic school leadership and include "Leadership in Catholic Identity" and "Formation of Christian Community."

Catholic school leadership courses will alternate between Madonna's campus and the Sacred Heart Seminary. The balance of the classes will be offered at the university. Students also are required to complete an internship or project in the program.

"The program will be a great benefit to people because it combines the strengths of several institutions," said the Rev. Earl Boyea, dean of studies at Sacred Heart Major Seminary.

Qualified candidates working in the Archdiocese of Detroit School who wish to pursue the new graduate degree or take the Catholic school leadership courses may be eligible for a tuition loan/assistance program from the Archdiocese. Interested individuals should contact the Office for Catholic Schools at (313) 237-5770.

Madonna University in Livonia is fully accredited by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education. For more information about the master's degree, call Madonna University's Office of Graduate Studies at (313) 432-5667.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

ALDERSGATE UM

Aldersgate United Methodist Church will have a vacation Bible school 9 a.m. to noon Aug. 11-15 at the church, 10000 Beech Daly Road, Redford. Children will celebrate Jesus with Celly and Ila Fay. There will be crafts, games, music, stories, parades and much more. For more information, call the church office at (313) 937-3170 to register.

LAKE POINTE BIBLE

Lake Point Bible Chapel will have its vacation Bible school, "Circle of Friends Ranch," 9:25 a.m. to noon Aug. 18-22 at the church, 42150 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia. The program is for children ages 3-11 years and features fun, craft, music and active Bible learning by visiting a different ranch each day. For more information, call the church at (313) 420-5722.

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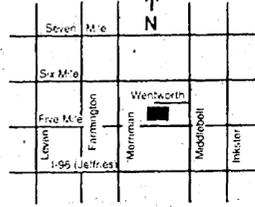
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SPORTS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 1997

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Area golf divots

■Chris Tompkins, 16, who will be a junior this fall at Westland John Glenn High School, won his first Michigan Power-Bilt Junior Tour event of the summer Monday in the Junior Masters at the Majestic in Milford by beating Derek Arnett on the second hole of sudden death play-off.

Tompkins, who will play in the Power-Bilt Tournament of Champions event this Monday at the University of Michigan Golf Course, tied Arnett in regulation play at 77. Andrew Klein of West Bloomfield was third with a 79.

■Gary Beer, 54, won the City of Westland men's tournament last weekend at the Woodlands with a two-round total of 157.

Tompkins was second with 77-83/160.

■Steve Polanski, who recently competed in the U.S.G.A. Junior Amateur Championships, is one of four Michigan players who will play Aug. 9-12 in the 29th annual Independent Insurance Agent Junior Classic at Walking Stick Golf Course in Pueblo, Colo.

The Big "I" Classic features 180 players — 135 boys and 45 girls — from across the U.S. participating in the four-round, 72-hole national finals.

Some of the previous participants have included 1997 Masters champion Tiger Woods, 1997 British Open winner Justin Leonard and PGA tour player Billy Andrade.

■Jim Szilagyi, a 1973 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, won the 42nd Michigan Public Golf Association Match Play Championship by defeating runner-up Larry Vanderbie of Holland, 2-up.

Szilagyi, who now resides in Birmingham, birdied the 17th and 18th holes at the Pines Golf Club in Mount Pleasant to put a cap on a perfect week.

Szilagyi won sixth straight matches to claim honors in the championship flight.

In other action, Livonian Pete Owens defeated Jeff Obertyniuk, 5-and-4, to become the first flight champion.

■Chris Kiehler of Livonia tied for fifth with a 75-79/154 total in the Ashworth Amateur event in the Midwest Collegiate Series July 30 at Steeple Chase Golf Club in Mundelein, Ill.

■Some area scorers in the Power-Bilt Michigan PGA's Avon/Bel-Air Junior Championship Aug. 1 at Eldorado Country Club — Kelly Kristy (Livonia), Girls 16-and-up, eighth, 89; Tompkins (Westland), Boys 16-and-up, 18th 82; Adam Wilson (Livonia), Boys 16-and-up, 88; Zak Howell (Livonia), Boys 16-and-up, 94; Richard Sudek (Westland), Boys 13-and-under, 123; Jason Lang (Westland), Boys 13-and-under, 127.

Rutherford hurls 2-hitter

Livonia Churchill High's Mark Rutherford, an All-Mid-American Conference pick from Eastern Michigan High School, recently earned his first pitching victory for the Piedmont (N.C.) Blueweevils by allowing just two hits and no walks in eight innings in a 13-1 rout over the Asheville Rockies.

Rutherford, a 12th-round pick of the Philadelphia Phillies, struck out six. He is now 1-1 with Piedmont.

Girls softball champs

The Yankees recently won the Plymouth Canton Junior Girls Softball League (ages 11-13) World Series crown behind the efforts of players Sandy Tuckowski, Brooklyn Posler, Amy Geick, Jennifer Randall, Jillian Posler, Rebecca Horste, Susan Woodard, Laura Brunett, Melissa Horste, Julie Randall, Kimberly Diedrich, Maggie Tudor, Kerri Jones and Amy Tremonti.

Bruce Horste is the head coach, assisted by Jim Posler.

Auto racing results

■Jeff Carnacchi of Westland took first in the 20-lap Street Stock B Main feature at Flat Rock Speedway.

■Westland's Henry Bradley was 10th.

■Neil Hannemann and the Viper GTS-R design and development team, will be the featured speaker beginning at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20 at the Motorsports Hall of Fame.

The museum is located inside the Novi Expo Center, I-96 and Novi Road (exit 162).

Admission is \$6, which includes a tour of 10,000 square-foot museum displaying different types of race vehicles. The museum is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will reopen at 6:30 p.m. for all evening events. Call 1-800-250-RACE for tickets or more information.

Squirt AA hockey tryouts

Tryouts for the Squirt AA Honeybaked-Coaled Security hockey team will be during the following times at Oak Park Arena: 8-9:30 tonight; 7:30-9 p.m. Monday, Aug. 11; 8-9:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15; 9:30-11 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 17; 5-6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20; 1-2:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 23; and 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 25.

For more information, call Lou Pirronello at (313) 532-4066 (days) or (313) 462-1408 (evenings).

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Taking aim: Australian Jackson Fear, a 1996 Olympian, zooms in during Monday's round in the Senior Recurve division at the 113th National Target Championships held at Heritage Park in Canton. The four-day tournament registered over 525 competitors from 20 different countries including 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games double gold medalist Justin Huish of Simi Valley, Calif., along with gold medal teammate Butch Johnson of Woodstock, Conn. The event also attracted the No. 1-ranked women in the world, Elif Altinkaynak of Turkey. The four-day competition concludes today with the U.S. Open elimination round on Friday. The World Target Championships are Aug. 14-23 in Victoria, B.C. Please see page C5 for more details.



STAFF PHOTO BY GUY WARREN

Gojcaj stars despite East loss

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
STAFF WRITER

Francis Gojcaj might have been a nice selection for the 17th annual Michigan High School Football Coaches Association All-Star Game even if he wasn't such a stout defensive tackle.

The recent Farmington Hills Harrison graduate can make an impact just with his play on special teams.

Gojcaj, 6-foot-5 and 270 pounds, put in a full day's work for the East Team in a 28-19 loss to the West at Michigan State University's Spartan Stadium.

Gojcaj blocked two extra points to go with eight tackles, including one for a loss of three yards.

Standout play on special teams isn't uncommon for Gojcaj, who returned a fumble 73 yards for a touchdown during an attempted field goal in last year's season opener against Oxford.

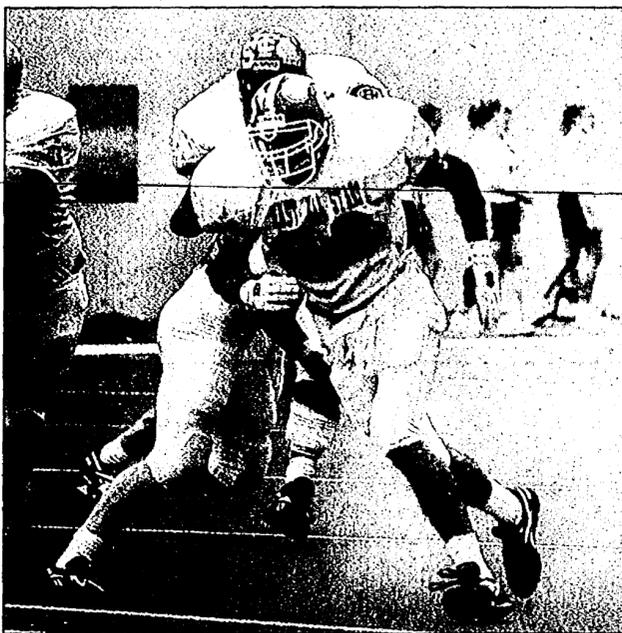
Gojcaj downplayed his accomplishments.

"It don't matter," Gojcaj said. "I don't like losing and I only lost a few times in my life."

Joining Gojcaj on the East Team were Paul Terek, a wide receiver from Livonia Franklin, and Jon Becher, a tight end from Westland John Glenn.

Seven of the West Team's players had to be replaced on the roster because they are bound for Central Michigan University, where practice starts a week earlier than normal.

But the West also had University of Illinois bound quarterback Jeff



STAFF PHOTO BY JEFF KRISSEL

Blocking down: Westland John Glenn tight end Jon Becher pulls out on a sweep play for the East All-Stars.

Ziegler, of Jackson Lumen Christi, who threw four touchdown passes during a nine for 20 passing performance.

"I kept telling him (in the lunch

room) I'm coming after him, but he's faster than I thought," Gojcaj said. "I think our team underestimated them greatly. We thought we had the premier team, with 15 Dream

FOOTBALL

Teamers, or whatever."

The game was played in near 90 degree temperatures and the heat must have been much greater for the players on the artificial turf. It was a perfect way for Gojcaj to prepare for his next destination: Long Beach Community College in California.

The Long Beach coaching staff heard about Gojcaj through Eastern Michigan University assistant coach Dan Henson. Eastern recruited Gojcaj, but he didn't meet academic standards.

He's never visited the Long Beach campus.

"The heat gave me cotton mouth at the beginning, but then I put water in my mouth and all over my body and was all right," he said.

Terek and Becher didn't have any passes thrown their way, but that didn't take away from their all-star experience, each said.

Terek touched the ball once on offense, taking a hand-off on a reverse in the first quarter. West defensive end Bryan Pinder, a Grandville graduate headed to Western Michigan University, dropped Terek for a loss of seven yards with a neat one-arm tackle.

"The defense all fell for it, from what I hear," Terek said. "I heard if I got past that guy, I was gone. I started way too far out."

Please see GRID ALL-STARS, C2

Swider duo brings Huskies Metro title

SUMMER HOCKEY

Ferris State-bound Kevin Swider pumped in five goals, while brother Corey Swider assisted on five, as the Huskies captured the Metro Summer Hockey League championship Sunday with a 9-5 victory over the Falcons in the final at Plymouth Cultural Center & Ice Arena.

Five unanswered goals to start the game proved to be too much for the Falcons.

The Huskies led 7-1 after two periods before coasting home.

Jeremy Klosowski, Kent Lafond and Daryl Schimmelpfen added one goal apiece for the newly crowned MSHL champs.

Chad Theuer contributed two assists, while defenseman Dave Lambeth had two. Mike Schmidt and Brent Bessey each had one.

Joe Sorentino started in goal for the Huskies before giving way to Jordan McCormack at 6:58 of the second period.

Rounding out the Huskies squad is Wes Blevins, Matt Frick, Ian Crockford, Brent Lafond, Dominic Catanzarite and James Yonemura.

Jack McCoy had three goals in a losing cause.

Jesse Hubenschmidt and Matt Henderson chipped in with one goal and two assists each. Scott Lock also had an assist.

Tom McNeil started in goal for the

Huskies. He was replaced by Jason Hubenschmidt.

Livonians in Girls' Showcase

Two Livonians will suit up for the Mid-West squad in Hockey Night Boston's third annual Girls' Summer Showcase, featuring the top high school age female players, Aug. 17-24 at Merrimack College in North Andover, Mass.

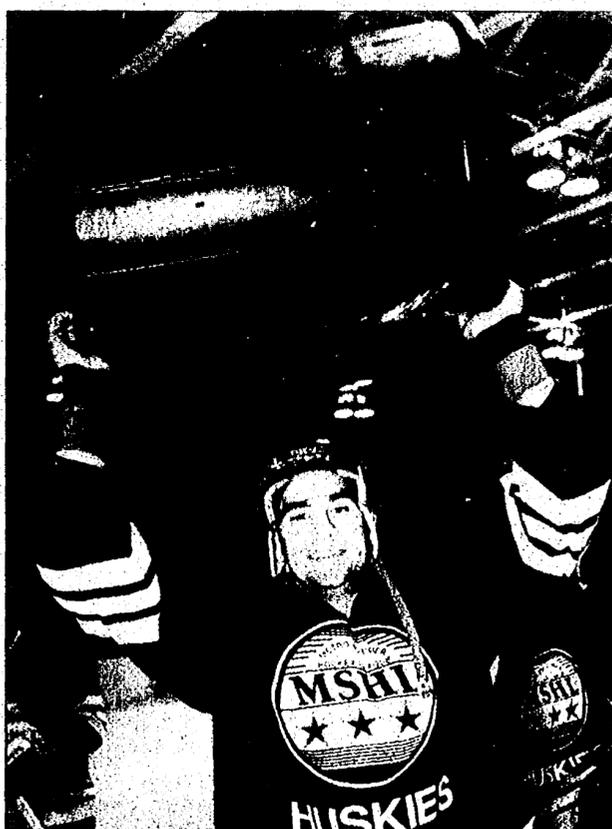
Over 130 top female preps from 17 states and Canada will compete in the six-team tournament which features squads from Massachusetts, New England, New York, Connecticut/Mid-Atlantic, Canadian Maritimes and Mid-West.

Livonia's Robyn Elliott, who played for Pomfret, is one of the Mid-West's top seniors. She is a 5-foot-4, 121-pound forward who is a right-handed shooter.

Also selected to the Mid-West squad is 5-7, 118-pound freshman Megan McLeod of the Belle Tire Stars.

Both Elliott and McLeod both participated in tryouts June 18-20 at the Ann Arbor Ice Cube.

The Mid-West team will be coached by Waddy Rowe of the Pomfret club.



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Lord Stanley's Can?: Ian Crockford of the Huskies holds up the symbolic piece of hardware as he celebrates the Metro Summer Hockey League championship.

MBA cagers 3-2 in Lakeland

The MBA All-Stars finished with a 3-2 record, just missing making the final four of the National Youth Basketball of America Tournament held July 27-Aug. 2 in Lakeland, Fla.

The Marietta (Ga.) Magic captured the 42-team tournament.

Coach Keith Anleitner's club rallied from a 14-point deficit against an undefeated Atlanta, Ga. squad in the quarterfinals, but fell in the end 66-61.

Garden City's Brandon Audette poured in 13 fourth-quarter points to lead the comeback, but Atlanta's free throw shooting preserved the victory.

The MBA All-Stars opened tournament play with a 74-31 loss to the Lee (Fla.) Bulls, but rebounded with a 49-19 victory over Cartago, Costa Rica as

Inkster's Tron Thomason led the way with 13 points and a stifling man-to-man defense limited Cartago to just five field goals.

In the third round, GC's Demetric Crawford scored 19 points and Audette added 16 in an 83-42 victory over the Memphis (Tenn.) Spirits.

But the victory was costly as starting forward Paul Anleitner went down with a severely sprained ankle just four minutes into the game and was lost for the remainder of the tournament.

The MBA All-Stars, however, continued to win with a 67-63 overtime victory over the Kentucky Jammers as Livonia's Michael Gibbons hit a three clutch free throws to clinch the victory.

Crawford, who helped

orchestrate a 14-point rally, paced MBA with 21 points. Dearborn's John Hamood added 11 points and 10 assists.

Rounding out the MBA team is Ron Roosevelt; Plymouth; Adam Zimmerman; Wayne; Brad Burke, Tony Zenn, Ethan Wilkinson, D'earborn; Marquis Lewis, Inkster.

Zimmerman finished second in the skills free throw competition.

"I'm very proud of these young men," Anleitner said. "In spite of not having one player at 6 feet, or above, they played with skill and intensity. We finished among the top teams in the nation and were only one game and one minute away from the final four."

Assistant coaches include John Hamood and Vincent Lewis.

LIVONIA CIVITAN GOLF RESULTS

LIVONIA CIVITAN JUNIOR GOLF TOURNAMENT July 31 at Idylwyld

Boys 14-17: Travis Belcher, 83 (18 holes); Evan Burger, 85; Mike Notaro, Patrick Petersen, Jason Rose, 90 each; Lance Antrubius, Brian Hagan, 91 each; R.J. Colley, 92; Kevin VanTiem, Mike McClain, 93 each; Josh Gunterman, 95; Paul Mercier, 97; Matt Nelson, 98; Robbie Shaffer, Andrew Ingram, Jeff Hunter, 99 each; Ed Lamb, Brad Nunnis, 100 each; Tom McCall, Jim Priebe, Keith VanTiem, 103 each; Carl Mikal, 105; Matt Milazzo, 106; Tim Marken, 107; Matt Krzyaniak, 108; Aaron McCabe, 109; Mark Edwards, 110; John Nichol, Eric Burger, 111 each; Chris Meagher, 112; Steve Fishwick, 113; Justin Valantas, 114; Ronnie Williams, 117; John Lapenta, 118; Matt Buddenberg, 123; James McClaran, 125; Derek Martin, Mike Oldham, 127 each; Paul DeWitt, 131; Geoffrey Lowes, 134; Aaron Sotzen.

Girls 12-14: Katie Carlson, 50 (nine holes); Rebecca Rogozan, 61; Angela Harris, 72; Jessica Lis, 80.

Boys 12-13 (first flight): Hayes, 38 (nine holes); Scott Wolfe, 39; Jason Fischer, 40; Adam Bogdan, 41; Jason Gruchala, Paul Hagan, Ryan Peterson, Tom Wallis, 42 each; Tim Wood, 43; Jason Gehan, Jonathan O'Neill, Robert Owens, 44 each; Joshua Young, Blake

Weldon, Scott Trepkowski, Phil Robinson, Kevin D'Alessandro, 45 each; Scott Sparks, Kevin Zielinski, 46 each; Andrew Cooper, Jeff Globish, 47 each; Josh Stack, Elisha Sage, Brian Jones, 48; Andrew Danyluk, Alex D'Ortenzio, Justin Dunn, Jim Spiker, Robert Tercala, 49 each; Cyril Jean, 50; Chris Rodgers, 51; Chris Boyle, Matt McIntire, 52 each; Andrew Cullinan, 53; Brad Karas, 57; Jeremy Solzen, 64.

Boys 12-13 (second flight): Mike O'Donohue, 38 (nine holes); Adam Jakubowski, 41; Stephen Caladiao, 43; Scott Cendrowski, Tim Stechel, Chris Wolvertan, 44 each; Jimi Morski, Brian Curd, 45 each; Don Christopher, Timothy Knight, Tom Sculthorpe, Brett Regulski, 47 each; Tim Derrig, Eric Gunderson, Jake Horgan, Randy Kondrath, 48 each; Aaron Jakubowski, Chris Fishwick, 49 each; Michael Bolega, Matt Bremner, Chris Mikal, Jacob Sašek, 50 each; Justin Bookmeier, Jean Harris, Mike Katen, Jason Rowe, 51 each; Chris Picard, Greg Sims, 52 each; Nathan Krzyaniak, 53; Nick DeLuca, Bill Lary, 55 each; Chris Rosin, Pat Boucher, Scott Brodie, 59 each; Jeff Mullin, 62; Patrick Horgan, Mike McConkey, 63 each; Brandon Atkinson, 66; Brian Zeln.

Boys 10-11: Danny Sinkbeil, Sean Sachau, 42 (nine holes); Michael Fierk, 43; Jeff Reilinas, 47; Dustin Jones, 48; Brian Alpert, John

Bonczak, Brad Fischer, Kenneth Haas, 49 each; Adam Smith, 50; Steve Williams, 51; Bryan Leg, Kevin Horat, 52; Steve Abernethy, 55; Jason Maples, 56; Jon Tap, Bobby Geisinger, Justin Kowalski, Robert Lawrance, 57 each; Tom Wilson, 58; Joey McGrail, 60; Robert Lowes, 62; Jeremy Horgan, 65; Daniel DeWitt, 66; Patrick Cooper, 69; Dan Tomczak, 71.

Novice Boys 10-14: Scott Edwards, Jeff Leg, 51 each (nine holes); Corey Clearman, Matthew Morad, 52 each; Scott Henman, 53; Ryan Rowe, 56; Tim Sitkauskas, Alan Smith, 57; David Orahim, Jason Giroux, 58 each; Tim Owens, Josh Robbins, Joe Bruno, 59 each; Matt Kahkonen, Andrew Squire, 60 each; Thomas Coseo, John McClaran, Jeff Stempin, 61 each; Colin Gibbins, Adam Kivik, 62 each; Dan Rosta, 63; Danny Karas, Jeff Kraemer, 64 each; Kyle Veasey, 66; Matt Bruno, 70; Jason McClaran, Brian Squire, 71 each; Andrew Downs, 73; Ray Roney, George Giroux, 75 each; Mike Drews, 76.

Closest to pin (a.m.): Jeremy Horgan (No. 4); Katie Carlson (No. 4); Jim Priebe (No. 17).

Closest to pin (p.m.): Rob Tercala (No. 4); Tom McCall (No. 17).

Driving Accuracy (a.m.): Sean Sachau (No. 3); Josh Robbins (No. 12).

Driving Accuracy (p.m.): Scott Sparks (No. 3); Matt Bremner (No. 12).

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Terek, who set a Class A state record in the pole vault, will attend MSU on a track scholarship and possibly play football his sophomore year.

Players put emblems of other players' schools on their helmets as an All-Star Game tradition. Terek's Franklin helmet was covered with a design he made with masking tape in his dorm room.

It sounds like he had plenty of time for the artwork, leaving campus only to visit a children's hospital and day care center as part of the week's activities.

Staying on campus is a requirement of the players.

"I know it's boring if you can't

leave the campus," Terek said, joking about his new digs.

Terek left the stadium with several carpet burns, most made earlier in the week in practice.

"I love the stadium but I love (playing on) grass," Terek said. "I learned the first day you don't dive for the ball in practice, especially when you're wearing shorts and a T-shirt."

It was clear who Becher thought was most responsible for his selection to the All-Star Game: Glen coach Chuck Gordon.

Players are supposed to get friends or businesses in their communities to buy advertisements to put in the program, wishing them well.

Becher took out an ad himself to thank Gordon for all he's done for him through the years. Gordon nominated Becher for the game, but his belief in Becher started long before then.

"Coach Gordon is a helluva guy. He's backed me and my teammates since the 10th grade," Becher said.

Becher, headed for Saginaw Valley State University, planned on watching the game on PASS later that night at a party with his sister, a recent U.S. Coast Guard graduate.

"I'll enjoy my last week before I'm off (to Saginaw Valley)," he said. "The game has helped me get in more shape, maybe get an edge. This game was more than I expected, an honor to be a part of it."

All-Star notes

Plymouth Canton quarterback Rob Johnson was chosen to play but replaced on the roster after honoring a request by Northwestern coach Gary Barnett not to play. Like CMU, Northwestern starts the season a week earlier than most colleges.

Missing for the same reason was East tailback Brian Marshall of Birmingham Brother Rice.

Redford Catholic Central defensive back Greg Call also was chosen to play but was a no-show. Call said he couldn't play for personal reasons, although he failed to call or write to the All-Star committee and tell them he wasn't coming.

Call, a quarterback/defensive back at CC, said Tuesday he still plans to walk-on at Western Michigan University.

MHSFCA Executive Director Don Lessner said Call was replaced on the East roster by an alternate.

Lessner said some of the best All-Star Game stories can be told by players added to the roster late.

He recalls the first All-Star Game in 1981 when late addition Todd Stoner of Temperance-Bedford was a hit from the first day of practice through the game's final minute.

"He was just ecstatic to play, caught everything in sight at practice, playing for coach (Al) Fracassa (of Rice)," Lessner recalled. "By the end of the week he was voted captain and with two-three minutes left, catches a 60 yard TD pass to win the game. You never know what can happen."

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Vardar gets 3rd in Snickers Cup

YOUTH SOCCER

Vardar III (Under-19 boys) earned a third-place finish Saturday in the Snickers U.S. Youth Soccer National Championship held at the Rose Mofford Sports Complex in Phoenix, Ariz.

After a 7-2 loss to the Clearwater (Fla.) Chargers on July 31, Vardar III, coached by John Boots, bounced back in the consolation final to defeat the North Brunswick (N.J.) Rovers, 2-1.

The Rovers took the lead in the fifth minute when Matthew Lucas sent a pass into the penalty area to a waiting Albert Lobato, who buried the shot.

In the 32nd minute, Vardar's Jonathan Schack broke free to even the count at 1-1.

Neil Williams then converted the game-winner on a penalty kick to give Vardar the win.

Among the area players suiting up for Vardar included Brian Zawislak, Scott Sersen, Steve Williford, Matt Quinter, Drew Drummond, George Tomarso, Jeff Urbats and Todd Stonestreet.

Clearwater went on to win the championship, 3-2, outscoring the Valley United Blast of Los Angeles, Calif. (4-3 on penalty kicks).

In the Under-17 Boys consolation final on Saturday, the Greater Severna Park (Md.) Top Guns downed the 1979-80 Birmingham Blazers, coached by Walt

Barrett, 3-1, in overtime.

It was 1-1 at the end of regulation as Ryan Mack's goal on a cross into the penalty area from Michael Healy (at 74:13) gave the Blazers their only goal and sent it into OT.

Robert Cherneski scored for Severna Park in the 13th minute from Kenneth Owens.

Fourteen minutes into the first overtime, The Top Guns were awarded a penalty kick as David Briefel scored what proved to be the game-winner. Owens then added an insurance goal in the final minute of OT.

In Thursday's Under-17 Boys semifinal, the Nomads of LaJolla, Calif. overcame an early 2-1 deficit to beat the Blazers, 3-2.

Three goals occurred during the opening four minutes of play.

Mack tallied the first goal from Healy, but the Nomads' Kyle Sandera answered a minute later.

Mack then scored again in the fourth minute, but the Nomads tied it right before the half on a goal by Tommy Kirovski.

Shane Walton tallied the game-winner in the 73rd minute.

The Nomads went on the win the title 1-0 over the Miami (Fla.) Strike Force.

Area players for the Blazers include David George, Rob Bartolletti and George Kithas, all from Livonia Churchhill, along with goalkeeper Matt Kessler (Redford Catholic Central).

In the Under-16 Girls semifinal Friday, the Northport-Cow Harbor (N.Y.) United Piranha used a balanced attack to race past the Livonia YMCA Michigan Hawks 1981 by a 4-1 score in a dusty, blustery match.

Annie DiPalo, Lauren Byrne, Erin Zambelli and Christie Welsh scored goals for the Piranha, who played most of the second half with only 10 players because of a red card.

Amy Sullivant scored with four minutes remaining to avert the shutout for the Hawks.

Northport/Cow Harbor went on to win the title, 4-1, over the Spring, Tex. Challenge 1980-81.

In the consolation final, the FC Royals 1980 of Federal Way, Wash scored two early goals en route to a 3-0 victory over the Hawks.

Devyn Hawkins, Emily Davis and Emily Cathcart each tallied goals for the Royals, who outshot the Midwest Region champions, 19-8.

The Michigan Hawks, who list Sarah Wittrock (Livonia Stevenson) on its roster, are coached by Tom Coyne.

Twisters lose heartbreaker to Renegades, 20-18

The Wayne County Twisters wound up on the short end of a 20-18 Lake Shore Football League defeat Saturday to the Detroit Renegades in a game played at the Downriver Community Center in Southgate.

The Renegades intercepted a pass and returned it 34 yards for a touchdown with four minutes remaining to rally for the victory.

"We will eat that football before we pass against under these same conditions," Twisters coach Kevin Bradford said of the third-and-8 situation.

In the first quarter, the Twisters blocked a punt, then mounted a

seven-play, 45-yard TD drive capped by Pat Bowie's 1-yard plunge.

A minute before halftime, the Renegades completed a double-pass for 29 yards for a key first down and scored on another passing play and converted the two-point pass for an 8-6 advantage.

The Twisters marched 55 yards culminating in Brian Kutch's 7-yard TD pass to tight end Aaron Brothers for a 12-8 third-quarter lead.

But the Renegades came back to grab a 14-12 lead on a 22-yard passing play.

Midway through the final quar-

ter, the Twisters Scott Harris intercepted a pass to set up the Twisters' next score.

Behind the bruising running of Bowie, Kevin Kutch and Darius Williams, the Twisters moved down to the 7. Bowie then dragged in several Renegade tacklers for the go-ahead score.

The Twisters (1-2) return to action at 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16 against Motor City Cougars at Downriver CC, located at 15100 Northline Road, approximately three-quarters of a mile east of the I-75 overpass.

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Colony swimmers 1st

To set the record straight, the Plymouth Colony Swim Club recently won the Summer Independent Swim League meet for third consecutive season with a team-high 377 points.

The Newburgh Swim Club was second behind the undefeated Colony team with 264 followed by Fairway Farms, third (221); Northville, fourth (214); and host Burton Hollow, fifth (200).

(Note: The Plymouth-Canton Cruisers recently captured the Downriver Swim League meet.)

The following swimmers scored for Colony.

Girls open — Carrie Dzialo, first place, 50 freestyle; second, 50 backstroke; Matt's Kelly, second, 50 freestyle; third, 50 backstroke; Jennifer Corneiler, fourth, 50 backstroke; sixth, 50 freestyle; Stacia Guliewicz, fifth, 50 backstroke; eighth, 50 freestyle; Maureen Kearney, 12th, 50 freestyle.

Boys open — Andrew Lock, second, 50 freestyle; Jason McMann, third, 50 backstroke; fourth, 50 freestyle; B.J. Page, sixth, 50 freestyle; Noah Allen, ninth, 50 freestyle; Brian Satevich, 12th, 50 freestyle; John McLennaghan, second, 50 backstroke; Dan Kelly, seventh, 50 backstroke; Jim McLennaghan, fifth, 50 backstroke.

Mixed relays — John McLennaghan, Locke Page, Kelly, second, 200 medley; Kelly, Kelly, Allen, Jim McLennaghan and Satevich, sixth, 200 medley; Andrea Whipple, Stephen Kearney, Maureen Kearney, Maureen Kearney, 10th, 200 medley; Dan Kelly, John McLennaghan, McMann, Lock, first, 200 freestyle; Satevich, Dzialo, Jim McLennaghan, Page, fourth, 200 freestyle; Corneiler, Guliewicz, Maureen Kearney and Katie Birkett, sixth, 200 freestyle.

Girls 15 and under — Anne Nepuk, third, 50 freestyle; seventh, 100 individual medley; Robin Dzialo, 10th, 50 freestyle; 12th, 50 backstroke; Amberly Larsen, sixth, 50 butterfly; ninth, 50 backstroke; Laura Burek, 11th, 50 backstroke; Jenni Broniak, ninth, 50 backstroke; 10th, 100 IM; Sarah Broniak, ninth, 50 butterfly.

Boys 15 and under — Don Leclair, first, 50 freestyle; 50 backstroke; Danny Jones, second, 50 freestyle; seventh, 50 backstroke; Brian Schoeffle, sixth, 50 backstroke; ninth, 50 freestyle; Stephen Kearney, eighth, 50 backstroke; 11th, 50 breaststroke; Ryan McMann, third, 100 IM; fourth, 50 butterfly.

Mixed relays — Larsen, Broniak, Broniak, Burek, seventh, 200 medley; Katherine Storch, Maggie Guliewicz, Katie Birkett, Schoeffle, 12th, 200 medley; LaFond, McMann, Jones, Leclair, first, 200 freestyle; Burek, Dzialo, Sarah Broniak, Nepuk, sixth, 200 freestyle.

Girls 12 and under — Jennifer Kelly, second, 50 freestyle; ninth, 50 backstroke; Sarah Beaufeld, third, 50 freestyle; fourth, 50 backstroke; Sarah

Cyrek, 11th, 50 freestyle; Kate Caille, 11th, 50 breaststroke; Meghan Gavin, 10th, 50 breaststroke; Elizabeth Wisniewski, 12th, 50 breaststroke; Becky Rouk, fifth, 50 butterfly; eighth, 100 IM; Jessica Fricke, seventh, 50 butterfly; 10th, 100 IM.

Boys 12 and under — Adam Sonnenstine, second, 50 breaststroke; third, 50 freestyle; Mike Johnson, fifth, 50 backstroke; seventh, 50 butterfly; 11th, 50 freestyle; Kyle Zink, sixth, 50 butterfly; 12th, 50 freestyle; Jeff Neve, second, 50 backstroke; third, 100 IM; Matt Showalter, third, 50 backstroke; fifth, 50 breaststroke; Ben Dzialo, first, 50 butterfly; second, 100 IM; Billy Birkett, sixth, 100 IM; seventh, 50 freestyle.

Mixed relays — Showalter, Rouk, Neve, Fricke, fourth, 200 medley; Kelly, Beaufeld, Sonnenstine, Dzialo, first, 200 freestyle; Angela Savastano, Birkett, Zink, Cyrek, 10th, 200 freestyle.

Girls 10 and under — Rachel Broniak, first, 25 freestyle; fifth, 25 butterfly; Alice Maples, first, 25 freestyle; second, 25 freestyle; Caitlin Porubsky, fourth, 50 freestyle; fifth, 25 freestyle; Lisa Storch, sixth, 25 freestyle; eighth, 25 butterfly; Manasa Malcolin, eighth, 25 freestyle; Anna Dempsey, seventh, 25 freestyle; Jessica Zokas, second, 50 freestyle; fourth, 25 breaststroke; Tonya Mathis, seventh, 50 freestyle; ninth, 25 backstroke; Rachel Craen, 11th, 50 freestyle; Kristen Neve, first, 25 butterfly; second, 25 backstroke; Lisa Gulikson, fourth, 25 backstroke; Angela Napolitano, fifth, 25 backstroke.

Boys 10 and under — Tim Storch, first, 25 freestyle; third, 25 breaststroke; Rob Cyrek, third, 25 freestyle; 25 backstroke; Zack Rouk, eighth, 25 freestyle; 12th, 25 breaststroke; Nick Landy, ninth, 25 freestyle; Rob Flynn, first, 50 freestyle; sixth, 25 butterfly; John Napolitano, sixth, 25 breaststroke; seventh, 50 freestyle; Ben Eberlein, seventh, 25 backstroke; 12th, 25 butterfly; Ryan Smith, first, 25 backstroke; 25 butterfly; Jeff Mydlowski, 11th, 25 butterfly.

Mixed relays — Smith, Maples, Neve, Zokas, first, 100 medley; Rouk, Porubsky, John Napolitano, Mathis, sixth, 100 medley; Britney Meyer, Gulikson, Malcolin, Angela Napolitano, eighth, 100 medley; Broniak, Cyrek, Flynn, Storch, second, 100 freestyle; Rouk, Porubsky, John Napolitano, Mathis, sixth, 100 freestyle; Meyer, Gulikson, Malcolin, Angela Napolitano, 10th, 100 freestyle.

Girls 8 and under — Kate Musson, second, 25 backstroke; third, 25 freestyle; Sarah Palczynski, seventh, 25 freestyle; ninth, 50 freestyle; Kristin Porubsky, fifth, 25 backstroke; eighth, 50 freestyle; Natalie Haddad, 12th, 25 backstroke.

Boys 8 and under — Michael Aldini, first, 50 freestyle; second, 25 freestyle; Christopher Samora, third, 25 freestyle; eighth, 25 backstroke; Michael Snyder, 10th, 25 freestyle; Colin Smith, second, 25 backstroke; fourth, 50 freestyle; Steve Johnson, seventh, 25 backstroke; eighth, 50 freestyle; Sammy Maples, ninth, 25 backstroke; 10th, 50 freestyle; Michael Ganetti, 11th, 25 freestyle; Matt Carlson, 12th, 25 freestyle.

Mixed relays — Musson, Porubsky, Smith, Aldini, second, 100 freestyle; Samora, Kaitlin McKinley, Palczynski, Johnson, sixth, 100 freestyle; Carlson, Maples, Theresa Broniak, Snyder, ninth, 100 freestyle.

COLLEGIATE TOURNAMENT BASEBALL

Michigan Rams ousted by Maryland, 8-2

AAABA REGIONAL

The Michigan Lake Area Rams reached Pennsylvania, but not quite the final destination they desired.

The Rams, a collegiate team from the Adray Metro Baseball Association, ended their season with an 8-2 loss on Tuesday to Maryland in the All-American Amateur Baseball Association regional at Vets Stadium in Altoona, Pa.

The Rams needed to win to earn a berth in the national championship, which starts later this week about 45 minutes away in Johnstown, Pa.

Tuesday's loss dropped the Rams' record in the regional to 1-2. Altoona already had an automatic berth to Johnstown for hosting the regional.

Maryland scored four runs in the fifth to add to a 3-2 lead and secure the second bid to Johnstown from the regional.

The Rams' only runs came in the top of the fifth.

Brian Issitt walked and went to third on a double by Tom Biljan. Both runners came home on a single by Bob Hamp.

Biljan finished 2-for-4 with a run and RBI. Hamp was 1-4 with an RBI and Greg Rogers and Schuyler Doakes had the only other Rams' hits.

Duke University pitcher Terry Sullivan earned the victory for the Maryland team. He struck out eight.

Rams' starting pitcher Jason Westfall lasted two innings and suffered the loss, allowing three runs on four hits.

"We couldn't get hitting going like we have been the whole

with somewhat of a small strike zone. This is a team that blows everyone out and they were frustrated."

The Rams struck out an uncharacteristically-high nine times. Berryman said they averaged about three or four throughout the season.

"It was a good crowd, a tough strike zone down here," he said.

The Rams threatened in the ninth, putting runners on first and second after a single by Schuyler Doakes and a walk to Rogers. The next batter struck out to end the game.

The Rams scored three runs in the first inning. Rogers singled, followed by a walk to Miller and both came home on Tom Biljan's double.

Biljan went to third on Joe Seestadt's single and came home with the third run on Bob Hamp's single.

The Rams stayed alive in the double-elimination tournament Monday, rallying for six runs in the ninth to beat Lansing 9-5.

The rally was remarkable, Berryman said, considering there was barely enough time to get in a good sleep between games.

"We didn't get done until 11 Sunday night and had to play at 11 this morning," he said. "It was a very gutsy performance by a tired group of kids."

Todd Tobin, a pickup from Livonia Adray and the second of three pitchers, earned the victory.

Tobin allowed one run on six hits with four strikeouts and no walks. Terry Bigham earned

the save, pitching the ninth. Tobin came on in the third inning with two runners aboard and Lansing ahead 4-1.

"He kept the game close, shut them down, to give us a chance to come back," Berryman said. "That's what you want from a middle relief pitcher."

The Rams scored single runs in the sixth and eighth to cut their deficit to 5-3.

Lance Siegwald started the ninth with an infield single, pinch hitting for Seestadt. A wild pitch sent him to second and he scored on Kevin Uzarski's double. Uzarski was a pickup from Livonia Adray.

Todd Miller had a bunt single and Doakes was intentionally walked to load the bases.

The tying run came in when Greg Rogers walked after fouling off five straight pitches with a full count.

"Thank God it wasn't against Altoona, he would have never walked," Berryman joked about the strike zone being larger against Altoona.

Rickie Miller and Biljan gave the Rams insurance, delivering a two-run single and two-run double, respectively.

Rickie Miller finished 3-for-5 with three RBI and two runs scored. Brian Issitt was 3-5 with a pair of runs and Biljan was 2-5.

Doakes scored two runs and stole two bases for the Rams, who qualified for the AAABA regional by taking first in the Livonia Collegiate Division of the Adray Metro Baseball Association.



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Concealed goes 1-2 in Reese Series

It was the end of the season, but only the beginning as far as Concealed Security baseball coach Lou Pirronello is concerned.

Pirronello's team of mostly 10-year-olds finished with a 1-2 record at the eight-team American Amateur Baseball Congress Pee Wee Reese World Series last weekend in Collerville, Tenn.

Concealed took home the Most Sportsmanlike trophy and with a little luck might have finished with a better record in the nine-team field.

Pirronello will coach a strictly 11-year-old team next year and expects his roster to look remarkably similar to this year's.

"The team was good enough to win it, the coach stunk," Pirronello said. "We had a terrific year that ended abruptly, wasn't expected. We saw Texas, Puerto Rico play. We were certain we'd be in the Final Four at least."

"The kids conducted themselves terrifically, never whined about a call and had a good time. They were quick to pat another guy on the back and applaud another team's good plays."

Concealed opened with a 13-5 win over the host team from Collerville. Concealed suffered its first loss against San Diego, 7-4, and was eliminated in a rematch against Collerville, 10-5.

The winning pitcher in the first game was Ryan Shay (Garden City), who threw a one-hitter with seven strikeouts and three walks.

Eric Drieselman (Garden City) was 3-for-3, including two doubles, scored three runs and had two RBI.

Kyle Wallazy (Plymouth) had a two run double and scored three runs. Mark Pirronello (Livonia) added an RBI double, Scott Szpryka (Orchard Lake) an RBI single and Casey Sar-

SANDLOT ROUNDUP

gent (South Lyon) a two-run double.

Drieselman kept Concealed close in the second-game loss, working five innings in relief. He gave up four runs.

Shay and Szpryka each went 2-for-3 with an RBI.

Concealed went ahead first against Collerville as well, leading 3-0 through one-half inning.

Collerville scored six runs in the fourth to pull away.

Sargent, who pitched out of a first-inning jam in relief, suffered his first pitching loss of the season against five wins.

Matt Rodeghier (Farmington Hills) was 2-3 with three RBI to lead Concealed. Drieselman and Shay each had two hits. Drieselman scored twice while Shay scored one run with one RBI.

This was the first year one of Pirronello's teams recorded at least 50 wins as Concealed finished with a 54-4 mark.

The team also included Phillip Mabey (Livonia), Chris Russin (Wayne), Matthew Kerr (Dearborn), Andrew Stafford (Sterling Heights), Alan Hagedon (Westland), Jeff Richard (West Bloomfield), Kevin Wallazy (Plymouth), and Zack Flavin (Novi).

Livonia Travel 55-9

Livonia Travel, which lost a heartbreaker in the opening round to the Bayside Yankees, 5-4, in the National Amateur Baseball Federation Junior Division (ages 15-16) World Series, split its final two games in the tournament held at Northville.

Mario D'Herin (Redford Catholic Central) had two hits, including a homer and two RBI, as Livonia Travel defeated the Lexington (Ky.) Dixie Bulls, 7-4.

Casey Rogowski (Redford CC)

went 3-for-4 with a double, while Mike Fisher (Farmington Hills Harrison) contributed two hits in three trips, including a double.

Livonia Travel starter Roy Rabe (Livonia Stevenson), who gave up two runs over the first five innings, earned the victory.

Jon Ritzler (Stevenson) finished up, allowing two runs over the final two innings.

The Absecon (N.J.) Comets edged Livonia Travel, 2-1, behind Larry Larned's 2-run homer in the second inning.

Livonia got its only run on consecutive singles by D'Herin, Rogowski and Fisher. (D'Herin led Livonia Travel offensively by going 2-for-3.)

Chris Ross was the winning pitcher, tossing a six-hitter, while Brighton pick-up Eric Biehl, the Livonia Travel starter, took the loss.

Derek Fox (Farmington High) pitched six scoreless innings of relief for Livonia Travel, giving up just three hits and two walks while striking out five.

Livonia Travel finished the year 55-9 overall.

PCJBL AA Champs

The Twin recently captured the AA League playoffs in the Plymouth Canton Junior Baseball League World Series by sweeping the White Sox in a double-header, 15-6 and 11-3 (on July 28).

A total of 16 teams competed in the tournament.

Members of the Twins, managed by Tom Leach, include Jeff Squires, Nick Bowles, Mike Horgan, Nick Miniodis, Jeff Nevi, Mike Diponio, Phillip Tennant, Stephen Thornton, Casey Skrzypek, Joel Tefft, Greg Broda and Ryan Leach.

Coaches include Jim Thornton and Ray Nevi.

Both teams are members of the American League's 12-year-old division.

Olympian Johnson leads way

ARCHERY

1996 Olympic gold medalist Butch Johnson of Woodstock, Conn. vaulted to the front of the leaderboard on the opening day of competition at the 113th U.S. National Target Championships at Heritage Park in Canton Township.

Johnson posted a score of 639 in the men's recurve division after shooting the 90- and 70-meter distances.

His gold medal teammates from the Atlanta Games, Rod White (Hermitage, Pa.) and Justin Huish (Simi Valley, Calif.) are close behind.

White finished the first day second with a 620 score, while Huish is tied with two-time Olympian Jay Barrs (Salt Lake City, Utah) at 617.

On Tuesday, the men's Olympic recurve archers shoot at distances of 50 and 30 meters to complete the first round.

The second round began Wednesday and will conclude today with the national champions being crowned tonight.

In the men's compound division, U.S. World Team member Dee Wilde (Pocatello, Id.), Jeff Batton (Cottage Grove, Wis.) and Matt Cleland (Swanton, Ohio) occupied the top spots.

Wilde leads with a total of 651 followed by Batton, Cleland and Kevin Eldredge (Roosevelt, Ut.) all tied at 645.

In the women's recurve division, 1996 Olympian Janet Dykmann (El Monte, Calif.) leads Khatouna Lorig (Flanders, N.J.), 652-639.

Kathie Loesch (Houston, Tex.) is third with a 623 total.

Final results will appear in Sunday's Observer.

WESTLAND SOFTBALL STANDINGS

WESTLAND PARKS & REC SOFTBALL STANDINGS (as of July 29)

Men's Class B Division: 1. Dependable Transportation, 14-3 (clinched title); 2. Prudential Pickering, 13-5; 3. Tom Holzer, 12-5; 4. Beaver Creek/Tool Rods, 11-7; 5. Charlie's Too, 8-10; 6. R.W. Mailboozie, 6-12; 7. Blarney Bay, 5-11.

Men's Class C (North): 1. ReMax Crossroads, 16-2; 2. Boss Construction, 15-3; 3. Don Thomas, 10-8; 4. J&E Sign, 8-10; 5. Major League, 4-14; 6. (tie) Gracie's Lounge and Thunder, forfeit.

Men's Class C (East): 1. Prudential Pickering, 15-3; 2. Beaver Creek 1, 14-4; 3. State Farm, 12-6; 4. Commercial Lawnmower, 11-7; 5. Reiser's, 10-8; 6. Electric

Stick, 7-11; 7. Amato's Collision, 6-12; 8. (tie) Antique Auto Sales, Westland Florist, 5-13 each; 10. Beaver Creek 2; 2-16.

Men's Class C (West): 1. C&B Machinery, 13-5 (clinched title); 2. Dependable Transportation, 11-7; 3. Olson's Rentals, 10-8; 4. Quality Movers, 2-16.

Women's Division (Tuesday): 1. Prudential Pickering, 18-0 (clinched title); 2. Amantea/Wheat & Rye, 12-6; 3. Beaver Creek, 11-7; 4. (tie) Tanfara Group, New Concept, 10-8 each; 6. Real Estate 1, 5-11; 7. Amerimex, 5-13; 8. Auto One of Canton, 1-17.

Co-Ed (Sunday): 1. Little Bill's Trophies, 11-3; 2. Prudential Pickering, 10-4; 4. Double Bogle, 9-5; 5. Chatters, 7-7; 6. Talentless, 7-11; 7. China Star, 1-15.

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CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND WESTLAND

THIS WEEKEND

MUSICAL CONCERT
The Westland Cultural Society 1997 Concerts in the Park continues Sunday at 6 p.m. when Roy Cobb and the Coachmen play bluegrass at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland. Call 722-7620 or 522-3918 to confirm location in case of rain.

SPECIAL EVENTS

CREATE A TILE
Help your child (or pet) be part of the Westland playscape project Imagination Play Station at Tile Creation Days. For \$10, dip your child's hand in various colored paints and apply them to an 8-by-8 tile which will be used to construct a sitting wall around the playscape which will be built by volunteers from Sept. 9-14 in Central City Park. For more information about any playscape project, or to volunteer time to help build the playground, call 467-3198.

SUNDAY CONCERTS
The Westland Cultural Society 1997 Concerts in the Park continue through July and August. All remaining concerts are held at the Westland Library Performance Center, or at the Bailey Center in case of rain. Future music scheduled includes:
■ Aug. 10 — Roy Cobb and the Coachmen play blue grass music
■ Aug. 17 — Phil Gram Combo plays jazz
■ Aug. 24 — the Waco Country Band entertains. Call 722-7620 or 522-3918 to confirm location in case of rain.

PIG ROAST
The Metro West Democratic Club will host its annual Pig Roast on Sunday, Aug. 10 from noon at the UAW Local 735 hall on Michigan Ave. in Canton one mile west of Belleville Road. Roast pig, hot dogs, corn on the cob, coleslaw, salads and other items will be served at a cost of \$10 per person, \$7.50 for seniors and \$5 for kids seven and older. Kids six and under get in free. There will be a petting farm for the kids and other entertainment including impersonators. Call Cliff or Marie Johnson at 729-8681 or 721-4710

BAND INVITATIONAL
The 12th Annual John Glenn High School Marching Band Invitational is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 27, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at John Glenn High School, 36105 Marquette. About 15 bands from across the state will compete and will be judged on marching, winds, percussion, execution and color guard. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and seniors, under 5 free and a family price of \$15.

RECREATION

SQUARE DANCE
Beginner square dance classes held 7:30-9:30 Tuesdays in Bailey Recreation Center (behind City Hall), on Ford Road, Westland. Fee \$3 per person weekly. Mike Brennan, (313) 274-3394.

YMCA SUMMER PROGRAMS
Spend the end of the summer in the YMCA pool. Learn swimming techniques, gain confidence and have fun at the Wayne-Westland YMCA. All children age 3-13 are invited to join the last summer sessions which runs from Aug. 11 to Aug. 22. Call (313)

721-7044 for information.

POOL OPEN
The Bailey pool and water-slide are open seven days a week from noon to 3:30 p.m. and 4:30-7:30 p.m. Teen night is held on Mondays and Thursdays from 8-10 p.m. when teens can enjoy dancing, swimming, volleyball. Senior night is on Wednesdays from 8-10 p.m. Birthday parties and other functions are available, and swim lessons continue throughout the summer. Call Debbie Lindquist at (313) 722-7620 for information.

RECREATION AND FUN
A recreational get-together for teens and adults who are disabled will be the second Friday of each month at the Westland Bailey Center. (313) 722-7620.

AT THE LIBRARY

VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION
If you have considered working as a volunteer at the library or if you would like information about volunteering opportunities at the William P. Faust Public Library, a meeting will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 6 at 7 p.m. at the library. Topics will include how the library makes use of volunteers, volunteer opportunities at the library, and a brief orientation session. The meeting will last approximately 45 minutes. There will be a tour following the meeting for those interested. Call (313) 326-6123.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS
The next storytime session will run for six weeks with Session I running from Aug. 17 through Sept. 21 and session II from Oct. 12 through Nov. 16. Sleepy Storytime will be on Mondays at 7 p.m. Toddler tales (18-36 mos.) and Just for Me Preschool Time (3-5 years) will be held Wednesdays at 10 a.m. and 11:30 p.m.

HISTORY ON VIEW

WESTLAND MUSEUM
The Westland Historical Museum is open 1-4 p.m. Saturdays, at 857 N. Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill. (313) 326-1110.

FRIENDS MEET
Friends of the Westland Historical Museum meet on the second Tuesdays of January, March, May, July, September and November at 7 p.m. at the Westland Meeting House, 37091 Marquette between Newburgh and Wayne roads. Information, president Jim Franklin (313) 721-0136. Everyone is welcome.

FOR SENIORS

TRAVEL GROUP
The Travel Group meets 12:45 p.m. every Friday in the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, unless a trip or program is planned. Programs include speakers, films, celebration of birthdays and weekly door prizes. There is a \$3 membership fee for residents, \$12.50 for non-residents. (313) 722-7632.

CARD GROUP
The Friday Variety Card Group at the Westland Friendship Center meets at 2 p.m. Players enjoy euchre, pinochle, bridge, Uno, rummy and poker. Light refreshments are served. Call (313) 722-7632 for information or just show up to play cards. The Friendship Center is located at 1119 N. Newburgh Road.

Senior dance



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JACOBFIELD

Sweet music: Westland seniors can be entertained and can dance to bands like the A.J.'s, who are Jim Lauri (left) on keyboards and vocals, Jim Rivard on guitar, and Art Fassero on tenor saxophone. Dances for seniors are held on the first Monday of the the month at 11 a.m. at the Westland Shopping Center's auditorium.

DYER CLUB
The Dyer Seniors' Center Travel Club meets the first and third Thursdays of each month in the center, on Marquette between Wayne Road and Newburgh.

MONTHLY MEAL
The Wayne Ford Civic League schedules its senior meal 11:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month at the league hall, on Wayne Road, two blocks south of Ford, for people 50 and older. Cost is \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members. The meal includes beer, beverages and dancing to Big Band music, and door prizes. (313) 728-5010.

DANCE FUN
Westland Shopping Center hosts a senior citizen dance on the first Monday of each month at 11 a.m. in the lower level auditorium, Wayne and Warren roads. Coffee and refreshments will be served at 12:30 p.m. The dance will end 2 p.m. The dance is held on the first Monday, with the exception of holidays.

SENIOR DANCE
Senior dances will be noon to 4 p.m. the first Sunday of every month at the Wayne Ford Civic Center, 1651 N. Wayne Road, Westland. There will be dinner, a live band, beer and pop. Members \$5, non-members \$7. (313) 728-5010.

WORK REFERRAL
Information Center Inc. refers workers to seniors who need help. The program is for people interested in providing transportation, yard work, house work, etc. Workers can specify the type of work they are willing to do and the communities they want to serve. Chore Worker Program, (313) 422-1052.

LINE DANCING
Line dancing lessons are offered to senior citizens at 10:45 a.m. each Friday at the Westland Friendship

Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, at Marquette. Fee is \$2 per session. (313) 722-7632.

DYER CENTER
The Wayne-Westland School District's Dyer Senior Adult Center has activities Monday-Thursday at the center, on Marquette between Wayne and Newburgh roads. Mondays, Senior Chorus at 1:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, arts, crafts and needlework at 9:30 a.m.; Wednesdays, Kitchen Band, 10 a.m.; bingo at 1 p.m.; Thursdays, ceramics, arts, crafts at 9:30 a.m.; a Hawaiian dance exercise class will be held at 1 p.m. every Wednesday in the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 Newburgh, Hall A. Instructor is Kammo Oris. Sign up at the front desk or call (313) 722-7632.

SCHOOLS

PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM
The Wayne-Westland Community Schools has ongoing registration for the preschool programs at Stottemyer Early Childhood and Family Development Center, on Marquette between Wayne and Wildwood. Programs include an Early Intervention Program, Head Start, Kids/Plus Preschool, a Pre-Primary Impaired program and Sparkey Preschool. Registration is ongoing from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call (313) 595-2660 for information.

CHURCH PRESCHOOL
The Westland Free Methodist Preschool has openings for 3- and 4-year-olds in the morning and afternoon sessions. The younger pupils attend Tuesdays and Thursdays with the other pupils attending Mondays and Wednesdays. A Friday enrichment class is also available. The preschool is at 1421 S. Venoy, Westland. (313) 728-3559.

PLUS PRESCHOOL
Registration for preschool

by appointment for the Kids Plus Program is ongoing. Children must be 4 years old by Dec. 1. Family must meet two "at risk" factors. Program runs four half-days a week. Parents must provide their own transportation. Program is free for those students who qualify. Call (313) 595-2688.

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

LITTLE LAMBS
Little Lambs Preschool in Livonia is accepting registration for the 1997-98 school year. Classes meet Monday/Wednesday/Friday in the morning and afternoon and Tuesday/Thursday in the morning for 3-5 year olds. Information (313) 421-0749 or (810) 471-2077.

MCKINLEY CO-OP
McKinley Co-op Preschool is now enrolling for the 1997-98 school year. There are openings for three-, four- and two-year mom and tot programs at 6500 Wayne Road. Call (313) 729-7222 for information.

VOLUNTEERS

FAMILIES SOUGHT
Organizers from the Youth for Understanding group in this area are seeking families from Westland and Wayne to serve as host families for some 50 foreign exchange students visiting this country. Program fees are paid by students and their parents raised through community projects or funded by scholarships. Students have their own medical insurance and bring their own spending money. Students are between the ages of 15 and

18 and usually live here for about 11 months, starting in mid-August. Some six-month hosting opportunities are also available. For more information or to host a student, call Jeffrey Meyer at (313) 467-9762.

DRIVERS NEEDED
Volunteer drivers are needed to transport area residents to meetings of the Western Wayne Parkinson's Disease Support Group. Meetings are held from 7-9 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at the Livonia Senior Center on Farmington Road just south of Five Mile. Drivers may be offered a stipend. Call 459-0216 or 421-4208 for information. The support group serves residents of Westland, Plymouth and Livonia and surrounding communities.

FOSTER CARE
Youth Living Centers are looking for people to open their homes and hearts to children who need foster care. Training and supportive services provided. To learn more about becoming part of the Foster Care Team, call Gina Velez, (313) 728-3400.

FOOD DELIVERY
Volunteers are needed 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to deliver meals to homebound, disabled, elderly people in Westland one hour or more per day, one or more days per week. (313) 326-4444.

BINGO

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The Notre Dame Knights of Columbus hold bingo games starting at 6:45 p.m. Thursdays in its hall on Van Born, east of Wayne Road. (313) 728-3020.

MONDAY BINGO
The Notre Dame Assembly Knights of Columbus holds bingos at 6:30 p.m. Mondays in its hall on Van Born east of Wayne Road. There are specials held on the last Monday of each month. (313) 728-3020.

WFCL BINGO
The Finesse Girls Travel Softball Boosters hold a bingo from 6:30-9:45 p.m. every Monday to raise money for the girls softball program. The bingo games are held at the Wayne Ford Civic League Hall, on Wayne Road, two blocks south of Ford.

DEMS BINGO
The Metro Wayne Democratic Club sponsors bingo games at 6:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Joy Manor Bingo Hall, on the south side of Joy, east of Middlebelt. Proceeds are used by the club to sponsor Little League baseball teams, the Salvation Army, School for the Blind. (313) 422-5025 or (313) 729-8681.

DEMS' BINGO
The 13th Congressional District Democratic Party will hold bingo games at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, in the Cherry Hill Hall, on the southwest corner of Cherry Hill and Venoy. (313) 421-1617.

BINGO AND SNACKS
The VFW Post 3323, Westland, serves snacks and hosts bingo at 1 p.m. every Sunday in the post hall, 1055 S. Wayne Road at Avondale. Doors open 9 a.m. (313) 326-3323.

SHAMROCK BINGO
There will be bingo at 11 a.m. Wednesdays at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 35100 Van Born, east of Wayne Road, Wayne. Doors open 9 a.m. Food available. Proceeds go to charity. (313) 728-3020.

SMOKELESS BINGO
"Smokeless" bingo meets at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday, at Sts. Simon and Jude

Parish Hall, 32500 Palmer, east of Venoy, Westland. Offered are three jackpots of \$400, \$300 and \$200.

NO SMOKE
"No smoking" bingo will be 1 p.m. every Tuesday at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh Road, Westland. Residents from Westgate Towers, Taylor Towers, Greenwood Towers, Liberty Park, Presbyterian Village and Carolon Condos, etc., are eligible for transportation to bingo if they have a minimum of five players. (313) 722-7632.

JAYCEES
Westland Jaycees host bingo games at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, Westland. Three jackpots paying \$250, \$300 and \$300, progressive. Call the Jaycee Information Hotline at (313) 480-4984.

PUP TENT BINGO
The MOC pup tent 18 bingo will be held Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. at the VFW Post Hall, 1055 S. Wayne, Westland. A snack bar is available. Doors open at 2 p.m. (313) 326-3323.

CLUBS IN ACTION

WEEKENDERS
The Weekenders family campers meet the second Wednesday of the month in Franklin High School, on Joy east of Merriman. (313) 531-2993.

FREE CLASSES
The Showman's Dog Training Organization sponsors free junior showmanship classes for dog owners ages 7-17 at the AMVETS Hall on Merriman near Avondale at 8:30 p.m. the first and second Tuesdays of each month through September. Call (313) 729-7580.

HOLY SMOKE MASTERS
The Holy Smoke Masters Toastmasters Club meets 6:30-8:30 p.m. every Thursday at Denny's Restaurant, Wayne Road across from the Westland Center. Learn the art of speaking in public. Cost is \$24 for six months and includes monthly magazine and learning manuals. Call (313) 326-5419 for information.

HOST LIONS
The Westland Host Lions Club meets 6:30 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of the month in Mary's Family Restaurant. Information (313) 326-2607.

MOTHERS OF MULTIPLES
For information on a Mothers of Multiples Club in your area, call Shelly Weir (313) 326-1466.

WESTLAND JAYCEES
Westland Jaycees meet 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month in the Bova VFW Post, on Hix south of Warren. Hot line, (313) 525-0962.

AMBASSADORS
Ambassadors Junior Civitan is seeking people ages 13-18 for community service activities. The club meets 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of each month in the Westland Historical, Cultural and Community Meeting House, 36993 Marquette, east of Newburgh. (313) 729-5409.

PURPLE HEART
The Military Order of Purple Heart meets at 8 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month in the VFW Hall, on Ford west of Venoy. Meetings are open to combat-wounded veterans.

CALENDAR FORM

The Observer Newspapers welcome Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Westland Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI. 48150, or by fax to 313-591-7279. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 953-2111 if you have any questions.

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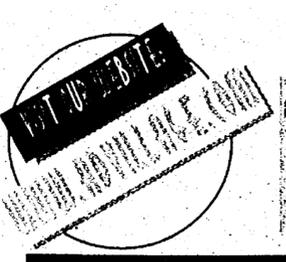
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TALL SLENDER BLONDE Catch your attention? I'm more like Rose...

HAPPILY EVER AFTER? SWF, 40, attractive, intelligent, who's...

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DOWN-TO-EARTH DWf, 44, 5'1", 155lbs, N.S., mother of...

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ACTIVE, fun-loving, blonde DWf, 53, N.S., loves...

ENTICING outgoing, very attractive, SWF...

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LOOKING FOR SOULMATE SWF, 48, 5'4", 100lbs, social drinker...

MR. RIGHT, WHERE ARE YOU? SWF, mid-40s, dark hair/eyes, seeks...

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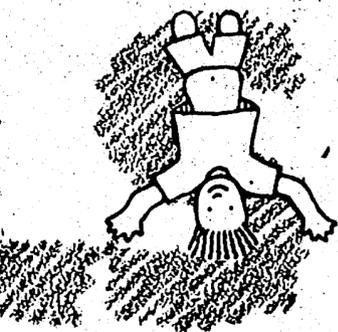
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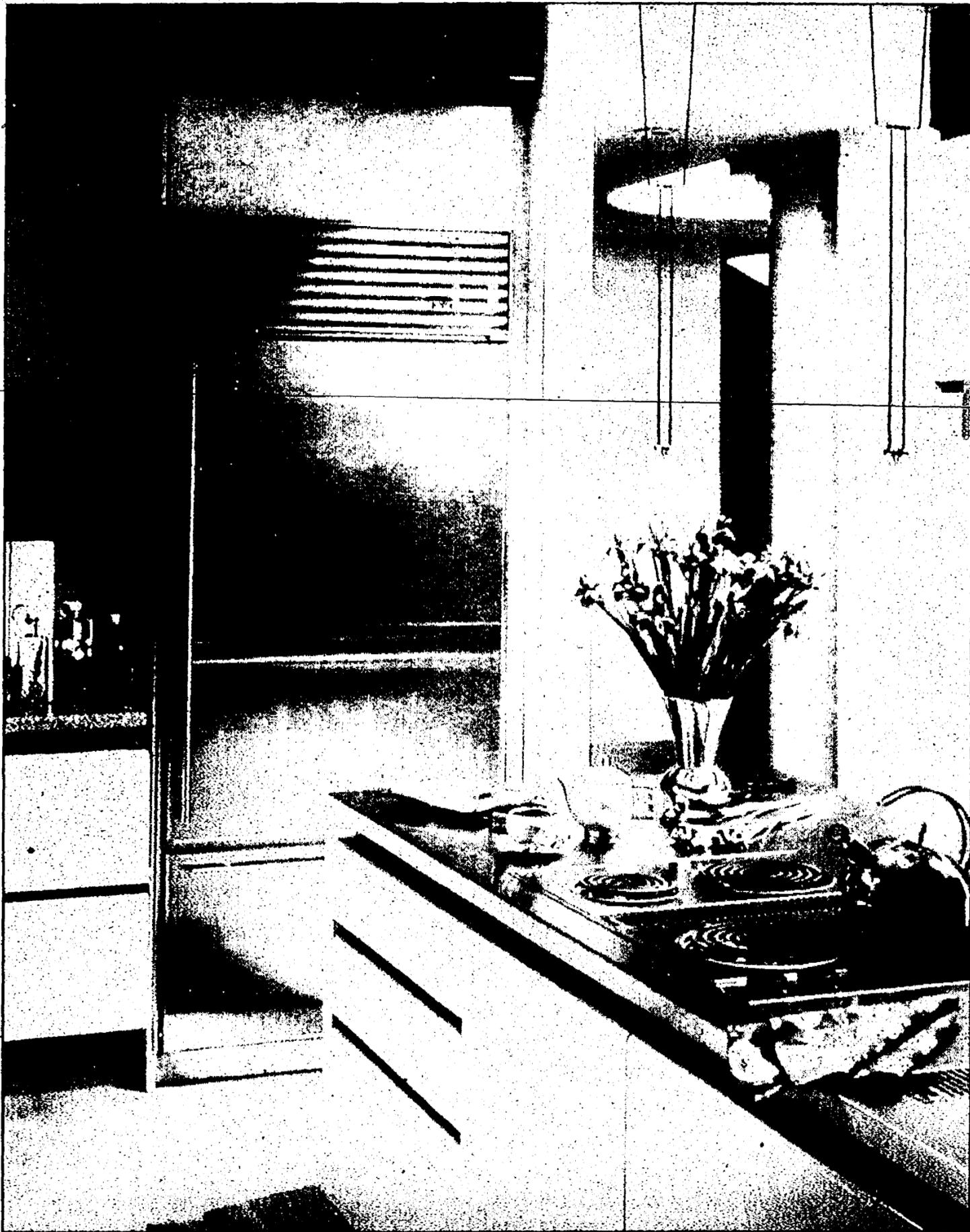
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AT HOME

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appliance doctor

Inquire before repairing appliance

I would bet that many of you who have purchased a major appliance recently are expecting to need service on the product. It is just a way of life today to expect a product to fail and it wasn't always this way. Back in the days of old,

the merchandise sold to consumers certainly had a higher quality factor built into it and we expected it to last.

According to a national study, the life span of major appliances built today has dropped dramatically. It can be a serious

consequence if you are not aware of a good, honest, reliable appliance repair company. The stories we've seen on television and read in newspapers about the rip off companies have tarnished the image to a very serious degree. I believe these stories have been accurate but I remind you that they usually are always about the same companies. You, as a consumer need to know who the bad guys are and don't expect them to go away just because you are on the 6 o'clock news.

Let me give you some ideas of what to expect when you do need service and how you base some sort of judgment as to whether or not a service company meets your criteria.

A. Where did you get the number of the company you are about to call? Was it from advertising or was it from a friend or relative. Do you know anything about this company as to their reputation. Did you contact the local office of the Better Business Bureau and make any inquiries. If you live in Detroit, did you contact the office of Consumer Affairs. Ladies and gentle-

men, did you do anything at all to inquire about the credibility of the service company which is about to enter your home and repair an appliance. If you didn't, you are at fault and what has happened to so many may happen to you.

B. What was the telephone response like when you called? Were they polite and did they suggest anything that might solve the problem. Did you ask for time preference such as morning or afternoon and receive a negative or were they obliging. Did you ask how much a service all will be to come to your home. How much is the labor cost per hour while they are doing the repair job. Did they give you an estimate of what it would cost for repairs after they checked it out. Did you feel comfortable



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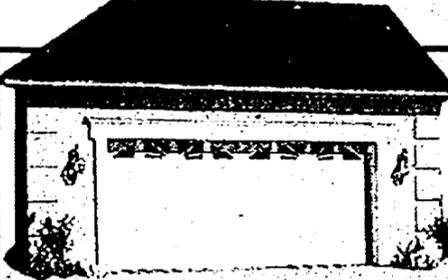
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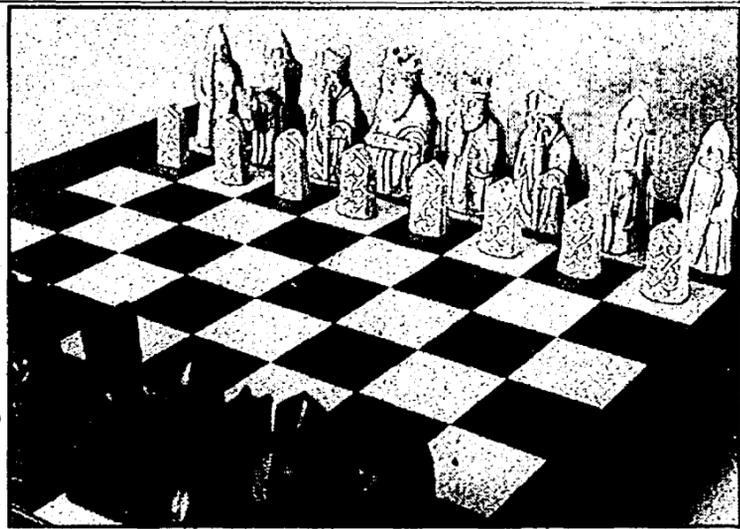


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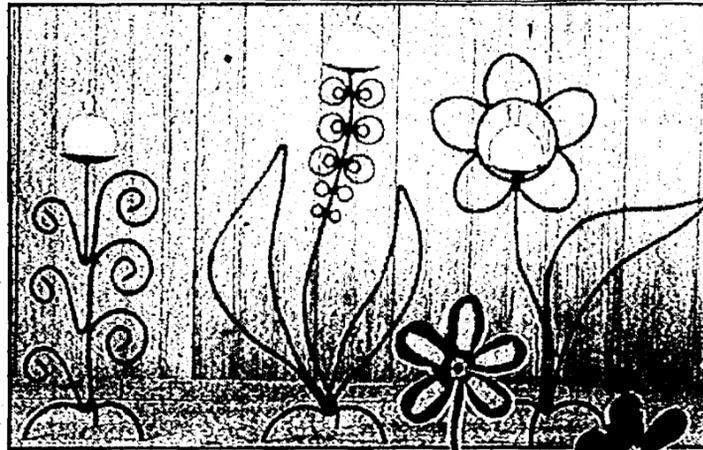
Lewis chessmen reproductions that feature fine craftsmanship. The chessmen retail for \$155, and the chess board for \$98, at the DIA Museum Shop in the Somerset Collection, Big Beaver Road and Coolidge in Troy. Call (248) 649-2222. The tale behind the pieces dates back to 1831, when a peasant discovered the collection in a mysterious building that had been buried under sand on the Isle of Lewis. The original 78 pieces, belonging to eight or more sets, now reside in the British Museum and the National Museum in Edinburgh. The chessmen are handcrafted in Hull, England.

Flora and fun-na

Special picks:

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Gallery, 29203 Northwestern Highway in Southfield. Renowned Mexican artist Guillermo McClain's steel sculpture in the shape of a daisy comes in 18-, 24- and 29-inch sizes, for \$42.50, \$53.50 and \$63 respectively, and holds a votive candle. Use the daisies individually or in a colorful bouquet. Each of the botanical iron candle stands - daisy, fern and vine - comes with round votive candles. A set of three costs \$75. Call (248) 356-5454.

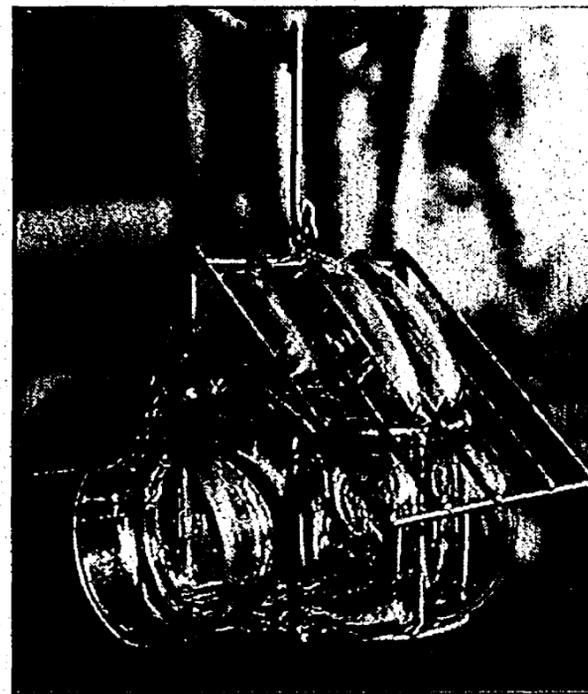


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Clock talk: Howard Miller®, a leading clock manufacturer headquartered in Zeeland, Mich., offers an ideal line of products for that long-postponed redecorating effort or summertime gift giving. For information or to find a store near you, call (616) 772-9131. Among the features of the Arlington Hills grandfather clock are a lightly distressed finish and a book-matched, leafy heart cherry inlay outlined with ebony and mahogany veneers. This elegant inlay is also on the edge of the beveled glass door. The ivory Roman numeral dial has an antiqued brushed brass-finished bezel as its only adornment, and the pendulum and weights are finished in antiqued brushed brass. An automatic nighttime shut-off option and a free brass heirloom plate are included. The Arlington Hills mantel clock is the perfect accent piece at 13 inches high and 11 inches wide. It features quartered cherry veneers and mahogany on the top, a leafy heart cherry and a border of ebony and mahogany veneers framing the ivory Roman numeral dial with its antiqued brass-finished bezel. A key-wound, triple chime movement offers a silence option.



Room with a view

Clear choice: Form and function have dramatic appeal with this iron and blown glass birdhouse, available for \$42 at The Print Gallery, 29203 Northwestern Highway in Southfield. Birds who live in glass houses are easier to see. Call (248) 356-5454.



garden spot

Goldenrod beauty: nothing to sneeze at



MARTY FIGLEY

This is the time of year when we see fields and wild areas filled with the golden blooms of goldenrod (*Solidago*).

Enjoy it for what it is and please don't blame it for causing hay fever. It has been much maligned and doesn't deserve such a reputation.

The pollen of goldenrod is sticky and heavy to aid in pollination by insects. It also clumps and clings but doesn't blow in the wind. Ragweed, which often grows in the same fields as goldenrod, is the culprit.

Europeans have been growing these pretty plants, especially hybrid varieties, in their gardens for years and now they are being used more and more in our gardens, especially when the garden has a relaxed look.

The golden flower heads (also think primrose yellow, canary yellow, mustard and cream) of some are sometimes sparse, while others carry broad sprays of bloom that last for several weeks.

Native species include *Solidago canadensis*, which is a spreader and prefers rich soil; *S. odora*, with anise-scented foliage; *S. speciosa*, a non-invasive plant that tolerates dry soil; and *S. rugosa*, with wrinkled foliage growing from spreading clumps.

Cultivars include "Cloth of Gold," "Crown of Rays" and "Golden Fleece." They are generally easy to grow in average soil. They do like a sunny garden.

If you choose a spreader, the size can be controlled by cutting around the plant with a sharp spade after the blooms have faded. They can also be divided quite successfully in spring or fall.

July begins the show, which continues through October so that continuous bloom can be achieved in the garden. Heights range from 10 to 72 inches.

A walk in a field will introduce you to some varieties of goldenrod and will give you an opportunity to gather some for fall and winter bouquets. If you wish to make a fresh arrangement, carry a bucket of water along to keep them fresh. If you plan to dry the plants, it can be done two ways.

Gather a bundle (not too large) and secure it with a rubber band, which will tighten as the stems shrink, then hang it in a warm, dark place (I use the garage). I have found it very easy to set the plants in a bucket or a brown paper bag so that the heads can gracefully fall over the edges. The plants will dry with a curved look and work especially well in wreaths.

You may dry some both ways, then have a choice as you make the arrangement.

Other flowers from your garden can also be dried this way. Monardas, silver king, flower stems of lamb's ears, globe thistle, grasses, tansy and lavender. Try all you can find and experiment. When

the flowers have faded from our gardens, you can still enjoy their beauty for some time.

This spring I used a new organic weed control that stops weeds from growing by inhibiting growth in the earliest stages of germination.

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Appliances help you do housework in style

BY MARY KLEMIC
At Home Editor

You may not be singing with Mary Poppins about "the element of fun" in "every job that must be done," but a sampling of popular and new home appliances on the market indicates that such activities as doing the laundry, washing the dishes and making meals can almost become Adventures in Housework.

Consumers are able to individualize many appliances, finding items to fill specific needs in styles to meet specific decor.

"New in washing machines is the horizontal access machine from Frigidaire and Maytag, where the door is on the front, and tumble-action washing, not an agitator," said Laurie Bauer, company spokesperson for Best Buy.

"They've been very popular in Europe and have been doing well."

John Mistak, vice president of Walter's Home Appliances, demonstrated the tumble action at

Walter's Canton store.

Poker chips in a model washer at the store showed how the water moves the clothes in a rolling action. Whirlpool offers this feature.

"You don't have the wear and tear from the agitator," Mistak said.

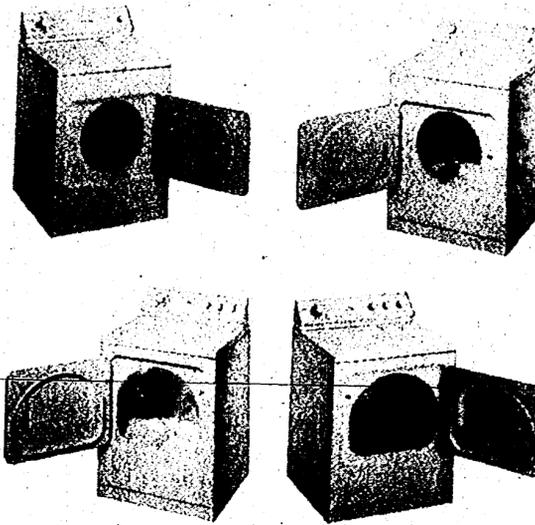
Front-loading machines save water and detergent, he said.

Whether you wash your dishes soon after a meal or let them sit for more than a day, dishwashers can handle the chore.

Some designs have timers. Bosch's interior tub is tall enough to hold larger dishes and stemware in the top rack.

Dishwashers are designed to be stylish and almost silent. KitchenAid's Sculptura features a console that is six inches high, the same height as most cabinet drawers; this can keep an unbroken line among kitchen cabinetry.

Refrigerators come in a variety of looks, including the Sub-Zero and Amana series that resemble cabinetry and almost literally disappear into the surrounding woodwork. Such elements as the vegetable crisper and freezer



Another opening: Front load washers can open almost any way the consumer wants.

can be placed around the kitchen.

Ice and water dispensers are still going strong. A new element is built-in water filtration systems, Bauer said.

Colors have a wide range, and include mirrored finishes, but "white is the hottest thing now," Mistak said. Also popular is the stainless steel industrial look.

Stoves are in keeping with the prevailing attitude that the kitchen is a gathering place.

"It's almost like home theater," said Laura Tokie of marketing communications for Trevarrow Inc. wholesale kitchen equipment in Auburn Hills.

"We're seeing a lot of two-cook kitchens. People are individualizing their kitchens."

Among the Gaggenau built-in cooktops are steamers, deep fryers, and a wok burner that is good for canning. Viking models include a rear element convection cook mode.

Glass top stoves, with burners flush with the surface, are popular. These are easy to clean and can be used as counter space when not used for cooking.

Barrier-free designs have also made an influence in the kitchen, with oven doors opening to the side instead of down, for example.

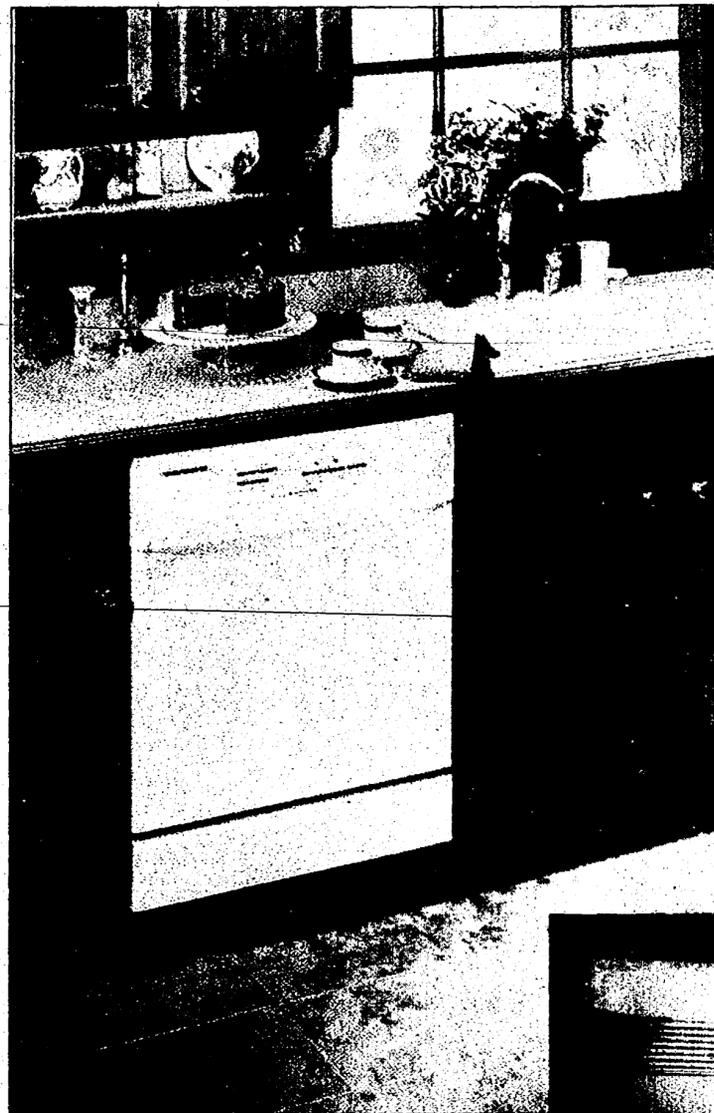
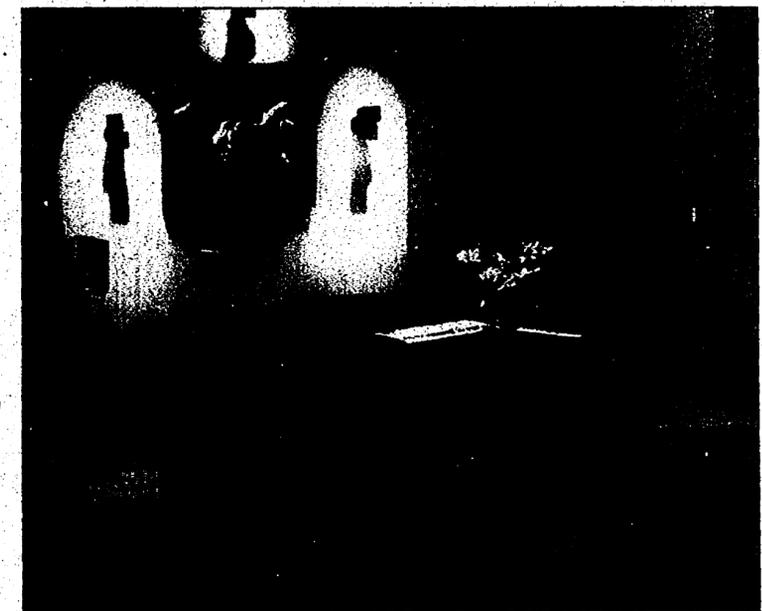
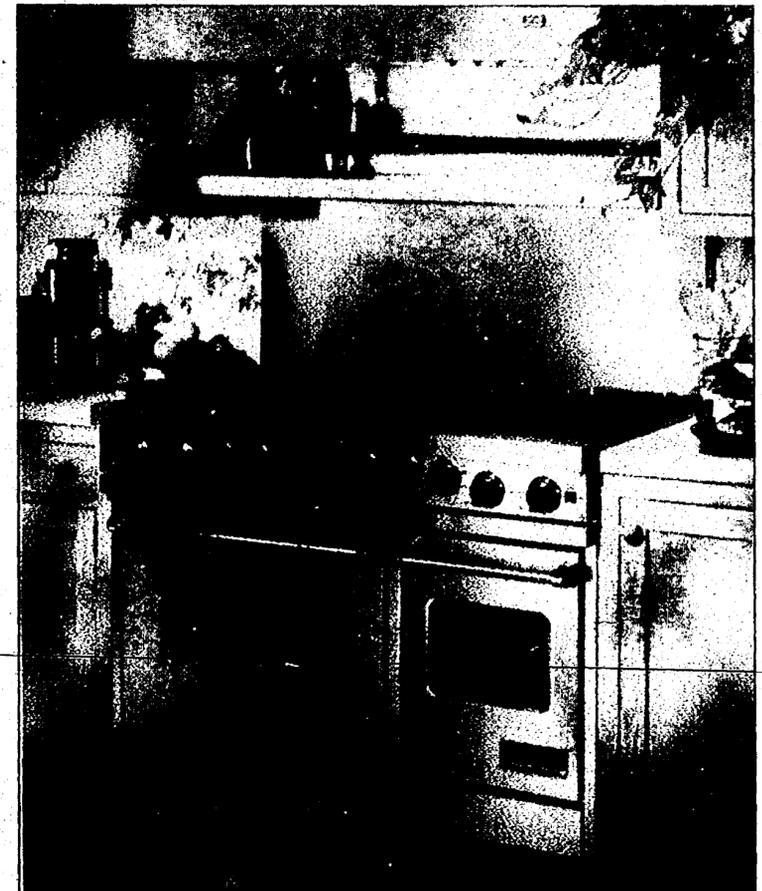
Rumors of sluggish television sales are false. High-definition TV is expected by the year 2006, but in the meantime people are still buying TVs of all sizes - even larger TVs for the bedroom.

"People are staying home more, renting more movies, doing pay-per-views," Mistak said.

The appliance business is doing well, with many people remodeling or buying new residences, Mistak said.

"When the building business is up our business is up," he said.

Cooking and looking: The stainless steel, industrial look (top) is popular for ovens and dishwashers. Television sales (bottom) are going strong.



Dishwasher design: Dishwashers not only run quietly but fit in smoothly with kitchen cabinetry.



On the cover: Appliances, such as refrigerators that blend in with the setting, allow consumers to individualize their kitchens.



focus on photography

Black and white carries powerful tone



Character study: Nagler took this picture in black and white so that he could better show the character of this woman.

Taking photographs in black and white can be a very rewarding experience.

Most people wouldn't think of putting anything but color film in their cameras. Undoubtedly this is because they want their photographs to record the way they remember a scene.

Yet the lack of color in a black and white photograph can make a far more striking interpretation of a scene. And since black and white is an interpretation rather than a documentation of a subject, the onus is on the photographer to create a picture through the use of textures and tones.

Textures and tones are considerations in color photography, but in black and white they are all-important. You may say that color photographs are analogous to seeing a movie while black and white photographs are like reading the book.

If you have two cameras, try loading one with color and the other with black and white. Take a shot of the

same subject. When you compare your prints, you may be surprised at the power of the black and white image.

Portraiture in black and white can be very effective indeed. Look at some good black and white portraits, study them carefully, and you'll see the impact they possess. I've always felt that color portraits show the likeness of a person while black and white brings out the character of the face.

The tonal range from black through various shades of gray to white is known as the gray scale. By using these tones in an interpretive way, a photographer can truly express himself or herself through photography.

A black and white print using the extremes of the scale (no mid-tones) is



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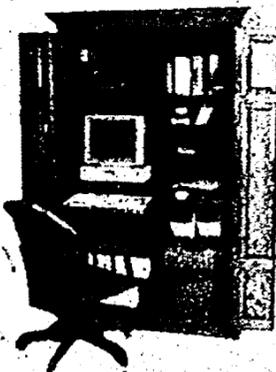
referred to as a high-contrast print. Just the opposite, an all mid-tone print is called low-contrast.

If the tones are toward the white end of the scale, it's called a high-key picture. A photo where most of the tones are near the black end is low-key. One that uses the full range of tones is called a full-tone print.

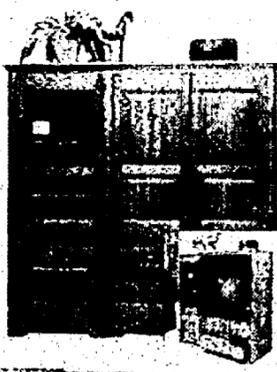
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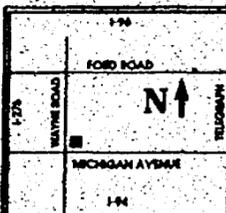
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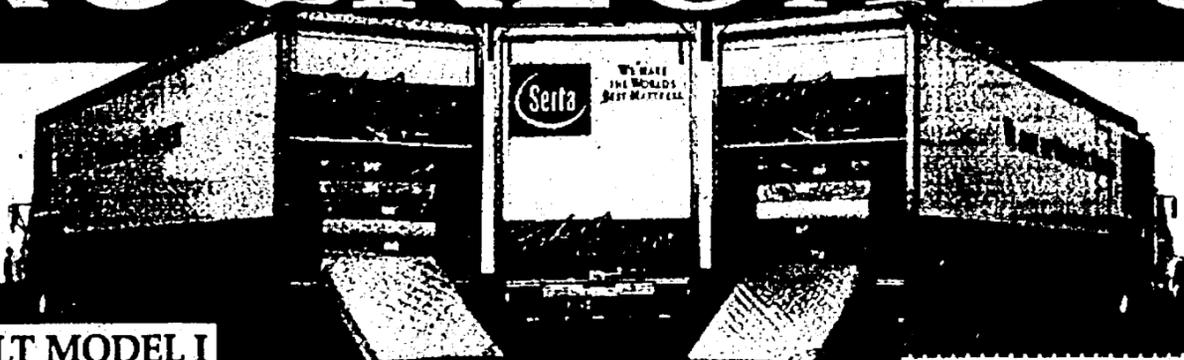
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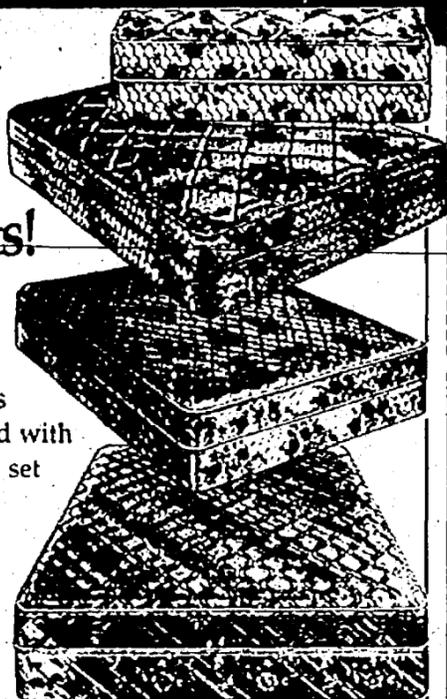
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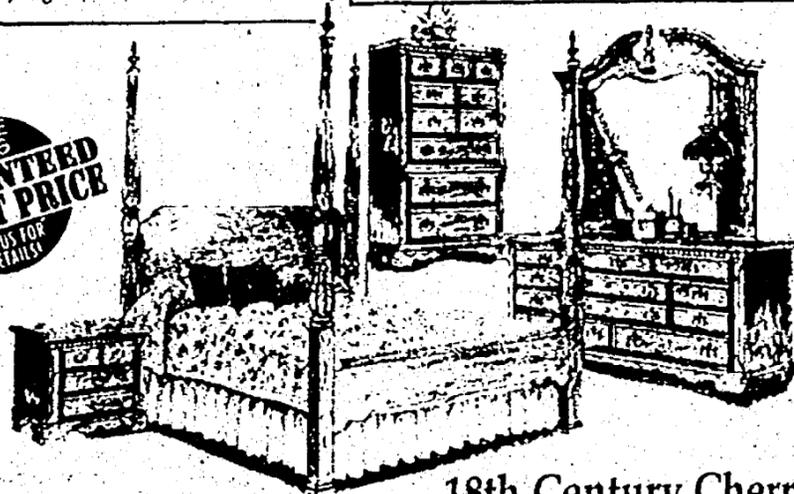
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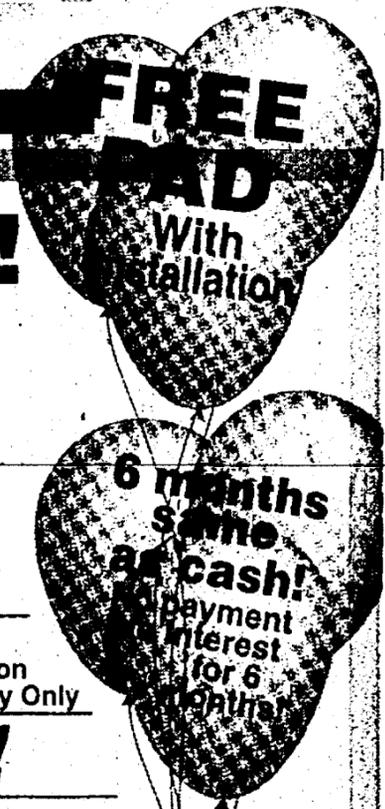
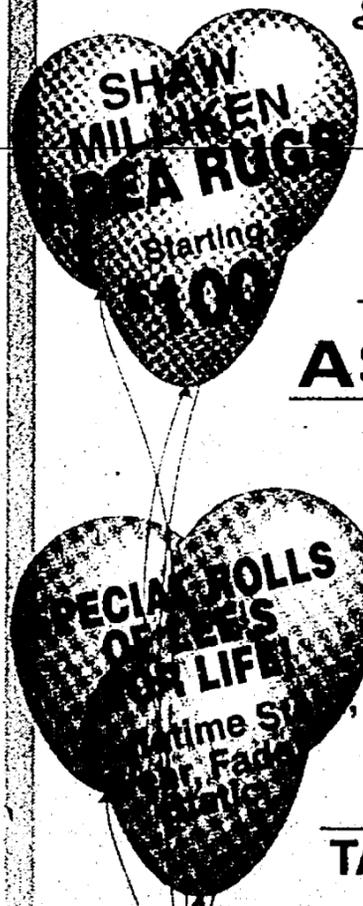
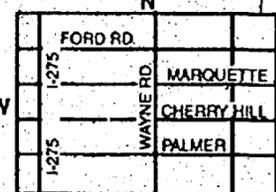
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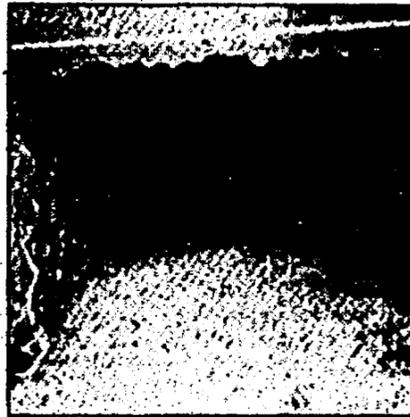
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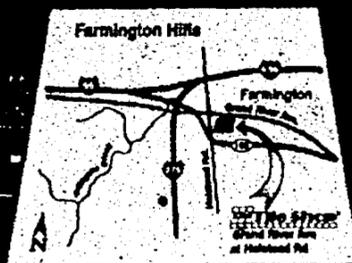
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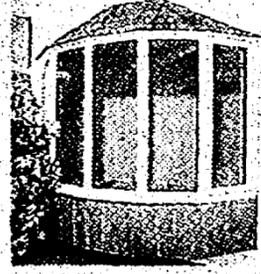
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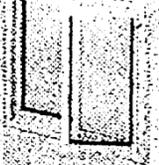
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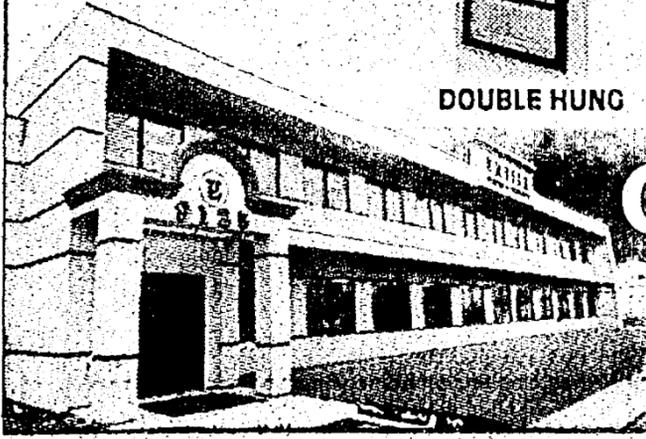


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FRIDAY



Schoolcraft College piano students Joseph Heremans, Sanjay Mody and Brian Rodriguez will perform classical works at 7:30 p.m. in the Forum Recital Hall on the Livonia college's campus, 18600 Haggerty Road.

SATURDAY



The Detroit Symphony Orchestra presents a "Mozart Summer Serenade," featuring pianist Anton Nel 8 p.m. at the Meadow Brook Music Festival in Rochester Hills. Tickets \$42 to \$13, call (313) 833-3700, (248) 377-0100 or (248) 645-6666.

SUNDAY



Ani DiFranco and BR5-49, appear with Bob Dylan 6:30 p.m. at Pine Knob Music Theatre in Independence Township. Tickets \$40 and \$27.50 pavilion, \$15 lawn, (248) 377-0100.



Hot tix: More than 200 artists, including Kathy B. Phillips of West Bloomfield, will exhibit their works at the Novi Art Festival, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday & Sunday, Aug. 9-10 in the parking lot of the Novi Town Center, I-275 and I-96.



Final edit: Producer David Baker, standing, and director Kenneth Guertin have turned out an action-packed movie thriller from their office in Farmington Hills.

LOCAL FILMMAKERS 'Make Believe' with thriller

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

The director opened the door in a black T-shirt that had seen better days. The door opened into a cluttered one-room office, subdivided by a black curtain. At the back was a sophisticated, state-of-the-art editing system.

This is the world headquarters of Make Believe Productions in Farmington Hills, a facility shared by director Kenneth Guertin and producer David Baker. We are definitely not in LA-LA land.

This year's Oscars were touted as the triumph of the independents over the studios. But all the "independent" movies were actually bankrolled by the studios and other media conglomerates.

The real independents can be found in hide-aways like Make Believe Productions, where Baker, of Fenton, and Guertin, of Northville, are preparing for the premiere of their first feature film.

"The Incorporated" is an action-thriller (see review) shot in Michigan using local talent and some highly respected film veterans. For a change the action doesn't take place among palm trees and crashing surf. Livonia City Hall, a gas station in Novi, an office in Farmington Hills and a state police office in Northville are some of the "exotic" locations.

"We decided let's be entertaining and marketable," said Guertin. "The Incorporated" cost just under a million dollars to make, cheap by Hollywood's mega-million standards. Maxed out credit cards got the film

"The Incorporated"
What: Premiere screenings.
Where: Millennium Theater Center, 15600 J.L. Hudson Drive, Southfield
When: 7:20 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, special invitation only premiere. 9:15 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, first public showing. 7:15 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15; 5:15 p.m., 7:15 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16; and 5:15 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17.
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started and early rushes helped attract other investors. The action style landed Baker and Guertin a foreign distribution deal with Showcase Entertainment.

"We were fortunate to get distribution. It's an action thriller that translates well in the foreign market," said Baker.

If it takes off overseas, the hype could help get domestic theatrical distribution, cable casting or home video deals.

The premiere is the culmination of a professional partnership that began when Guertin, 30, and Baker, 29, were students at Ferris State University in the late 1980s.

Following college, Guertin produced a cable TV show for children, "Make Believe," and used Baker as an actor. When Baker was working for Anheuser-Busch Creative, he used Guertin as a film editor. Then while working for a Fox affiliate, Baker hired Guertin to produce a promotional film. That film won several awards.

"He called me about being a producer," Baker said. "I thought about keeping my other job, but then I decided to quit my job and dive head first into it. I don't regret it for a

minute."
"The Incorporated" has been in the works since January of 1994, while Baker and Guertin continued to turn out the industrial films and commercials that are the bread and butter of Michigan's film industry. But the filmmakers always saw feature film as their goal.

"We want to do stuff people want to watch, not what they have to watch," Baker said. "An industrial film, you're brought into a room and you have to watch it. A commercial, you have to watch."

Guertin began writing the script for "The Incorporated" with another writer, who eventually dropped out.

"He got disillusioned and bailed out of the project," Guertin said. "I basically wrote the rest of the script. It took me two years to write the script. I found out that this idea is one of the most submitted ideas now."

The "idea" concerns government agents working against innocent citizens, playing into the current anti-government paranoia. Guertin said on the day of the Oklahoma bombing, the film crew was scheduled to explode a mobile home, one of the film's central action sequences.

Baker and Guertin recruited local actors through four casting calls advertised in local newspapers.

"A lot of them didn't have much film acting experience though a lot of them had done theater," Guertin said.

Steve Gibbons of Livonia responded to the ads.

"My mother, being the supportive mom that she is, saw it and cut it out for me. I went in and auditioned

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THEATER Teens get in musical act

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Anyone who has, or knows teenagers, will tell you they hardly get excited about anything involving that four letter word - work.

But Natalie Ross of Livonia, one of the teens cast in the Music Theatre of Michigan production of "Carousel," is an exception.

"It's work, it's well rewarded work," said Ross who plays Julie Jordan, one of the leading characters. "I couldn't think of anything I'd rather do this summer. Performing is work, but what we do is amazing, that's what makes it worthwhile."

Some time passes, and other cast members wander into the house. They hug each other hello, dig into purses and bags for scripts, and spontaneously burst into song, whether anyone's listening or not.

Creative combustion explodes everywhere, until their leader, and mentor, Daniel Cooney, a 1985 Westland John Glenn High School grad, and professional actor yells - "quiet in the house."

Cooney founded the Music Theatre of Michigan with his long-time friend Michael J. Sawaya in 1995 to give talented high school students from Wayne and Oakland Counties an opportunity to sample a taste of the "real world" - to train and work side-by-side with professional stage actors and directors.

Forty students were selected from auditions held in March to attend an intensive 11-day summer acting workshop taught by one of New York's finest acting instructors, Jim Bonney, and Cooney.

When the workshop is over, students audition for a musical, which features Cooney, and other professional actors. Not all of them make the cut.

"We're a professional acting company, that uses non-equity actors," said Cooney who is directing "Carousel," and starring as Billy Bigelow.

Harold Jurkiewicz, of Dearborn directs when Cooney's on stage, and

"Carousel"

When: 8 p.m. Friday & Saturday, Aug. 15-16, Aug. 22-23; 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17.

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Rehearsing: Natalie Ross (sitting) and Jamie Earls practice a scene for "Carousel."

STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

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Rehearsing: Natalie Ross (sitting) and Jamie Earls practice a scene for "Carousel."

Rock band Live comes to grips with fame

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

Five or so years ago, live performances by Public Image Ltd., Big Audio Dynamite and Blind Melon, were packaged together as the "120 Minutes Tour" which came to then-ClubLand, now the State Theatre in Detroit. Blind Melon hadn't released its self-titled debut album.

And there was one other band that used the gigs to showcase its debut. In stark contrast to its punk and hippy tourmates, the small town band's four frat boy-looking members hit the stage. A monstrous voice erupted from the skinny, well-groomed intense lead singer.

Live was well on its way to success. "So many people that I've talked to ask us if we remember the '120 Minutes Tour.' How could I forget it? It was totally weird," Live's singer Ed Kowalczyk explained with a laugh.

"You want to talk about a fish out of water? We were a fish on top of Mount Everest. We were as out of water as you could possibly be. We were 21 year olds from York, Penn. We had never been much west of the Mississippi at all and we were going all over the world. It was ground-

breaking in a lot of different ways for us."

Besides offering Live the chance to play songs from its debut 1991's "Mental Jewelry" (Radioactive), the "120 Minutes Tour" allowed the band to hone its skills in front of large audiences.

Following "Mental Jewelry," Live achieved multi-platinum status with 1994's "Throwing Copper," which featured the hits "Lightning Crashes," "Selling the Drama," and "I Alone." The band appeared on covers of Rolling Stone and Spin magazines, as well as performing on "Saturday Night Live" and "MTV Unplugged."

"I'm still in the midst of coming to grips with our position" as a top-selling band, Kowalczyk explained. "I think that we're getting more and more comfortable with the idea of being a big band and playing in front of lots of people. It was the growth process that had to be sped up."

As a testament to that, Live, along with Luscious Jackson and upstart Brit rockers Manbreak, come to Pine Knob Music Theatre in Independence Township at

Who: Live, Luscious Jackson and Manbreak
What: Perform in concert
When: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19
Where: Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township.
How: Tickets are \$28 pavilion and \$18 lawn with 25 cents from each ticket donated to the Lifebeat charity for AIDS. For more information, call (248) 377-0100.

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Coming to town: Live - from left, drummer Chad Gracey, singer Edward Kowalczyk, guitarist Chad Taylor, and bassist Patrick Dahlheimer - brings its "Secret Samadhi" tour to Pine Knob Music Theatre in Independence Township on Tuesday, Aug. 19.

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6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19. Few tickets remain.

Most important in the growing process, Kowalczyk said, is the music. Decadent and hedonistic, Live's latest album "Secret Samadhi," released Feb. 18 on Radioactive, traces the urges and temptations of stardom. Kowalczyk's whispery vocals lead into muscular choruses spinning mysterious and sometimes haunting tales. Themes of drinking, sex, and partying run rampant throughout the album.

"We deal with that on the record in our own way, especially in 'Graze' and 'Turn My Head.' I have a deep desire to communicate with lots of people and have it remain a universal expression. That's what has inspired us and that's what we want to keep doing."

"This is our best record and the best music we've ever written. To me, it's exactly what we needed to do. I'm really happy because at the end of '95, we went running back to that place where we write music, to the intimate place. We came up with some really heartfelt songs."

Spiritual sense

Spirituality keeps Kowalczyk grounded. When he was 19, he began his studies of Eastern philosophy but abandoned it while writing "Throwing Copper."

About a year ago, he picked it up again and found his guru. Kowalczyk meditates twice daily and studies and contemplates his guru's teachings.

"It helps in a lot of ways. It gives me a tremendous amount of energy. It just improves my life all together."

As a way of improving the lives of others, Live is devoting a few of its shows, including the Pine Knob stop, to raising money for local AIDS charities. Twenty-five cents from each ticket will go to local charities via the LifeBeat organization. Posters, commemorating the tour, will be sold for \$5.

"We never associated the band with any kind of cause. We were turned off by environmental causes, Greenpeace in particular. It's not that I don't support them at some basic level. We've never

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The band — which also includes guitarist Chad Taylor, bassist Patrick Dahlheimer, and drummer Chad Gracey — was moved by the need for money for AIDS research.

"That's something money is directly needed for. These people are suffering currently and there's a very direct need for funding to help them, and in finding a cure. As a band we could agree unanimously on that so we decided to make that the first move to associate Live with a cause."

A week after the release of "Secret Samadhi," Live returned to the State Theatre on Thursday, Feb. 27. Rocking back and forth while aggressively grasping the mic, the bald Kowalczyk was clad in ruby tunic. The performance included songs culled from all three albums. The Pine Knob show, Kowalczyk said, will take it a step further.

"It's a really great set that does a really cool thing with regard to all the records. We've put a lot of time and effort into the set design for this tour which is unique to 'Secret Samadhi.' I would expect an event in that every night we go for the performance of a lifetime for that moment."

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and told them I was interested in doing behind the scenes work as well," Gibbons said.

The Stevenson High School and Michigan State graduate had already made a movie called "Tromeo and Juliet" that would get international distribution. On the set of "The Incorporated" Gibbons played the part of Sean Foxx and also worked as associate producer, assigned to procure food for the cast and crew.

"Sean Foxx kind of grew as we were filming," Gibbons said. "The script underwent changes. I enjoyed the role. I liked the dark side of it. I didn't have a chance to play a role like that before or since."

Gibbons is now living in New York City, attending classes at the Actors' Studio and acting off-Broadway. He also completed work on a film shot in the Catskills, "Fine Young Gentlemen."

For the lead role of embattled scientist Alan Freeling, Guertin chose John Reneaud of Troy.

"A friend knew Ken and told me about the auditions. They decided to audition me for the lead when it was one of the bad guys I had come to audition for," Reneaud said.

Reneaud has usually played

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heavies in both film and theater.

"It was real good challenge to play a softer character," said Reneaud, a 1978 graduate of Troy High School.

Reneaud has been working as an actor in Detroit since the late '80s, supplementing his income with construction work. He said being an actor in Detroit isn't easy.

"A lot of theater work doesn't pay that great, it's not a huge market. They do a lot of industrial films and I've done those," he said.

Reneaud has appeared in several movies including "Mosquito," which he said gets lots of play on the USA Network. Two films he recently completed are now in post production, "Happy Hour" and "Hatred of a Minute." He also appeared with Mackenzie Phillips in "Mama Why."

This fall, Reneaud said, he and his wife are leaving for Los Angeles where he will try acting full time.

For the Hollywood hopeful one of the highlights of this film was working with veteran cinematographer Robin Browne.

"We shot for 92 days and that

gave me a lot of time in front of Robin's camerawork. There was never a boring moment," he said.

Baker and Guertin balanced their local talent with Browne as director of photography and composer Marco Beltrami, who did the score for Wes Craven's megahit "Scream." The score also features local talent. The band C.M.F. featuring guitarist Rick Gau "The Jaff" of Westland and Derek Dutton "D2" of Farmington Hills contribute to the song "Down for the Count" and the Peisty Cadavers contributed to the song "Shark."

Browne is a distinguished British cinematographer who now lives in Bloomfield Hills. He has worked on more than 70 feature films, including such beautifully photographed works as "Gorillas in the Mist," "Gandhi," "The Secret Garden" and "A Passage to India."

"It's hard to find a DP in Detroit. I basically called him up and asked if he ever did small projects. He is listed in the Detroit production guide," Baker said. "He said bring the script over... We went from not having anyone to having one of the best in the business."

First-time director Guertin had no difficulty working with

the veteran.

"It was strange at first, I wondered if he would mind if I looked in the camera while he was setting up shots," Guertin said. "But working with him was great. He brought all those years of experience. He was a super guy."

Baker said he'd like to use Browne on a bigger budget project as he and Guertin are already setting sights on their next film. Nothing is in production yet as the filmmakers concentrate on promoting and selling "The Incorporated." Baker said HBO has expressed some interest.

While Baker and Guertin would like to continue shooting films in Michigan, they realize that they will eventually have to move their business operation to Los Angeles. Guertin said Michigan doesn't have the post-production facilities or the distribution company offices that Los Angeles does.

"Distributors don't take you seriously if you're a Michigan company," Guertin said.

Baker and Guertin hope "The Incorporated" helps to get Michigan some serious recognition.

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sets up group numbers.

A member of the tribe (ensemble) in one of the original touring companies of "Hair," Jurkiewicz may be involved in a 30th anniversary production in New York. "It's enjoyable," he said. "They're a very good group. They picked up very quickly, took good directions, and retained it."

Once-upon-a-time, Jurkiewicz, a professional actor and director, was Cooney's teacher. He cast him in "Jesus Christ Superstar," which he directed for the Player's Guild of Dearborn, and later invited him to Florida to perform in dinner theater productions.

"He was the one who could dance," said Jurkiewicz when asked how he was able to spot Cooney's talent. "I could see he had raw talent."

After that summer in Florida, Cooney moved to New York. His stage credits include the Broadway Company of "Les Miserables," Che in the National Touring Company of "Evita," and Perchik in the 30th Anniversary Tour of "Fiddler on the Roof," which stopped at the Fisher Theatre in 1996. Last fall, Cooney was accepted into Yale University's Drama School.

Sawaya produces the show, and takes care of business while Cooney's away. "We want to do this professionally," said Jamie Earls, a North Farmington High School graduate who stars as Carrie Pipperidge. "It's really cool to get to work with professionals. It's almost a foot in the door. We do workshops throughout the year, and learn about auditions. You make good contacts."

Ross, a senior at Churchill High School in Livonia, attended Interlochen this summer, and auditioned for the University of Michigan's theater program. "I love to sing, dance and act. I love classical music, ballet, with musical theater you get the whole spectrum."

Besides the experience of working with Cooney, and other professionals, there's the friendship part, which makes this pro-

gram work for teens.

"It's interesting how many great relationships come out of it," said Ross. "Jamie and I met two years ago in the program, and are best friends."

"In the show we're best friends too," said Earls, who like Ross is appearing in her first leading role with Music Theatre of Michigan. She and Natalie were in the ensemble of previous productions, "Jesus Christ Superstar," and "Evita."

"There are people in the cast who are younger than us trying to decide if this is something they want to do," said Earls. "Everyone learns from everyone else, the students and adults."

Bob Adamczyk of Livonia acted in all the shows at Franklin High School, and participated in the program in 1995. He graduated, and did the practical thing, enrolled in a medical assistant program, and then premed. But his heart just wasn't in it, and he's back to star as Jamie's husband, Mr. Snow, in the show.

"My passion is singing, but I love acting too," he said. "From Aug. 28-31 I've been at the International Country Music Expo in Nashville. I was one of 250 people chosen from across the country to perform at

Opryland. We'll have 15 minutes, all the major record labels, producers and managers will be there. I would love to perform country music. Musical theater is my second choice. My heart tells me to do what my passion is. I'm thinking about moving to New York."

For now, Adamczyk is enjoying working with Cooney and the cast. "It's a very diverse group of people," he said. "Going to workshops is one thing, but actually being on stage with Dan, and others who get totally into character, that's where the real learning starts. If you can't sell yourself that you can do the part how can you sell the audience?"

For Adamczyk, Ross, Earls, and others you may be hearing about soon, Music Theatre of Michigan is the in-between high school and professional. "Everyone's here, because they want to be," said Adamczyk.

"When people think of community theater they think coming to a show to see their friends, neighbors, and relatives," said Ross. "But this isn't like that. It's interesting to see people who have made a career out of it. Even people who don't know anyone in the show will enjoy it."

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STREET SCENE

Creative burst led to creation of Seahorses

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

When guitarist John Squire left the immensely popular ethereal Brit pop band The Stone Roses, he had no intention of immediately getting back into music.

Things quickly changed, however, for the 34-year-old guitarist/songwriter. After "living under a cloud" for years with The Stone Roses, Squire felt extremely liberated, inspired and ready for the third coming.

"I was more prolific than I had been for a long time. The songs dictated the fact that I needed to get a band together," Squire said via cell phone from Belgium.

He first called bassist Stuart Fletcher, whom Squire had met after seeing Fletcher's band, The Bluesies, perform the night he left The Stone Roses. Squire's efforts with his first singer were for naught so a friend referred him to vocalist/guitarist Chris Helme who regularly busked



Promoting new record: *The Seahorses* - from left, drummer/vocalist Andy Watts, vocalist/guitarist Chris Helme (with water bottle), bassist Stuart Fletcher, and guitarist John Squire, formerly of the Stone Roses.

outside Woolworth's in York. "Chris was a real find. I liked the tape so I went to see Chris

meself a couple of times. It was a very hokey kind of atmosphere. He sat down with his eyes shut.

He was probably drunk as well. We took him out of his natural habitat and brought him to Manchester."

They put him in front of a Mancunian crowd and his whole attitude changed.

"The occasion intimidated him and got the adrenaline flowing. He was completely different. A real bonus is that Chris also writes good songs. The whole experience has a competitive edge and a support that I hadn't been used to. I never worked on someone else's material."

Fletcher's childhood friend, drummer Andy Watts, 27, is the latest addition to the Seahorses which recently released "Do It Yourself" (Geffen Records). The quartet spent 30 days in early 1997 working on the album at North Hollywood's Royaltone studios with producer Tony Visconti, who had collaborated with David Bowie, T-Rex, Wings, Badfinger and Thin Lizzy.

Hands down one of the best albums of 1997, "Do It Yourself" is filled with soaring pop songs,

elegant music, and lyrics that stick like fly paper.

"It's very advanced pop music, serious pop music," said the 25-year-old Helme, who picked up a guitar at 19. "Some of the song titles are wacky, like 'Happiness is Egg Shaped' but there's nothing lighthearted about the subject matter. The music lies somewhere on the border of classic pop and alternative rock. It's got that hard edge and strangeness to it, yet once you hear these songs, you'll know them. You'll remember them."

Squire began his career in music with The Stone Roses, one of the most heralded British bands in the late '80s and early '90s. The band's 1989 self-titled debut (Silvertone) yielded the morose dance club hits "Fool's Gold," a funky, nearly 10-minute number, and "I Wanna Be Adored." Squire, whose band never played in Detroit, told the world via British music newspapers that The Stone Roses were the most important band to come along in years.

incorporate that into pop music. He's incorporated it already. Most of the songs begin on a happy note and end grimly.

In the pop-turned-reggae song "Suicide Drive," Helme sings Squire's lyrics "I don't think that I'll be able to swallow your family values again today/Because a giant squid/He stole my wife and kid." It is quickly countered by "Run the exhaust back inside/close the windows and take a ride/I've got a place to go/Nowhere to hide/On Suicide Drive."

The Squire-penned "Round the Universe" expresses the bitterness he felt after leaving The Stone Roses: "I can take you round the universe/In a hot wired police car/We can ram ride Mars and Jupiter/And drive right through a star... Tell me, tell me, tell me why all good things must come to an end?"

Besides Helme, Squire also collaborated with Oasis singer Liam Gallagher whose previous writing credits were minimal. "Love Me and Leave Me" was written by the two at the home of Gallagher's future wife, actress Patsy Kensit, after Gallagher showed off his new Epiphone Casino guitar.

Unhappy with the muggy weather in Belgium, Squire is equally upset with the British press for making The Seahorses seem like his solo project. That's not it at all, he said.

"I wanted The Seahorses to sound like a debut, not just appear as one. It was important that it didn't seem as a spin-off of the Stone Roses, or a third Stone Roses album. I wanted to make it as raw, refreshing, and exciting as I could."

The Seahorses and special guests Mansun, perform Sunday, Aug. 10, at the Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Doors open at 8 p.m. for the all-ages show. Tickets are \$8 in advance. For more information, call (313) 961-MELT or (248) 645-6666.

'Buzz Bands' get together for a tour



CHRISTINA FUOCO

When the California punk band Smash Mouth recorded the song "Walkin' on the Sun" for its debut "Fush Yu Mang" (Interscope) the quartet doubted that it would ever be a hit.

"It was one of those songs that was so different that we didn't know if radio was just going to flip out and say 'There's no way we were going to play this' or 'Wow, this is what we were looking for. It's so fresh,'" vocalist Steve Harwell explained.

Apparently it was the latter. The '60s-ish, Brit pop-sounding "Walkin' on the Sun" is one of the most talked about songs on alternative rock radio.

Songwriter Greg Camp explained that he wrote the song

about the time of the Rodney King beating.

"I was riding my bike through this gnarly area to get to a club and I had these cheesy songs in my head. I was trying to be peaceful when all around me there were mothers on crack with kids in their arms. I know it's not gonna change the world, but it's my attempt. It has a '60s sound because everyone was so into togetherness then; underneath that it's all Smash Mouth."

"Walkin' on the Sun" is vastly different from the rest of "Fush Yu Mang." Punk, ska, and reggae fill the rest of the album whose songs have silly titles like "Beer Goggles," "Heave-Ho," "Pet Names," and "The Fonz." Harwell explained that the band wanted variety to be the key to "Fush Yu Mang."

"There was a lot of different influences. We don't hold anything out. We throw everything into a blender. We don't ever

want to be considered a ska band, a punk band, or a pop/rock band. We want to be Smash Mouth," Harwell said.

Smash Mouth is opening for Sugar Ray who was in town Wednesday, July 23, at Pine Knob as part of the Warped Tour.

Hitting the third stage in the early afternoon, singer Mark McGrath knew how to win over fans.

"Detroit - home of the Stanley Cup Champions. Congratulations on the cup for all of you hockey fans," he told the raucous crowd.

During its set fans were standing on their friends' shoulders, and climbing on vendor booths trying to get a glimpse of the band. McGrath invited a teenage boy with a shaved head, and a girl with fuchsia bobbed hair to dance on stage while Sugar Ray played its hip-hop/rock song "Fly" from its sophomore effort "Floored" (Atlantic).

"Floored," which includes a cover of Adam and the Ants' "Stand and Deliver," marks the debut of Craig "DJ Homicide" Bullock, who began infusing samples into Sugar Ray's hard rock sound during the tour for its first album "Lemonade and Brownies."

A former hip-hop DJ who dabbled in production, Bullock said working with Sugar Ray "is the greatest thing."

"It's been inspirational. It made me grow as a musician. The things I do in the future will spring from this."

Sugar Ray, Smash Mouth, and Plett perform at 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, at St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets are available at Ticketmaster for the all-ages show. For more information, call (313) 961-MELT.

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PURPLE ROSE
"Off the Map." Joan Ackerman's new play about the quirky lifestyle of the Groden family who survives on recycled goods and less than \$5,000 a year. 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7; Friday, Aug. 8, 8 p.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10. Purple Rose Theatre Company's Garage Theatre, 137 Park St., Chelsea. \$15-\$20. (313) 475-7902

COMMUNITY THEATER

JACK-IN-THE-BOX PRODUCTIONS
"Coasters & Promises." 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday & Saturday, Aug. 21-23; The Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, (between 9 & 10 Mile Road), Southfield. Tickets \$5. (313) 422-6-JKB.

MUSICAL REVUE
SRO Productions presents Francine Hachen's "A Piece of American Pie." 8 p.m. Fridays Aug. 15 and 22, and Saturdays Aug. 16 and 23, and 2 p.m. Sundays Aug. 17 and 24. Theburgh, northeast corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road, Southfield. \$12. (248) 827-0700

MUSIC THEATRE OF MICHIGAN
Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Carousel" starring Daniel Cooney and Natalie Ross. 8 p.m. Fridays Aug. 15 and 22, and Saturdays Aug. 16 and 23, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17. Louis E. Schmidt Auditorium, 20155 Middlebelt Road (between Seven and Eight Mile roads), Livonia. \$16 adult/child, \$14 seniors. (313) 425-5782

OUR TIME PRODUCTIONS
"If This Isn't Love," by Sidney Morris, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays through Aug. 23, Backpocket Bar, 8832 Greenfield Road (2 miles south of I-96, north of Joy Road). Tickets \$12.50. (313) 582-6260.

PERFORMANCE NETWORK
"A Midsummer Night's Dream." 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7; Sunday, Aug. 10, Thursday, Aug. 14; Sunday, Aug. 17, and Thursday, Aug. 21; Sunday, Aug. 24, both shows at the theater, 408 W. Washington, Ann Arbor. \$12; \$9 for students and seniors; "pay-what-you-can on Thursday." (313) 663-0681

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

MARQUIS THEATRE CHILDREN
"Little Red Riding Hood." 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays-Fridays through Aug. 22, 2:30 p.m. Saturdays Aug. 9, 16, and 23, and Sept. 6, 13, and 20, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 7, 14 and 21, 135 E. Main St., Northville. \$5.50. No children under age 3 1/2. (248) 349-8110.

AUDITIONS/WORKSHOPS

DETROIT ENSEMBLE THEATER
Training for the serious actor with Rich Goteri, senior instructor at the Detroit Second City. Lee Strasberg method of acting teaches sense memory, relaxation, concentration, character work, improvisation, scene and monologue student, at Roeper School, Birmingham. (248) 996-1414

EARTH ANGELS

A 1950s, 1960s youth entertainment, dance, lip sync, vocal group is holding auditions for children ages 9-12, 5-8 p.m. Sunday and Monday, Aug. 17-18. No experience needed for boys auditioning. Earth Angels is a non-profit group, which performs at events and festivals throughout Michigan. There are 14 to 16 children in the group from throughout the metro area including Livonia, Westland, and Farmington Hills. Call (313) 326-7586 for time slot and location.

NOVI THEATRES

The "little people players," (ages 7-10), "The Arabian Nights" 4 p.m. Monday, Aug. 25 and Wednesday, Aug. 27; Performance Plus (ages 13 & up) "The Dining Room," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 26; Performance Plus & Children's Annex (ages 10-12) "A Christmas Carol," 4 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 2 and Thursday, Sept. 4. All auditions at The Novi Civic Center Stage, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road,



Art of browsing: More than 200 artists will exhibit their works at the Novi Art Festival, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 9-10 in the parking lot of the Novi Town Center, I-275 and I-96. The juried fair features everything from painting to fiber wall sculpture, acrylic sculpture, pottery, raku, 3-D glass, jewelry, rugs, and fine furniture. In addition to art work, visitors will be treated to an international food fest and live music including the Eastern sounds of Indian sitar by Stephen Mikes and music of the Andes by Emma Perugachi.

(248) 347-0400.
PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS
Auditions children ages 8-18 for 40 available roles for "The Wizard of Oz," 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, and noon-4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10. Historic Players Club, 3321 E. Jefferson, Detroit. Show dates Sept. 27 to Dec. 21. (810) 662-8118.

SPECIAL EVENTS

RECORD AND CD MUSIC COLLECTIBLES EXPO
10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, Knights of Columbus Hall, 870 N. Main St. (1/2 mile north of 14 Mile Road), Clawson. \$3. (248) 546-4527

LEAMINGTON TOMATO FESTIVAL
Aug. 15-17 in Seaciff Park on the shores of Lake Erie in Leamington, Ontario. Call (519) 326-2878 for information.

MADONNA FEST '97
Featuring a Madonna bus tour throughout the Detroit area, Vogue Bingo, The Madonna Scavenger Hunt, Madonna Pictionary, Madonna Memorabilia Charity Auction, and the Madonna Birthday Party at Menjo's nightclub in Detroit, Saturday, Aug. 16; Madonna Memorabilia Show, non-stop videos, Madonna Art Show and Display, Vogue Contest and Madonna Look-Alike Contest, Sunday, Aug. 17, all activities except for bus tour and birthday party at Northfield Hilton Hotel, 5500 Crooks Road (at I-75), Troy. \$25 for two-day pass. Individual tickets available. (616) 375-2776 or via e-mail at PZH994A@prodigy.com or soundsbk@aol.com

FAMILY EVENTS

CHAUTAQUA EXPRESS
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12, on the pavilion on the front lawn of Oakland Community College's Highland Lakes campus, 7350, Cooley Lake Road, Waterford. Free. All ages. (248) 360-3186

CLASSICAL

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
"An Evening of Baroque Favorites," with conductor Christopher Seaman, 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8; "Mozart Summer Serenade" with Seaman, 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9; "Salute to Henry Mancini" with conductor Erich Kunzel, 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$15-\$42 pavilion; \$13 lawn. (248) 377-0100

LYRIC CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

Summer Chamber Music Camp stu-

dents perform 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Southfield Lathrup High School's auditorium, 19301 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield. Free. All ages; 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Detroit Institute of Arts's Prentiss Court, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Free. All ages. (248) 357-1111.

POPS/SWING

ANTOINE PARSENS
Trio performs 70s pop music with a few oldies thrown in, emphasis on vocal harmony, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, Troy Civic Center.

IMPERIAL SWING ORCHESTRA
9:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (swing) (313) 996-8555

BARRY MANILOW
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$30 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. All ages. (pops) (248) 377-0100

JAZZ

SEAN BLACKMAN AND JOHN ARNOLD
10 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 332-HOWL

LINDA BLANCKE TRIO
8 p.m.-midnight Thursday, Aug. 7, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

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8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

MICHAEL KING
7-10 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, Agape Caffe, 205 Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free, 25-cent surcharge on drinks during entertainment. All ages. (248) 546-1400

KATHY KOSINS TRIO
9 p.m.-1 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

SHEILA LANDIS
8:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Bistro 313, 313 Walton Boulevard (between Baldwin and Joslyn roads), Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older; 8 p.m.-midnight Thursday, Aug. 14, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 332-7184/(248) 645-2150

FRANK MCCULLER
8 p.m.-midnight Saturday, Aug. 9, Agape-Caffe, 205 Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free, 25-cent surcharge on drinks during entertain-

ment. All ages. (248) 546-1400
1/4 TO MIDNITE
5-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, Crowne Plaza Hotel Pontchartrain, 2 Washington Boulevard, Detroit. \$10. (313) 965-0200

NELSON RANGELL
With Straight Ahead, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, Chene Park Riverside Entertainment Center, 2600 E. Atwater, Detroit. \$5. All ages. (313) 393-0292

GARY SCHUNK TRIO
8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

THE SESSIONS
With Hansolo and Acufuncture, 9 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (acid jazz) (313) 996-2747

JANET TENAJ/SVEN ANDERSON QUARTET
9:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15; Saturday, Aug. 16, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (313) 662-8310

ALEXANDER ZONJIC
10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Scallops, 1002 N. Main St., Rochester. \$10 21 and older; 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, Intermezzo restaurant, 1435 Randolph, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 656-2525/(313) 961-0707

WORLD MUSIC

GAROLO AMADON
9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (Irish) (248) 642-1135

"THE ARK CELTIC FESTIVAL"
With Moving Cloud, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12. \$12.50; The Drovers, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13. \$10; The Black Brothers, 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14. \$12.50; and Tempest, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20. \$9 members, students and seniors; \$10 at the door. All shows at The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. (313) 761-1451

BLACK MARKET
9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, The Deck atop Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (reggae) (248) 542-4300/(313) 965-9500

IMMUNITY
10 p.m.-2 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, Cafe Max, 6500 Highland Road,

Waterford. Cover charge. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m.-2 a.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Captain Tony's Key West Bar and Grill, 3336 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (248) 666-2030/(248) 349-9110/(248) 288-6388

JO NAB
10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, The Deck atop Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (reggae) (313) 965-9500

LUCKY DUBE
9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, The Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$13.50 in advance. 18 and older. (reggae) (313) 833-9700

MICHAEL O'BRIEN
With Eddie McGlinchey perform as part of The Gaelic League gift shop's summer sale, 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, at the league, 2068 Michigan Ave., Detroit; 9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, Sunday, Aug. 10, and Wednesday, Aug. 13, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (Irish) (313) 964-8700/(248) 642-1135

ODD ENOUGH
9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Innisfree Irish Pub and Grill, 6327 Middlebelt Road (1/4 mile north of Ford Road), Garden City. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (Irish) (313) 425-2434/(248) 642-1135

THE RIDDIM POSSE
9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (reggae) (313) 832-2356

STONE CIRCLE
9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (Celtic) (248) 642-1135

JOHN L. SULLIVAN BAND
9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (Irish) (248) 642-1135

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10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, The Deck atop Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (reggae) (313) 965-9500

FOLK

DAVID FOLKS
10 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 332-HOWL

JAN KRIST
8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 642-9400/(248) 332-HOWL

LEAHY
Celtic and Canadian folk music, French Canadian step-dancing, 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, Southfield Civic Center Front Lawn, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield. No charge. (248) 424-9022.

JO SERRAPERE
10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 332-HOWL

DAVID WILCOX
7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$13.50. All ages. (313) 761-1451

DANCE

WOLVERINE SILVERSPUR DANCERS
7:30 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Aug. 9, country western dancing to D.J. music, Italian American Cultural Center, Warren. \$7, \$6 Wolverine Silverspur Dancers members. Cash bar. (313) 526-9432 or (248) 573-4993

COMEDY

CARROT TOP
8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$18.50 pavilion, \$10.50 lawn. (248) 377-0100

CEDRIC THE ENTERTAINER
8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$27.50 in advance. All ages. (248) 433-1515

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB
Randy Lubas and Joey Blalaska, 9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7 (no cover); Friday, Aug. 9 (\$8), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9 (\$8);

Jef Brannan, 9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14 (no cover)-Friday, Aug. 15 (\$8), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16 (\$8), at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. (313) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S
Leo DuFour, 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8; Saturday, Aug. 9, and Friday, Aug. 15; Saturday, Aug. 16, at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. \$6. (313) 584-8885

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE
Saturday Night Live's A. Whitney Brown, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7 (\$9), and Friday, Aug. 8; Saturday, Aug. 9. Cancelled due to conflict with appearance on Comedy Central's "The Daily Show." Show will be rescheduled in November; Jim Mendrinos, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7 (\$5), and 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8; Saturday, Aug. 9 (\$10); Totally Unrehearsed Theatre, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13 (\$4); Elliott Branch, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14 (\$7), and 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15; Saturday, Aug. 16, at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (313) 996-9080

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE
Elliott Branch and Robert Mack, Thursday, Aug. 7; Sunday, Aug. 10; Totally Unrehearsed Theatre hosts open mic night 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays; Alturo Shelton and Bob Phillips, Wednesday, Aug. 13; Sunday, Aug. 17, at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Showtimes 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays (\$5), 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays (\$6), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6). Special engagements excluded. (248) 542-9900

MOTOR CITY WOMEN OF COMEDY
7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 24, debut of "The Lion Laughs Tonight" featuring Alyce Faye, Mary Miller, Elliot Branch, Leo DuFour, Jim McLean, Norm Stulz, Jennie McNulty, Royal Oak Music Theatre, 318 W. Fourth Street, Royal Oak. Benefit for Gilda's Club, Metro Detroit. \$75, \$50, \$35. (248) 546-7610 or 851-6557

THE SECOND CITY-DETROIT
"Send in the Clones," at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Sundays with additional shows at 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Free improvisational comedy set by the cast is after every performance on Sundays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, and after the late shows on Fridays and Saturdays. \$8 Wednesdays through August, \$14 on Thursdays, \$15 on Fridays, \$19.50 on Saturdays and \$12 on Sundays. (313) 965-2222

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE
"Elephants: 40 Million Years of Evolution" continues to Sept. 1. Experience the wild story of the world's largest living land mammals through a variety of life-size models, intricate skeletons, hands-on activities, and interactive displays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays, until 10 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, 1221 North Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. \$7, (\$5 after 6 p.m.), \$4 students ages 3-17/ seniors age 60 on up; children under age three free. (248) 645-3209

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"Special Effects," an IMAX film about special effects and how movies like "Star Wars" and "Independence Day" were done, hourly 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, hourly 11 a.m.-3 p.m., and 5 p.m. Saturdays, 1 p.m. 2, p.m. 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sundays; "Titanica," an IMAX film about the Canadian-American-Russian expedition team set out to explore the Titanic, 4 p.m. Saturdays; "Destiny in Space," another IMAX film, 10 a.m. Saturdays, and 4 p.m. Sundays, Detroit Science Center in the University Cultural Center, 5020 John R St., Detroit. Museum admission \$6.75 adults; \$4.75 for students and senior citizens. (313) 577-8400

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY
"Africa: One Continent. Many Worlds" exhibit runs through Sunday, Sept. 7, at the museum, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. Museum hours 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Sundays. \$3 adults; \$2 children younger than 12. (313) 494-5853

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POPULAR MUSIC

THE ALLIGATORS

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JOCELYNN B. AND THE DETROIT STREET PLAYERS

9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15-Saturday, Aug. 16, Sisko's on the Boulevard, 5855 Monroe Boulevard, Taylor. \$5. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 278-5340

B.B. QUEEN

9:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (313) 996-8555

BLACK FUZZ

10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Mount Chalet, 4715 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 549-2929

BLUE SUIT

Featuring Gene Morgan, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12-Wednesday, Aug. 13, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

BOTFLY

9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older; With Uncle Booby and Bridgette McCarthy, 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$6. 18 and older. (alternative rock/funk) (313) 996-2747

PAT BOYACK AND THE PROWLERS

9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, Fifth Avenue, 215 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 542-9922

ROBERT BRADLEY'S BLACKWATER SURPRISE

8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (rock/soul) (248) 333-2362

BRAND NEW HEAVIES

Featuring vocalist Siedah Garrett, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$17 in advance. 18 and older. (soul/funk) (248) 333-2362

JIMMY BUFFETT AND THE CORAL REEFER BAND

8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. Sold out. (248) 377-0100

BUGS BEDDOW BAND

7:30-8:15 p.m. and 9:45 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, Madison Heights Park, 13 Mile Road west of John R Road, Madison Heights; 7:8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, Southfield Gazebo, Southfield. Free. All ages; 7-11 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, Northern Bell Casino Riverboat, 350 Riverside Dr. East, Windsor, Ontario, Canada. (810) 954-0497/(810) 354-1000/(519) 258-2141

CHICAGO

7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$22.75 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. 25 cents from each ticket goes to the Ara Parseghian-Medical Research Foundation. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100

CODE BLOOM

10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Mosquito Club, 28949 Joy Road, Westland. Cover charge. 18 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 513-8688

SHAWN COLVIN

With Duncan Sheik, 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$25 pavilion, \$15 lawn. All ages. (pop) (248) 377-0100

MORRIS DAY AND THE TIME

With Tripleflexx, 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$5. 21 and older. (funk) (313) 961-5451

DEADLY DRAGON SOUND SYSTEM

With dBass, 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (Jungle dub DJs) (313) 833-POOL

DEEP SPACE SIX

10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (Deadhead) (313) 485-5050

DEL AMITRI

With Jackpierce, 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$13.50 in advance. 18 and older. (pop) (248) 333-2362

DETROIT BLUES BAND

9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7-Friday, Aug. 8, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills.

Cover charge. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800/(248) 543-4300

DOROTHY

9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, Woodward Avenue Brewers, 22646 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Free. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 546-3696

BOB DYLAN

With Ani DiFranco and BR5-49, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$40 and \$27.50 pavilion, \$15 lawn. All ages. (rock/country) (248) 377-0100

GLEN EDDY BAND

9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

THE REV. MARC FALCONBERRY

9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

FAT AMY

9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 996-2747

FATHERS OF THE ID

9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 832-2355

'57 WALTZ

With Glider and Penfold, 9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 832-2355

FISH

Former lead singer for the English rock band Marillion, 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (248) 335-8100

FOOLISH MORTALS

10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 349-9110

FOSTER KIDS

9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (313) 996-2747

FRANKLIN STREET BLUES BAND

10 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 349-9110

FUTURE PRESIDENTS

10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 485-5050

G. LOVE AND SPECIAL SAUCE

With Ben Lee, 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$12 in advance. 18 and older. (funk/alternative rock) (313) 833-9700

LARRY GARNER

With Mystery Train featuring Jim McCarty, 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

GHOST

With Windy and Carl, 8-11 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. \$8. 18 and older. ("psychedelic hippy rock") (313) 832-2355

GREAT WHITE

With Quiet Riot, Howling Diablos, Honky Dory, The Rev. Right Time and the First Cuzins of Funk, See Dick Run and Eden Seed, as part of "Silverwoodstock '97 Pig and Shark Roast," gates open at 6 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, at 3900 Mayville Road (three miles east of M-24), Silverwood. \$19.97 in advance at Ticketmaster outlets. 21 and older. (517) 843-6917/(248) 645-6666/or <http://www.ppdetroit.com/silverwoodstock/>

GROTTO VISITORS

With Harry Chronic Jr., 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 833-POOL

HUMUNCLUS

With Silver Goodman and The Rocketpops, 10 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 485-5050

JILL JACK

9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (roots rock) (248) 544-1141

NIKKI JAMES AND THE FLAMETHROWERS

10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Union

Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 360-7450

"JAMIZON '97"

With Keith Sweat, SWV, Brownstone, Kenny Lattimore, and Mark Morrison, Monday, Aug. 11, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$25 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. (R&B) (248) 377-0100

JETHRO TULL

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$24.50 pavilion; \$12.50 lawn. (rock) (810) 377-0100

MICHAEL KATON

9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 581-3650

CHAKA KHAN

8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Chene Park Riverside Entertainment Center, 2600 E. Atwater, Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (313) 393-0292

KILLER FLAMINGOS

9 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues/rock) (248) 543-4300

KING SWEAT

9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

KUNG FU DIESEL

10 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 485-5050

JOHN D. LAMB

9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12, Rock on Third, 112 E. Third St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older; 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, Southfield Civic Center's Gazebo, 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield. Free. All ages. (singer/songwriter) (248) 542-7625/(248) 354-1000

LATIMORE

With Little Milton, Marvin Sease and Willie Clayton, 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Chene Park Riverside Entertainment Center, 2600 E. Atwater, Detroit. \$15-\$30. All ages. (blues) (313) 393-0292

LEGENDARY PINK DOTS

8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$12 in advance. All ages. (psychedelic rock) (248) 335-8100

L'I BRIAN TERRY AND THE ZYDECO TRAVELERS

9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

LIQUID PLUMBER

With The Four Fabulous Scientists, 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$3. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 996-8555

MADDER ROSE

6:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$7 in advance. All ages. (alternapop) (313) 961-MELT

MARGARITAVILLE

With Buddy Pops, 9 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (Jimmy Buffett tribute band/pop) (313) 996-2747

MASTERS OF REALITY

With Slo Burn, 9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 833-POOL

EDWIN MCCAIN BAND

With Thee House, 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (248) 335-8100

MEGADETH

With The Misfits, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$22.50 in advance. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-5451

STEVE MILLER

With Eric Johnson, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$41 and \$28.50 pavilion; \$20 lawn. (rock) (248) 377-0100

MIRACLEBERRIES

Celebrate release of CD with party and performance, with special guest Pantookahs, 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$5. 18 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 544-3030

MOTOR CITY JOSH AND THE BIG 3

9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Stan's Dugout, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 852-6433

MOTOR JAM

10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 349-9110

MYSTERY TRAIN FEATURING JIM MCCARTY

9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

ROBERT NOLL'S THE MISSION

9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8-Saturday, Aug. 9, Sisko's on the Boulevard, 5855 Monroe Boulevard, Taylor. \$5. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 278-5340

TED NUGENT

7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$27.50 pavilion, \$18.50 lawn. Superfan seating available. (rock) (810) 377-0100

BETH ORTON

8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$6.50 in advance, \$8 at the door. 18 and older. ("electronica unplugged") (248) 335-8100

ANTOINE PARSENS TRIO

7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, Troy Civic Center, 500 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy. Free. All ages. ("70s pop") (248) 524-3484

PERPETUAL HYPE ENGINE

With Indignation, D.O.C., D'God, and One Bad Apple, 4-10 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, Center Stage, 39940 Ford Road, Canton. \$5. All ages. (hardcore/metal) (313) 981-5122

"PINE CREEK BLUES FESTIVAL"

With Doug Deming and the Blue Suit Blues Band featuring Alberta Adams, the Hastings Street Blues Band, The Sidewinders, and the Detroit Blues Society All-Stars, 2-7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, Pine Creek Golf Club, 50521 Huron River Dr., Belleville. \$5. benefits the Detroit Blues Society's "Blues in the Library" project. All ages. (blues) (313) 483-5010

WALLY PLEASANT

9 p.m. Tuesdays in August, Woodward Avenue Brewers, 22646 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Free. 21 and older. (soul singer/songwriter) (248) 546-3696

QUEEN SIZE SHAQ

With Commander Venus, and Call It In The Air, 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 996-8555

RADIOHEAD

With Teenage Fanclub, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Sold out. All ages. (Brit alternative rock) (313) 961-5451

GARY RASMUSSEN

8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 642-9400

MYK RISE

10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (acoustic rock) (248) 332-HOWL

THE RIVERMEN

With Plumloco, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$4. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 996-8555

ROSES LUCK

9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, Griff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 332-9292

SAINT ASHLEY

9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Rivertown Saloon, 1977 Woodbridge, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (pop/rock) (313) 567-6020

THE SCHUGARS

With In One Week, 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9; New Way Bar, 23130 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$3. 21 and older. (rock/pop) (248) 541-9870

SEAHORSES

Featuring former Stone Roses guitarist John Squire, with special guest Mansun, 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8 in advance. All ages. (Brit pop) (313) 961-MELT

SUN MESSENGERS

7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, as part of the NBD Music on the Plaza at the Intersection of Kercheval and St. Clair in Grosse Pointe's Village shopping district. Free. (313) 881-9726

SLIM

With The Crayons, 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, Griff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 334-9292

SOULSTICE

9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19

MOVIES

Familiar settings 'Incorporated' into entertaining film

BY HUGH GALLAGHER STAFF WRITER

"The Incorporated" opens with a smoothly visualized, crisply edited burst of action that neatly outlines the major elements of the thriller to follow. It's an exciting beginning that is generally supported by the entertaining film that follows. For metro Detroit residents a local cast and familiar settings give the movie extra entertainment value. Writer-director Kenneth Guertin chose the popular thriller genre for his feature film debut and he borrows liberally from other films in that genre. But he keeps the action moving, handles his non-star cast competently and tells his story economically and clearly. Guertin also gains by some of his limitations, though in the future he will have to begin developing a more clearly

defined individual style. The story is a paranoid genre staple. A dedicated scientist comes up with a discovery to help mankind, in this case an unending energy source. A government agency sets out to steal his invention and kill him to preserve the industrial interests. Within this format, Guertin provides the usual amount of lively gunplay, explosions and hero-in-dire-straits excitement. He benefits by the superb photography of film veteran Robin Browne and the tension building musical score by Marco Beltrami. Logic is always hard pressed in these kind of films, but the story holds together surprisingly well. Guertin gains by not having a star-laden cast, though he might not have thought so when he was making the movie. If this film had been shot in Hollywood, it might have starred Harrison Ford or maybe Kurt Russell.

Pretty soon the quiet scientist would have to yank off his glasses and show himself for the hero he really is underneath. Instead Guertin has John Reneaud as the scientist. He is stocky, a little out of shape, rumpled and has that distracted, self-absorbed look of a real scientist. He doesn't have to be the hero in all situations and, fortunately, Guertin doesn't let him be the hero. Reneaud is more truly an everyman caught in a bad situation. Similarly, Paige Stapleton is attractive as his caring but neglected wife, but she is not movie-star glamorous here and that gives her more credibility. The strongest actor in the cast is Jeff Boerger as an "Incorporated" agent. Boerger has the most complex and intriguing role and he plays it with the right mix of despair and uncertainty.



Action shot: Steve Gibbons, left, chases after John Reneaud in the action-thriller "The Incorporated."

Other strong performances come from Steve Gibbons and Ed Oldani. Gibbons plays Sean Fox, an activist with emotional demons. Gibbons is especially good in the one strong "serious" conversation in the film. Oldani is the villain and a nastier, sleazier villain would be hard to find. He also seems to be enjoying himself immensely, as all

good villains should. Producer David Baker and Guertin, Hitchcock style, take cameo roles. Unlike a Hitchcock film, "The Incorporated" doesn't have a sense of humor or a developed cynical-critical view of the world. Hitchcock's films were only thrillers on the surface, under-

neath they were usually mordant comedies or devastating portraits of a world, in Hitchcock's view, gone mad. Guertin has the technical skills to be a fine director, now he just has to develop a point of view, a more individual, wittier writing style and a broader context. This is a good first effort.

GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

Table with columns for various theaters and their movie listings. Includes sections for General Cinemas, Showcase Dearborn, Star Theatres, United Artists Theatres, Waterford Cinema II, Terrace Cinema, and Main Art Theatre II.

Man who spawned 'Spawn' put his pals in charge

BY JOHN MONAGHAN SPECIAL WRITER



On the set: Producer Clint Goldman, (left to right), creator Todd MacFarlane and director Mark Dippe on the set of "Spawn."

"This is what Batman should be," said Todd MacFarlane, whose creation "Spawn" hit the big screen on Aug. 1. "For a lot of comic book fans, 'Spawn' has grown up with them. He doesn't have to appeal to everyone. It's rock and roll. It doesn't have to appeal to everyone." Talking from his offices in Los Angeles, the 35-year-old comics mogul has become almost as well-known as the super hero he created. After toiling for almost a decade at comics giant Marvel, he formed his own company, Image, and now publishes the nation's top-selling comic book. "With Spawn you've got something different," he said. "He's not going to give kids' pony rides for a quarter. He trips over things, bangs into things. He conveys a different attitude to a different audience. He's not soft and cuddly. He's in your face. He makes bad decisions." Rather than hand the licensing for "Spawn" to a toy manufacturer, he has created a line of action figures through his own company. Amazingly, MacFarlane Toys is not in Los Angeles but in Livonia. Why here? "For the president, Paul Burke, it's his home," MacFarlane says. "I've known him through years of being in the comic business. He's a good, hard-working guy. He's the business guy. I'm the creative guy." MacFarlane's control of Spawn also translated to the movie. "I was involved a lot in the pre-pro-

duction and the post-production, but the actual shooting not as much," he remembers. "The director and producer are all friends of mine prior to the movie. It's like putting your pals in charge, not just anyone." He admits that skinny John Leguizamo was not his first choice to play Spawn's nemesis, the rolly-polly Clown: "He's the clown. I'm not just saying that, because I'm very opinionated... The first time I saw him in the suit, I said, 'That's the Clown.' It only got better as the shooting went on." MacFarlane originally wanted Spawn to be a feature-length animated film, similar to the series that runs currently on HBO, but "by the time we got to

New Line, no one was really going for it," he says. "Live action brings another dimension. A comic book is two-dimensional and so is animation. There are negative aspects. What will work in live action doesn't necessarily work in the comic book and vice versa." Even in its comic book form, the idea of a Hell-spawned demon as super hero hasn't sat well with some parents. "I hate to have people already criticizing my movie when they haven't seen a single frame of it. They talk to me out of ignorance, not out of knowledge." "If you don't come at me with a loaded gun, you ain't gonna be able to kill me."

SCREEN SCENE

A sampling of what's playing at alternative movie theaters across metro Detroit as reviewed by John Monaghan. Detroit Film Theatre Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. Call (313) 833-2323 for information. (\$5.50; \$4.50 students/seniors) "When the Cat's Away" (France-1996). Aug. 8-10 (call for showtimes). A young woman returns from her vacation to find her cat has disappeared. Her search through the back streets of Paris leads to a number of personal discoveries. "Ulysses' Gaze" (Greece/France-1996). 7 p.m. Aug. 11. The latest from Greek director Theo Angelopoulos stars Harvey Keitel as an obsessive filmmaker in a quest to find three legendary, missing reels of film. Main Art Theatre 118 N. Main Street at 11 Mile, Royal Oak. Films play through at least Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call (248) 542-0180 for information and showtimes. (\$6.50; \$4 students, seniors and matinee; \$3 twilight) "Ulee's Gold" (USA-1997). Peter Fonda provides an understated performance as a Florida beekeeper who reluctantly agrees to retrieve a family member from thugs. From Victor Nunoz, the writer/director of the surprise independent hit "Ruby in Paradise." "Shall We Dance?" (Japan-1997). A Japanese businessman

breaks free of the monotony of life when he spontaneously decides to take a ballroom dancing class. "Mrs. Brown" (Britain-1997). When Britain's Queen Victoria mourned the loss of husband Albert, she formed an unconventional friendship with a Scottish Highlander. Judi Dench and Billy Connolly star. "Dream With the Fishes" (USA-1997). After a man's aborted suicide attempt, he meets someone who gives him a crash course on living life on the edge. (Starts Friday) "Magic Bag Theatre 22920 Woodward, Ferndale. Call (248) 544-3030 for information. (\$2) "Twin Town" (Britain-1997). 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7. From the producers of "Trainspotting," a Welsh-made comedy with a nasty streak about a pair of brothers who exact sweet revenge from their father's employer. "The Fifth Element" (USA-1997). 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13. Luc Besson ("La Femme Nikita") created this over-the-top sci-fi epic about a cab driver of the future (Bruce Willis) who meets the perfect woman and gets the chance to save the world. Redford Theatre 17360 Lahser (at Grand River), Detroit. Call (313) 537-2660 for information. "Donovan's Reef" (USA-1963). 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8; 2

p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9 (organ overture begins a half hour before showtime). John Ford directed this tale of two seafaring buddies (John Wayne and Lee Marvin) who must put on airs of respectability to impress a friend's daughter. Southfield Public Library 26000 Evergreen, Southfield. Call (248) 948-0460 for information. (\$1) "The Turning Point" (USA-1977). 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12. Anne Bancroft and Shirley MacLaine play two friends who started together in ballet and now are reunited after several years. Ballet superstar Mikhail Baryshnikov highlights the dance sequences. Windsor Film Theatre 2135 Wyandotte Street West, Windsor, Canada. Call (519) 264-FILM for information. (\$5.25; \$4 U.S.) "Broken English" (New Zealand-1996). 7 p.m. Aug. 7-10. When a woman flees from war-torn Croatia and falls in love with a chef where she works, her family is determined to keep them apart. "Screwed" (USA-1997). 9:15 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Aug. 7-10. A documentary look at the modern porn industry, focusing on the legendary Al Goldstein, the obese, extremely funny, and horrifyingly misogynistic publisher and film producer.

MOVIES

Comic's 'Spawn' arrives intact on big screen



JOHN MONAGHAN

TICKETS PLEASE
When artist Todd McFarlane left a cushy job at comic giant Marvel a decade ago, he vowed to create a different kind of action figure. Spawn has been just such an animal, a Hell-spawned super hero whose inner turmoil and amazing powers make Batman's look wimpy in comparison.

A government assassin (Michael Jai White) finds himself double-crossed by his boss (Martin Sheen), who wants to control a deadly virus and then the world. The assassin goes literally to Hell, where he makes a pact with the Devil that if he can set things straight up above, he will lead an army against Heaven. Cloaked and disfigured, he re-enters the world through a rain-soaked alley. Here he's briefed and taunted by Clown, a fellow demon who toils behind the scenes to foil Spawn's plans to save the world. On his other shoulder is Cogliostro (Nicol Williamson), a former knight who would rather see Spawn use his power for good. Jai White, who played Mike Tyson in an HBO movie, opens the movie with Shaft-style martial arts moves. Transformed as

Spawn, he still manages to elicit a sympathetic performance beneath the makeup and body-altering special effects. And what a bagful of tricks these are. Industrial Light and Magic outdoes itself by filling almost every frame with computer-generated effects, from the opening montage and credit sequence to Spawn's climactic battle with Clown, who morphs into a huge, buglike monster. The demon dog lord of Hades may look a little hokey, but his domain, full of writhing, tortured bodies and murky, yellow flames, generates real heat and one of the movie's most impressive sequences. Back on earth, the set design recalls the Gothic feel of "The Crow," with nonstop rainfall and artfully-placed doves hopping around the buttresses of abandoned churches. Many scenes are staged at night, probably to more easily integrate the

special effects into the action. Most impressive is Spawn's supernatural suit of armor, which can take on various shapes. A flowing red cape (it hovers like a mist around him) allows him to glide to safety while chopping chains and spikes protrude from his shoulders. John Leguizamo ("The Pest") has built a career around lovably irritating characters. Though physically an odd choice to play the almost spherical Clown, he waddles through a barrage of non-stop banter, twice as gross as Michael Keaton's Beetlejuice but only half as funny. The movie has a built-in audience among the loyal fans who have made "Spawn" the top-selling comic book in America. They should be happy that the movie successfully blends the worlds of live action and comics and brings their hero more or less intact to

the big screen. John Monaghan welcomes your calls and comments. To leave

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Hoarse plays cool for a hot night

BACKSTAGE PASS



ANN DELISI

So much for neurotic fears about ozone depletion resulting in an outbreak of spontaneous combustion; it's been a pretty mild summer. But (before you accuse me of jinxing it) remember: we are heading into the dog days of August. Very soon we may all be getting really cranky from the constant sweat mustache and the sticky, clingy clothes. The solution? Well, at a lot of Metro area venues, you can enjoy the arts in air-conditioned comfort! And tonight on *Backstage Pass*, at 9:30 p.m. on Channel 56, we continue to help you sort through Detroit's myriad arts options, starting with some cool music.

"Diamond". We're also taking a look back at a story of hope from the *Backstage Pass* premiere about the ground-breaking production of the play, "I Am a Man." To the people who produce drama in the metro area, the theatrical gulf defined by Eight Mile Road has been an ongoing source of frustration. Try to tell me art isn't relevant - here's the artistic community addressing urban-suburban tension, a huge social problem. However, last February saw positive movement with a coproduction of "I Am a Man." The show pulled together resources from Wayne, Washtenaw and Oakland counties. Director Gary Anderson brought his actors from Detroit's Ploshshares Theatre, of which his is also artistic director. The script was written by Ann Arbor playwright Oyamo and the production was mounted at the Meadow Brook Theatre in Rochester. The resulting show

won raves from critics and audiences alike, and the powerful scene that actors "Mississippi" Charles Bevel and Lou Berry Jr. performed for us in studio shows why. Happily, cross-county collaborations didn't end with "I Am a Man." That show's success - on every level - has paved the way for another Ploshshares-Meadow Brook coproduction, the play "Thunder Knocking on the Door," coming in January. Both venues are currently in summer hiatus, but Meadow Brook's season opens in September with "Over the Tavern," an Irish family drama, and Ploshshares' season begins in November with "Zora Neale Hurston," a theatrical biography. At some point during our first season it dawned on us: we were doing more than just reporting on art, we were creating it, and not just by capturing great live performances in the Detroit Public Television studio. A care

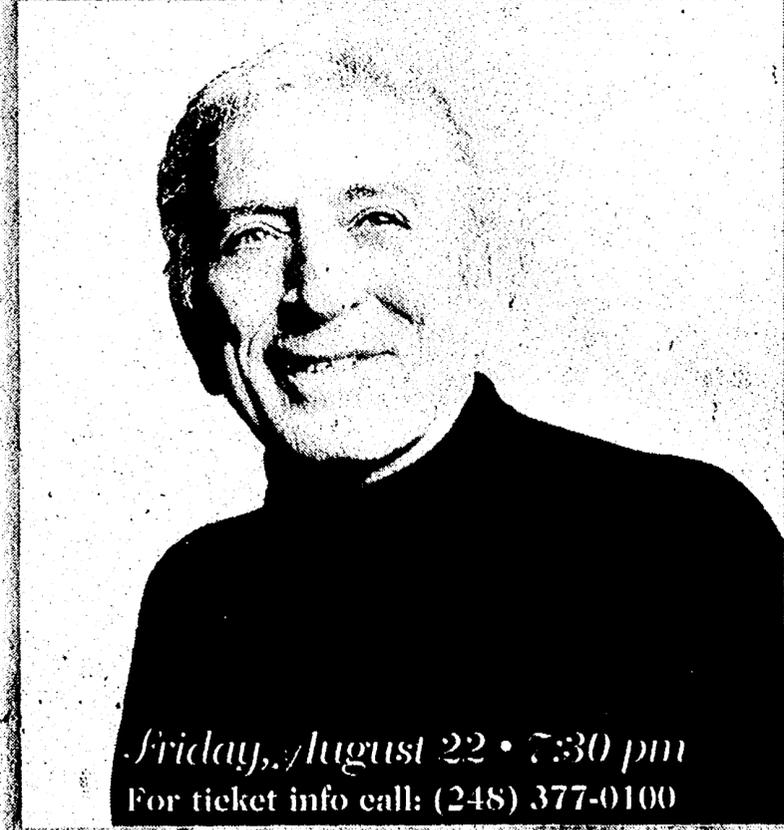
in point is the segment *Backstage Pass* art correspondent Marsha Mjro brought us about influential artist Magdalena Abakanowicz, a truly beautiful piece. Granted, it helps to have such strong, moving content. Magdalena grew up in Poland during the atrocities of World War II. She often draws on disturbing images from her childhood to create sculpture that is deeply personal and haunting. The piece is a must-see. We'll also air another song from Rolling Stone magazine's songwriter of the year, Freedy Johnston, who came in the studio and knocked our socks off with his artistic intensity. Tonight we'll show you a killer acoustic version of the title song from his breakthrough CD, *Bad Reputation*. That's tonight on *Backstage Pass* at 9:30 p.m. on Detroit Public Television, Channel 56. Now get out there.

The story of hometown rock trio Hoarse is a cool addition to Detroit's rock legacy: after a local radio station's program director saw a live performance by the band, he asked if he could leave with material. At the time, all the boys had pressed was the single "Diamond." The station started playing it, even though the band didn't have any product in stores. Despite the song being relatively buried in the play lists, more likely at first to show up in the wee hours than during drive time, the phone lines started lighting up with requests. It went into an increasingly heavy rotation and even started winning listener call-in polls. Well, the major labels were all over that. It didn't take long for them to notice, and now the band is signed with RCA Records. We had them in the Detroit Public Television studio early in July, and it was obvious why that radio guy left their live show impressed - these guys rock! Tuesday marks the actual release of their first CD, *Happens Twice*, and on Monday night, Aug. 11, they're having their release party at Record Time on Gratiot in Roseville, complete with a performance and a midnight CD signing. Tonight, we'll show you the previously unaired "extra" song they did for us in July called "Tuesday Morning," which will be the second single off their CD (after

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DINING

Lower Town Grill keeps it simple and American

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

Kim Guenther doesn't want to sound presumptuous but he's hoping to change the face of Plymouth's Old Village with his restaurant Lower Town Grill.

"I grew up in this area, and we wanted it to become something that was more commercial just to help it get stronger. I didn't really know how to do it because we were kind of on the other side of the tracks, so to speak, (from downtown Plymouth)," he explained.

"Everything was downtown proper and we didn't know how to get traffic down here, and to be a cornerstone and to get something to really act as a catalyst for the rest of the area."

Last October, he opened the Lower Town Grill and the Drooling Moose Saloon, dubbed as such after the former name of Old Village. While growing up in Plymouth, Guenther knew Old Village as Lower Town. His neighbors were southern families who came up here to work in the automotive industry.

"Awhile back, some folks came in and wanted to name this place Old Village because they felt it had a more commercial value. It was a slap in the face. We never looked at Lower Town as being derogatory. It was just a name. They took it on as more than that. That was the intent of calling it Lower Town, out of respect for those folks. It was Lower Town as a kid and it should continue to be Lower Town."

The Lower Town Grill's menu, designed by Chef Tom Olzewski, includes Chef's Calamari accompanied with a sundried tomato burre blanc, melt-in-your-mouth steak bits served with spicy mustard, Drooling Moose Chili topped with shredded pepper jack cheese and tortilla strips, and filet mignon.

"The calamari is a big deal here. It's something that's been established and seems to do really well here. There's some good beef in here, some steaks, and soups. It's not a very sophisticat-

The Lower Town Grill
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Credit Cards: All major credit cards are accepted.

Highlights: There is a minimal cover charge after 9 p.m. on the nights that bands perform. Only those ages 21 and older are permitted at that time. **Upcoming performances include:** the rockabilly band George Bedard and the Kingpins on Friday, Aug. 8, the blues act Steve Nardella Trio on Saturday, Aug. 9, and Al Hill and the Love Butlers on Friday, Aug. 15.

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ed menu. We try to keep it simple and American and offer those things that are almost of a homemade nature that have some quality to them," Guenther said.

The Northville resident opened the Lower Town Grill in his family-owned 100-year-old property that was formerly a hardware store, dry goods store, tailor and antique store.

"We had to do some pretty extensive renovation to bring everything up to code. Sometimes it's more expensive than buying new. It truly is. (When you build) you can plan from the ground up as opposed to surprises you find in an old building. You have to bring up to code which can be pretty difficult."

"We put an addition on the back for the kitchen. The kitchen is all new. Anything that has to do with food handling is brand new. The idea was to keep the integrity of the building the way it is. That's why the floor is still



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Reviving Lower Town: Besides offering a "casual menu," the Lower Town Grill offers blues music Fridays and Saturdays. The Blue Rays, above, return to the grill on Friday, Aug. 22-Saturday, Aug. 23.

warped. You can see if you dropped a coin it would be gone. But that's part of the charm."

Guarding the Lower Town Grill and Drooling Moose Saloon is the animated moose head that moves up and down and side-to-side over the bar.

"The thing is it moves so slowly. It's on a sequential system where it starts and stops. You see it move and then you look again and it stops. You don't

know if it's you or the moose."

Fridays and Saturdays have become popular nights at the Lower Town Grill as local blues bands like Steve Nardella Trio, Al Hill and the Love Butlers, and the rockabilly band George Bedard and the Kingpins provide entertainment. The Blue Rays host a blues jam 7-11 p.m. Mondays. There is a minimal cover charge on band nights.

Guenther knows that reviving

Old Village is going to take more than one man's effort. Station 886 kicked off the effort, but Guenther's goal is to persuade two other restaurants to open on Liberty Street to revive Old Village.

"The only way I thought it could really bring more people in is to have something that everybody does which is eat. I'm not a restaurateur by any means. I

thought a kind of a fun type of bar with some good food would be something that you like and that I like. We may have different tastes in other aspects of what we do but everybody eats and everybody enjoys, hopefully, music and that's how it developed.

"The real idea down here is to somehow get Lower Town to have a draw of its own."

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More Michigan restaurants than ever are going smoke-free according to Dr. Eugene Baron, president of Michigan Citizens for Smoke-Free Air.

The "Michigan Guide to Smoke Free Restaurants," a 112-page guide, features 1,871 restaurants throughout the state that are 100 percent smoke-free.

"We're seeing many more types of restaurants eliminating the hazards of tobacco smoke than we could have imagined when the guide first started out in 1994 with only 172 listings," said Dr. Baron, an Oak Park optometrist who is a founder of the citizens group.

The new edition of the smoke-free restaurant guide is available for a \$2 mailing fee from the Michigan Citizens for Smoke Free Air, P.O. Box 69042,

Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069. It includes restaurants, fast food restaurants, and doughnut shops.

To have your restaurant included in the next guide, send or fax information to: MCSFA, P.O. Box 69042, Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069, Fax: (248) 547-2600.

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ROBERT M. MEISNER

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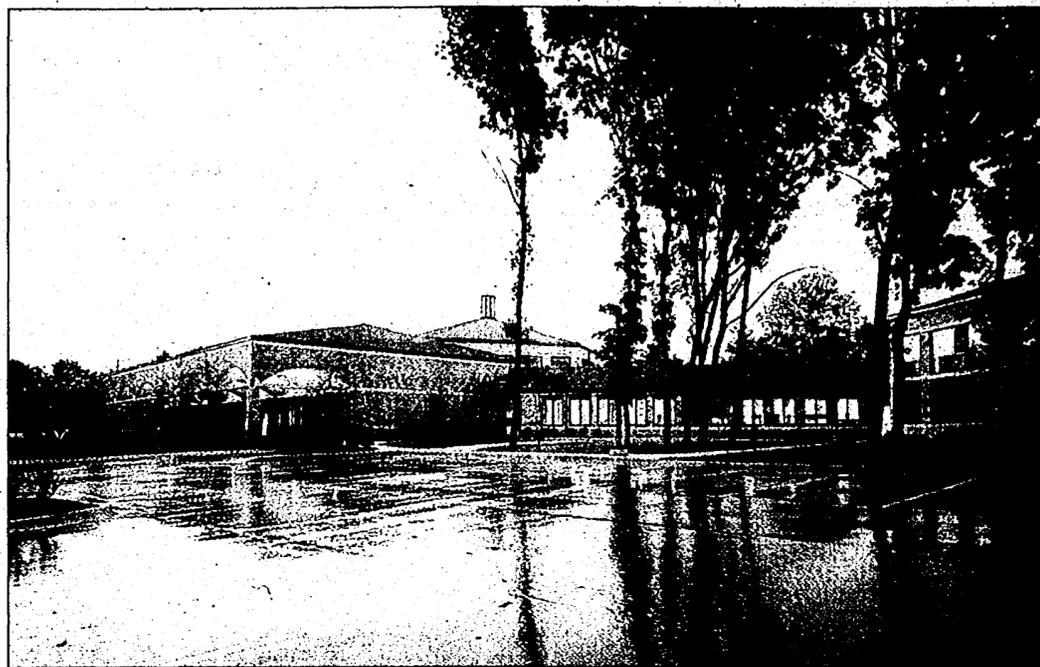
A. The United States Department of Justice has been clear in numerous technical guidance letters that community associations are only exempt from the Americans with Disabilities Act if the use of their facilities is limited to members and their guest.

Therefore, if a community association engages in activities open to the general public, such as craft sales, Boy Scout meetings and swim teams consisting of non-residents, they are likely to be considered a "public accommodation" whose facilities are subject to the Americans with Disabilities Act.

You are best advised to consult with your association attorney in regard to the parameters of your latitude in this area.

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In demand: London & Associates designed this nursing care facility in Bloomfield Hills for William Beaumont Hospital.

Architects keeping busy

BY NORMAN PRADY
SPECIAL WRITER

As an eight year old, he sat on the summertime curb and sketched the houses across the street. He had a very good time.

Now, in his 24th summer as an architect sitting at his desk sketching houses and other kinds of buildings, he's having a very good year.

"The best I can remember it being," said John Dziurman of Rochester Hills. His company, John Dziurman Architects Ltd., like other area design firms, has seen strong growth and is expecting more.

"I don't see an end to this," Dziurman said, "for the next five to 10 years."

A strong indication of the promise of continuing increases, he said, is the number of proposals his company is developing. "These are for future works, to be done a year from now."

Dziurman calls himself a general practitioner. His company does commercial buildings, renovations and restorations. "We're doing work with the Village of Lake Orion. A lot of downtown storefronts. A signage program."

"We presently don't do a lot of residential because we've been so busy with the other (work). But residential is my greatest love," dating back to his childhood drawing days.

George Erdstein also reports that architecture is "in an up climate."

The head of George Erdstein & Associates in Lathrup Village said, "I'm busy."

Much of Erdstein's activity is in the design of "high-end" homes, those ranging from "3,500 to 4,000 square feet and from \$400,000 up."

It appears that the desire for in-home innovations is as strong as or stronger than the first days of indoor plumbing and still have to do with indoor plumbing. There are more and more creature comforts every year, Erdstein said, with "bathrooms and kitchens being the areas where most of the features are going."

Some of Erdstein's homes offer the

"hearth room," which he describes as an additional sitting area, with fireplace, off the kitchen, separate from the great room: "a transitional space."

An architect more than 25 years and operator of his present company for six, Erdstein said he hears economic forecasters calling for good days ahead. His firm is designing homes in a number of areas, including the northwest suburbs and Oakland Township.

Additionally, they're busy with additions. "People are getting ambitious with additions. Their own values are holding or increasing, so they want to do something with their property — doubling (the size of the house) or tearing it down because the land is so valuable."

Another source of business, Erdstein said, is coming from a market segment that might not have existed significantly in past generations. "I find I'm doing a lot of custom houses for empty-nesters. They're scaling up instead of down. They want to reward themselves."

For George R. Cohan, head of his 30-year-old namesake company in Southfield, understatement serves to present his view of how business is. "Generally, not too bad," he said, "compared to two or three years ago when it was not so good."

Cohen & Associates is busy designing commercial buildings, light industrial facilities, shopping centers and individual stores.

Like others in his profession, Cohan lives with a seemingly undeniable link to the ups and downs of the real estate market, currently up, and to the availability and reasonable cost of financing. Now, "there seems to be sufficient money," said Robert W. Stine, operator since 1961 of Robert W. Stine AIA Architects of Birmingham. The Stine Company's work, he said, is 85 percent residential, the balance in offices, restaurants, small medical and physical therapy facilities. Busy with Birmingham homes, he said just 15 percent of that work is new construction, and the rest is "good-sized additions."

And Stine's residential work, he said,

is generating business for the company's interior design services.

At 38-year-old Edmund London & Associates in Southfield, it has been "one of the busiest periods" in recent times.

"Michigan, Detroit, and the Midwest have had an extraordinary amount of construction" in the past few years, Edmund London said.

London's company specializes in health care facilities, in some cases replacing those that were built several decades ago and are now outdated.

Facilities for the elderly are in great demand, he said, as are nursing facilities such as those his company designed for Beaumont Hospital in Southfield and in Bloomfield Hills.

Increased activity in the architectural firms, London said, has brought increased opportunities for employment. There is, he said, a shortage of architects of all levels of experience, and competition for those available is driving salaries up.

"In these good times, the sense of it seems to be, Dziurman said, that good makes for better, that as more is built, more gets built. "More homes, more shopping centers, more schools."

But if it's true that everything has a price, Dziurman, a certified historical architect who believes it is generally less expensive to renovate than to build new, might be offering vital cautions for architects, builders and anyone else who might be lusting after the lands and the newness of the suburbs and beyond.

"I think we have to be careful," he said, "of how far we're growing and how we're growing out of the central city. We're being wasteful of all the infrastructure that's already in place."

"We have to be careful that we don't overdo the expansion and forget about our past. I think that this society is going to have to address that sooner or later because we're being wasteful"

Literally down-to-earth thoughts during soaring times from a person who sometimes still thinks of himself as the kid on the curb.

Household formation

Demand for housing usually follows increases in the formation of households. A household is any population unit — a family, individual or two or more unrelated individuals — that occupies a housing unit. Households are primarily formed by marriage, divorce and children moving out of their parents' home.

Area	Households	1-year change
United States	101.7 million	+1.2%
West	21.8 million	+2.4%
South	36 million	+1.5%
Midwest	24 million	+8%
Northeast	19.9 million	-2%

Source: U.S. Housing Markets

HELEN PURCEAN/STAFF ARTIST

Find out why lender rejected your loan application

MORTGAGE SHOPPING



DAVID C. MULLY

Q. What should I do if my application is turned down or the loan terms are changed?

A. If a lender turns down your loan application, you must be told the reasons why in writing. You have a right to a similar notice if the lender changes the terms of the loan you requested and you do not accept

the new terms of the loan. If you think the reasons given were improper or the application was handled unfairly, you may do several things:

1. You may ask for copies of the forms, reports and letters the lender used to reach the decision on your loan. If you paid an appraisal fee or the appraisal was the reason your loan was denied, you may ask for a copy of the appraisal report. The lender must provide these copies (except a credit report). If you ask for the documents within one month after your loan was turned down, the lender must send the materials within 10 business days. If you find incorrect information in the documents, you should get in touch with your lender. Some misunderstandings can be settled at this point.

2. If you still are not satisfied, you may want the loan reviewed by your local mortgage review board. Ask the lender if there is one in your area. This action could help you to get your loan through the same lender or another institution in the area.

3. The law also says that you may file a complaint with the Financial Institutions Bureau, Michigan Department of Commerce, if you believe a lender has not complied with the anti-redlining law. The lender has complaint forms. You may not file a complaint more than two years after the violation took place.

4. The Financial Institutions Bureau must begin an investigation within 15 days after it receives your complaint. You must be notified of the progress of the case within 30 days, and the investigation must be finished within 60 days, unless a hearing is held. If there is a hearing, a final report must be made within 90 days. A lender who violates the law may be fined as much as \$10,000.

5. You also have the choice to file an action in circuit court or damages or to seek an injunction for a violation of the law. You will not be entitled to damages unless your written loan application has been denied or the terms were varied by the lender.

David Mully is with Continuity Programs Inc., a marketing company in Walled Lake that specializes in customer lead generation programs for mortgage loan officers and real estate professionals. To contact Mully at CPI, call 1-800-521-0026 ext. 227. You can access Mully's previous Mortgage Shopping articles on-line at <http://www.observer-eccentric.com/realstate/mully/archives.html>

Concrete home can be a family castle

A home is a castle, but few fortresses are built with the impenetrable sturdiness of the concrete home poured this spring as part of Habitat for Humanity - Kansas City project.

More concrete homes likely will be turning up as the nation takes notice of the durable, energy efficient structures. Made with Insulated Concrete Forms (ICF) and concrete, the attractive home is built with a new construction technique. Specially designed hollow foam plastic forms — material similar to that used to make inexpensive, lightweight ice coolers — are stacked with reinforcing bar inside. Concrete is poured into forms to create the structural wall. The forms remain in place, providing insulation and serving as the mounting platform for drywall or paneling on the interior; and brick veneer, stucco, or

any other siding material on the outside.

Ash Grove Cement and other concrete professionals joined forces with volunteers to build and donate the durable and affordable home constructed for a Habitat for Humanity family.

"The cost-competitive, permanent residence is built to last generations," said Steve Bird, president of permanent paving for Ash Grove.

Concrete houses are impervious to rot, termites, high wind and fire. In California, an ICF home survived a forest fire that left only chimney stacks standing in the surrounding neighborhood. In Florida, the ICF portion of a home remained standing following a hurricane while the wood-frame portion was in shambles.

Heating and cooling costs for an ICF

house are far lower than a lumber-based house. The concrete keeps the wall temperature at 55 degrees, the same as the ground. Foam plastic forms/insulation and the concrete provide insulation up to R40 (wood houses frequently have R26). That can save 30-70 percent on heating and cooling bills compared with wood-frame homes.

Because of the unexcelled insulation values of concrete and the forms, smaller furnaces and air-conditioners are required. Less energy is needed to heat or cool the home. Airtight walls reduce drafts. It takes less disposable income to operate, therefore making it more affordable for home loan purposes.

Concrete absorbs and releases heat and cold more slowly, further moderating homeowner energy costs.

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Write: Real estate briefs, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, 48150. Our fax number is (313) 591-7279.

LIEN LAW UPDATE

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan presents an update of Michigan's Construction Lien Law 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12, at Mitch's II, 6655 Highland, Waterford. Cost, including dinner, is \$20. To register, call (248) 737-4477.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan presents a seminar to fulfill the annual continuing education requirements for real estate license renewals 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20, at its offices, 30375 Northwestern, Farmington Hills.

Cost, including continental breakfast and lunch, is \$50 for BIA members, \$75 for non-members. To register, call (248) 737-4477.

BBRSOAR GOLF OUTING

The Birmingham Bloomfield Rochester South Oakland Association of Realtors plans its annual golf outing Thursday, Sept. 11, at Links of Pinewood in Walled Lake.

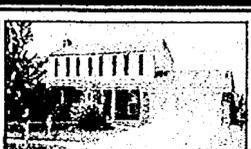
Cost for the morning round beginning at 8 a.m. which includes golf, cart, continental breakfast, buffet lunch, dinner and open bar is \$110.

The afternoon round beginning at 1 p.m. including the same package is \$125. Dinner only at 7 p.m. is \$50. For reservations, contact Elaine Gatlin at (248) 879-5730.

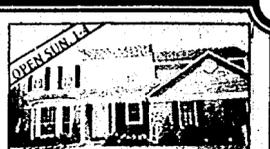
Proceeds from this year's outing will be divided among Lighthouse of Oakland County, Rochester Neighborhood House and the South Oakland Shelter.



NORTHVILLE - Unique brick ranch home on exceptionally lovely treed half acre. Tasteful neutral decor with many updates. Open kitchen, 1st floor laundry. Rec. bath and 2nd fireplace. Home Warranty plan included. \$274,900 (P45Ww) 451-5400



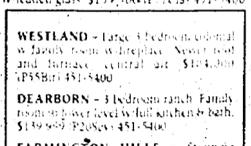
CANTON - Welcome home to this 3 bedroom colonial. Neutral decor & many updates. Bow window fireplace in great room. Oak kitchen. 1st floor laundry. Rec. bath and 2nd fireplace. Home Warranty plan included. \$159,900 (P77L) 451-5400



WESTLAND - Large 3 bedroom colonial w/ family room w/ fireplace. New roof and furnace. Central air. \$149,900 (P95B) 451-5400



DEARBORN - 3 bedroom ranch. Family room on 1st level w/ full kitchen & bath. \$149,900 (P20S) 451-5400



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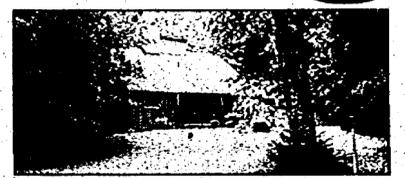
CITY OF NORTHVILLE
Gas heat, main-level laundry & carpeting offer special comfort to this turn-of-the-century home. Fenced aluminum/brick, 3 bedroom/2 bath colonial. Tree-spaced street. 2 car garage, workshop. ML#730041 \$154,500. 313-455-6000



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3900 Harris Lane, W. Bloomfield
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2 acre lot. Inviting pool, mature tree setting, 4 bedroom/2.5 bath, with formal dining room, kitchen w/breakfast. Oversized 2 car garage w/workshop. Out building for extra storage. ML#731981 \$279,900. 313-455-6000



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By a rippling pond, view-accented upscale showplace! Custom cedar two story 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath soft contemporary. On 2.75 acres of secluded & serene setting. In-law quarters in finished walk-out. ML#738127 \$929,900. 313-455-6000



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Life is lovely in this 1.5 story brick Bungalow! Remodeled 3 bedroom home, tree-spaced street, close to everything: tennis, swimming pool. Finished basement, hardwood floors, new roof & furnace. Easy commute. ML# \$114,900. 313-455-6000

HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer/area residential real estate closings recorded May 21 - 27 at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office and compiled by Advertising That Works, a Bloomfield Township company that tracks deed and mortgage recordings in southeastern Michigan. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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MOVERS AND SHAKERS

This column highlights promotions, transfers, hirings, awards won and other news within the real estate, construction, architecture and mortgage communities.

Send a brief summary including town, of residency and black and white photo to Real Estate Movers and Shakers, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, 48150.

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Dennis F. Rudko P.E. has been named chief mechanical engineer at Ellis/Naeyaert/Genheimer Associates, an architectural, engineering and planning firm in Troy.



Rudko

He will be responsible for management and design services relating to HVAC, fire protection, plumbing and piping design. Rudko graduated from Michigan Technological University and lives in Lake Orion.

Kimberly Lanzetta has joined Harbor Real Estate, a real estate investment, management and development firm in Bloomfield Hills, as director of leasing.



Lanzetta

Lanzetta, a Novi resident, will be responsible for property management, leasing and sales activities.

Carol Frick, manager of Ralph Manuel Associates (affiliated with Real Estate One) in Birmingham, has been elected treasurer of the Michigan Association of Realtors.



Frick

She will serve in that capacity for the 24,000-member trade association starting Jan. 1.

Frick is a past president of the Birmingham Bloomfield Rochester South Oakland Association of Realtors. She lives in Bloomfield Hills.

David N. McCammon has joined the board of directors of Pulte Corp., parent of the Pulte group of companies including Pulte Home Corp. and Pulte Mortgage Corp.

McCammon, who lives in Bloomfield Hills, recently retired as vice president of finance for Ford Motor Co. He worked for the automaker nearly 40 years.

McCammon earned business degrees from Harvard University and the University of Nebraska.

Jennifer Rose, sales associate at Century 21 Campbell, has acquired the professional designations of Certified Residential Marketing Specialist and Certified Corporate Property Specialist.

Protect your lawn

(NAPS) - While some people think nothing can be done to keep their pets from damaging their lawn, the truth may be just the opposite.

What you feed your pet might help save your lawn from damaging brown spots and odor.

One manufacturer released a food supplement that can help change the pH of a pet's urine so it doesn't "burn" lawns.

Also, the supplement contains vitamins and plants to help

reduce odor.

Here are some tips when feeding the supplement to your pet:

Water lawn heavily for two weeks to rinse.

Reseed after feeding your pet the supplement.

Continue feeding your pet the supplement daily.

With any supplement, check with your veterinarian before feeding it to your pet. For further information Naturvetis at toll-free at 1-888-628-8783.

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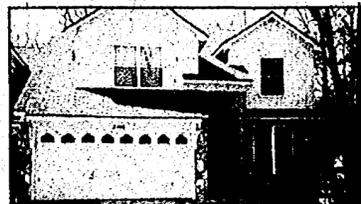
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SPECTACULAR COLONIAL
CANTON - Sensational floor plan, quality features and upgrades through out. Located on the golf course, this home has the look that is sure to please you! \$353,000 (OEL-45MOR) 313-462-1811 ☎ 15453



GORGEOUS
DEARBORN - Gorgeous 2-story home with 2,650 square feet situated in a most desirable area of Dearborn. Offers 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, jacuzzi, central vacuum, intercom, alarm and many more features. \$269,900 (OEL-00PAR) 313-462-1811 ☎ 15843



GORGEOUS
WIXOM - Recently completed, 1 1/2 story contemporary end unit condo. Owner's have added all the right features. Why wait 6-8 months when you can move in this summer! Call today! \$183,200 (OEL-48PIN) 313-462-1811 ☎ 15673

EMBASSY SQUARE
CANTON - Spacious colonial with large country kitchen & great room with vaulted ceilings. Ceramic tile, bay windows & fireplace with custom mantel. 2-tier deck, central air & 2 car garage. Walking distance to school & park. \$165,000 (OEL-78LON) 248-347-3050 ☎ 10773

OUTSTANDING FAMILY HOME
CANTON - 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths & large (23 x 21) family room with fireplace. 2 car attached garage, new kitchen & dining room. 2 sliding doors to deck overlooking ravine, park & much more. \$154,900 (OEL-44BEE) 248-347-3050 ☎ 11063

IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY
DEARBORN - Nice 2 bedroom duplex with basement situated in convenient location near schools and shopping. Call today for an appointment. \$59,900 (OEL-28MAN) 248-347-3050 ☎ 10973

BEAUTIFUL CAPE COD
FARMINGTON HILLS - Beautiful contemporary cape cod located in Farmington Square sub. 3 bedrooms with 4th on lower level, large master on 1st floor. Many updates including alarm, sprinkler, deck, hardwood floors in foyer & hall, great room & fireplace. \$276,500 (OEL-99FOX) 313-462-1811 ☎ 15833

WHAT A BARGAIN!
GARDEN CITY - A 5 bedroom home in a quiet neighborhood. A lot of updates: roof, air, windows, furnace, driveway & more. All this & finished basement, too. Take advantage of this bargain now! \$125,000 (OEL-31HUN) 313-462-1811 ☎ 15763

NEW LISTING!
LIVONIA - One of Livonia's best offerings. A 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial in popular Kingsbury Heights sub. Many updates: air, newer windows, floors, furnace & much more!! \$216,500 (OEL-69FIT) 313-462-1811 ☎ 15313

YOUR OWN OASIS
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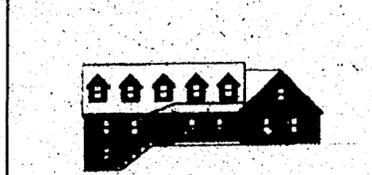
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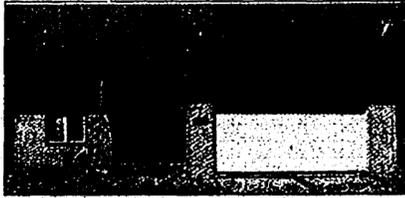
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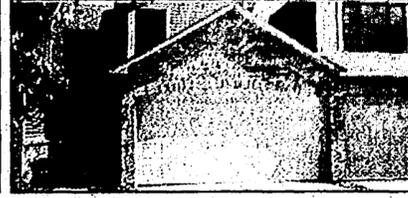
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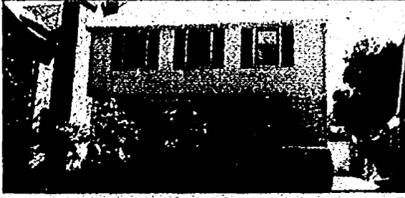
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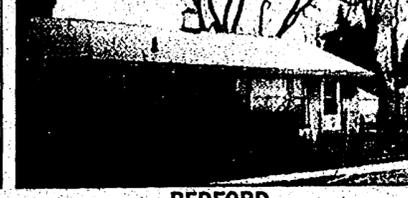
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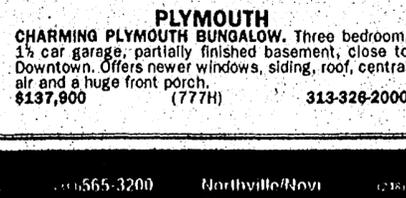
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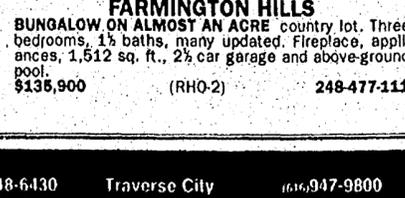
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DRIVER/HELPER Heating & Cooling Co. Excellent driving record needed...

CONSTRUCTION PUNCH-OUT IMMEDIATE OPENING. Builder seeking construction punch out person...

CONSTRUCTION SUPERINTENDENT Needs for status engineering background...

CONSTRUCTION SUPERINTENDENT We are looking for highly motivated, energetic...

COSMETOLOGY INSTRUCTORS accepting applications for 401k, Medical, Dental and vision...

COUNSELOR/SOCIAL WORKER Wanted for part time position in Suburban Catholic high school...

COUNTER HELP - Days and Evenings, Wal train, Best-Aire Lanes...

COUNTER HELP Part time, Full time, No experience necessary...

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COUNTER SALES for paint & decorating store. Full or part time...

COUNTERSALES People skills a must. Full-time. Computer skills helpful...

COURIER/MAINTENANCE Environmental consulting firm seeking courier/maintenance person...

CREDIT ANALYST National equipment company is now accepting applications...

CUSTOMER SERVICE/COUNTER HELP Immediate part to full time opening...

CUSTOMER SERVICE Detroit computer company looking for customer service reps...

CUSTOMER SERVICE Looking for energetic, dependable, self-motivated...

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GRINDERS - EXPERIENCED
Sundling in the area of outside
inserts. Excellent wages, Medical,
Life, 401K (K). 95. For apply
810-474-5020 on Rt. 9, Dept.
#144 at 2300 Haggerty Rd.
Farmington Hills

500 Help Wanted General
HI LO DRIVER
An entry level applications for an
entry level HI LO Driver to perform
functions in one of our warehouse
plants or our manufacturing facilities.
Must be able to pass basic
industrial truck tests and have
a valid driver's license (No
CDL required)

500 Help Wanted General
HUMAN RESOURCES
INTERM
We are currently accepting
resumes for an opening as a
Human Resources Intern. The
time period will run from August
through November. This is an
excellent opportunity for a candidate
pursuing education towards a
degree in related
discipline.

500 Help Wanted General
INSURANCE OVERLOAD
SYSTEMS
* A great career is just a
few steps away!
You Have The Opportunity!
\$200 Bonus after 30 Days!!
IOS is looking for experienced:
• Claims personnel for Auto, WC,
Property & Casualty risks
• Claims staff for Medical, Dental,
Disability, Life and Billing Dept.
• Underwriting for Personal,
Commercial and CSR positions.
We offer a competitive compensation
package including full benefits, paid
vacation and the flexibility to let you
take charge of your career! To
schedule an interview, please call
1-800-722-1983

500 Help Wanted General
LAWN MAINTENANCE
Full time, experience preferred but
not necessary. (313) 464-8440
LAWN MAINTENANCE labor
needed, \$8-10/hr start based on
experience, must have transportation.
248-344-6900
LAWN MAINTENANCE EXPERIENCED
needed full time, using
commercial rider. Good pay &
benefits. Full time. (313) 563-4001
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LIFEGUARD/
POOL CARE
Large apartment community in
Westland near Haggerty needs
lifeguard and pool care. Must
have CPR & lifeguard certification.
Part time position. Good pay &
benefits. Call 313-467-8366 or
apply at The Landings Apartments,
Westland, MI 48185.

500 Help Wanted General
MAINTENANCE
A leading manufacturer for
automotive industry needs
full-time maintenance
person with hydraulic and
electrical experience. Sheet
metal and welding experience
a plus. Must be good at
problem solving and work
well with five direction. Minimum
five years general
maintenance experience in
manufacturing environment.
Excellent benefits
package. Send resume and
salary requirements to:
MAINTENANCE
P.O. BOX 51218
LIVONIA, MI 48150-0218
EOE

500 Help Wanted General
MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN
For apartment community in Livonia.
Experience preferred in all phases of
maintenance including basic
plumbing, electrical and carpentry.
Overhead door and window
prep and grounds work. Full time
position with benefits. Bring resume
and references to Woodridge Apartments,
248-477-8888 or call:
(248) 477-8848

500 Help Wanted General
MERRY MAID
Immediate opening for Operations
Manager in Livonia office. Successful
candidate must have 5+ years
experience in operations. Salary &
benefits.
248-545-3121

500 Help Wanted General
GROUNDKEEPER
Farmington Hills apartment community
seeks energetic & motivated
individuals to join our grounds team.
Experience not necessary. Please
send resume to:
2480 Independence Dr. Ask for
Sebastian or Bill 248-471-3625.

500 Help Wanted General
HI-LO OPERATOR
Growing Beverage Company has a
full time position for an experienced
Hi-Lo Operator. Good math
skills are essential.
Benefits: Package includes:
• Competitive wage
• Shift Premiums
• Double time on Sundays
• Growth
Apply Mon-Fri 9am-4pm 11351
W. 11th St. #215, Ford West
Lansing, MI 48213

500 Help Wanted General
P & C ACCOUNT
MANAGER
Need for large insurance
agency in serving commercial
and residential markets.
Required in handling and
marketing of accounts. Send resume
to: P.O. Box 1300, Birmingham,
AL 35202

500 Help Wanted General
INVENTORY CLERK
Brink's Same Corporation - Global
Automotive has a need for an
Inventory Clerk to work full time
in our inventory department.
Responsibilities are to include
tracking parts picking orders and
generating inventory maintenance.
Ability to follow directions. Medical
insurance, 401K and tuition
reimbursement. Apply 8am-
4pm at 11998 Meridian Rd.
Livonia, MI 48150-9770

500 Help Wanted General
LEAR
CORPORATION
INFORMATION
SYSTEMS MANAGER
Learn Corporation, a Fortune 500
company and one of the world's largest
suppliers of automotive components,
has a plant level Information Systems
Manager position available in the
Detroit area.
We are seeking an aggressive
individual with 2-3 years AS400
programming experience. This position
requires college coursework in
Computer Science and a minimum
degree (degree preferred) in manufacturing
and EDI experience a plus.
Learn Corporation offers excellent
compensation and comprehensive
benefits. If you are interested, please
send your resume with salary history to:
LEAR CORPORATION
Attn: I/S
36300 EUREKA RD.
ROMULUS, MI 48174
No phone calls, please.
Learn is an equal opportunity employer

500 Help Wanted General
LIGHT ASSEMBLY
Waterford manufacturer has immediate
opening for hands-on assembly
operator. 8:30am - 4:30pm (M-F).
Competitive wage. No experience
necessary. Will train. Production
bonus program. Good benefits.
Dental and optical benefits.
Between 8am & 4pm, Mon thru Fri.
(248) 623-2500

500 Help Wanted General
LIGHT MACHINERY
OPERATORS
Clean, efficient metal stamping
facility seeks associates for running
a Tapping Machine. No
experience necessary, willing to
train. Knowledge of SPC helpful.
All shifts available. Excellent
salary and benefits. 401K and
tuition reimbursement. Apply in person
at E & Manufacturing, 300
Industrial Dr., Plymouth, MI.

500 Help Wanted General
MAINTENANCE
Full time, large apt community
Livonia. Own tools. Must be handy.
Good pay & benefits. References.
248-352-2220
MAINTENANCE - Full time, balanced
major electrical, plumbing,
minor grounds upkeep, lights & hardware,
etc. References & experience required.
Non-Smoker Only. For 100 unit
Apartment Complex-Southfield.
Call (248) 853-5700 Ext. 303

500 Help Wanted General
MIG WELDERS
Applications now being accepted for
experienced Mig-Welders for trailer
body manufacturing in Canton. Benefits,
clean working environment. Apply at:
DRAW-TITE, INC.
Southfield, Michigan
45000 Van Born Dr.
Canton, MI 48188

500 Help Wanted General
GROUNDKEEPER
Luxury Dearborn apartment community
seeks experienced Grounds
keeper. Full time. Top pay & benefits.
Call for apply: (313) 336-5995

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HO-LO OPERATOR
Growing Beverage Company has a
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HVAC SALES
Light commercial sales position
for established growing company
with excellent training and
development opportunities. Excellent
benefit package including 401k with
company match and educational
assistance. Must have 2+ years
experience in HVAC sales and
customer service. Competitive
salary. Call: Pay at 1 Danrose Son
9147-7625. Hearing Company
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500 Help Wanted General
JANITORIAL CLEANING
30-30 hrs.
per week. Days, nights, weekends
will split. Approximately \$8 per hr.
Leave message (313) 397-1860

500 Help Wanted General
JANITORS NEEDED
Northville area. Mornings 5:30 per Hr.
(248) 332-0730

500 Help Wanted General
LEASING AGENT
Full time Large apt community.
Livonia. References, excellent pay.
(248) 352-2220

500 Help Wanted General
LEASING AGENT
Part-time including weekends for
Southfield Apt. complex. Call Mon
thru Fri, 9-5pm. (616) 353-6588.
EOE

500 Help Wanted General
LEASING AGENT
Weekends only for Westland Apt.
Complex. Call Mon thru Fri, 9-5pm.
(313) 425-0552. EOE

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LEASING AGENT
Leasing position available for enthusiastic
individual who enjoys working
with the public. Outstanding lessing
ability and understanding of marketing
required. Attention to detail
and professional image a must. Top
compensation package and training
program. Send resume to:
Observer & Electronic Newspapers
36251 Schoolcraft Rd.
Livonia, MI 48150

500 Help Wanted General
GUITAR CENTER
The nation's premier
musical instrument retailer
currently has an opening for an
Office Assistant at the Southfield
location. Duties include daily bank
deposits, payroll inventory recording,
and some light warehouse work.
Contact John at 248-354-8075

500 Help Wanted General
GYMNASTIC INSTRUCTORS
needed part time for school age &
pre-school, days evenings. All
Gymnastics. (248) 380-5330

500 Help Wanted General
IMMEDIATE OPENINGS
Resident Caregivers
• Part or part time, all shifts
• Available
• Benefits package available
• Dietary Aids part-time,
afternoon shift
We are expanding our staff to
meet our growing occupancy

500 Help Wanted General
JOURNEYMAN
ELECTRICIAN
and experienced helpers needed
Excellent pay and benefits.
Call (313) 522-3310

500 Help Wanted General
JOURNEYMAN & HELPER
Needed with residential & commercial
work. Experience, tools & transportation
a must. Call (313) 863-0827

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KACEE'S HALLMARK
Part-time Sales Associates needed at
all 5 locations. Flexible hours, days,
nights & weekends. Homebased.
Senior citizens welcome. Great
atmosphere & employee discounts.
Non-Smoking. (248) 698-3250
MI 48150
Northville (248) 344-4588
Northville (248) 348-0290
Livonia (313) 427-2505

500 Help Wanted General
LABORERS
Commercial roofing firm seeks
laborers for residential projects.
Annual transportation required. Contact
Date at (313) 722-7600
An Equal Opportunity Employer

500 Help Wanted General
LABORERS
Mechanically inclined for machine
building company. No under 18,
heavy lifting, required. Benefits,
employee stock purchase plan,
tuition reimbursement. 401K
benefits. Apply in person to
36099 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI

500 Help Wanted General
LABORERS
Wanted for installing vinyl siding.
Large commercial projects. Experience
helpful but not necessary.
(248) 851-0950

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HAIR STYLISTS
For busy Fashion Sams
(Livonia-North locations)
Guaranteed \$7 per hour + tips
Call Sam (313) 429-2699

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HAIR DRESSER ASSISTANT
Experience necessary. Ask to speak
to Jackie. 248-851-5569

500 Help Wanted General
HAIR STYLIST
Full or part time. Friendly
Canton Salon hourly & commis on
(313) 981-6190

500 Help Wanted General
HAIR STYLIST & NAIL TECH
be your own boss. Retail tech - available.
Canton Salon \$100 per week.
Call: Mary Ann (313) 337-9835

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Hills, Garden City, Northville,
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Come join our team at:

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FANTASIE
SAMS!!
Call our manager at:
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HAIR STYLISTS
Licensed, established salon
Excellent earnings
Wendlandt Mat 313-427-1380

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HAIRSTYLIST/Manager
Position currently available in
very busy Barbers salon located in
the West Oaks Plaza, E. of
1/2 Mile in Novi. Guaranteed
\$13.00 a week plus commission
on services and retail. Full
health benefits, including
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health insurance, 401K, and
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Positions also in
Bellevue, Livonia, and Westland.
Call Krista for information at
1-800-668-8484

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HOTEL GEN./MANAGER,
ASSISTANT MANAGER,
MARKETING & SALES
REPRESENTATIVES
Fax Resume to 313-266-4108

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HOUSECLEANERS
FULL MEDICAL
DENTAL & LIFE
Insurance
Full and part-time. Mon-Fri days
company car. \$5.50-\$8.50 per hour
including paid time off.
No evenings or weekends
bonuses. Call to find out why
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MAID SERVICE
AMERICAN FREEDOM
CLEANERS
(248) 473-9330

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INDUSTRIAL SEWING
Immediate full time positions open for
industrial Sewing Machine Operator.
Pay \$12.50 per hour.
Seamless Sewing experience
required. Available message after
5pm. (313) 272-5811

500 Help Wanted General
INDUSTRIAL INSIDE
ORDER DESK
Cutting tool distributor (est.
1972) seeking order desk
operator. Must have 3+ years
experience. Knowledge of
industrial sewing machines.
Good communication skills.
Necessary Salary & full
benefits package. Please send
resume to:
Majestic Sales Co. Inc.
P.O. Box 48267
Detroit, MI 48240

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LABORER
FULL TIME Canton area. Experience
with construction preferred. Call
Kevin. (313) 495-3191

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HOUSEKEEPING
Accepting applications for
occasional employment as
Environmentalist. Must have
good driving record. Good pay &
benefits. Also, offering help.
Must have 12 months recent
experience with cleaning or floor
care to be considered.

500 Help Wanted General
HOUSEKEEPING, PART TIME,
flexible hours, \$6.75 an hour, up to 22
hours a week. Novi area.
(248) 344-0890

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INSPECTORS
Needed in Wayne working 6 days
a week, 10 hours a day. Working
with aerosol cans. (313) 722-9066

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INSTALLERS
CARPET, wood & vinyl installers
w/ good work ethic. Apply at Innovative
Floor Covering, 13250 Newburgh,
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Large insurance agency looking
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Competitive career opportunity.
Excellent salary &
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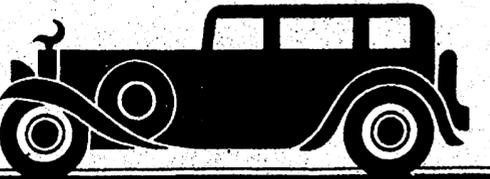
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