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THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY

School board: The Wayne-Westland board of education will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at school administration offices, on Marquette east of Newburgh.

TUESDAY

DeHart to speak: State Rep. Eileen DeHart of Westland will be the speaker at the Westland Democratic Club meeting beginning at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Rowe Meeting House, 37035 Marquette, one block east of Newburgh.

Sing with pride: Male singers are invited to attend a guest night for the Barber Shop Renaissance Chorus 7 p.m. Tuesday at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, east of Newburgh, Livonia. For more information, call Alex Willox at (734) 728-6865.

WEDNESDAY

Rec meeting: The Westland Parks and Recreation Department and a consulting firm, the Strader Group, will hear comments during a 7 p.m. meeting Wednesday on the second floor of Westland City Hall.

FRIDAY

Spring ball: The Westland Community Foundation hosts its spring ball beginning at 6:30 p.m. Friday at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road, Westland.

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Hit-and-run suspect released

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BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A Garden City man, accused of driving drunk and hitting two Livonia teenage girls as they walked across a Westland road, has been released from jail without posting his \$100,000 cash bond.

Meanwhile, family members of one victim, 16-year-old Catherine O'Keefe,

continue to hope for signs that she will begin to recover from major head injuries.

"She's still semi-comatose," Westland police Officer Cathy Gilliam said. "Her eyes are open, but she's not responding to anything."

O'Keefe has been moved to Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital from Detroit's Grace Hospital.

A second victim, 16-year-old Saman-

tha Kosmyna, was released from Garden City Hospital two days after the 8:20 p.m. March 7 accident, but she has since undergone surgery for a broken right arm, Gilliam said.

"Right now she can't use her arm, and she's having a difficult time emotionally," Gilliam said.

Charged in the hit-and-run accident on Joy Road east of Middlebelt is 26-year-old Sergio Antonio Escobar. He had been released from the county jail before he appeared Thursday in Westland 18th District Court for a preliminary hearing.

"He walked in the courtroom without having posted any of the \$100,000

bond," 18th District Judge Gail McKnight said.

She had set the bond after Escobar — charged in a third alcohol-related driving offense — stood mute March 9 during his arraignment on two charges of operating under the influence of liquor/causing a serious injury accident and two charges of leaving the scene.

On a tether

Escobar, who has been placed on an electronic tether, waived his hearing Thursday and was ordered to stand trial in Wayne County Circuit Court. All four charges against him carry pos-

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Area team puts cuffs on crime

BY LEANNE ROGERS
STAFF WRITER

A review of 1997 arrests by the Metro Street Enforcement Team finds suspects apprehended for assaults, drug possession, thefts and one grave robber.

Actually, the official charge on that last warrant was dead body disinterment and the suspect, a 26-year-old Westland man, was also charged with a second count of attempting the disinterment of a dead body.

MSET was asked to apprehend the Westland man by Detroit police who obtained a warrant stemming from the break-in at mausoleums in Woodmere Cemetery.

St. Clair Shores police had arrested the man in connection with a bad check case at a Roseville motel when some unexpected evidence turned up.

"Searching the motel room, they found a skull and decomposed body parts in a trash bag," said Officer Kevin Nowak of MSET. "They found a femur in a briefcase in a car trunk. There were sorcery-related items."

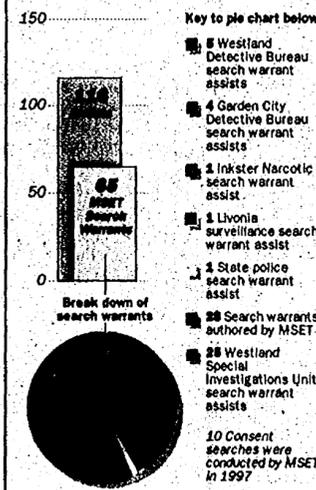
With jet black hair and an extremely white complexion, the suspect was described by Nowak as "one very strange guy."

Besides locating and arresting suspects for various law enforcement

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Metro Street Enforcement Team (MSET) Arrests and Warrants in 1997

The Westland, Garden City, Wayne and Inkster police departments each assign an officer to MSET.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Dad and daughter: Westland's 1998 Father of the Year, Terry Papay, was nominated by his daughter, Paula. Papay was chosen from among 226 nominees.

Father of year puts family first

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A well-dressed man tapped on Terry Papay's front door as he sat down for dinner with his wife, Gloria, and their 10-year-old daughter, Paula.

"He was so nicely dressed, we thought it was a Jehovah's Witness," Gloria Papay said.

Wrong. "Or I thought maybe it was someone campaigning for votes," Terry Papay said.

Wrong, again. Instead, Deputy Mayor George Gillies came to the family's Hazelwood residence to notify Terry Papay that he had been named Westland Father of the Year.

"It came as quite a surprise," the 37-year-old father said. "I was shocked. I didn't know what to say, I'm really a humble guy."

An 11-member selection committee chose Papay from 226 nominees based on an essay that Paula, his only child, submitted for Mayor Robert Thomas' 1998 Salute to Excellence Awards.

Papay will be honored along with the city's top mother,



SALUTE TO EXCELLENCE

teacher and high school senior during the mayor's State of the City address at 7 p.m. April 8 at the Hellenic Cultural Center on Joy Road.

Paula wanted to nominate her father after hearing about the contest from her Kettering Elementary teacher, Julie Gordon, who has a split fourth- and fifth-grade class.

"Paula brought the form home and asked me if I would mind if she nominated her father," Gloria Papay said. "I thought it was so sweet that she wanted to nominate her dad."

Daughter's view

Paula, sandwiched between her parents during an interview in the family living room, didn't hesitate when asked why she nominated her father.

"He's honest, caring and he loves me and my mom," she said, smiling shyly and tugging at her father's arm.

Terry Papay, who makes prototype automobiles at Milford Fabricating Co. in Detroit, said he read his daughter's essay after learning of his selection as Westland's

Please see FATHER, A2

Students make real winner out of 'Illusion'

BY BETH SUNDRLA JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

The "Illusion" was more than just an illusion — the student-designed vehicle won a \$2,000 grant for Wayne Memorial High School.

"We were elated," instructor David Bogataj said after Wayne Memorial won a second place Tuesday in the Chrysler "Build Your Dream Vehicle" competition with a dream vehicle called the "Illusion."

"The kids did an excellent job — it was just a super, super performance," Bogataj said.

Wayne Memorial was one of two teams from the Wayne-Westland schools named among eight finalists in the competition. The William D. Ford Career Technical Center also made the finals with its electric truck project, which was also honored recently with a Detroit Edison mini-grant. (Related story, A4.)

Students from Wayne Memorial and the Ford Career Technical Center made oral presentations to Chrysler Corp. personnel on their projects at the Center for Creative Studies in Detroit. Each student also received a camera as a gift for competing.

The competition brought together students from across the region. Dexter High School placed first and Eisenhower High School in Shelby Township placed third in the competition.

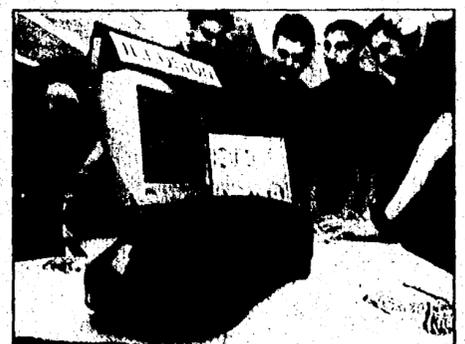
Eight Wayne Memorial students — two juniors and six seniors — put in many hours on the second-place winning "Illusion," according to Bogataj, drafting-CAD instructor at Wayne Memorial. The team includes: Ian G. Gasper, Duncan deBruin, John Haro, Pete Mueller, Alan Kulifay, Johnathan Lawson, Julie Przeklasa and Jason Novak.

The Wayne Memorial project involved market surveys, materials research, cost analysis, product design and advertising. Students did an analysis of the market surveys, extensively researched the cost of materials and designed everything about the product from the seats to the exterior, Bogataj said.

They came up with a car for the year 2010 — "concept car type of stuff," Bogataj said.

Meanwhile, the Ford Career Technical Center students put electricity into their dream vehicle concept.

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STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Car concept: Eight Wayne Memorial students put in many hours on the second-place winning "Illusion."

Father from page A1

No. 1 father.
"I almost cried like a baby," he said.
Paula's essay described a giving father who always places his family first.

"All of his extra pocket money goes toward things we need, not things like computer games," she wrote. "He makes me very proud. I love him very much. My dad takes just about every job opportunity he can get. The money always supports our family."

"My father is an excellent math teacher. He helps me with my homework when I don't understand it," Paula wrote. "He spends most of his time with my mom and me."

Terry Papay, a Cleveland native and one of seven children born to Mary and Bernard Papay, now of Canton Township, shared his fatherly philosophy.

"I used to say that my family was my first priority," he said. "But I would have to say that they are my only priority."

Outside of work, Papay finds time to teach an apprentices' math class at Henry Ford Community College, but most of his time he spends with his family.

"Even his volunteer work as a softball coach for the Westland Dad's Athletic Club includes time with his daughter, who plays the sport."

"All I really do is keep score

and watch the batting order," Terry Papay said.

He often accompanies Paula to a movie matinee.

"I can tell you what her favorite movie is," he said. "It's 'Titanic.'"

"They like to go to movies together," Gloria Papay said. "That's their thing."

Family fun

Paula said she looks forward to summer trips to Cedar Point, and the entire family also likes to dine together at restaurants like The Outback.

When asked to cite the most important thing her father has done for her, Paula responded, "He loves me."

Terry Papay is equally proud of his daughter and her accomplishments at Kettering Elementary.

"She leads the school," he said. "She goes to a wonderful school."

The Papays are happiest when they are spending time together at home. They don't need a lot of frills.

"We're homebodies," Gloria Papay said. "Our lives are right here. By other people's standards, we probably live a boring life. But to us, it's exciting."

Westland's Father of the Year agreed.

"We don't do that much," Terry Papay said. "But we're together."

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PLACES & FACES

Get on the ball

There's still time to plan to attend the Westland Community Foundation's spring ball, scheduled for March 27 at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road.



Russo

Tickets are \$75 per person and include cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7:30 p.m. and music and dancing at 9 p.m.

The money is being raised to help pay for a variety of foundation programs, such as scholarships, Salvation Army summer camps, children's library programs and business-community events.

Tony Russo's big band sounds will be featured at the spring ball. Dress is casually elegant, black tie optional.

During the reception and dinner portion of the event, George Colovus will perform musical selections using a flute, vibraphone, percussion and vocals.

For tickets or more information, call (734) 695-7727.

Raffles also will be held for trips or cash prizes. Raffle tickets are \$10.

Brown resigns

Former Wayne-Westland school board President Patricia

Brown has resigned from The Triangle Foundation board of directors, citing philosophical differences.

Brown lost a school board re-election bid last year, when some opponents attacked her for being a lesbian, and supporters including The Triangle Foundation came to her defense.

Brown said she still supports some - but not all - of the organization's approaches to gay issues, so she chose to resign.

Bridge orientation

An orientation for a new bridge club is scheduled for 1 p.m. Tuesday at the senior citizen Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh.

The club will meet 1 p.m. every Tuesday. The meeting is scheduled to see how many participants will be attending weekly and to explain how the bridge club will operate.

Games will begin March 31. For more information, call 722-7632.

Say aloha to dancing

Want to learn Hawaiian dances and get some exercise at the same time?

New classes are offered 10:30-11:30 a.m. every Wednesday at the senior citizen Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. Signup is offered at the front desk.

Suspect from page A1

sible five-year prison terms.
McKnight and 18th District Judge C. Charles Bokos said the county jail released Escobar partly because of overcrowding.

"It's a county numbers crunch is what it is," McKnight said. "It bothers me - absolutely," Bokos said. "I'm surprised they would do that."

Noting that Escobar fled the scene of the injury accident, Bokos said, "I'm hard-pressed to believe this man would qualify for release."

Escobar, a truck driver and father of a 5-year-old girl, was arrested after a couple trailed him from the accident scene to his fiancée's Westland residence and reported his whereabouts, police said.

But defense attorney Daniel Moss said Escobar deserved his release partly because a psychological evaluation indicated that "the drinking problem he has is treatable."

Moss also said the girls weren't properly crossing the road when they were hit by Escobar's 1994 Ford Taurus.

Not only did Escobar have a green light when he drove eastbound through the Joy-Middlebelt intersection, Moss said, but "the girls crossed the street outside of the crosswalk from behind a car that was making a left turn from Joy" onto southbound Middlebelt.

"They walked into the path of Mr. Escobar," Moss said. "The accident would have occurred whether he had been drinking or not."

Moss also noted that witnesses have told police that Escobar

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didn't appear to be speeding.

Leaving scene

However, Escobar will have to answer for leaving the scene as the two girls lay injured in the road. Moss has said in court that Escobar "did panic" when he drove off.

"The obligation to render aid is really a high obligation," McKnight said. "A matter of minutes can make the difference in what happens to somebody."

On Thursday, McKnight reduced Escobar's bond to \$25,000/10 percent - a formality considering the suspect already had been released from jail.

However, McKnight did seem confident that Escobar will be closely monitored on the county tether program.

"They usually do a good job of following up on the people they put on the tether," she said.

McKnight also placed on record the following orders for Escobar:

■ He will have to attend 90 Alcoholics Anonymous meetings within 90 days.

■ He cannot drive under any circumstances.

■ He cannot consume any alcohol.

■ He will have to report regularly to the county.

Escobar is scheduled to appear in two weeks for his arraignment in Wayne County Circuit Court.

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SPOTLIGHT

Orthodontics

by Josephine Finazzo, D.M.D.

BAD HABITS

For many parents, thumb-sucking is a visible sign that their children may someday need "braces." Yet, tongue-thrusting is a potentially more damaging habit that is more difficult to eliminate, and parents are rarely aware that it is occurring. This problematic behavior is thought to have its origins in bottle-feeding without the benefit of an orthodontic nipple. Bottle nipples of traditional design extend too deeply into the mouth and have holes that are pierced too generously. As a result, they encourage the bad habit of thrusting the tongue forward between the front teeth during the act of swallowing. As a result of the repeated pressure exerted upon them, the front teeth may fail to meet when the jaws are closed to create the malocclusion known as open bite.

If your child is a tongue thruster or a thumb sucker, it would be a good idea to have an early evaluation by an orthodontist to determine if damage has already occurred, and to what extent. The American Association of Orthodontists recommends that every child visit an orthodontist by age 7 - or earlier if an orthodontic problem is detected. To schedule a free initial consultation, call THE ORTHODONTIC GROUP, 19223 Merriman (422-8885)

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Expert: Expect to be bugged by year 2000

BY BETH SUNDRLA JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

You are ringing in the new millennium when midnight strikes.

You call for the elevator and it doesn't come, you go to your car and it doesn't start, you get a ride with a friend whose car does start and get to a traffic light that doesn't change.

It may sound far-fetched but the "year 2000 bug" could affect many aspects of life, according to Frank St. Onge, director of Audit Services and corporate compliance officer at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. St. Onge spoke at a chamber of commerce WakeUp Westland breakfast last week.

The bug will involve equipment with systems that haven't been upgraded to interpret dates beginning in the year 2000. Equipment such as computers and telecommunications equipment will be affected as well as other equipment with "embedded systems," such as elevators, credit card embossers, and even videocassette recorders.

And the problems won't wait until Jan. 1, 2000, to make themselves known, according to St. Onge, who is in charge of making systems year 2000 compliant at St. Joseph Mercy.

Businesses won't be the only place the problem will manifest itself. And businesses that become compliant may still have to work with others that aren't, he said.



Frank St. Onge

A major problem businesses are facing even now is vendors who not only haven't begun to address the problem but who say "We don't even know what you're talking about," St. Onge said.

Companies that don't upgrade and cause problems for others they deal with could face lawsuits, St. Onge said.

Companies that receive letters from other companies asking if they are compliant should not ignore them, St. Onge said.

they are compliant should not ignore them, St. Onge said.

"Document the living daylight out of what you do," St. Onge said. If litigation results from a problem caused by your company "the issue will be how diligent you were," he said.

The Big Three automakers are going to help their suppliers become compliant, St. Onge said.

But "Sears is going to say goodbye to those who aren't compliant," he said.

Another problem companies face is that the technical staff to work on year 2000 issues is becoming scarce because of demand, St. Onge said.

But St. Onge warned against making changes without instructions from equipment manufacturers as changes in items such as computers could result in loss of information already stored.

Those who get instruction on upgrading will need to perform tests on their equipment by closing down current operations, rolling up to the year 2000 and performing operations to see if they will work. It's also wise to test for other important dates such as in 2001 and others, St. Onge said. About 50-60 percent of the work of getting ready for 2000 is testing, he said.

St. Onge suggested assigning someone to be a project manager to oversee changes.

A problem many companies that are trying to upgrade are facing is the companies that aren't comfortable admitting that they aren't 2000-compliant, St. Onge said.

The goal in all this is to function without interruption when the millennium changes, he said.

But despite some possible bugs in some systems, St. Onge predicted that "any mission critical systems will be OK on Jan. 1."

But the changes won't be cheap. St. Onge said

he has heard estimates that the change-over will cost about \$600 billion worldwide.

Also, "be careful when buying new equipment - that it will be ready for the year 2000," he said.

St. Onge gave the example of a fruit market in the metro Detroit area that recently processed a transaction using a credit card with a 2000 expiration date that shut down its new credit card system.

If you're in the market for new electronic equipment ask the salesperson if it's compliant. If the salesperson doesn't know the answer, wait to buy the item, St. Onge said.

For items already purchased that could have a time mechanism, such as fax machines and video cameras, St. Onge suggests writing to the manufacturer for information.

Some members of the audience were intrigued by St. Onge's program.

"It was very interesting," Frankie Middleton, president of Better Build Fence Co. in Canton, said. She said she plans to find out if changes are needed in her credit card machine, fax machine and computer.

"It's something I never really thought of," she said.

However, the Wayne-Westland school district is already working on the problem, according to Superintendent Greg Baracy. "It's something we've really been concerned with," he said.

Crime unit focuses on nabbing fugitives

BY LEANNE ROGERS
STAFF WRITER

When the Metro Street Enforcement Team formed in 1992, the unit focused on conducting surveillance to identify suspects and build cases against them.

Five years later, the unit is focusing more on fugitive apprehensions but that could always change.

"MSET's function is determined by the state of events. When it was formed there was more need for criminal surveillance," said Westland Police Deputy Chief Daniel Pfannes. "It has evolved with the demand. Fugitive retrieval has become a priority."

MSET hasn't stopped doing surveillance or working narcotics and other investigations, Pfannes said but their efforts have a different priority.

"Fugitive retrieval has been the priority. It could be something else in a couple of months," he said. "Or for example, if narcotics became a big issue they might spin off into that."

The Westland, Garden City, Wayne and Inkster police departments each assign an officer to MSET. Westland provides the sergeant who runs the unit under the supervision of a lieutenant, who also supervises Westland's Special Investiga-

tions Unit. Garden City Police provides the unit's base of operations in their station.

"MSET is truly a unique agency in the state of Michigan. I know of no other collaborative task force that is so successful and has not been funded by state or federal grant monies," said Garden City Police Deputy Chief Michael Bertha.

But much like the Michigan State Police-operated regional concept units, MSET provides local departments with enhanced manpower for a limited commitment of resources.

"Let's say a department wants someone targeted for surveillance or arrest, the department has one officer but gets the other MSET officers plus the command officers," said Pfannes. "Depending on the seriousness of the case Westland SIU can also aid MSET."

Pfannes credits the efforts and commitment of the MSET officers with making the unit successful.

"They have been on a roll. They are talented guys. I'm deputy chief now but one of my most enjoyable jobs was heading MSET and SIU as a lieutenant," said Pfannes. "You really felt like you were making a difference. You were following people who were bad news to the community."

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agencies, MSET officers also work their own investigations. An especially large case last year shut down a major operation buying and reselling stolen auto air bags.

With information provided by Westland police, MSET began investigating a suspect in thefts from vehicles.

"We followed the suspect's girlfriend for a couple of days, going here and there," said Nowak. "The boyfriend showed up and we followed them to CJ Metro. When we realized the value, due to our limited resources, we turned the case over to the Western Wayne Auto Theft unit."

The value of the case turned out to be in the millions of dollars as officers recovered more than 1,100 air bags. Records showed the business had purchased about 3,000 air bags in 1996, Nowak said.

"It was a major operation. While we were arresting the owner, more suspects were pulling in to sell air bags," he said.

Among other cases that led to a total of 116 arrests by MSET in 1997 were:

■ MSET spent a great deal of time in the spring of 1997 on surveillance of three suspects in larcenies from vehicles. The suspects then moved into golf course burglaries.

MSET then teamed up with surveillance units from Livonia police and the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department, along with Ann Arbor Police's Special Investigations Unit. The suspects were eventually caught and prosecuted in Washtenaw County. Several Westland cases were also cleared by the arrests.

■ After a shooting at a school in Westland, MSET conducted surveillance on the suspect's home in Inkster and arrests were made without incident. The unit assisted Westland detectives in executing a search warrant on the home.

■ In August, MSET set up surveillance in Norwayne to locate a suspect who was subsequently charged with breaking into a Garden City home and sexually assaulting a teenage girl.

■ During the fall of 1997, a number of break-ins were reported at homes in the Merriman and Avondale area of Westland. During one incident, a neighbor was able to provide a description of a vehicle and partial license plate number.

While patrol officers were arriving, MSET officers located the vehicle - which turned out to be stolen from Dearborn - in Inkster and began surveillance.

Three people were seen loading property into a second vehicle and were followed to an apartment in Westland. Stolen property, including a handgun and a mink coat with the owner's name sewn into the lining, were recovered. Search warrants executed on the home in Inkster and a home in Ypsilanti resulted in more stolen property being recovered.

■ As a result of narcotics investigations during 1997, MSET seized approximately 20 pounds of marijuana and \$30,000 in cash. Working jointly on a case with Westland's Special Investigations Unit, MSET assisted in the seizure of three kilos of cocaine from an Inkster man.

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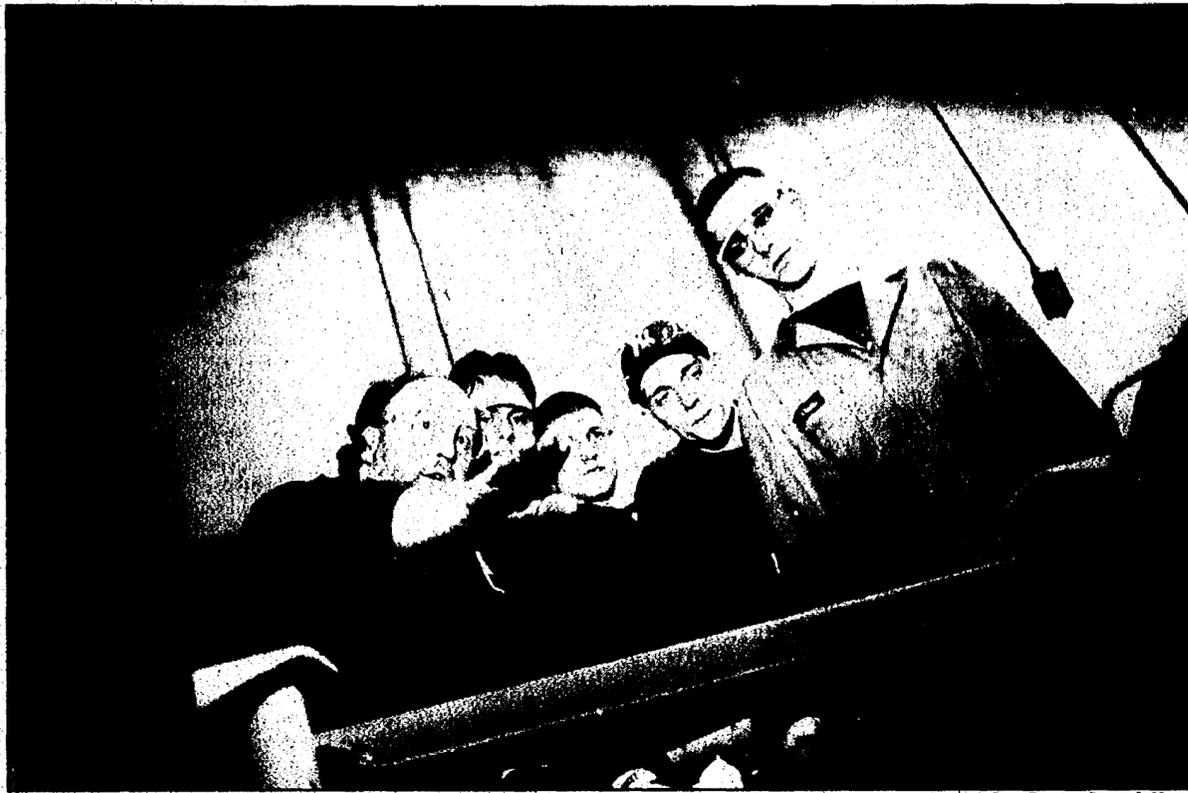
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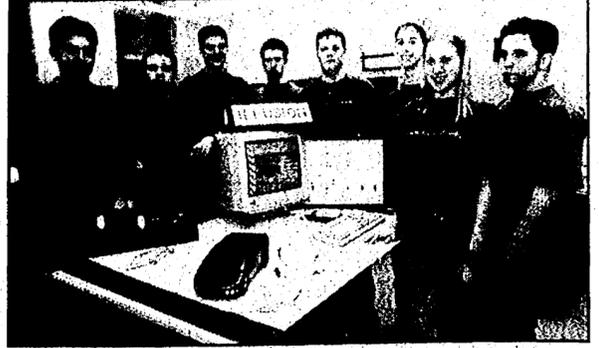
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Teamwork: Above, teacher Jim Schirmer (left) discusses the battery that will be installed in the chassis with: Jason Kovaleski, Jeremy Cupp, Derrick Holloway, Nick Kellow. The project won an Edison grant and was a finalist in a Chrysler competition. In photo above right is the Wayne Memorial design team: Ian Gasper, Duncan deBruin, John Haro, Pete Mueller, Alan Kulifay, Jonathan Lawson, Julie Przeklasa, Jason Novak.



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by designing an electric truck. "Right now, electric is hot," Ford Center instructor Jim Schirmer said, adding there is a lot of enthusiasm about the project.

Schirmer, an instructor of automotive technology, wanted the project to involve many students and this one includes not only students from John Glenn and Wayne Memorial high schools, but students from Downriver school districts who attend the Ford Career Center as well.

The students "really seem to take off on a project like this when they have hands-on learning," Schirmer said.

Building a truck gives students a chance to tackle several different tasks, from the CAD

students drawing up designs for the truck, the electronics students working on the electrical system and other students working to put it together, Schirmer said.

Bogataj's students also learned to work together as a team and work on other aspects of the vehicle rather than all of them concentrating on the exterior, Bogataj said.

"There was a lot of teamwork," he said. "It takes a group of kids who want to be committed."

Making it to the finals was an honor in itself for the schools. "I think the kids are winners no matter what," Bogataj said.

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School projects spark Edison mini-grants

BY BETH SUNDRILA JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

Some students are lighting up the cathedrals of Russia, some are learning about simple machines and others are building an electric-powered truck.

Those are three projects with a Westland connection recently awarded Detroit Edison Foundation mini-grants.

Karen Kerrigan of Westland and Catherine Cline of Dearborn Heights teamed up to win a grant for a project called "Lighting Up the Russian Cathedrals" at Visger Elementary in the River Rouge school district.

It is a combined project between special education, social studies and science, according to Kerrigan.

It combines a lesson about

energy with a multicultural lesson on Russia, she said.

"I thought it would be interesting to have kids make Russian cathedrals, like making doll houses," said Kerrigan, who has taught school for 12 years.

The pupils, second-, fourth- and fifth-graders, are building wooden cathedrals and as part of the science class they are learning about parallel circuits to light up the cathedrals. The 12 cathedrals are about 18 inches high, and parents helped to create the parts the students are using to assemble the cathedrals. The students will also learn about switches, but haven't gotten to that yet, Kerrigan said.

The kids are learning a lot about small assembly, cooperating with each other, learning about energy and how the lights

work as well as cultural things about Russia, Kerrigan said. The students also compare concepts by comparing the differences between Russia and the United States, she said.

All of the students are special education students. "That's what makes it kind of neat," she said, as the students have gotten a lot of compliments so far from others at the school.

Simple machines

At St. Valentine School in Redford Township, Dena Jayson of Garden City and Jeanine Kenny of Westland, kindergarten teachers, won a grant for a "Duplo Machine Building Project."

The project brings the ideas of simple machines into the classrooms, Jayson said.

The teachers started by teach-



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Building lesson: At right, three St. Valentine kindergartners work together building a Lego project: (from left) Dillon Ruczko, Bradley Martin and Avery Shelton. At left, working independently is Katie Lunemann.

ing the children what a gear is and will go on to teach about pulleys and other simple machines, she said.

The children, ages 5 and 6, also get to play with the Legos, while they are learning, she

said.

The project also involves modeling the Legos into simple machines, according to Jayson.

It takes something from life and makes it real for them, Jayson said. It is also a chance for the students to learn how simple machines can help them in life.

The project will give the students the knowledge of how to make things and hopefully spark an interest in engineering or science in the young boys and girls, Jayson said.

Dream vehicle

Eleventh- and 12th-grade students have also been working on a mini-grant-funded project.

Ford Career Technical Center students from the welding, computer-aided manufacturing, elec-

tronics, collision repair, and automotive technology classes are working together designing and building an electric truck, according to instructor Jim Schirmer.

The project is designed to complement the Chrysler "Build Your Dream Vehicle" project, he said. The project was one of eight finalists in the Chrysler program, he said. (See story, A1.)

The Detroit Edison Foundation has awarded grants, of about \$250 each, in Wayne, Huron, Lapeer, Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair, Sanilac, Tuscola and Washtenaw counties. Awards will be presented to 19 teachers on May 5 in the Annex Building of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency, 5454 Venoy Road in Wayne.

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On the stump

County exec tells area residents about good things, challenges facing county

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

County Executive Edward McNamara is on the stump. Just days after announcing his intentions to run for reelection, McNamara returned to his hometown Thursday, appearing at a luncheon with the Livonia Exchange Club to inform 40 club members and guests about the good things going on in Wayne County. But the task of the county executive wasn't always easy. "When we took over the job 12 years ago, we had a \$135 million debt, that soon became over \$200 million," McNamara said. "One of the reasons was the county was responsible for indigent health care." Hospitals would bill the state for the health care of

poor people, who in turn billed Wayne County. The county discovered 43,000 indigents resided in Wayne County, McNamara said. Four providers were given 10,000 clients each, then \$71 a month to keep people healthy. "The providers realized it was a good thing to search these people out, find them and take care of them," McNamara said.

Variety of issues
McNamara touched on other issues: GM's purchase of the Renaissance Center was "one of the greatest investments" in Wayne County, McNamara said.

■ About \$1 million a day enters Windsor casinos. "If we manage to get casinos together, it will be a positive. There will be negatives but a lot more positives." ■ The Detroit Lions football team wanted to move from the Pontiac Silverdome back to Detroit. "(Lions owner) Bill Ford wanted to make this happen. We went to the car rental people and hotels, and they agreed the ballparks will do them good." McNamara predicts a Super Bowl will one day be held there. ■ Detroit Wayne County Metro Airport is "probably one of the greatest economic generators for this part of the world"

with flights to China, Japan, Great Britain, Paris and Holland. The Chinese government allowed only one flight path from the United States to Beijing. "Metro is the only airport that flies to Beijing," McNamara said. "So now we have a lot of companies who want to relocate here. So overseas travel is doing tremendous things for our area." Some Exchange Club members had questions. One asked whether there was enough land to make Metro a top airport in the country. Wayne County acquired land to create a fourth runway. Within the next three weeks Wayne County will issue \$1 billion in bonds, the largest



Communities urged to answer high court Rouge authority plan

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

A member of the Conference of Western Wayne reminded community leaders recently that a federal judge still can rule that a management authority should oversee the Rouge River project. Kurt Heise, administrative assistant to Dearborn Heights Mayor Ruth Canfield, told CWW members March 13 that communities should express their opinions on the authority issue

to U.S. District Judge John Feikens. "We are still being pressured, I believe, by the federal court to come to a decision whether communities favor an authority," Heise said. The CWW is a legislative consortium of 18 western Wayne County communities including the cities of Garden City, Livonia, Plymouth, Wayne and Westland, and the townships of

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Official: Westland mall hasn't been sold

Westland Center - the city's retail hub at Wayne and Warren roads - has not been sold to a new owner, a mall official said Friday.

Despite rumors of a sale, Westland Center general manager Ed McHale said the mall is still owned by New York City-based Equitable Life Insurance Co.

Equitable is the same company that has owned Westland Center since 1972, McHale said.

A press release printed in publications other than the Observer indicated that the mall may have been sold.

"We've had quite a few calls," McHale said.

The press release from Malan Realty Investors Inc. of Birmingham mentioned the acquisition of Westland Shopping Center, but it actually was referring to a smaller, nearby shopping outlet anchored by Dick's Sporting Goods and Med Max, a home health care superstore.

Press reports in some business publications led to confusion and speculation that Westland Center had been sold, McHale said.

"The mall has not been sold," he said.

Malan's acquisition of the smaller shopping outlet was completed for \$2 million and involves a 10-year, \$5.9 million mortgage.

OBITUARIES

MARVIN D. ROBBINS
Funeral arrangements for Marvin Robbins, 66, of Westland were made by Uht Funeral Home. Cremation rites were accorded.

Mr. Robbins died March 9 in Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He was a draftsman.

Surviving are: wife, Judith; son, Donny; daughters, Debby and Deena; parents, Norm and Blanche Schulz; brother, Ronald; and four grandchildren.

LESTER H. MAIDEN
Private services for Lester Maiden, 78, of Westland were March 18 at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West Cemetery.

Mr. Maiden died March 14. During his retirement, he worked at the Westland Golf Course.

Surviving are: wife, Thelma; sons, Leonard, Lester and Donald; daughters, Judy, Linda and Phyllis; 14 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

RICHARD A. HELBIG
Funeral services for Richard Helbig, 61, of Westland were March 19 in Vermeulen Funeral Home, Westland. Officiating was the Rev. Neil D. Cowling of The Kirk of Our Savior Church.

Mr. Helbig, who died March 17 in Westland, was born in Lincoln Park. He was a transportation truck driver.

Surviving are: wife, Helen; daughters, Michelle Helbig of Rockford, Dori Helbig of Westland and Evelyn Connelly of Auburn, Mich.; and three grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to American Diabetes Association, 30600 Telegraph Road, Suite 2255, Bingham Farms, Mich. 48025-4532.

JOHN M. RYAN
Funeral services for John Ryan, 77, of Westland were March 21

in St. Theodore Church with burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Arrangements were made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

Mr. Ryan, who died March 18 in Livonia, was born in Detroit. He was a police officer for the city of Detroit.

Surviving are: wife, Dorothy; daughter, Barbara LaFerle; 3 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Ryan is preceded in death by: son, Dick; and granddaughter, Lisa.

BRADLEY J. SKAGGS
Private services for Bradley Skaggs, 34, of Westland were March 7 in Plymouth Church of the Nazarene with burial at Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth. Officiating was the Rev. Arthur Magnuson. Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Mr. Skaggs, who died March 2 in Westland, was born in Ypsilanti. He was a former resident of Plymouth. He was a supervisor. Bradley was a born-again Christian and a member of the Plymouth Church of The Nazarene. He served his church as a member of the church board, a Sunday School teacher and usher. He was a 1981 graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School and 1987 graduate of Olivet Nazarene University in Kankakee, Ill.

Surviving are: wife, Kristine; sons, Christian and Andrew; daughter, Sarah; parents, James and Lila Skaggs of Plymouth; sister, Susan Ragains of Georgetown, Ind.; grandmother, Lucille Skaggs of Licking, Mo.; grandmother, Geraldine Good of Plymouth; and in-laws, Craig and Sharon Umbaugh of Canton.

Memorials may be made to the Bradley Fund c/o Plymouth Church of The Nazarene, 45801 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth:

**CITY OF GARDEN CITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 3, 1998**

Present were Mayor Barker, Councilmembers Dodge, Lynch, Wiacek, Kaledas, Briscoe, and Waynick. Absent none.

Also present were City Manager Bayless, Assistant to the City Manager Miller, and DDA Director Johnson.

Also in attendance were DDA Board of Trustees members Barsamain, Sheridan, Santeiu, Mazzoni, Jr., Schatz and Timmerman. Planning Commission Chairperson Kane, Commissioners Kerwin, Welland, Batchik, Sleep, and Steenburg. Not in attendance were DDA Board of Trustees members Liogghio and Martin. Planning Commission Commissioners Graziotti, Phillips, and Crawford. Zoning Board of Appeals Chairperson Mueller, Commissioners Parshall, Templeton, Schatz, Grudzicki, Byrd, Hartmann, and Ronchetto. Also not in attendance were representatives from McKenna Associates.

Staff presentations were made and there was discussion of same by those in attendance.

The meeting was then adjourned.

STEVEN J. SMITH
Interim City Clerk-Treasurer.

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**CITY OF GARDEN CITY
MICHIGAN
NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that sealed proposals will be received at the Office of the City Clerk, in the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan 48135 (Telephone: 734-525-8814) on or before APRIL 2, 1998, at 2:00 p.m. for the following item(s):

**BARRICADES
LAWN MAINTENANCE AND WEED ERADICATION
FOR CITY FACILITIES**

Proposals must be submitted on forms furnished by the City Clerk, in a sealed envelope endorsed with the name(s) of item(s) bid.

**CITY OF GARDEN CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 9, 1998**

Present were Mayor Barker, Councilmembers Dodge, Lynch, Wiacek, Kaledas, Briscoe, and Waynick.

Also present were Acting City Manager Kocsis, Interim City Clerk-Treasurer Smith, City Attorney Cummings, Department of Public Service Director Barnes, Buildings & Grounds Supervisor Buccilli, Police Lieutenant Hale, and Downtown Director Helinski.

Moved by Briscoe, supported by Dodge: 03-98-116 RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the Council Meeting of March 2, 1998, as submitted. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Waynick; supported by Wiacek; 03-98-117 RESOLVED: To approve the Accounts Payable, as listed. AYES: Unanimous

The Council as a Whole discussed the following items:

- A. Special Use Permit - 33401 Park Lane.
- B. Knights of Columbus - Tootsie Roll Drive.
- C. Police Computer Upgrade.
- D. SEMCOG - Annual Membership Invoice.
- E. Resolution and Special Assessment for Facade Improvements at 29627 Ford Road.
- F. Discussion on Canine Vehicle.
- G. Resolution of Support for House Bill #219.
- H. Library Carpet-Tile Removal.

Moved by Kaledas; supported by Briscoe: 03-98-118 RESOLVED: To approve the Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Lynch; supported by Dodge: 03-98-119 RESOLVED: To award the bid for the Police Department computer upgrades to PC Complete, the lowest responsible bidder, in lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$1,750.00. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Wiacek; supported by Kaledas: 03-98-120 RESOLVED: To approve the Annual Membership Invoice for SEMCOG in the amount of \$4,002.00, for the period of March 15, 1998 to March 15, 1999. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Dodge; supported by Wiacek: 03-98-121 RESOLVED: To accept the Resolution and Special Assessment Contract Facade Improvements located at 29627 Ford Road. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Dodge; supported by Lynch: 03-98-122 RESOLVED: To approve the Resolution of Support for House Bill #219 and to direct the City Clerk to forward same to Governor John Engler. AYES: Unanimous

Moved by Briscoe; supported by Lynch: 03-98-123 RESOLVED: To approve the Garden City Public Library additional abatement costs in the amount of \$4,518.00, as recommended by the City Administration. AYES: Councilmembers Dodge, Lynch, Kaledas, Briscoe, and Waynick. NAYS: Mayor Barker and Councilmember Wiacek. Motion passed.

The meeting was then adjourned.

STEVEN J. SMITH
Interim City Clerk-Treasurer

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**CITY OF GARDEN CITY
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
PUBLIC HEARING
MARCH 25, 1998**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals at the Council Chambers of the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on Wednesday, March 25, 1998, at 7:30 p.m.; for the purpose of hearing and considering all comments of all persons interested in or concerned with the following:

Applicant: Diab Hachem
Project Location: 415, 425, 455, and 465 Inkster Road, Garden City, Michigan 48135
Lots 16-29, both inclusive, except the E 17.0 feet, including the adjoining one half of the vacated public alley at the rear thereof, Garden Park Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 48, Page 24, of Plate Wayne County Records.

Applicant: Dwayne Knoll
Project Location: 30831 Pardo, Garden City, Michigan 48135
The West 19.01 feet of Lot 406, Folker's Garden City Acres No. 2 Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 48, Page 3 of Plate, Wayne County Records; and the East 45.78 feet of Lot 507 Folker's Garden City Acres NO. 3 Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 48, Page 4 of Plate, Wayne County Records.

Request: The applicant is requesting a variance to Section 161.023 of the Zoning Ordinance for a two (2) foot setback for a detached accessory building.

Applicant: Elaine Barnett
Project Location: 31562 Chester, Garden City, Michigan 48135
The West 1/4 of Lot 3489, Folker's Garden City Acres No. 21 as recorded in Liber 57 of Plate, Page 39 of Wayne County Records.

Request: The applicant is requesting a variance to Section 161.038 of the Zoning Ordinance. The Ordinance allows a 4 foot fence and the applicant is requesting a six foot fence.

STEVEN J. SMITH
Interim City Clerk-Treasurer

Posted: March 18, 1998
Publish: March 22, 1998

**CITY OF GARDEN CITY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
April 13, 1998**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Mayor and Council will hold a Public Hearing on April 13, 1998, at 7:20 p.m., in the Council Chambers, at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on the following proposed ordinance:

**PROPOSED SALARY ORDINANCE #A98-006
COMMAND OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN**

Section 1:	Effective	Effective	Effective
	October 1, 1998	October 1, 1997	October 1, 1998
Sergeant	\$45,236	\$47,045	\$48,927
Lieutenant	\$50,329	\$52,342	\$54,436
Deputy Chief	\$52,695	\$57,735	\$60,044

Section 2:

In addition to the above salaries established herein, fringe benefits pursuant to the Arbitration Award pursuant to Act 312, P.A. 1969, and made a part of the contract are affirmed and established as if set out in full.

This amendatory ordinance is declared to be effective upon publication as required by law.

JAMES L. BARKER, Mayor
ALLYSON M. BETTIS, City Clerk

Posted: March 17, 1998
Published: March 22, 1998

**PUBLIC LIBRARY OF WESTLAND
REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS**

The William P. Faust Public Library of Westland is planning to upgrade telecommunication services to the Library and several remote sites within the City of Westland. The request includes installation, service and maintenance of leased lines; purchase of data communication hardware and equipment including some computer equipment; installation cabling; and associated services.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY
RFP documents will be available for examination or pick-up after 10:00 a.m. on Friday, March 20th, 1998 at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland, MI 48185.

DUE DATE
Proposals will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. Monday, April 6th, 1998 at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland, MI 48185.

GENERAL INFORMATION
Requested installation, hardware, equipment, service agreements, and maintenance is divided into several proposal categories. Respondents are encouraged to submit proposals that respond to all categories, however, proposals addressing single or less than all categories will be accepted.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Contact James Wilson at the Library.
PHONE (734)326-6123 or FAX (734)595-4180

SANDRA WILSON
Library Director

Publish: March 22, 1998

John Glenn High School honor roll listed

John Glenn High School has announced its honor roll for the third marking period. The list includes:

MEGHAN ABBOTT, KRISTIN ABRAHAM, REYLAN ACUNA, KANIA ADAMS, NICHOLAS ADKINS, OUSMAN APZAL, ARIANNA AKERS, JEFFERY ALBRECHT, ERIK ALDER, JASON ALDER, KEVIN ALEXANDER, PATRICK ALEXANDER, MELISSA ALLEN, SHARONDA ALLEN, NICHOLAS AMAD, ROLA AMAD, MITTAL AMIN, BRIAN AMMONS, DAYNA AMOLSCH, JULIE ANDERSON, JEFFREY ANDREWS, ALAINA ARAKELIAN, AMANDA ARAKELIAN, JENNIFER AVERY, IAN BAIN, SARAH BAIN, LISA BAKER, SUZANNE BALAN, MARIA BALDYSZ, MARTA BALDYSZ, BRYAN BALILO, SUSAN BANDI, JAMIE BARKER, TIFFANY BARROWS, STEVEN BARSY

AMANDA BAUER, LINDSAY BEARD, KELLY BECKER, JEREMY BECKLEHAMER, DAVID BEDWELL, BRANDON BELANGER, AMANDA BELL, COLLEEN BELL, MELISSA BELL, THOMAS BELL, KRISTINA BELLEMORE, AMBER BENNETT, KELLY BENNETT, JUSTIN BERENT, CRYSTAL BERRY, KRISTY BIDDINGER, MATTHEW BIDDINGER, AMY BIDWELL, KERRY BISSELL, JENNIFER BLACK, LISA BLACK, NICOLE BLAN, CHRISTINA BLOOM, LAUREN BOESE, KELLY BOLTON, OTTILIA BONATI, DANIELLE BONNER, KERRY BOOTERBAUGH, NICOLAS BORK, DEREK BOROWIAK

IZABEL BOTA, AARON BOU, LEAH BOULTON, MATTHEW BOULTON, MEGAN BRADY, SAMANTHA BRAY, LISA BRENNAN, DONALD BREWER, JETTA BREWER, TIFFANY BRIDGES, MATTHEW BRINDLE, JASON BROADRICK, KRISTY BROADRICK, AMY BROWN, BECKY BROWN, BENJAMIN BROWN, DORIAN BROWN, NICOLE BROWN, TINEYA BROWN, MELANIE BUCKO, JOHN BUEHNER, MATTHEW BULLOCK, AARON BUSH, CARISSA BUSHROW, MELISSA BYRD, LESLIE CALDERA, HEATHER CAMPBELL, ANTHONY CANFIELD, LINDSAY CARLINGTON, ERICA CARPENTER, NICOLE CARUSO, CARRIE-ANNE CASE, RUSSELL CASSARA, LACEY CATARINO, MELISSA CAVENDER, NICOLE CAVENDER

BRANDON CHANDLER, LATASHA CHANDLER, RICHARD CHASE, LISA CHEBATORIS, ANDREW CHESTER, AARON CHILES, WING CHOI, ALAN CLARK, BRADFORD CLARK, CHRISTINA CLARK, LINDSAY CLARK, SCOTT CLARK, SEAN CLARK, ANGEL CLEMENTS, BRENT CLOSSER, DANIEL CLOSSER, THADDEUS COATS, CANDICE COBELLO, COREY COLLINS, MICHAEL COLLINS, LINDA CONN, WAYNE CONWAY, JASON COOK, JONATHAN COOK, ANDREW COPLAND, RENAE COSGROVE, KRISTEN COSTANTINO, JEAN COULTER, AMANDA COUTURE, LAURA COX, ZACHARY CRAWFORD, SAMANTHA CREWS, MARTHA CROFTS, MARY CROFTS, COREY DAHN, MONIKA DANOWSKI, KIRAN DASHAIRYA, RAJIV DASHAIRYA, RAJNI DASHAIRYA, DARCY DAUPHIN, IVETTE

CARM DAVID, MIGUEL ANTO DAVID, JOSHUA DAY, PEGGY DAY, SAMANTHA DEAN, TIMARIE DEBRUHL, ANGELA DECKER, BARBARA DECKER, JOSHUA DECKER, JOSHUA DEE, HOLLY DEEDLER, BRIAN DEGIORGIO, SHANNON DENNIS, DAN DENOMME, SHEREE DEROSIA, KEVIN DERWICH, JENNIFER DETHLOFF, MICHAEL DEVERICH, JASON DEVORE, DAWN DISHONG, JAMES DOHERTY, DARNELL DORRIS, LAQUANDA DRAINE, JEFFREY DROTAR, JERRY DUNCAN, PATRICK DURHAM, KEVIN DURIGON, SARAH DZIERBA, ROBERT DZIUBAN, CRYSTAL ECHOLS, CHRISTOPHER EDWARDS, SCOTT EICHOLTZ

ATHENE ELINGTON, DOUGLAS ELSEY, ALLISON EMMERT, LAURA ENGBRETSON, CARA ENGMARK, MICHAEL ENRIGHT, ROBERT EVANS, MARC FABREY, SAM FARHAT, THURMAN FARLEY, KRISTINA FARR, LLOYD FARR, CRAIG FAY, VALERIE FAY, DANIEL FEDULCHAK, STEPHANIE FEDULCHAK, ERICA FELLOWS, JUSTIN FENDELET, LAURA FENNER, JAQUELINNE FERNANDEZ, KATHRYN FERRY, KRISTEN FIDH, BETH FINCH, GARY FINKLE, KRISTEN FISCHER, AARON FISER, MARY BETH FIXLER, MICHELLE FLETCHER, NICOLE FLORY, KATIE FORAN, CARRIE FORMENTIN, LANCE FORMOLO, ELIZABETH FORSYTH, DARREN FOWLKES, L'OREAL FOWLKES, COLLEEN FRADETTE, KELLY FRADETTE

RYAN FRANKS, THOMAS FRENO, JENNIFER FRITZ, BRANDON FROST, SHANON FROST, JOSHUA FUHRMAN, JADE FUKUDA, BRANDON FULTON, ANGELA GAMBOA, CORRINE GARRETT, PHILLIP GARTON, CHRISTOPHER GAZDAG, AMANDA GEIERSBACH, MICHELLE GENO, RICHARD GENO, LATASHA GERIN, NATHAN GIACCINA, HOLLY GILBO, NICOLE GILL, KATHERINE GILLIES, MARY GILLISPIE, DEREK GISMONDI, SABRIJA GOCAJ, ERIN GOEN, KRISTY GOEN, DARHEL GOLDSTON, KEVIN GORDISH, RICKY GORDON, MELISSA GRACIN, CHARLES GRANT, JAIME GRASSI, SYREETA GREEN, DONNA GRIFFITHS, ANDREW GRIGOWSKI, CANDICE GRISHAM, TONYA GRISHAM, ERNEST GUERRA, STACEY GUIDOT, BRANDON GUNN, RICHARD GUREGIAN

ANGELA HAAS, JOHN HAERING, AMY HAFELI, KATHERINE HAFELI, ROBERT HAGELTHORN, CHANAE HALL, JENI HALL, MALISA HAMILTON, CARMEN HARELL, BENJAMIN HARRIS, JUSTIN HARRIS, BETHANY HAVER, ALISSA HEBRON, SHELLY HEIN, JENNIFER HEINONEN, ERICA HENDERSON, JAIME HENDRA, MICHELLE HENDRA, HEATHER HENSEL, NICOLE HERRING, ERICA HESS, KEVIN HILL, REBECCA HILL, MICHAEL HILTUNEN, MELISSA HINKEN, RACHEL HOLDEN, LAUREN HONKE, RICHARD HOUK, KATHRYN HOVER, JIA YI HUANG, BRIAN HUBER, KELLI HUFF, JAMES HUFFMAN, KATIE HUMPHREY

ELIZABETH IVEY, ZACHARY JACKIW, KENNETH JACKSON, DAVID JACOBS, AARON JAMES, ANNE JAMES, JILL JANAVIKAS, MICHAEL JANKS, DONNA JANO,

JAMIE JECKEWICZ, MELISSA JENNINGS, ROBERT JENSEN, JULIE JENTZEN, JAMES JOHNSON, JESSICA JOHNSON, KRISTEN JOHNSON, MICHAEL JOHNSON, PAMELA JOHNSON, ZEBARIA JOHNSON, LEEANN JONES, LEON JONES, TATANISHA JONES, JASON JOPEK, KRISTI KAHL, JEREMY KAPLA, LINDSY KATOCH, KEVIN KELLEY, ANGELA KELLOGG, ADAM KEOMANY, JUSTIN KEYES, JOSHUA KIDD, WAYNE KILGORE, ANDREA KILLEN, BENJAMIN KING, SARAH KING, ERIC KNOFF, LACY KNORP, MEGGAN KOHN, KRISTA KORDIE

JEFFREY KOSLOWSKI, GAIL KOTTYAN, ANN KOVACS, DANNY KOVACS, DAVID KOVACS, LISA KRASS, ERIC KRAUS, LOUIS KRAUSE, VICTORIA KRAUSE, NICOLE KUPSER, ARDI KUQALI, SUELA KUQALI, LINDSAY KURLIAK, VALERIE KURZYNSKI, NICHOLAS LADA, KAREN LAFAVE, JODIE LAQUIRE, ANTHONY LAMBERT, TAMI LANG, DEREK LAURAIN, CANDICE LAWRENCE, KIMBERLY LAWRENCE, LEILANI LAWRENCE, REBECCA LAYTON, GABRIELA LAZARSKA, DOMINIK LAZARSKI, MICHELLE LEBERT, RICHARD LEBLANC, KERI LEDUC, ANDREA LEFEBVRE, BRIAN LETOURNEAU, MELISSA LEWIS, TIANA LEWIS, HUI LI, MICHAEL LIEBERMAN, JULIE LIKOVICH, JUSTIN LLIENTHAL, TERI LITTLES, EMILY LOBBESTAEL, HERMAN LOCUST, LAKISHA LOCUST, BRANDON LOMBARDI, DANIELLE LONEY, AMANDA LONG, SARAH LOSKOWSKI, KAVAN LOUGHLIN, MARIE LOVETT, ERICA LOZON, LATOYA LUM, DEIRDRE LUNDY, ALAN MACDONALD, ANNE MACHOWICZ, ROBERT MACKENZIE, SAMANTHA MACKENZIE, MARISSA MADARY, MICHAEL MAHLE, SHAUN MAHLE, SUNNY MALHOTRA, DIANA MALLON, KENNETH MALLON, KRISTEN MALLOY, JENNIFER MANDRUCH, BRIAN MANFRE, CARRIE MANFRE, KEVIN MANKOWSKI, JAMIE MANNING, MILAD MANSOUR, MARIA MARANDINO, TINA MAROTTA, WILLIAM MARRA, VANESSA MARSH, BRIAN MARTIN, SUZANNE MASHKE, DAVID MASON

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ERIN RACHWAJ, ALLISON RAMESBOTTOM, MICHAEL RAMIA, MICHELLE RAMIA, MEGAN RAMSEY, DAVID RANDALL, ALECIA RASTELLI, RYAN RATTRAY, JULIE RAWLINGS, KEVIN RAZOR, BRIAN REED, WILLIAM REES, DAVID REEVES, TIMOTHY REEVES, HEATHER REHAHN, JULIE REICHERT, LESLIE REICHERT, NATHAN RING, AMY RITTER, ROBERT RITTER, NICOLE ROBERT, AMANDA ROBERTS, GRETCHEN ROBERTS, BROOKE ROBERTSON, NICOLE ROBERTSON, NEJLA ROBINSON,

APRIL RODERICK, MELISSA ROGERS, NICK ROGIERO, COURTNEY ROLAND, ERIN ROLAND, LORENZA ROSE, AMANDA ROSS, BARBI ROSSI, JASON ROUSSE, BRENDA ROWLEY, CHERISSE ROWTON, QUENTIN RUNYAN

KELLY RUTLEDGE, SHARRON RYAN, COURTNEY SAK, SHAUNA SALIN, AMY SAMLAND, JASON SANDERS, MISHELLE SANDERS, RAYMOND SANGER, CHAD SANSOM, NICHOLAS SARTEN, ANNA SAUNDERS, ANA SAVIC, AMY SAYRE, NICOLE SCHAEFER, MICHAEL SCHERBARTH, HEIDI SCHMIDT, KRISTINA SCHMIEDER, JENNIFER SCHNEIDER, MELISSA SCHNEIDER, SHARLA SCHRYER, JASON SCHWARTZENBERG, ANGELA SCUDDER, SHARITA SEALIE, SAMUEL SELDON, CHRISTAL SELWA, JESSICA SERES, CHAD SEWARD, TARA SEWARD, SAMKITS SHAH, TIRTHESH SHAH, ERIN SHANE, CRAIG SHAW, JASON SHAY, JEFFREY SHELBY, AMY SHOLLER, MARANDA SHUNK, AUDREY SHYU, CHRISTINA SIECZKOWSKI, PAMELA SIELSKI, JOEY SIMON, NICOLE SIMONIAN

ANGELIKA SIMPSON, KENNETH SKINNER, CRAIG SKONIESKI, KYLE SKONIESKI, KRISTEN SLADE, JAMI SLOMZENSKI, AMY SMIRNOW, GORDON SMITH, KRISTOPHER SMITH, NICOLE SMITH, REBECCA SMITH, ROSEANNA SMITH, JONATHAN SMIT, ELIZABETH SOBIESKI, ANTHONY SOLEAU, TERESA SOLEAU, RYAN SOMERVILLE, PATRICK SONAK, JEFFREY SOSNOWSKI, MICHAEL SOWARDS-EMMERD, KYLE SPADACINI, ROY SPENCER, JULIE SPRINGOR, KIMBERLY STANGE, ERINNE STARK, ERIC STEEN, EMILY STENSENG, DAVID STEPHENS, LEE STEPHENS, LINDA STEPHENS, JOHN STERLING, STACY STEVENS, BRIAN STEWART

PATRICK STEWART, TIMOTHY STICKNEY, JOEL STOKES, KIRA STOKES, KRISTEN STONE, RICHARD STONE, BRIAN STORY, GEORGIA STROMSKI, JEREMY

STUART, BRANDON SUCHAN, ADAM SULEK, JAMES SUMNER, JEFFREY SWANAGAN, JENNIFER SWANGUARIN, AARON SWICK, HEATHER SWITZER, APRIL SYKES, CHRISTINA TACKETT, VIJAY TAILOR, STEVEN TAMAROGGIO, ALEXANDER TASY, CHRISTOPHER TATMAN, ADAM TAYLOR, KATRINA TAYLOR, LILA TAYLOR, MATTHEW TAYLOR, KELLIE TERREAU, JACOB THARP, CHRISTOPHER THAUVETTE, KENNETH THOMPSON, STEPHANIE THOMPSON, CHRISTOPHER TOMPKINS, MELANIE TOTH, THOMAS TOURIKIS, CANDICE TRENT, BRANDON TRYGG, LEXI TUMA, DARRIN TURNER

ROSEANNA TURNER, TANYA TURNER, RENEE TUSEK, CHANDRA UNDERWOOD, NATHAN URCHICK, HILLARY USHER, RAYMOND UTER, TODD VACHON, MATTHEW VAIL, ERIN VAN DE PITTE, ALEXA VANDEGRIFT, JACOB VANGUNDY, JOSHUA VANGUNDY, DANIELLE VERROT, KELLY VERVILLE, CARL VERVISCH, RYAN VINEYARD, JEANETTE WADE, MATTHEW WALCZAK, KELLY VALKER, JAMES WALLER, JEREMY WARD, RACHAEL WATKINS, PAUL WAYBRANT, JASON WEBB, DANIEL WEBBER, RICARDO WELLS, ERICA WERTZ, JASON WESTERGAARD, MICHAEL WHEELER, LISA WHITE, JANICE WIDRIG, KRISTAL WILHELM, CHRISTOPHER WILHELMSEN, JESSICA WILKIN, MATTHEW WILKIN, AMANDA WILLIAMS, ELAINE WILLIAMS, JACQUELINE WILLIAMS, MARIE WILLIAMS

RACHEL WILLIAMS, TENISHA WILLIAMS, ERIKA WILSON, CHRISTOPHER WOLFGANG, CASEY WOOLEY, AMANDA WRENN, MATTHEW WRENN, COLLEEN WRIGHT, SHAVONDEE WRIGHT, PIA YATES, MUSTAFA YUSSOUFF, AMIE ZADIGIAN, THOMAS ZANN, KIMBERLY ZENTZ, KRISTEN ZEOLI, DAVID ZIMNICKI, AMBER ZINGER, DAVID ZMIKLY, DANIEL ZOOMBARIS, PETER ZOOMBARIS

Celebration!

Join in on the festivities—for all ages—to celebrate the grand opening of the newest gem in Canton's crown. Saint Joseph Mercy Canton Health Building is bigger and better than ever in its new location, with more services, family doctors and specialists, plus Michigan's first interactive health education center (to be completed in early '99).

Open House
Sunday, March 29
1 - 4 p.m.

Free Health Screenings/Activities:

- Crawl through the huge ear exhibit
- Blood pressure checks
- Body fat analysis
- Diabetes screenings
- "Are you stressed?" test
- Cool "Don't spread germs" light for kids
- Heart risk assessment
- Height/weight measures for kids
- Fun food and nutrition displays and games
- Hearing screenings
- Lung capacity screenings
- Tour the doctors' and health services offices
- Stride analysis to ensure you're walking properly and safely
- Running Fit exhibit: Choosing the right athletic shoes
- Women's health information
- Senior health information
- Posture analysis
- Back care information
- General athletic injury assessment clinic
- Much more!

Free prize drawings:

- Pick an egg from the Easter Bunny to see if you're a winner!
- Ty Beanie Babies
- Bike helmets
- Camping first-aid kits
- St. Joe's logo apparel
- Celebration t-shirts
- Overnight package for the Ypsilanti Marriott at Eagle Crest

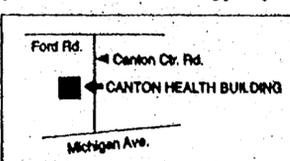
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Schoolcraft College's annual Public Safety Career Fair is planned 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, March 25 in the Radcliff Center in Garden City.

It is free and open to the public and will include a firearms training simulator demonstration.

Representatives from 46 law enforcement agencies, security firms, emergency health services and fire departments will be on hand to answer questions, describe job opportunities and accept resumes.

Police departments attending include the cities of Ann Arbor, Dearborn, East Lansing, Novi, Royal Oak, South-

field and Westland. Other law enforcement agencies represented include the Michigan Department of Corrections, the Michigan State Police, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and the FBI.

Meijer, Target, T.J. Maxx and Ford Motor Co. security departments will attend, along with Huron Valley Ambulance, American Medical Response and Pinkerton Security & Investigations.

For information, call (734) 462-4421. The Radcliff Center is located at 1751 Radcliff Street, just south of Ford Road between Wayne and Merriman roads.

Madonna holds registration for spring, summer classes

Madonna University's open registration for spring/summer '98 term continues through Friday, May 1, for new and returning students.

Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, with the exception of Friday, April 10 when the

office will be closed, and until 7 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, with the exception of Thursday, April 9 when the office will close at 5 p.m. Classes begin the week of May 4.

Fax registration for all students is available until April 20, prior to the start of classes.

Center offers summer reading class

The Learning Center at Madonna University in Livonia is currently accepting applications for its summer term, which begins in June.

The tutorial sessions are designed for students from the first through 12th grades who are experiencing difficulty in reading and its related skills. Parents/guardians may choose one session in Block I: June 15-July 10; Block II: June 15-June 26; Block III: June 29-July 17; or Block IV: July 20-July 31.

Individual or group instruction (two students) is available. Prior to admission, each student will be informally assessed, and a tailored remedial plan will be designed.

For more information, please call (734) 432-5586 or Sister Mary Duane at (734) 432-5585.

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single bond issuance for Wayne County.

In response to another question, McNamara expects amenities to be improved at Metro Airport. "We're redoing the bathrooms," McNamara said. "We will be installing a family bathroom, where a parent can take a 5-year-old, or a granddaughter. This facility will be attended, have a little privacy and take care of them."

Road improvements

Bob Gaberson, president of the Livonia Exchange Club, wondered what was happening with

road improvements. McNamara said the 4-cent increase in the gas tax proposed by Gov. John Engler was not enough. "To take the political beating he took is ridiculous," McNamara said.

McNamara cited the county's \$60 million earmarked for road improvements this year and named several roads in Livonia, namely Farmington, Five Mile and Seven Mile roads and Middlebelt roads.

Exchange Club members were impressed and many sounded like McNamara supporters.

Dave Brewster, a Detroit attorney, said McNamara

showed a "solid knowledge" of what's going on in Wayne County.

"I was impressed with his plans for Metro Airport," Brewster said. "He recognizes that the situation needs to be improved, and he's giving us a concrete explanation of what's going on at the airport." Brewster called McNamara a "positive factor" in county government.

Don Hoyt, owner of Walker Tool and Manufacturing in Redford Township, said McNamara's work with health care was "positive."

"He's trying to clean up the

nonessential cases and making it more positive," Hoyt said. "The airport is a big 'vital' to the county."

Hoyt doesn't anticipate an increase in business from the airport expansion.

Tom O'Brien, owner of ReConstruction Inc. in Detroit, said McNamara has done a "heck of a job." O'Brien worked for Wayne County for 20 years under a previous administration.

"He's done a real good job. What he's doing with Metro Airport is important and he's got our budget real strong."

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Canton, Plymouth and Redford.

Feikens threatened to issue a court order in September 1997 to call for an authority to oversee the Rouge project, but decided in November to delay that decision for 14 months until communities had a chance to respond to the voluntary permit request from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

In 1997, the MDEQ introduced a new permit program to help communities reduce the amount of pollution that enters the Rouge River from stormwater and snow melt that run off the land.

The new voluntary general

permit anticipates new federal stormwater management standards that will take effect in 2001, and responds to a call from the federal court for governments to demonstrate their commitment to cleaning up the Rouge.

The state's program calls upon communities to develop watershed management and pollution prevention plans, including the control of illegal pollution discharges and a plan to educate the public on its role in pollution prevention.

Many communities are responding to those permit requests with an ultimate goal of

showing Feikens and the EPA their own local cleanup efforts to improve the Rouge's water quality. Those plans may include activities ranging from proposed ordinances and programs to fight illicit sewer connections into storm drains to street sweeping and public education plans.

While the DEQ permit is voluntary now, all 48 Rouge River basin communities eventually will have to meet EPA requirements.

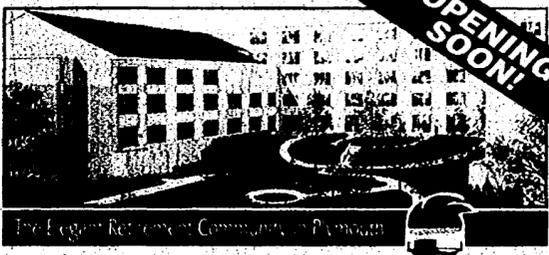
Heise said his community opposed a management authority. "I'm sure you don't want to see another level of govern-

ment," Heise told the CWW.

A federal court committee consisting of a court monitors, Washtenaw and Oakland county drain officials and Wayne County Department of Environment will appoint another committee to draft a letter to the federal court on whether or not to proceed with the authority. That summary will be distributed to all the CWW communities; Heise said.

"I think the federal court is looking for more consensus on this work," Heise said.

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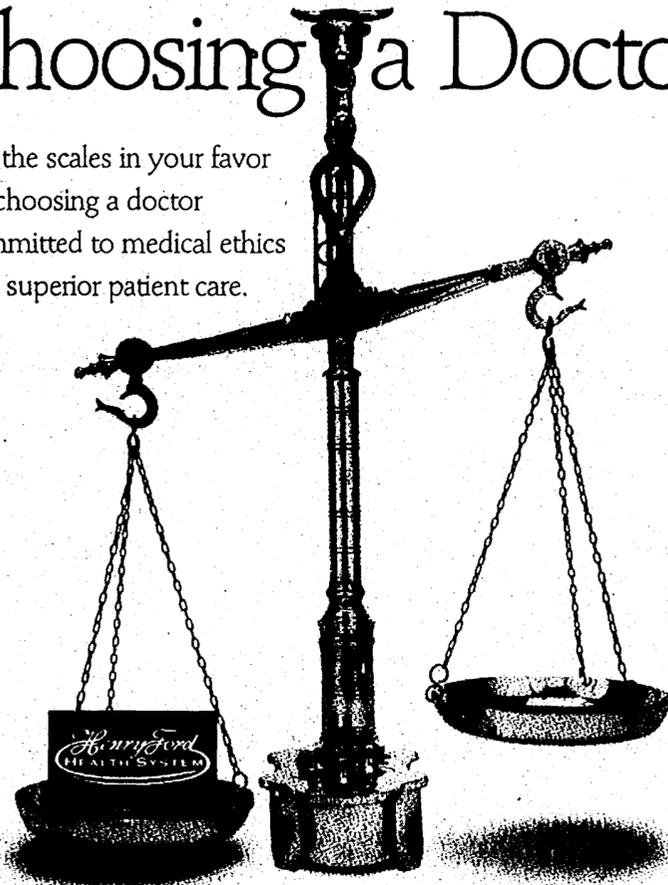
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CHEF JOSEPH STYKE

Lighthouse Ale great with pasta

I stopped at my neighborhood bistro for a few ginger ales after work on Monday, and the proprietor came over to say "hi" and talk hockey.

He asked me what I was going to have for dinner the next day, and when I answered pasta with tomatoes and basil, and focaccia with rosemary and thyme, he asked if he could come over, as did the gentleman on either side of me.

Pasta with tomatoes and basil served with focaccia is one of my better half's favorite meals. It's simple, hearty and full of flavor.

The beer that I really like to serve with this meal is Old Mission Lighthouse Ale from the Traverse Lighthouse Co. in Williamsburg, Mich. It's a medium body golden ale, crisp and clean with well-balanced bitterness and aroma from the whole cascade hops. If you are ever up that way, stop in at the Brewery and have a pint or two, and tell Jack and the gang that Chef Joseph said "hello."

Old Mission Lighthouse Ale is also available for purchase at Wine Barrel Plus in Livonia and Cap and Cork in Plymouth.

PASTA WITH TOMATOES AND BASIL

- 4 Roma Tomatoes seeded and diced
- 1 small yellow onion, thinly sliced
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 3 tablespoons fresh basil chopped
- 3 or 4 slices of prosciutto, chopped (optional)
- 5 tablespoons olive oil
- 1/4 cup white wine
- 6 ounces angel hair pasta
- Pecorino or Romano cheese, shredded to serve on the side

Set a pot of salted water to boil for pasta. This pasta cooks very fast, about 3-4 minutes for dry, and in a heart beat for fresh.

Add oil to sauté pan. On medium heat sauté onions until they get a little color. Add garlic and basil and cook for 2 minutes. Add tomatoes, and prosciutto (if using), and cook 3 minutes more. Add wine.

Drain pasta very well and add to pan and toss. Serves 2.

FOCACCIA WITH ROSEMARY AND THYME

- 2-5 cups all purpose flour
- 1 cup warm milk, 80°F
- 1 egg yolk
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon olive oil plus 4 tablespoons
- 1 tablespoon fresh rosemary
- 1 tablespoon fresh thyme
- 1 tablespoon fresh garlic, minced
- 1 package yeast

Pour yeast into milk and let set for 10 minutes.

Place all remaining ingredients (except 4 tablespoons olive oil) in a large bowl. Add milk/yeast mixture and mix well with a large wooden spoon.

This is not a dry dough and it will be moist. If it is a little too moist, add flour by the tablespoon until it pulls away from the bowl.

Turn dough out onto lightly floured work surface and knead dough by hand for 5 minutes.

Place dough in a greased bowl (I use PAM) cover and keep in warm draft-free place for 45 minutes, or until almost doubled in size.

Preheat oven to 400°F. On a greased baking sheet, form dough into a round-like pizza. With a fork poke lots of holes all over the top, and spread the 4 tablespoons olive oil on top, and very lightly sprinkle with salt.

Cover lightly and let rise again for 20 minutes. Bake in oven for 20 minutes. Makes 1 round.

Chef Joseph Styke is sous chef at the Water Club Seafood Grill in Plymouth, and an award-winning home brewer. Look for his column on the fourth Sunday of the month in Taste.

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Spring Celebrations
- Home Sense



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Easy and delicious: Laurie Wethington (center) with her daughters, Alyssa (right) and Lauren, and nephew Matthew Meidell presents one of her favorite dishes, Pork Piccata.

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PORK PICCATA

FANCY ENOUGH FOR COMPANY

BY KEELY WYGONIK

Veal Piccata is one of Laurie Wethington's favorite dishes to order out. At home, she makes her own version, Pork Piccata, which Laurie says is "similar in taste and texture to veal Piccata but not as expensive."

Her Pork Piccata is fancy enough to serve company, and it doesn't take all day to make.

"I use this recipe a lot because it's so easy," she said. "I don't

"I don't want to stay in the kitchen while I have company. I can cook it early, and keep it warm on the stove."

Laurie Wethington

want to stay in the kitchen while I have company. I can cook it early, and keep it warm on the stove."

Wethington's Pork Piccata is made with pork tenderloin, trimmed of all fat, and topped with a lemony mushroom, onion sauce.

"I've been trying to cook low-fat because my cholesterol is high," explained Wethington who lives in

Farmington Hills with her husband, Robert, and two daughters, Alyssa, 6, and Lauren, 10. "Getting a recipe to taste good and be low in fat is a challenge."

Wethington cooks every night. "I enjoy it, it's like a hobby," she said.

For inspiration she turns to magazines and loves collecting recipes. Her favorites are "Better Homes and Gardens," and "Cooking Light."

If she's out of an ingredient, Wethington improvises. She grocery shops once a week and plans her menus a week in advance.

Rosemary is her favorite seasoning, and in the summer she grows it in her garden. Her must-have items on hand include canned tomatoes and chicken broth.

Like many parents, finding foods her children like to eat is a challenge. "They hate everything I cook," she said. "They like chicken nuggets, hot dogs and grilled cheese sandwiches. It makes me crazy. They like my homemade chicken soup and sesame fried chicken."

Since she's been cooking low-fat, her husband Robert's cholesterol has gone down. "I feel a lot better when I eat lower in fat," said Lau-

rie. "I have more energy."

Betty J. Manthey of Plymouth shared a recipe and story about her daughter Roberta who lives in Ohio. When Roberta was 14 she baby-sat for two children who lived down the street. Their mother told Roberta to make lunch for her children with whatever she could find in the fridge.

"Roberta invented this dish, and we've never found it in any cookbook," said Manthey. "She used 1 bag of spinach, (well rinsed three times), and cooked it down in a four-quart pot. Then she added, and stirred in slowly, 2 scrambled eggs. Lastly toss in buttered croissants made from 2 slices of toast. Mix, and add salt and pepper to taste."

When she served the dish to the children they asked, "What is this?" She answered "It's Spinach Delish, and it's good for you."

They loved it, and Spinach Delish has become a family favorite. I asked Manthey where Roberta learned to cook, and she said, "she mostly taught herself. She never did what she was told."

Roberta is now 50 years old, and Manthey says she's "a wonderful cook, and still inventing other dishes."

PORK PICCATA

Serves 2 to 4

(depends on how hungry you are)

- 1 pound pork tenderloin, trimmed of all fat
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 cup dry white wine
- 1 cup water
- 1 teaspoon chicken bouillon
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 8 ounces sliced mushrooms
- 1 medium onion, thinly sliced into rings
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1/2 cup water
- Lemon slices and chopped fresh parsley for garnish (optional)

Slice pork tenderloin into 1 1/2-inch slices. Place, one at a time, between 2 pieces of plastic wrap. Pound with a meat mallet until thin.

Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Heat oil in a large non-stick skillet, brown meat on both sides. You can do it in batches if the pan isn't big enough.

Reduce heat and return all meat to skillet, top with wine, water, bouillon, lemon juice, mushrooms and onions. You may add more salt and pepper if you wish. Cover and simmer slowly until onions and mushrooms are tender, about 30 minutes.

Remove meat from skillet, arrange on platter, increase heat to almost boiling, mix flour and water and pour into pan, stirring constantly, let thicken. Pour sauce on top of meat, garnish with lemon slices and parsley, if desired.

Serve with rice pilaf.

Roberta wasn't always a good cook. Manthey told me a family story that still makes everyone laugh. "I was sick and Roberta decided to make spaghetti sauce. She used anything red in a jar including tomato sauce, cayenne and paprika. Her brother dipped a noodle into the sauce, it dripped on his neck, and he got burned."

What's your favorite recipe to share? We're still looking for East-

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er recipes. Send us your recipes, and be sure to include information about why it's your favorite, along with a daytime phone number.

If your recipe is picked, you'll be photographed and interviewed for a story in Taste on the fourth Sunday of the month. Along with our thanks you'll receive a recently published cookbook, and apron. Runners-up will receive an apron.

Students fill grocery carts with nutrition information

Grocery Store Tour

Presented by: Gail Posner, registered dietitian
When: 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, March 30
Where: Shopping Center Market, (Maple at Orchard Lake Road), West Bloomfield.
Cost: \$15 per teen, or \$25 for teen and an adult, includes food samples. Call (248) 855-4558 to register, prepayment required. These are some of the questions teens answered on Gail Posner's grocery store tour:

Nutrition Challenge

- **Challenge:** Evaluate the content of your favorite cookie or chip. Does it meet the less than 3 grams of fat, less than 1 gram of saturated fat per 100 calorie guidelines?
- **Nutritious choices:** Include Reduced fat Nilla Wafers instead of the regular wafers, fig newtons, Snack-Well's Chocolate Chip Cookies.
- **Challenge:** Compare your favorite cereal to the healthy nutrition guidelines. Is there a healthier cereal you will try? Compare the nutrition label of your old cereal to the new one you will try.
- **Nutritious choices:** Include Wheat Chex and Fiber One.
- **Challenge:** Find one fruit and one vegetable that you will eat that has 10 percent or more of the Daily Value for vitamin A. Find one fruit and one vegetable that you will eat that has 10 percent or more of the Daily Value for vitamin C.
- **Nutritious choices:** Vitamin A: Carrots, kiwi, romaine lettuce. Vitamin C: Cabbage, oranges, cantaloupe, kiwi, broccoli.



BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Teens care about what they wear on the outside, but sometimes what's inside gets neglected.

"They're dieting and not always in the correct way," said Terrie Karebian, a West Hills Middle School home economics teacher. In her nutrition and foods classes, Karebian talks about making healthy choices, but touring a grocery store with registered dietitian Gail Posner really helped send the message home.

"She was so entertaining and so knowledgeable," said Karebian about Posner. "She did a wonderful job. They've been taking other kids. The hands-on experience really helped."

Since taking the tour in November, Debra Gluck has noticed some changes in her daughter, Lisa, an eighth grader at West Hills Middle School, part of the Bloomfield Hills School District.

"She's making better choices," said Gluck. "She's reading labels,

which she didn't before."

Gluck, who also went on the tour, has made some changes too. "I have more vegetables cut up so they're easy to access. Instead of reaching in the drawer, they can grab cut up carrots and cucumbers. Graham crackers satisfy Lisa instead of cookies."

Since taking the tour, Lisa said she's more aware of healthy foods, and how food labels can be misleading. For her, eating better is not just about losing weight, "it makes me feel better about myself," she said.

She appreciates her mom's efforts, too. "There's more at reach," she said. "Now I'll grab a carrot instead of a cookie. I'll eat graham crackers instead of chips and more fruits. Grapes are a good snacking food when I'm doing homework."

On the tour, Posner encouraged students to sample foods they might not have tried before such as baked chips and Asian pears.

"It's just a fun place to learn," said Posner about the Kroger on

Orchard Lake Road at Lone Pine Road in West Bloomfield where the tour took place. "The kids live within one mile of the store, and their parents probably shop here."

Posner believes the way to change habits is to expose people to new things. Walking through the grocery store aisles, students learned to read labels to learn which were misleading and to get the best food values.

"Bread was one of the favorite stops," said Posner. "They learned to pick a bread that's high in whole wheat flour."

Macaroni and cheese is a favorite with teens, and Posner encouraged them to skip the margarine called for in the directions and use nonfat milk.

While 70 percent of teens say they are getting enough calcium, U.S. Department of Agriculture statistics show that approximately 80 percent of teens are not meeting the National Academy of Sciences recommendation of

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1,300 mg of calcium per day - five to six servings.

On the tour, Posner showed the students how to include more calcium in their diet. "They can make tomato soup with milk instead of water and have pudding for a snack. Some brands of yogurt have more calcium than others. Buy orange juice with added calcium."

Posner also stressed serving size. "Lisa will eat the same as before, but she'll eat a smaller

portion," said Gluck. "She'll say it's not worth the extra calories."

Teaching teens healthy habits, so they'll eat for a healthy body and lots of energy is Posner's goal.

"We have to combat all these negative media images of 'thin is in,'" said Posner. "By not eating breakfast you will gain six pounds a year. You have to start your metabolism in the morning so you can concentrate in school."

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Most main dish salads are made with chicken, but Sandra Biagini, winner of a contest sponsored by the American Heart Association of Michigan, made one with salmon and beans that wowed judges.

"The flavor was an interesting combination of salmon and beans. Most of the recipes were for chicken salad with sweet and sour salad dressing," said registered dietitian Muriel Wagner of Southfield who judged the contest with registered dietitian Catherine Goldberg of the Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan, and Elaine Horowitz, a registered nurse with the continuing education

department at Providence Hospital.

Biagini, a Clarkston resident, won a gift certificate for two for lunch at the Golden Mushroom in Southfield, and a subscription to Muriel Wagner's "Eating Younger" newsletter. Runners-up also received a newsletter subscription and a cookbook.

Biagini's recipe is easy to make with ingredients you can keep in your pantry - canned cannellini beans and canned red salmon. These ingredients are tossed with sliced green onions, thinly sliced celery, lettuce leaves and a tangy vinaigrette.

Arlene Chyphar of Warren placed second with her Favorite Romaine Salad. Linda Stockton and Eileen Rande of Farmington Hills tied for third, and Mimi

Doherty of Troy received an honorable mention.

Stockton said her whole family is kind of fat and weight conscious. She and her husband Bill are runners, and her low-fat Mandarin Chicken Salad is a family favorite.

To make this salad she marinates boneless, skinless chicken breasts in pineapple juice, ginger, garlic and other seasonings overnight. The chicken is broiled or grilled, sliced and served with tossed Romaine lettuce, water chestnuts, bean sprouts, snap peas, mandarin oranges and a sweet/sour dressing.

"I find with my kids it's hard to get them to eat vegetables and fruits," she said about her daughters Holly, 16, and Christy, 12. "If I cut it up and

serve it with dips they're more likely to eat it. Kids want to go in the fridge and grab something."

Apples with caramel dip, grapes with yogurt and vegetables with fat-free salad dressing are favorite snacks.

Contest finalists presented their salads at the American Heart Association of Michigan's "Ask a Nutrition Expert - The Registered Dietitians," a free educational event presented by local dietitians with the American Heart Association on March 8 at Tel-Twelve Mall in Southfield.

Look for Wagner's Main Dish Miracle column in Taste on the second Sunday of the month.

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Country potato soup warms chilly days

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Country Potato Soup is a creamy potato soup, accented with leeks, onions and fresh thyme. This warming soup is topped with sharp Cheddar cheese and bacon. Serve with a hearty grain bread. The recipe is from executive chef Remy Schaal of la Madeleine French Bakery & Cafe. Founded in Dallas in 1983, la Madeleine has 51 neighborhood cafes and bakeries in Arizona, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, Texas and the Washington, D.C.-area.

COUNTRY POTATO SOUP

Preparation time: 10 minutes
Cooking time: 45 minutes

- 1/4 stick butter, unsalted
- 2 leeks (white part only), thinly sliced

- 1 large yellow onion, sliced
- 1 1/2 quarts chicken stock
- 4 large peeled Idaho potatoes, sliced evenly in 1/4-inch slices
- Salt, to taste
- 2 branches fresh thyme
- 1/2 cup heavy cream
- 1 cup Cheddar cheese, grated
- 1/2 cup bacon, cooked and diced

In a large saucepan, add butter, leeks and onions, cook. Do not brown vegetables. Add chicken stock, potatoes, salt and fresh thyme.

Cook for 40 minutes over medium heat, stirring frequently to avoid scorching. Add cream, bring to a boil and serve hot. Garnish with Cheddar cheese and diced bacon. Makes 8 servings.

Healthy meal ideas for people on the go

See related grocery store tour story on Taste front. Recipes compliments of Gail Posner, Healthy Ways Nutrition Counseling, West Bloomfield.

SEAFOOD COLE SLAW

- 1 (16 ounce) bag cole slaw mix
 - 2 (8 ounce) packages imitation crab legs
 - 1/3 cup fat-free cole slaw dressing
 - 3 green onions
- Dice crab legs and green onions.

Mix all ingredients together and chill. Serves 12.

Healthy Meals in Minutes

Low-Fat Burritos - Start with a large flour tortilla. Cover with 1/4 cup fat-free refried beans, add chopped tomatoes and onions, cover with 1/4 cup salsa. Sprinkle with low-fat Monterey Jack cheese. Broil for a few minutes until cheese melts.

Topped Baked Potatoes - Wash and scrub Idaho or Yukon Gold potato, pat dry. Pierce with a fork. Place on microwave safe dish uncovered and cook on high

for 4-5 minutes per medium potato. Let stand for 10 minutes. Slit open top and cover with Green Giant's Broccoli, Cauliflower, and Carrots in Cheese Sauce, or fat-free salsa.

Macaroni and Cheese - Follow the directions on the box, but use skim milk in place of whole milk, and replace all of the butter or margarine with 2 more tablespoons of skim milk. I even sneak in a few green peas to help get veggies into my son's diet.

Focaccia - It is a meal in itself. Serve with a salad with canned chick peas added for protein.

Pizza - Place a flour tortilla on a baking sheet. Bake at 400 degrees F. for 4 minutes or until lightly toasted. Turn tortilla over. Spread spaghetti sauce over tortilla, top with shredded low-fat mozzarella cheese. Add veggies and broil until cheese is browned.

Coney Dogs - Start with fat-free hot dogs. My favorite is the Ball Park Frank, Fat-Free. Add a low-calorie hot dog bun (80 calories instead of 120 calories per bun). Add 2-3 tablespoons Hormel Turkey Chili, 99 percent fat-free. Top with chopped onions and mustard.

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Dish up a prize-winning salad for dinner

See related story on Taste front.

VINAIGRETTE SALMON AND BEAN SALAD

- 2 green onions, sliced
 - 1 (16 ounce) can cannellini beans, rinsed and drained
 - 1 (7 ounce) can red salmon, drained and flaked
 - 1 celery stalk, thinly sliced
 - Vinaigrette dressing (below)
 - Lettuce leaves
- Vinaigrette**
- 2 tablespoons wine vinegar
 - 2 tablespoons olive or canola oil
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1/4 teaspoon sugar
 - 1/4 teaspoon dry mustard
 - 1/8 teaspoon pepper

In a bowl, lightly toss green onions, beans, salmon and celery. Stir ingredients for vinaigrette. Pour over salmon mixture; toss lightly. Arrange lettuce leaves on dishes; spoon mixture on top. Serves 4.

Nutrition information: Total fat per serving 10.2 grams; calories per serving 288, 1.6 grams saturated fat.

Recipe first prize winner in main dish salad contest sponsored by the American Heart Association of Michigan, compliments of Sandra Biagini of Clarkston.

FAVORITE ROMAINE SALAD

Ingredients

- 1 head romaine, washed, dried and trimmed, cut into bite size pieces.

- Dressing:**
- 1 clove garlic
 - 1 tablespoon Parmesan cheese
 - 1 1/2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
 - 1 1/2 tablespoons water
 - 1 tablespoon olive oil
 - 1 teaspoon anchovy paste

Put all dressing ingredients in blender. Blend until smooth and creamy.

- Garnish:**
- 1 slice wheat bread
- Toast bread and cut into cubes. Dry cubes in microwave oven for 1 minute.

Salt and pepper to taste.

To serve: Put lettuce in a large salad bowl. Pour in dressing and toss. Garnish with bread cubes. Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition information: 6 grams fat per serving, 33 calories per serving.

Recipe second prize winner in main dish salad contest sponsored by the American Heart Association of Michigan, compliments of Arlene Chyphar of Warren.

CHICKEN TANGU SALAD

Ingredients

- 4 (3 ounce) skinless, boneless chicken breasts, flat-

tened to 1/2-inch thickness

- 1/2 cup apple juice
- 2 tablespoons lite soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 1/8 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/8 teaspoon ginger
- 1 tablespoon canola oil
- 1 bag mixed lettuce/greens
- 1 cucumber, pared and sliced
- 1/2 green pepper, sliced thin
- 1 small can mandarin oranges
- Seasoned croutons

- Dressing:**
- 4 tablespoons vinegar
 - 2 tablespoons water
 - 2 tablespoons sugar
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 2 dashes red pepper sauce
 - 2 dashes soy sauce
 - Dash black pepper
 - 1 teaspoon dried parsley

Put apple juice, soy sauce, honey, garlic powder, ginger and oil in a glass baking pan. Marinate chicken (cover, refrigerated) 12-24 hours before meal.

Mix dressing ingredients and set aside for 12-24 hours before meal.

Divide lettuce among four plates. Add cucumber slices and green pepper.

Arrange mandarin orange slices around edge of plate. Sprinkle croutons over salad.

Spoon 1-2 tablespoons dressing over each salad.

Barbecue chicken on grill about 5 minutes on each side. Baste with marinade and discard remainder. Cut each chicken breast into 1/2-inch slices. Carefully place on top of salad. Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition information: Total fat per serving 8.7 grams; calories per serving 314.

Recipe third prize winner in main dish salad contest sponsored by the American Heart Association of Michigan, compliments of Eileen Rande of Farmington Hills.

LINDA'S LOW-FAT MANDARIN CHICKEN SALAD

- 12 ounces boneless, skinless chicken breasts

Marinate for the chicken:

- 1 (6 ounce can) unsweetened pineapple juice
- 1/4 cup Lite Teriyaki marinade
- 1/2 cup light brown sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic & ginger stir-fry seasoning (comes mashed in jar can be found near the raw garlic in most grocery stores)

Dressing

- 1/4 cup honey microwaved for 20 seconds
- 1/4 cup Lite Teriyaki marinade
- 1/4 cup rice wine or apple cider vinegar
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic & ginger stir-fry seasoning

Recipe third prize winner in main dish salad contest sponsored by the American Heart Association of Michigan, compliments of Linda Stockton of Farmington Hills.

CHINESE CHICKEN SALAD

Ingredients

- 4 (3 ounce) cooked boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 1 small head lettuce
- 2 tablespoons sesame seeds
- 4 green onions, chopped
- 2 tablespoons chopped or sliced almonds
- 1 can rice noodles

Dressing

- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 2 tablespoons white vinegar
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 tablespoons canola or light olive oil
- 1/4 cup fat-free reduced, chicken broth

Combine ingredients for marinade in medium size bowl and stir with fork until well blended. Place 12 ounces of boneless, skinless chicken breasts cut into strips or boneless tenderloin strips, in marinade. Cover with plastic wrap and place in refrigerator for minimum 3-4 hours. Can be kept in marinade up to overnight.

Combine ingredients for dressing and shake in jar or stir in bowl until well blended. Set aside or refrigerate as preferred.

Remove chicken from marinade and grill on barbecue or under broiler until no longer pink inside and golden brown.

Fill large bowl with romaine lettuce. Add water chestnuts, bean sprouts, snap peas, and oranges. Lightly mix together. Arrange cooked chicken strips on top of salad, drizzle on dressing, or serve on the side. Serves 4.

Nutrition information: Total fat per serving 3 grams; calories per serving 351.

Honorable mention in main dish salad contest sponsored by the American Heart Association of Michigan, compliments of Mimi Doherty of Troy.

Celebrate spring with spinach pear salad

By the Associated Press

No time to cook? Add canned pear slices to a green salad, drizzle with a tangy vinaigrette and top with a sprinkling of pecans. Spinach Pear Salad with Warm Vinaigrette is a delicious side dish or light main dish.

SPINACH PEAR SALAD WITH WARM VINAIGRETTE

- 16-ounce bag fresh spinach leaves
- 2 tablespoons crumbled blue cheese
- 1/4 red onion, thinly sliced
- 16-ounce can pear slices, drained
- 3 tablespoons balsamic vine-

- ger**
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
 - Salt and pepper, to taste

Wash spinach leaves and dry thoroughly.

Place spinach leaves in large bowl and sprinkle with blue cheese and onion slices.

Add canned pear slices. In small saucepan, heat vinegar and oil until mixture is steaming.

Immediately pour dressing over salad and toss until evenly dressed. Season with salt and pepper; serve at once. Makes 6 servings.

Nutrition facts per serving: 87.8 cal., 3.11 g pro., 13.5 g carbo., 3.25 g dietary fiber, 3.38 g fat, 2.12 mg chol., 102 mg sodium. Percentage of calories from fat: 31 percent.

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by Herbert M. Gardner, D.D.S. & Martha P. Zinderman, R.N., D.D.S.

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Is there a correlation between teething and fever in your children? Some experts say that any elevation of temperature during teething is due to an unrelated illness, while others believe that teething may lower a baby's resistance to infection-causing bacteria and viruses. Then again, there is a theory that at about the same time that babies begin to teethe, they outgrow the protective immunities gained in utero. A 1993 Israeli study, the only one to be conducted while teething actually occurred, showed that 19 down to 4 days before tooth eruption, babies' daily temperature average 98.8 degrees. The study went on to show that, over the next three days, their temperatures averaged 99.7. And, on the day that the tooth appeared, 23% of the babies had temperatures over 100.4, seemingly arguing in favor of a teething/fever link.

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Cancer seminar

Harris-Kehrer Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post 3323 will host a cancer seminar from 2-4 p.m. April 4 at 1055 S. Wayne Road in Westland. The free seminar will be given at the clubroom annex to educate participants about nutrition, prostate and breast cancer. Refreshments will be served.

Dignified death act

Hospice of Michigan is offering a free educational program for physicians on how to comply with the Michigan Dignified Death Act. The 20-minute program can be presented in a physician's office or a hospital. To learn how to comply call Elizabeth Miles at (248) 443-5882.

Karmanos earns grant

The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute earned a \$50,000 grant as part of the "Avon Kids Care" essay contest, sponsored by Avon's Breast Cancer Awareness Crusade. The money will be used for "Look Find, Stay Well" a community-based program utilizing lay health advocates to promote breast cancer awareness and screening in local beauty salons in economically depressed areas of Detroit.

St. Joe open house

Canton's Saint Joseph Mercy Health Building is holding an open-house 1-4 p.m. Sunday, March 29, to introduce the community to the new facility at Canton Center Road and Summit Parkway. The free open house will feature entertainment for the whole family, free health screenings, health information exhibits, tours, a visit by the Easter bunny, food, great giveaways, prize drawings and more.

Physicians and representatives from the medical programs will be on hand.

Diabetes Alert set for this Tuesday

The American Diabetes Association, on Tuesday March 24, is urging people to discover their risk for a silent disease that kills 187,800 people per year before facing its devastating complications, such as blindness, heart attack, kidney disease and amputations.

Known as the American Diabetes Alert, this one-day national campaign will inform the public about diabetes and its association with obesity, age, lack of exercise and family history of the disease.

"It is especially crucial to alert people to the dangers of diabetes because it can be a silent killer -- gradually causing you body's blood vessels and nerves to deteriorate with no warning signs of symptoms," said George Grunberger, president of the American Diabetes Association of Michigan.

The goal of the American Diabetes Alert is to inform people of the deadly link that exists between diabetes, age, inactivity, being overweight and having a family history of the disease. The centerpiece of the alert is a simple paper and pencil test people can take to assess their individual risk for the disease.

The risk test is free and available by calling the association, 1-800-DIABETES.

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Striking right balance at work can reduce stress and injury

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
STAFF WRITER

Lower back pain, a strained neck and sore joints are some of the distress your body feels when your working environment doesn't measure up to your physical needs.

Job-related injuries, currently costing \$68 billion per year in medical costs and lost wages, affect some 7 million workers annually regardless of occupation and existing safety standards.

The solution to this growing dilemma might conceivably be the science of ergonomics, the belief that equipment and the atmosphere in the workplace should strike a balance between the physical, emotional and environmental needs of the worker in an effort to reduce or eliminate the risk of injury.

With the momentum of computers being integrated into all aspects of our daily lives, occurrences of eyestrain, headaches, carpal tunnel syndrome and neck injuries have risen dramatically while injuries outside the office include back pain, pulled muscles, and repetitive motion injuries from small redundant tasks.

"Ergonomic improvements don't have to be costly," said Mary Ruehl, St. Mary Hospital director of occupational therapy. "Oftentimes it's about rearranging already existing equipment or improving upon a system that's hindering worker performance."

Ergonomic attributes include:

- addressing how a person's skeletal structure is affected by the physical tasks he or she performs;
- emotional atmosphere such as stress, personal space, social interaction, sense of security and support;
- environmental issues including lighting, temperature, comfort, and air quality.

Factors that affect one's senses, like noise, color and aroma, have also been linked to productivity, health and perceived satisfaction.

Pain in the neck

According to 3M, "as much as an incorrectly adjusted chair can cause back or neck pain, color can affect workers' stress levels, productivity, and even their physiological state."

Psychoneuroimmunology, an evolving study of the effects our senses have on the brain and nervous system, links our perceptions (good or bad) with stimuli such as hearing, smell, touch and sight.

The Journal of the Association for Study in Perception matched physiological outcomes to color. For example, red increased brain activity, heart rate, blood pressure and circulation. Blue produced a soothing, calm effect; purple combined the reactions from blue and red while green induced a sense of peace.

Therefore, scientists encourage one to put some thought into designing an office or workplace while taking into consideration existing light sources, geographic locale and the type of work being performed.

Bright colors schemes are good for creative occupations while more subdued colors work well in individualized environments where law or accounting is practiced.

3M Commercial Office Supply Division unveiled its line of office ergonom-



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JACFIELD

Suitable for work: Joyce Anspach, CME coordinator, works in a "human-friendly" office at St. Mary Hospital after an in-house evaluation was performed by the Occupational Therapy Department. Some of the ergonomic improvements include a split keyboard, document holder, wrist rest and adjustable chair.

ic products at the Ergonomics Exposition held in Atlanta, last April. It marked the first major entry into the booming office ergonomics category for the Fortune 500 company.

According to Chuck Harstad, vice president, 3M Commercial Office Supply Division, the company will draw upon knowledge in not only developing office products but also in similar fields such as medical, security and occupational health and safety.

"3M's approach to solving ergonomic problems in the office workplace is unusual because of the company's comprehensive strategy, according to Claude Denais, manager for the 3M Office Ergonomics product line."

Different needs

Many companies that offer office ergonomic products focus on one area of ergonomics, such as physical needs. But ergonomists will tell you that the most effective approach to ergonomics is one that addresses the environmen-

tal, emotional and physical needs of office workers.

St. Mary Hospital CME Coordinator Joyce Anspach inherited an office eight years ago with a hodgepodge of furniture.

Her desk was on an opposite wall to her computer. The computer and keyboard sat on an unsteady table that shifted easily from the slightest pressure and she had to prop up documents on a chair next to the terminal to do any sort of typing. Anspach's chair didn't accommodate her height either - 5 feet, 9 inches tall.

"Nothing was at arm's length and I did a whole lot of reaching and stretching," said Anspach.

An in-house evaluation by the Occupational Therapy Department determined not only was the system inefficient, but the medical staff secretary was suffering from shoulder and neck discomfort, as well as experiencing pain up and down her arms.

Her office was rearranged by the OT

department and some new furniture and equipment were installed. In the month since the adjustment, the pain she was experiencing has diminished.

Anspach now has an adjustable chair with elbow supports and her computer sits to the right of her desk eliminating the need for her to get up and down continuously to work.

Ruehl said other improvements include an adjustable keyboard that tilts forward and backward; a wrist rest; document holder attached to the side of her computer screen reducing awkward head positions and a split keyboard for more natural hand placement.

"Not only is the set up more efficient but my productivity has increased," added Anspach.

Following a work-related injury, the best course of action, in addition to rehabilitation, is to evaluate your workplace for safety risks. You and your employer should work collaboratively to determine safety improvements, preventative measures and an educational plan for reference and implementation.

Ruehl said depending on the degree of injury, rehabilitation and therapy might involve joint mobility, strength and fine motor testing. Many area hospitals have programs to evaluate and improve your working environment. St. Mary for example has five Work-F.I.T. (Functional Improvement Together) programs that include consultation, assessment, fitness profiles and evaluations.

"We're better educated about working in a healthy environment," said Ruehl. "The changes we made to Joyce's office involved breaking down her job tasks and determining where the problems were and what was causing her muscles to be overextended."

Tips for preventing workplace injuries

- Use a power screwdriver instead of a hand screwdriver to decrease hand fatigue.
- Position the lower edge of a keyboard so that it is located about one inch about your legs.
- Keep lights on to decrease eye strain.
- Get help when the task is too much to handle.
- Keep work area clutter-free to prevent tripping.
- Adjust seat height so hips/knees are at right angles with feet on the floor.
- Use a document holder to keep paper at eye level and avoid neck strain.
- Use rollers or casters to move heavy objects to decrease risk of back injury.
- Take time out every hour to stretch tight muscles.
- Keep your back straight, bend your knees and use both hands when lifting.

- St. Mary Hospital, Department of Occupational Therapy

A Palmer Mouse in the hand is better

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
STAFF WRITER

Versatility plays a major role in establishing an ergonomic working environment.

Garden City resident Bill Hoffman had individualized comfort in mind when he developed The Palmer Mouse, an improved computer mouse designed with thermosetting plastic coating to conform to the shape of the user's hand.

Once the surface is heated, the user places his or her hand on the top of the mouse. As the plastic cools, the device conforms to the shape of one's palm and fingers for improved support to the hand and wrist.

Hoffman, a highway technician for Wayne County, has a patent pending with the National Invention Services Inc. The idea came to fruition out of the amount of time he spends at his computer station on the job and his need for such a product.

"Of all the input devices -- track balls, the mouse, touch (digital) pad and infrared, the bottom line is they're all one-size-fits-all," said Hoffman. "and I don't know any two hands that are exactly alike."

Hoffman's philosophy about the invention is "everyone else has tried to make a better mouse trap" - he was able to make a better mouse.

Mary Ruehl, director of occupational therapy at St. Mary Hospital, said Hoffman's idea will be beneficial to arthritis sufferers who are better served by a mouse that conformed to the shape of their hand rather than trying to make their often painful fingers and joints compatible with a pre-fabricated shape.

"If you had arthritis, the mouse would allow you to have a less firm grip than the traditional device," said Ruehl.

The Palmer Mouse is targeted toward computer users and households with computers, PC operators, business establishments, Internet users and more.

Hoffman's wife, a registered nurse, offered her husband advice on the benefits the mouse would provide to prevent injury or to ease hand and wrist stress associated with a pre-existing condition like carpal tunnel syndrome.

"Conventional input devices are uncomfortable and aren't suited to the natural position or form of a person's hand," said Hoffman.

Not only did Hoffman have ergonomics in mind when he created the mouse, he also considered recycling.

"We're looking into having a thermoplastic coating so the mouse could be reconditioned from user to user," said Hoffman. Thermoplastic has a memory, so to speak, and could be reshaped for resale, in the event of a hand injury or for a developing child whose computer mouse could change as he or she grows.

The Garden City father said his active involvement in sports also led to the conforming mouse idea. He was reminded of his son's mouth guard that when warmed in water adapts to the shape of his child's mouth, insuring personalized protection.

The Palmer Mouse comes in large and small sizes in a two- or three-button configuration and is equipped with a wider base and higher profile for improved support to the nerves and muscles of the hand and wrist. Currently, it is available to manufacturers for licensing or sale and not yet to the general consumer.

For more information call NIS Inc., (803) 237-7755.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer-area medical community. Items should be typed or legibly written and sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia 48150 or faxed to (313) 591-7279.

Education Network (GISEN) presents the Fourth Annual Midwest Regional Conference: Visions and Voices: From Affirmation to Action at the Michigan League Building (U-M campus). Call (734) 913-9759.

SAT, MARCH 28

PARENTS' DAY
Saint Joseph Mercy Health System is sponsor for this half-day event at East Middle School in Plymouth Township open to all parents coordinated by the Plymouth-Canton Business-Education Partnership and Community Educational Excellence Foundation. Keynote speaker Ray Guarendi, Ph.D. Attendees can choose from among 25 breakout sessions. Call (734) 712-5694 or 800-231-2211.

MON, MARCH 30

MENOPAUSE EDUCATION
Women's Health Services at Saint Joseph Mercy Health System is sponsoring two perimenopause/menopause support groups for women in the midlife years. The four-week series will be held from 5:30-7 p.m. on Mondays, March 30 and April 6, 13 and 20, in the McAuley Cancer Care Center community room at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital - Ann Arbor. Call (734) 712-5400.

FOOD/BEHAVIOR RELATIONSHIP
Barbara Reed Stitt, Ph.D., will speak on the relationship between food and behavior, free of charge and open to the public at the Novi Hilton (Haggerty Road north of 8 Mile) at 7 p.m. No reservations are necessary. Call Nancy Rigsby, (313) 563-7236.

TUE, MARCH 31

LIVING WITH DIABETES
"Taking Charge of Living With Diabetes" diabetes education class, four-week class, eight sessions, 7-9 p.m., Pavilion Conference at St. Mary Hospital Room G (South Entrance off Levan) Class fee \$75. To register, call (734) 655-8940.

MON, MARCH 23

ASK VISITING NURSE
Farmer Jack Supermarket and Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan will offer "Ask the VNA Nurse" at Farmer Jack stores to facilitate health education and promote good health. Locations include: Westland Farmer Jacks, 34414 Ford Road from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and Livonia, 28107 8 Mile, 1-3 p.m.

TUE, MARCH 24

BEREAVEMENT WORKSHOP
Angela Hospice grief support group will meet at 1 and 6:30 p.m. at the Angela Health Care facility, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia. Meetings are free. Call (734) 464-7810.

THUR, MARCH 26

RESTLESS LEG SUPPORT
Do you have itching, crawling or tingling sensations in your legs? This could be Restless Leg Syndrome. RLS support group meets from 2-3:30 p.m. or 7:30-9 p.m. at Westland MedMax. Call (734) 458-7100.

SELF-DEFENSE/PREVENTION
MEDHEALTH Systems Corporation of Plymouth will present Kelly Perkins, from 7-8 p.m. who will present an informative lecture on assault prevention and defense at the Wellness Center facility, 47659 Halyard Drive, Plymouth. Call to register, (734) 459-1800, \$5 fee at the door.

MARCH 27, 28, 29

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Program addresses cancer survivors' needs

The motion picture Titanic is the mega-blockbuster hit of 1998. In real life, and in the movie, only 708 people survived. Many folks being confronted with a diagnosis of cancer might feel that their odds of surviving cancer aren't much better than surviving the sinking of the Titanic.

That's why the Metropolitan Detroit Community Coalition for Cancer Survivorship is sponsoring a special program "Meeting the Needs of Cancer Survivors and their Families," Saturday, March 28 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"Gone are the days when a diagnosis of cancer meant a death sentence," claims Bill Ruby of Westland, a 68-year-old survivor of throat cancer since 1980.

Ruby underwent radiation and chemotherapy sessions, and says that when he first heard his diagnosis of cancer, he decided then and there that he was going to fight the disease with everything he had. The survivors' program will fea-

ture folks just like Bill Ruby — folks who have conquered cancer.

For Sheryl Johnson of West Bloomfield, diagnosed with breast cancer in 1993, being a wife and mother of two kids means that she has to survive. Presently undergoing chemotherapy, Johnson continues to be a survivor because she knows her family needs her.

When pressed to offer advice to someone recently diagnosed with cancer, Johnson suggests that we learn to use patience as a virtue. "If there's one thing I've learned, it's to have patience and believe in the fact that you, too, will be a survivor."

Speaking of survivors, 75-year-old Lucretia Nistor of Clinton Township can be considered a professional. Diagnosed with melanoma 28 years ago, and then dealing with a mastectomy in 1989, Nistor is considered a "regular" at survivor conferences. She's determined to not only offer encouragement to others facing the

disease, but also to spread the awareness that a cancer diagnosis is something that can be overcome.

If there's one person who wouldn't miss the survivor's conference it's Mary Cooperwasser of Ann Arbor. Forty-seven years old, this mother of three was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1996. Cooperwasser can't express her gratitude enough to the "outstanding support groups" that offer her determination to handle the difficult diagnosis. The conference will feature information on various support groups for survivors, spouses, siblings and families.

Kathy Wieckowski of Wyandotte is a member of the survivor coalition who experienced breast cancer in 1988, and a recurrence in 1996. "You have to learn to live in the moment and never, never give up hope," claims the 46-year-old mother of three. Speaking of hope, the March 28th conference will feature all the latest information on cancer treatments and

research. Meeting the Needs of Cancer Survivors and their Families will be held Saturday, March 28 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Castick Activities Center (adjacent to Mercy High School) in Farmington Hills. For more information, call (800) 637-6266.

The author, Larry James, is also a cancer survivor, and wrote this article as a volunteer. Larry was diagnosed with small cell carcinoma in 1996 and continues to survive.

"I agree with the survivors profiled in the article," notes Larry, "and I echo their sentiments unequivocally. But I also want to say that I survived because of belief in a higher power. I survived because I envisioned the radiation and liquid chemotherapy chemicals not as killers, but as healers, spreading a powerful light that radiated through my body, healing it rather than destroying it."

MEDICAL NEWSMAKERS

Dermatologist welcomed

Johanna Chapel, M.D., has joined the medical staff of St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. Chapel is board certified in dermatology and internal medicine. Her Dearborn office is located at 2814 Monroe Street.



J. Chapel

Chapel joins St. Mary

Thomas Chapel, M.D., has joined the medical staff of St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. Chapel is board certified in dermatology. His office is located at 2814 Monroe St., Dearborn.



T. Chapel

Smokers run the risk of depression

Daily smokers have twice the risk for major depression compared to people who have a history of smoking on an occasional basis, according to a Henry Ford Health System study.

In addition, researchers found that not only may smoking lead to depression, but depression may lead to increased smoking. The study revealed that in young adults who smoke and have history of major depression, their risk of becoming daily smokers is three times more likely. The progression to daily smoking typically begins in adolescence.

The study, published in the February issue of Archives of General Psychiatry, is the first-of-its-kind to demonstrate the influence of major depression on increased smoking. The study tracked 1,000 young adults ages 21 to 30 over a period of five years in southeastern Michigan. A daily smoker is defined as a person who smokes daily for one or more months.

Interestingly, no conclusive data showed that major depression played a role in the initiation of smoking, nor did it show smokers with depression have a harder time quitting, said Naomi Breslau, Ph.D., principal investigator and director of research for the Department of Behavioral Services at Henry Ford Health System. She offers several possible explanations for the relationship

The study '... is the first-of-its-kind to demonstrate the influence of major depression on increased smoking.'

between depression and smoking. "Smokers who have depression tend to see their smoking become a daily habit, and it may be because they use nicotine to medicate their depressed mood," said Breslau. An addiction to nicotine may be especially powerful in depressed smokers because of the substance's mood-altering characteristics.

The Henry Ford data also revealed that smokers are significantly more at risk of major depression. But does smoking cause depression? There may be neurobiological evidence that nicotine and other smoke substances play a role in causing depression, but additional research is needed to support this, according to Breslau.

"We may find that factors predispose people to both depression and smoking. Social environment and personality may be the common causes. One study suggests that the relationship results solely from genetic predisposition. Future research is needed to determine what, if any, are the common causes of both," Breslau said.

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MIKE WENDLAND

For two weeks last month Tony Hansen was stationed in one of the loneliest places of the world - The South Pole. And yet he found himself more connected to the world than anyone can imagine. Each day, thousands checked up on him, shared his observations, saw how his studies for the National Science Foundation were going and offered encouragement and support.

Along for the ride

Tony Hansen wired himself to the World Wide Web and thus, took all of us along on his adventure.

A researcher tracking environmental pollution at the South Pole Dr. Tony Hansen discovered a world divided - snow-blanket beauty accommodating top-notch scientific missions on the one hand, an environment increasingly smothered in exhaust fumes on the other.

And while his primary mission was to collect evidence regarding the degree of pollution, his other goal was to educate friends, colleagues, and the public about the region and the NSF's work there.

This was his second stint at the Pole. On his first expedition Hansen took still pictures with a digital camera and sent them back by e-mail. This time he sent video clips around the world using a new technology for sending high quality video on the

Internet called Video Sphinx Pro. Hansen sent his accounts of the latest expedition at site (<http://www.mageesci.com/Antartic>), as well as to his colleagues at the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, to collaborating scientists at government and university research institutions both in the U.S. and in European countries.

The site is still online, drawing thousands of hits a day and is typical of a growing number of sites that use the immediacy of video to illustrate the objectives, the methods and the nature of scientific research in an attention-grabbing, "live on-location" manner. For parents and educators battling the draw of television on children, these sites are great alternatives to the tube.

Another great Web site you'll want to bookmark and check regularly is the Zambezi River "Make a Difference" site (<http://www.zzam.org>) that will soon chronicle the adventures of a group of river rafters attempting to navigate this dangerous African river.

Sponsored by a group of Detroit-area folks, the trip is aimed at drawing attention to the problem of land mines, which litter the African nations the river flows through following decades of civil war.

While the expedition itself won't start until mid-April, there's already lots of excitement on the site.

Paul Templer, of Zimbabwe, is one of the key members of the expedition. In 1996, as he led a party of tourists floating down the river near Victoria Falls, Templer was attacked by a hippopotamus.

'Want to know what it's like to climb the world's tallest and most dangerous mountain? This site does everything but take you there.'

The animal inflicted 38 puncture wounds to his head, chest, arms, and leg, before releasing him. Seven hours of surgery saved his life but could not save his left arm. He now has an artificial arm designed and fitted by one of the "Make a Difference" sponsors, the Wright and Fillippis company.

Templer's tale is well-told on the site, and as the trip gets underway, photos and daily reports will let us all share the adventure...online.

Online adventures

Here are some other online adventure sites you may want to check out:

The Jason Project (<http://www.jasonproject.org/>) - There are all sorts of Jason project online adventures. The current one involves a bunch of Scuba divers off Bermuda investigating coral reefs. But you can also find other online adventures here aimed at kids and their parents. One of my favorites is an online chronicle of what it's like to live aboard a nuclear submarine.

Kevin and Daye's Great Adventure - <http://www.white-trash.com/mo/mcworld/adv.html>

Not all the online adventures are done by foundations and big groups. Everyday people use the net to share their fun. This site

details the long distance motorcycle adventures of a couple of regular guys who set out to cover 7,000 miles in three weeks.

Adventure Everest Online (<http://www.vrsystems.com/everest/everest97/>) - Want to know what it's like to climb the world's tallest and most dangerous mountain? This site does everything but take you there.

Cross Adventures Online (<http://www.crossadventure.com/adv/>) - This is a collection of links to companies that sell travel adventure packages. But a number of the links here have pictures and stories online that give you a pretty good feel for what it would be like to really do it... everything from sky diving to whale watching adventures are featured here.

Running the Nile (<http://www.adventureonline.com/nile/index.html>) - The story of a group of kayakers who attacked the Nile River. There are some great photos here.

Project Central America (<http://www.adventureonline.com/mca/index.html>) - This is the online adventure of a group of bicyclists who peddled 1,900 miles through central America.

Mike Wendland covers the Internet for NBC-TV Newschannel stations across the country and can be seen locally on WDIV-TV4, Detroit. His "PC Talk" radio show airs Saturday and Sunday afternoons from 4-6 p.m. on TalkRadio 1270, WXYT and he is the owner of Awesome Pages, a web development company (248-852-1930).

You can reach Mike Wendland through his PC Mike Web site at <http://www.pcmike.com>

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MON, MARCH 30

BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOC.
All working women are invited to attend "Spring Network Mingle/Business Card Exchange" of the American Business Women's Association at 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Wyndham Gardens Hotel (42100 Crescent, Novi). Call (248) 626-8840.

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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Multi-media work at heart of musical collage

James Nissen's come a long way since writing his first piece of music at age seven. Nissen is coordinating "Collage VI," a concert spotlighting Schoolcraft College music students and faculty Saturday, April 4 at the Radcliff Center in Garden City.

Nissen, a humanities professor and conductor of the Wind Ensemble, wrote the music for one of the pieces on the program, "The Times of Our Lives." The multi-media work is accompanied by video created by the college's computer graphics technology program.

"Collage VI is a showcase for the music department," said Nissen. "All of us are excited about the variety of pieces. It's a collage of everything from classical to rock to jazz, from Renaissance to the present. It's like taking a roller coaster ride through time with one piece written 10 years ago, another piece 500 years ago. It shows off the latest in computer technology."

Professor Brad Bloom and the three students in his MATS MIDI Band will perform a range of selections from "A Raggy Waltz" by Dave Brubeck to "In Paradisium" by Faure and the mysterious sounding "O Magnum Mysterium" by Lauridsen. The MATS (Musical Arts Technology Studio) MIDI (Musical Instrument Digital Interface) Band create computer generated music.

"They'll be hearing sounds that are other worldly," said Bloom. "The musicians will make sounds the other ensembles won't be able to. We're taking pieces that are already written and we're transcribing it for electronic instruments. What we're trying to do is arrange existing pieces for a different palette of sounds."

For those who love the big band sound, SCool JAZZ and SCool JAZZ PRIME, under the direction of Steven SeGraves, are sure to be a hit. At least one of the jazz standards the vocal groups will perform is from the CD, "From Russia With Love," which was recorded after a Russian tour last summer. Later this year, SCool JAZZ and SCool JAZZ PRIME will perform at the Michigan Jazz Festival at the Botsford Inn in Farmington Hills and the Detroit Montreaux Jazz Festival downtown.

"The Collage concert will be fun, upbeat," said SeGraves. "It's one of the very few events at Schoolcraft College where the entire music department is involved."

SeGraves also directs the college's Chamber Singers who perform 20th century and madrigal music for "Collage VI." The concept for the collage concert is that selections are performed back to back without applause. There will be about 130 performers "on stage" at the same time. Performers stand for their turn in the spotlight.

"The musical variety is interesting and how the pieces go right from one piece to the next," said SeGraves. "When pieces contrast greatly, it can be interesting."

Donald Morelock, director of the college's piano and applied music department, and student Tracy Kwang, an eighth grader at Novi Middle School, will perform as soloists. Kwang, winner of the Michigan Music Teachers Association concerto competition last year, plays Debussy's "Gardens in the Rain," Morelock, Schumann's "Whims, Op. 12 No. 4."

Circle of Life

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Hawaiian delights brighten March days

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Everything is coming up flowers at River's Edge Gallery II in Canton thanks to watercolorist Tanya Au. As featured artist for the month of March, Au is exhibiting large scale watercolor paintings of flowers one of which is titled "Go Blue."

Au painted the daffodils and hydrangea after attending the Ann Arbor Flower and Garden Show in Ann Arbor. The University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens produces the show featuring 22,000 square feet of plants, designs, sculpture, and garden accessories, March 26-29 at Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds.

Born and raised in Honolulu, Au loves flowers.

"Mom had a huge rose garden," said Au, "and used to cut them and bring them into the house. I used to spend a lot of the time in the garden when I was a young girl. I loved to weed and care for the flowers."

The paintings of the exotic plants known as bromeliads were created by Au during a visit to a bromeliad farm owned by a friend of her brother's in Hawaii. Au spent the summer of 1992 with her family in Hawaii. At night, after putting her three daughters to bed, Au would paint. She's returning this summer for a monthlong stay. Her brother raises ginger and exotic flowers on a farm in Hawaii. She plans to do plenty of painting while she's there.

"As an artist, everything (I paint) needs to come from the heart," said Au. "Flowers represent where I came from, the lushness, the bright light. When I was painting, I could smell the flowers."

Tulips, daffodils and other perennials fill the garden at Au's Ypsilanti home. A painting of fuschia, outside her back door, reflects her strong sense of color.

"I've watched tulips so long they've bloomed right before my eyes," said Au. "I do need to have that color around me. Flowers have helped me to survive in Michigan. I'm looking forward to working in my garden. Learning how to garden in Michigan is very different from gardening in Hawaii."

A single mother of three daughters ages 8 to 13, Au spends nights working on a master of fine arts



Tropical beauty: Tanya Au painted this bromeliad from plants growing on an exotic flower farm in Hawaii.

What: Tanya Au exhibits her large scale (up to 8 by 6 feet) watercolor paintings of bromeliads grown on a farm in Hawaii.
When: Through Tuesday, March 31. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday and Saturday; until 6 p.m. Tuesday; 7 p.m. Thursday; and 8 p.m. Friday.
Where: River's Edge Gallery II, 44934 Ford Road, between Sheldon and Canton Center Road, (behind Murray's Auto Supply), Canton, (734) 254-9880.

degree at Eastern Michigan University. Days, she teaches art at three elementary in the Wyandotte Public Schools. She earned her master of art education in 1991 from Eastern.

Au wasn't interested in art during her school days in Hawaii. Not until she came to Michigan in 1979

did painting become one of her loves. Au took drawing and watercolor courses while working on a bachelor degree at Eastern Michigan University. Shortly thereafter, her major became watercolor.

According to gallery co-owner Patt Slack, "you can see Tanya's heritage, Hawaiian and Chinese, in

her watercolors. She has the flowing brush stroke well known to the Chinese and the colorful palate of the Hawaiians."

Jim Slack, an artist himself, admires Au's watercolor florals. He and his wife Patt invited Au to exhibit her watercolors in the original River's Edge Gallery in Wyandotte six years ago. The medium intrigues him. Slack attended the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Art where figurative-based oil painting was primary. After returning from a military stint in Vietnam, he took watercolor classes at Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills. Slack's own watercolors "are very big and very loose."

"Tanya's watercolors are terrific, loose, expressionistic," said Slack. "Watercolorists tend to get limited because of the size of the paper. When we see an artist working in this scale (up to 8 by 6 feet), it's impressive."

Au is always experimenting with materials, techniques and subject matter. Once, she painted in the dark only to awake the next morning to find the painting's palette primarily consisted of green instead of the purple Au thought she was creating. Her latest series deals with dying, grieving and the burial rituals of the Chinese culture. She began the paintings after the death of her grandmother who immigrated to Hawaii from China.

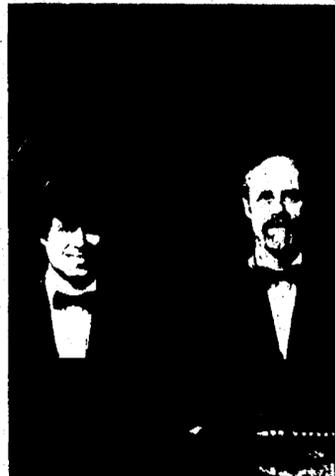
"If someone asks me to repaint something, I couldn't do it even if I tried," said Au. "I can't paint something the same way twice."

Au thinks most people love flowers as much as she does that's why she chose to focus on the subject in the show at River's Edge Gallery II. The only non-floral painting is of a water and dock scene.

"Flowers sell," said Au. "I've sold more flowers than anything else."

The Ann Arbor Flower and Garden Show offers hundreds of ideas for gardens and landscapes 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, March 26-28 and until 5 p.m. Sunday, March 29 at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor/Saline Road, Ann Arbor. Tickets \$10 adults (\$8 in advance), \$5 ages 13-17 years, \$3 ages 4-12 years, children three and under free. Opening night gala: 7:30-10 p.m. Wednesday, March 25, tickets \$60 (\$50 in advance). Call (734) 763-TKTS/998-7061.

MUSIC



Double the fun: Father and son pianists Joseph (right) and Michael Gurt perform with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra on April 4.

Concert aims to 'double your pleasure'

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Eastern Michigan University music professor Joseph Gurt is counting the days until son Michael arrives from Louisiana. The two pianists perform with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, under conductor Russell Reed, Saturday, April 4.

Music played a major role during the years Joseph and Gloria Gurt were raising Michael and daughters Naomi, Deborah and Jordani in Ann Arbor. The family's two pianos saw plenty of action. Michael, who began playing when he was about 10, received his early training from Joseph as did the other children. Gloria is also a pianist who teaches privately. Naomi is a soprano living in Boston.

"They're all musical," said the 64-year old Gurt. "We were playing at home from when Michael was a kid just in our living room. Living 1,000 miles apart, it's difficult to perform as a duo. That's the only bad part of playing

DOUBLE YOUR PLEASURE

What: The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra spotlights the talents of father and son pianists Joseph and Michael Gurt in Poulenc's "Concerto for Two Pianos in D Major."
When: 8 p.m. Saturday, April 4.
Where: Novi High School Auditorium, 24064 Taft Road, Novi.
Tickets: \$12 adults, \$10 seniors/college students, \$6 children grades K-12, and available by calling (734) 451-2112. An After-glow will be held at the Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River, Farmington Hills. Free.

together as father and son is we live so far apart."

Gurt is excited about performing Poulenc's "Concerto for Two Pianos in D Major" for the first time with Michael, 39. Father and son will practice their parts at Gurt's studio at Eastern before a dress rehearsal with the Plymouth Symphony.

"Everything that's artistic is challenging," said Gurt, who's taught piano

at Eastern for 31 years. "This is a bubbly piece, bright, not dissonant, quite melodious. It's a real crowd pleaser, a piece the audience will enjoy."

This is the Gurts first performance with the Plymouth Symphony as a duo although they've performed several solo recitals together in Florida, Michigan and Istanbul, Turkey. The engagement had first been discussed during the years when Gurt was a colleague of Reed, a professor of music and director of the Symphony Orchestra at Eastern Michigan University for 12 years before retiring in 1991. The topic arose again about 10 years ago when Gurt joined the orchestra as a soloist in the performance of Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue."

"We've talked about doing this for some time," said Reed. "I have heard Michael play and I have so much respect for Joseph's musicianship. The Poulenc concerto is a charming piece of

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West of SoHo

Local artists find gritty home in Pontiac

BY FRANK PROVENZANO
STAFF WRITER

Three years ago, Janet Christensen's view from her studio looked out at the San Francisco Bay where freighters and sail boats slowly passed.

Today, Christensen of Bloomfield Hills is a transplanted Californian. Her spacious fourth-floor loft overlooks dusty train tracks and a residential Pontiac neighborhood where economic opportunity has yet to arrive.

On a day when a group of Pontiac-based artists are meeting in her loft, the western sunlight pours through the expansive space located in a nondescript warehouse a few blocks north of downtown Pontiac.

"There's a scene here bigger than ever," she said. "We're just waiting for things to happen."

These artists may be wide-eyed idealists, but they're also grounded in bottom-line realities.

Said Christensen: "We all realize that everything is driven by economics."

-And, of course, perception.

Born from hope

In key high-traffic areas in Oakland County, billboards proclaim the emergence of a new, chic locale, provocatively entitled, "The SoHo of the Suburbs."

Since the message went up in early February, it's been a real-

life "Where's Waldo" adventure to find the place named after the famous artists colony in a section of New York City.

But here? In the cultural capital of gears, wheels and transmissions? SoHo in metro Detroit? Uh, not so-ho obvious.

Then again, to be self-evident would be missing the point. In the city named for an Ottawa Indian chief and a division of General Motors, artists are finding a gritty street scene that mirrors their inner grit, defiance and sense of possibility.

Along with Hamtramck and parts of Detroit, downtown Pontiac has become an artist's dream: low rent, sprawling work areas and plenty of camaraderie.

"We used to move from the fashion of one art movement to another," said sculptor Terry Lee Dill, who owns several buildings near the downtown area.

"But now, there's really no new movement in the art world. It's all about finding a new space (to create art.)"

For local artists, that new place is hundreds of miles west of SoHo. Calling Pontiac an "art scene," however, is a bit of an exaggeration.

"We basically see artists in our own buildings," said Marilyn Schechter of West Bloomfield.

A publicized tour last summer of artists studios drew some media attention, but few visitors, according to Schechter.

Artists are concentrated in a few blocks from downtown Pontiac in two renovated warehouses on Howard Street and the reconditioned Pontiac Business Institute a few blocks away.

Unlike SoHo, where many alternative galleries were created to show the work of local avant-garde artists, there's only a handful of Pontiac galleries, none of them known for showing exclusively the work of local artists.

And while several new restaurants have recently moved in, the specter of vacant buildings casts a shadow of doubt about how long it'll take before a thriving "art and entertainment" scene exists in the geographical center of the county.

"Cities don't realize what artists contribute," said Dill, who lived in SoHo for 16 years before moving to Pontiac several years ago.

"We move into areas where the rent is cheap, renovate the spaces and bring an energy to the community," he said. "This concept that artists are a credit risk is wrong."

In the eclectic, utility-based 1990s, "SoHo in the Suburbs" is as much a statement about a state of mind as a striking piece of art.

In many ways, "SoHo in the Suburbs" is about the power of positive thinking. An attitude born from hope, not desperation.

On the verge

"There's a notion that the art world doesn't exist outside of New York," said Jef Bourgeois, whose Museum of Contemporary Art in Pontiac is a Duchamp-inspired gallery of conceptual art.

"The art community needs to focus," said Bourgeois of Rochester. "The art world is ready to be punched through. We're here to create our own rules. We're not going to restrict ourselves."

Years before artists discovered Pontiac, artist Linda Golden persevered in a studio "with every code violation under the sun."

That was 15 years ago, a time of recession and pervasive apathy. Today, the Bloomfield Township resident rents an updated space in the northern edge of an upbeat downtown.

Some landlords have only modestly increased rents, said Golden. But rent in studios along N. Saginaw, she said, are increasing three-fold.

With increasing popularity, comes the Catch-22: Many businesses want to appeal to mainstream tastes while Pontiac artists revel in an avant-garde grittiness.

But there is common ground.

A countywide festival, "Arts, Beats & Eats," is scheduled in downtown Pontiac over Labor Day Weekend.



Circle of Art: A common topic for artists is how to get out the word about their art, and the fledgling art scene in Pontiac. Above: Linda Goldman of Bloomfield Township, (left), Laurie Domaleski of Waterford, Marilyn Schechter of West Bloomfield, Terry Lee Dill of Pontiac, Jef Bourgeois of Rochester and Janet Christensen of Bloomfield Hills.

The event will feature the works of 100 local artists, and 50 restaurants and local musicians.

Steve Weikal, director of Oakland County Arts & Humanities Council, believes that the festival could be the much-needed catalyst for a wider acceptance of the notion of SoHo in Pontiac.

"There's an attitude and a fair in Pontiac," he said. "There's a feeling that this is a place on the verge, just waiting to happen."

The signs are already appearing.

"So far the billboards have accomplished what we wanted: to let people know that there's a jewel sitting here," said Chuck Uzelac, a Bloomfield Hills resident and president of the Pontiac Business Association.

"We don't want to be an extension of Royal Oak or Birmingham," said Uzelac, a painter and sculptor who also owns the Uzelac Gallery in downtown Pontiac.

Creating a new perception will require plenty of creative energy.

"The power that the artist has is in the ideas," said artist Laurie Domaleski of Waterford, whose "Hands On Art" project sets out to build a sense of community through art.

"People might not know what's going on here. But what you say is what you create in your community."

SoHo, after all, is all about attitude.

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music, brilliantly orchestrated, very colorful. It's a wonderful interplay between the two pianos and the orchestra."

Like father like son

Born in Poland, Joseph arrived



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in Australia at age 4 and spent his youth there. At age 20, he moved to New York City to attend The Juilliard School. Years later, Michael did graduate work at The Juilliard School after earning a bachelor's degree with top honors from the University of Michigan School of Music.

"By the time Michael was 12, he was playing Tchaikovsky's concerto," said Gurt. "We didn't make him practice. Even after he finished the assignments I gave him, Michael would continue to run scales up and down the piano."

After graduating from Juilliard, Joseph continued studies under Dorothy Taubman. He has performed with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and many professional and community orchestras, and chamber music groups.

He has also played in Canada, Israel, Australia, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Singapore. He has made a variety of recordings

including two compact discs. During the summer, he is on the faculty of the Dorothy Taubman School of Piano at Williams College in Massachusetts.

In 1982, Michael won first prize in the Gina Bachauer International Piano Competition. As a result, he was invited to perform recitals in cities throughout the United States including Detroit Orchestra Hall.

Michael currently is an associate professor of piano Louisiana State University where he chairs the piano department. He also serves as chair of the piano department at the Sewanee Summer Music Center in Tennessee.

"I'm excited about the concert because I'll be playing with the Plymouth Symphony which is one of the finest community orchestras," said Gurt, "but the fact, I'm playing with Michael. It's just fun to play with him because he's a wonderful pianist."

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Concluding the program is Nissen's multi-media work with text based on a number of poems by former University of Michigan professor Bert Hornback. "The Times of Our Lives" was first performed nine years ago when Nissen was a student at the University of Michigan.

"The poems are about the cycle of life from birth to death and rebirth," said Nissen. "To go with a poem on young adulthood, I composed a rousing march that goes out of control. Overall, it's a very moving, powerful work and with the computer graphics it will enhance the whole thing."

Steve Wroble, an associate professor in the computer graph-

ics technology program, is working with two other instructors to piece together children's drawings and snapshots from a scrap book of "a person's life" for the video. Transitions vary with the tempo of the music.

"It's a series of scanned images to supplement the poetry and music," he said. "It's a unique way to supplement the music."

Last year's Collage concert spotlighted Nissen's "Hymn of Apollo," based on a poem by Percy Shelley. Nissen composes works for organ, piano and choir. He recently finished his second sonata and has started his first opera. Over the last few years, Nissen's written several pieces

for the Wind Ensemble.

"The Times of our Lives" is an exciting piece of music with a contemporary sound," said John Witten, a member of the Wind Ensemble for nearly 20 years. A counselor at the college since 1967, Witten plays euphonium. "During conception, you hear the heart beat as you hear life begins in the child. The music is a challenge. I've played enough of Jim's music to know you won't be disappointed."

Linda Ann Chomin is an arts reporter for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. If you have interesting idea involving the visual or performing arts, call (734) 953-2146.

Calling all artists, deadlines drawing near

Canton Township is looking for artists to exhibit in its 7th annual Fine Art and Fine Craft Show June 20-21 in Heritage Park, Canton. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Artists can display their work inside the two big tents or can bring their own. The juried show is an opportunity for local artists to demonstrate and sell their art work during the Liberty Fest.

Deadline for application is April 15. Artists must submit slides or photos of their work from the categories of painting, prints, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, drawing, pastel, and selected fine crafts. For more information, call Sharon Dillenbeck at (734) 463-3710.

Canton Township is also looking for art students in middle or high school in the Plymouth Canton School District to display, demonstrate and sell their work. The student booth is sponsored so there is no entry fee for

students. However, young artists must submit an application and photos or slides of their work because it is a juried show.

The Livonia Arts Commission is also seeking entries for its second annual "Fine Arts in the Village," June 13-14 at Greenmead Historical Village in Livonia. The two- and three-dimensional works will be exhibited in the historical homes at Greenmead.

Deadline for entries is April 10. For application, call Robert Sheridan at (734) 422-6400.

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Eisenhower Dance Ensemble will hold auditions in March for community dancers interested in performing at the Macomb Center; (248) 370-3024.

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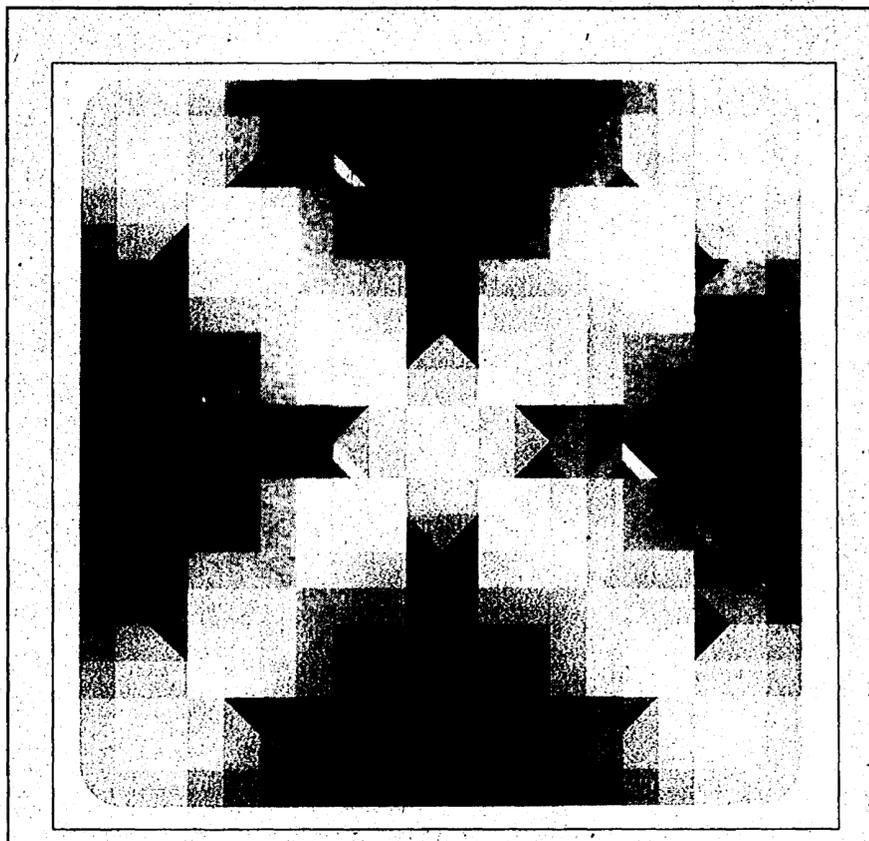
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7-9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 5-28. Preview selected plays in production at Canada's 1998 Stratford Festival. Leading the workshop will be Niels Herold and Bruce Mann of Oakland University. Fee: \$250. Register by April 1, 1998.

YOUTH ART COMPETITION
"Friends of Polish Art." In conjunction with Orchard Lake Schools, is sponsoring annual Youth Art Competition for students ages 12-18. Competition open to all students in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Washtenaw counties. Works should relate to a Polish theme. No more than three entries per person. Cash prizes awarded. Deliver to Orchard Lake Galleria 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, April 25. Works must be ready for hanging or display, including mat, frame or stand. Art will be on public exhibit through May with opening and award presentation 3:30 p.m. Sunday, May 3. For more information, call John Surma (248) 541-3697.

BENEFIT

CELEBRATE THE OSCARS
8 p.m. Monday, March 23, "Second Annual Official Oscar Night America Gala to Benefit Detroit Film Theatre," sanc-



Visual geometry: The abstract paintings and serigraphs of Marko Spalatin are on exhibit through March 27 at Uzelac Gallery, N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 332-5257.

tioned by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. A gala event with celebrities and glitz of Hollywood at Intermezzo Restaurants in Detroit's Harmonie Park, between Gratiot and Madison Avenue. Tickets: \$125, include buffet supper, open bar and multiple large-screen projection of the Oscars. WJR's Mitch Albom, Kenny Brown and Rachael Nevanda join WXYZ's Denise Dador in hosting a live auction. Proceeds go to the Detroit Film Theatre. For tickets, (313) 833-0247.

"STARRY, STARRY NIGHT"
An Oscar Awards party with an Italian cuisine, champagne commentary by Q95.5's morning show host Kevin O'Neill, 8 p.m. Monday, March 23, Star Southfield Entertainment Centre, 25333 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield. \$30, \$50 per couple, benefits the Detroit Area Film and Television's scholarship fund. (248) 547-0847.

FAR CONSERVATORY
Far Conservatory of Therapeutic and Performing Arts presents two events featuring the skating skills of children and adults with disabilities. 1 p.m. Sunday, March 29, "A Salute to Broadway," an ice show. Both events held at the Birmingham Ice Arena. Donations accepted. (248) 646-3347.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Register for spring classes, April 20-June 13. Children's classes. Adult courses include basketry, ceramic bead-making, clay, collage, drawing, matting, painting, photography, sculpture, tapestry and watercolor. 407 Pine Street, downtown Rochester; (248) 651-4110.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL
Pottery Workshops - 8-12 year olds, 10 a.m.-noon, Saturdays, March 28 & April 4, fee: \$40; adult classes, 12:30-2:30 p.m., Saturdays, March 28 & April 4, fee: \$50. 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth; (734) 416-4278.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS
Registration for Summer Day Camps begins March 23, non residents can register beginning May 8. Also available specialty day camps in art, theatre, soccer and dance. 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield; (248) 354-9603.

VILLAGE PLAYERS WORKSHOPS FOR KIDS
Spring and summer workshops using theater games, improvisation and covering a playful introduction to children's musical theater, including singing, dancing, acting and performing. Directed by composer/teacher David Mayer in association with The Village Players. Workshops begin early March and June 29, respectively. For specific dates and times 644-2075.

LYRIC CHAMBER ENSEMBLE
11:15 a.m., Sunday, March 22, "Viva Espana," featuring the CutTime Players, an ensemble of Detroit Symphony Orchestra musician perform music with a Spanish flavor. Detroit Institute of Arts Recital Hall, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. Tickets: \$18, adults: \$15, students/seniors; (248) 357-1111.

MUSICA VIVA INTERNATIONAL CONCERTS
3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 22, "Tango," featuring Canadian guitar virtuoso Philip Candelaria and internationally acclaimed flutist Gerova-Ortega in a concert by Latin American composers including Astor Piazzolla. Tickets: \$16, advance: \$18, at door. Birmingham Unitarian Church, Woodward at Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 851-6987.

ORGAN RECITAL
In recital 4 p.m. Sunday, March 22, Jean Johnson Bynum; 4 p.m. Sunday, March 29, David Barlett. Christ Church Cranbrook, Lone Pine and Cranbrook roads, one mile west of Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 644-5210.

RUSSIAN NATIONAL ORCHESTRA
With violinist Gil Shaham, 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 24, Hill Auditorium, 825

LONGACRE HOUSE - ART CLASSES
Range of art classes, including watercolor, drawing and collecting pottery. The Longacre House of Farmington Hills, 24705 Farmington Road, between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads. To register, (248) 477-8404.

MSU MUSIC SCHOOL FOR YOUNG
"First Music" classes for children birth to age 5. Children and parents move to music, learn songs and chants, play percussion instruments. Classes meet Friday mornings March 20-May 22. Cost: \$100. Antioch Lutheran Church, Farmington Hills; (800) 548-6157. (517) 355-7661.

MUSICAL THEATER WORKSHOPS
Tinderbox Productions offers acting and musical theater workshops for beginners to advanced students, grades 1-12. Classes run through April 19. Clarenceville High School. Brochures available at Livonia Civic Center Library, Redford library or call (313) 535-8962.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
With Conductor Robert Bernhardt, soprano Nancy Davis Booth and tenor Douglas Ahlstedt, as part of "Opera Pops" featuring selections from Mozart's "The Magic Flute," Verdi's "Un di se ben rammentomi" and Puccini's "Nessun dorma," 8 p.m. Thursday, March 26, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 27-28, and 3 p.m. Sunday, March 29, Orchestra Hall, Detroit; (313) 576-5111 or http://www.detroitssymphony.com

MARINERS' CHURCH OF DETROIT
Organ concerts featuring music of Bach, Brahms, Franck, and Pachelbel, 12:35 p.m. Thursdays, March 26 and April 2, 170 East Jefferson, Detroit. Free parking, Ford Auditorium Underground Garage. (313) 259-2206.

UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY, ANN ARBOR
Pianist Ursula Oppens performs a "Beethoven for the Contemporary" program, 8 p.m. Friday, March 27; American String Quartet's world premier of a program of Beethoven and Fuchs, 4 p.m. Sunday, March 29, Rackham Auditorium, Rackham Building, 915 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. \$16-\$30. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

BIRMINGHAM TEMPLE'S VIVACE SERIES
3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 29, pianist Louis Nagel in a program, "Speaking of Music," a combination of music and commentary of Bach, Debussy and Schumann. Tickets: \$15, general: \$14, seniors/students; (248) 788-9338 or (248) 288-3953. 28611 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills; (248) 477-1410.

WAGNER IN CONCERT
3 p.m. Sunday, March 29, "Musical Magic," featuring radio personality Dave Wagner, formerly of WQRS-FM, in a special organ performance with flautist Suzanne Bona. Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. Eleven Mile Road, west of Middlebelt, Farmington Hills; (248) 476-8850.

WARREN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
With sopranos Ellen Chickering, Jan Albright and Barbara Wiltse, 7 p.m. Sunday, March 29, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$17, \$15 seniors, \$5 children ages 12 and younger. \$13 groups of five or more. (810) 754-2950

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
"Double Your Pleasure" concert featuring Chamber and son pianists Joseph and Michael Gurl performing Poulenc's "Concerto for Two Pianos in D Major," 8 p.m. Saturday, April 4, at the Novi High School Auditorium, 24064 Taft Road, Novi. \$12, \$10 seniors/college students, \$6 children K-12th grade. (734) 451-2112. Afterglow at Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River, Farmington Hills.

MUSIC STUDY CLUB OF METRO DETROIT
3 p.m. Sunday, April 5, "From Classical Violin to Jazz: Gave Bolkosky & Friends," Tickets: \$7, general: \$5, students.

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BB&O'S POPS CONCERT
7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 22, "Pops Concert 'E,'" featuring light overtures, dances and intermezzi from the world of

Birmingham Temple 28611 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills; (248) 851-4307.

BIRMINGHAM MUSICALE
1998 Scholarship winners will be featured in recital 1 p.m. Thursday, April 9. Program will present scholarship recipients Jean Kang, Soojung Chang, Meg Murphy, Caitlin Lynch, Yoko Minawa. Open to public. Donation: \$2. The Community House of Birmingham, 360 S. Bates Street; (248) 475-5978.

COMMUNITY BANDS

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY BAND
Spring Symphony concert originally scheduled for March 22 will be held 3 p.m. Sunday, March 29, at Harrison High School, 29995 W. 12 Mile Road (between Middlebelt and Orchard Lake roads), Farmington Hills. \$3, \$2 students and available at the door, senior citizens free. (734) 261-2202/(248) 489-3412 or http://www.mystery.com/fcb

DANCE

A '60S HAPPENING
Oakland University Department of Music, Theatre and Dance presents, "A Happening Thing," a look at dance in the 1960s. 3 p.m. Sunday, March 22. Tickets: \$10, general seating; \$8, senior citizens; \$5, students; (248) 370-3013. Studio Theatre, Varner Hall, Oakland University, Rochester Hills.

ROCKY ROAD ADVANCED CONTRA-ENGLISH DANCE
7-9:45 p.m. Tuesday, March 24, Chapel Hill Condominium Clubhouse, 3350 Green Road (north of Plymouth Road), Ann Arbor. \$5. (734) 662-5158

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY DANCE COMPANY
Presents "Rebounding," the annual spring concert of dance, featuring choreography by Garth Fagan, Eva Power and Linda Cleveland Simmons. Fagan choreographed the Broadway musical "The Lion King." 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 27-28, at the Bonstelle Theater, on campus. Detroit. \$8 students/advanced sales, \$10 at the door. (313) 577-4273

ALVIN AILEY AMERICAN DANCE THEATER
Tuesday-Sunday, March 31-April 5, Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. (313) 874-7850.

MICHAEL FLATLEY'S LORD OF THE DANCE
8 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, March 31-April 3, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, April 4, and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday, April 5, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10-\$60. All ages. (313) 983-6611

STREB: POPACTION
8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 3-4, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$15-\$35. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

DANCE ENSEMBLE WEST
"Dance Collection-1998" with performances by the company's senior and junior divisions, 3 p.m. Saturday, April 4, at the Plymouth Canton High School's Little Theater, 8415 N. Canton Center Road (at Joy Road), Canton. \$9. (734) 420-4430

FAMILY MUSIC

MUSICAL VARIETY
7 p.m. Friday, April 3, "Family Fortissimo," a program from classical to foot-tapping music. Special guests include the Musical Muller Family. Versatile Vermiglios, Nifty Notestines, Nostalgic Nockolls, Kinetic Kendalls. Donation: \$3. Longacre House, 24705 Farmington Road; (248) 349-0490.

LECTURES

BB&A'S CAPTIVE AUDIENCE SERIES
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 24, "In the Public Eye," a lecture by sculptor Terry Lee Dill. Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

OC&C'S WRITERS LIVE SERIES
8:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 25, Art Wiggins presenting excerpts from his book, "The Five Biggest Ideas in Science." Oakland County Community College, Royal Oak campus; (248) 540-1540.

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN
6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 26, well-known author and historian Richard Longstreth, who specializes in U.S. commercial architecture. Admission: \$15. Scarab Club, John R and Farnsworth streets, directly behind the DIA. (313) 222-0321.

NIGHT PHOTOGRAPHY
2 p.m. Sunday, March 29, "The Magic of Night Photography," an exhibit and lecture by Marji Silk. Borders Books, downtown Birmingham, 34300 Woodward Avenue; (248) 203-0005.

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POPS/SWING

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opera. Conducted by Charles Greenwell. Temple Beth El, 14 Mile Road at Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 645-2276.

MAXWELL STREET KLEZMER BAND
5:30 p.m. Sunday, March 22, Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt Road, Farmington Hills. \$8, free for children younger than 5. (variety) (248) 851-5100

"BROADWAY THROUGH THE YEARS"
With organ player Ron Rhoads, 8 p.m. Saturday, March 28, Historic Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser Road (at Grand River Avenue), Redford. \$8. (313) 531-4407.

READING

THE WRITER'S VOICE
12:30-1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 25, U-M Poet-in-Residence Richard Tillinghast, novelist Larry Smith and WSU poet Anca Vlasopolos; 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 1, LA poet Stellasue Lee, and local writers Kim Webb, Michael Madias and Ellen Hildreth. Woodward, Room 3234, Wayne State University campus, Detroit; (313) 577-2450.

BALDWIN LIBRARY
7:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays, "Let's Talk About It," a reading and discussion program. Also, 7 p.m. Thursday, March 26, children are invited to bring dinner and listen to storyteller Jack Hickey. 300 W. Merrill, Birmingham; (248) 647-1700.

TOURS

AFRICAN ART
2 p.m. Sunday, March 22, gallery tour of African Art at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Speaker: Michael Kan, DIA curator of African, Oceanic and New World Cultures, DIA Lecture Hall, 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-3700.

PHOTO/PRINT
Schedule tours 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on March 28 and April 25. The "Photo/Print" on March 7, features a visit to Stewart & Stewart Workshop of Fine Prints, a tour of the Halsted Gallery and a visit to the studio of Balzhazar Korab. The "Royal Visits to studio of artist Richard Kozlov, the Sybaris Gallery and Revolution gallery. Fee: \$20. Call for reservations, (313) 593-5058.

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GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENINGS)

ALFRED BERKOWITZ GALLERY
March 24 - "A Celebration of Paperweights." In recognition of Michigan Glass Month, featuring internationally known glass artists Paul Stankard and 93 paperweights. U of M - Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen Road, 307ML; (734) 593-5087.

WYLAND GALLERIES
April 2 - Lightshow photographer Thomas J. Atkins. Through April 30, 280 Merrill Street, Birmingham; (248) 723-9220.

CRAIG GALLERY
April 3 - Grand Opening, featured artist: Lyle Morris. 810 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale; (248) 7156.

DECORATIVE ADDITIONS STUDIO/GALLERY
April 3 - 6:30 p.m., "The Photography of Frank Andree." 725 S. Adams Road, Birmingham. For information, (248) 540-2465.

BB&A
April 4 - 6 p.m., "Michigan Metalsmithing: 50th Year Anniversary," a joint exhibit. Through April 25. Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY
April 4 - 7 p.m., "New Works/Oil," excursions from an artist's journal by Fran Wolok. Through April 25. 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 334-6716.

MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART
April 4 - 7 p.m., "Documenta USA," an exhibit based on an open invitation of artists to show their works in any medium. No work will be refused. Actual showing schedule from 8:40 p.m. 23 @ Lawrence Street, Pontiac; (248) 334-6038.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

MOORE'S GALLERY
Through March 22 - "The Children of Mozambique," paintings by Terry Roy, 304 Hamilton Row, Birmingham; (248) 647-4662.

NETWORK GALLERY
Through March 26 - "Sewings," an exhibit of sewn fabric collages by D. Guerrero-Macia, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 334-3911.

THE END OF ART
Through March 27 - An exhibit that mourns the death of painting. Museum of Contemporary Art, 23 W. Lawrence, Pontiac; (248) 334-6038.

LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION
Through March 27 - An exhibit by Clarenceville Public Schools students. Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road; (313) 421-7238.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS
Through March 27 - Works of members from the South Oakland Art Association. Hours: 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday. 24350 Southfield Road, just south of 10 Mile Road; (248) 424-9022.

DETROIT GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY CRAFTS
Through March 28 - "In the Spirit: Masks, Figures and Vessels," 104 Fisher Bldg., Detroit; (313) 873-7888.

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HOURS SHORTENED

The open house and photography workshop featuring S. Kay Young will run from noon to 3 p.m. instead of noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 22, at the North American Indian Art Gallery and Trade Center, 17321 Telegraph Road, (north of Six Mile Road), Detroit.

Hours for the workshop were shortened because the Woodland Indians Trading Company, owner of the gallery, is moving its main offices and arranging to move the gallery and trade center into a storefront.

Young, a professional photographer with a show currently on exhibit at Tango in New York City, has work in the touring exhibition "She Be Me," opening 6 p.m. Saturday, March 28 at Summit on the Park in Canton. Sponsored by the Arts League of Michigan, the exhibition, continuing to April 2, spotlights women artists of African American, Asian American, Hispanic American, and Native American ancestry. Young, of Cherokee descent, focuses on heritage, florals and nature in her imagery.

Young also has work "In the Eye of the Garden," a photography exhibition continuing to Friday, April 10 at the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 North Dixboro Road, (off Ann Arbor Road), Ann Arbor. For viewing times, call (734) 998-7061.

A Center for Creative Studies graduate, Young will talk about her work during the workshop on photography, composition and natural light at the North American Indian Art Gallery. For more information, call (313) 535-7602.

ART CLASSES

The Visual Arts Association of Livonia began its spring term of classes but there's still room for students at the Jefferson Center in Livonia.

The curriculum includes watercolor with Edee Joppich and Marge Chellstorp; oil and acrylic painting, Sandra Weed; life drawing, Bob Blanchard, and basic drawing, Alice Nichols. A number of workshops are also being offered: landscapes, Gwen Tomkow; exotic still life, Connie Lucas; wet-in-wet watercolor florals, Joppich; wet-in-wet landscapes, Donna Vogelheim; pastel, Audrey DiMarco; making your own book, Monica Learning, and expressive watercolor, Linda Mendelson. For a complete listing or to register, call Marge Masek at (734) 464-6772.

RENAISSANCE CHORUS

Male singers are invited to attend a guest night, 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 24, at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, east of Newburgh, Livonia.

The Wayne Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America annual show held March 6-7 at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills featured the chapter's Renaissance Chorus.

For more information, call Alex Willox at (734) 728-6865

Squirrel

Harvest: S. Kay Young photographed these sunflowers after the squirrels harvested them for her garden. Young returned them to the squirrels afterward.



LINDA WAN

Evening of Improv: Canton Project Arts presents the Ann Arbor-based Empatheatre in the first part of a Spring Theater Series on March 28.

POTTERY WORKSHOPS

The Plymouth Community Arts Council is offering pottery workshops for children (ages 8-12) and adults, Saturdays March 28 and April 4 at the Joanne Winklemann Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 North Sheldon, at Junction, Plymouth.

Cost is \$50 adults, \$40 children. All materials are included.

Children's workshops are 10 a.m. to noon. Students will make a coil pot and then decorate the fired piece the following Saturday. Adult workshops are 12:30-2:30 p.m. Adults make a coiled vessel or candle holder. For information or to register, call (734) 416-4278.

EVENING OF ARTS

Canton Project Arts spotlights the arts with two events March 28 at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, (west off of Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill), Canton.

Empatheatre, an improvisational theater troupe from Ann Arbor, is featured in the first of a two-part Spring Theater Series 8 p.m. Saturday, March 28.

Tickets are \$10 and available at the Summit on the Park. Seating is limited to the first 150 people. For information, call (734) 397-6450.

"She Be Me," a touring fine arts and fine crafts exhibition by women artists of African American, Asian American, Hispanic American, and Native American ancestry, precedes Empatheatre's performance with an artists reception at 6 p.m. An opening ceremony follows at 7 p.m. The public is invited. Admission is free. Sponsored by the Arts League of Michigan, the show includes painting, sculpture, photography, fused glass,

ceramics, and collage.

Viewing hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 29 to April 2. For more information, call the Arts League of Michigan at (313) 577-1371.

ARTIST TO SPEAK

Award winning watercolorist Mark E. Mahaffey will visit Eastern Michigan University 6 p.m. Thursday, March 26 in 107 Ford to discuss and give a slide presentation of his work. Admission is free and open to the public. For information, call (734) 487-1268.

Mahaffey is a signature member of the American Watercolor Society, Rocky Mountain Watermedia Society, Watercolor West-California, and a life member of the Midwest Society. His awards include the Beverly Green Memorial Purchase Award in the National Watercolor Society's 77th Annual Exhibition. His work will be featured in "Splash 5: The Glory of Watercolor," a book by Rockport publishers.

BECOME A DIA TREASURE

If you're suffering from a case of cabin fever, the Detroit Institute of Arts has a solution to cure those winter blues. Why not spend an afternoon in the company of Edgar, Vincent and Claude (better known as Degas, van Gogh and Monet)? Surrounded by the beauty of the museum you have the opportunity to meet interesting individuals from all walks of life while serving as a DIA ambassador.

The DIA Volunteer Committee is conducting their semi-annual Volunteer Orientation 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Mar. 29 in the Lecture Hall of the museum, 5200 Woodward, Detroit.

Volunteers play an important role in the daily operation of the DIA and the Volunteer Committee eagerly welcomes new members to be a part of their growing volunteer family. For more information or to volunteer, call (313) 833-0247.

FINNISH FAIR

The FinnWeavers of the Finnish Center Association present an art fair showcasing local artists and their work 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 28 at the Finnish Cultural Center, 35200 West Eight Mile, between Farmington Road and I-275, Farmington Hills.

Admission is free. Refreshments and a light lunch (served 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.) will be available for purchase. Proceeds donated to the Finnish Center Association. For information, call (248) 546-6527.

SPRING SHOW

The Livonia Artists Club presents its 37th annual Festival of Arts 1-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, April 4-5 at the Livonia Civic Center Library 32777 Five Mile Road, east of Farmington.

The show will honor club founder Olive Harrington, who died last year.



Ernie Harwell

Baseball Hall of Fame announcer

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40900 Ann Arbor Rd.

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9:30 a.m.
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What to wear

Bridal salons may suit you

Anyone who's ever scrambled to find the right dress for a special occasion can identify with Harriet Spurlin of Livonia.

When she received an invitation to a bar mitzvah at the Tam O'Shanter Country Club in West Bloomfield, she visited one department store after another, searching for the perfect dress, to no avail. Then she thought, why not try a bridal shop?

She found what she was looking for at Bonnie's Bridal in Livonia.

"I found a beautiful velvet gown there, but it was too tight due to middle-age spread. They let it out for me. I felt beautiful," she said. "I just wanted to tell your readers about this store so it could be a source for others shopping for special occasion dresses. Plus, the alterations helped do wonders. The staff was so nice," she said.

Here's more information about Bonnie's and other stores you might want to try if you're searching for a special dress, too.

• About one-third of the dresses at Bonnie's Bridal shop are wedding gowns. The rest are social occasion, bridesmaid and prom dresses.

Customers can buy dresses off the rack (generally in sizes 6 to 30), order them from the manufacturer (available sizes are usually 2 to 42), or have the seamstresses custom make a dress, said Karen McDermott, who co-owns the store with Bonnie Bentley.

Some of the names the store carries include: Bill Levkoff, Jordan, Caterina, Sylvia Anne and Nadine. Manufacturer orders generally take eight to 12 weeks to come in and it takes about 12 weeks to custom make a dress.

Social occasion dresses generally run from \$125 to \$350. The store has been at its current location, 19183 Merriman at Seven Mile Road, for the past five years. Call (248) 471-7394.

• If you're looking for the kind of dress a movie star would wear, try **Exclusives for the Bride** at 708 N. Old Woodward in Birmingham. The shop carries formal and bridal gowns by Vera Wang, Badgley Mishka and other designers.

"Women see their favorite actresses wearing Vera Wang or Badgley Mishka in magazines and then come to us because they know we carry them," said the manager, Jacqui Paramo.

It usually takes 12 to 16 weeks for an ordered dress to come in. Most people don't have that long from the time they receive an invitation until the event itself. For that reason, "A lot of women will order a dress, just to have it on hand," Paramo said.

Customers also can buy sample dresses off the rack, but the sizes are limited (usually 8 to 12). Regular-priced bridesmaid and social occasion dresses start at about \$225. Bridal gowns can run from \$1,200 to \$7,000.

Alterations are extra and dresses also can be custom made. For more information, call (248) 647-4999.

• **Shapes Design Studio**, 208 Eleven Mile Road at Main Street in Royal Oak, carries a wide variety of contemporary women's clothing, from "fun separates to extraordinary evening dresses and bridal gowns," said its owner, Treas Charow.

The store carries dress sizes 4 to 12, and clothing also can be custom made. Evening gowns start at about \$200. Prom dresses run from \$80 (for short ones) to \$250 (for full-length ones). Alterations available for a small cost.

Popular this spring, Charow said, are looks that combine layers of sheer fabric with layers of lace in bright, fresh colors.

Black is always popular, she said, especially in slip dresses that are strappy and shapely. For more information about Shapes, call (248) 547-4990.

• **Betsy's Bridal**, at 6335 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield's Orchard Mall, has a wide selection of formal gowns, with more than 600 to choose from, according to owner, Betsy Nasour.

"I only carry full-length gowns. I don't carry short dresses," she said. Formal dresses start at about \$300 and prom dresses run between \$150 and \$400. Popular looks for prom this year include sheath and trumpet-style silhouettes, sheer fabric around the midriff, halter-style necklines, and exotic colors, such as neon green, lavender and light ice blue, she said. For more information (948) 865-3770.

SHOPPING CENTERED



DONNA MULCAHY



PHOTO BY SHARON LEMIEUX

Green retailers: Minding the Tree House store in Farmington are: (left) Simone McReynolds, massage therapist, and Herman, Christine and Cloriece Meinke.

Organic specialists open a shop for nature lovers

BY AMY MESSANO
SPECIAL WRITER

This tree house does not come equipped with a blue sky, chirping birds and lush plants stretching for the sun, but you don't have to climb a ladder or be a member of a secret club to get in. The Tree House for Earth's Children in Farmington is an organic connection for many environmentally conscience shoppers.

"We don't want to just utilize nature, we want to be a part of it," said certified myomassologist and store owner, Christine Meinke, about the philosophical root of this family-run business. And that's a message that is abundantly clear as you stroll down the aisles of organically grown vegetables, vitamin supplements and herbs.

There is even an organic raw food deli that serves up good-for-you snacks and favorites like a calcium-rich sesame drink made with horsetail (shavegrass), red clover and prickly ash.

"My favorite is the strawberry shake made also with bananas, honey and maple syrup," said eight-year-old Cloriece Meinke, Christine's daughter, as she gives a spur-of-the-moment, oiled foot massage to a regular customer, Gary Wickersham of Farmington.

"They are not just trying to sell products, but provide information so people can make up their own decisions," said

'We're laying the groundwork for future generations. If a child leaves here and only remembers a turtle or a plant they touched, but one day decides to plant his own garden, then it's all worth it.'

— Susan Meinke

a horizontal Wickersham. Besides giving him a place to hang out and drink carrot juice, the wide variety of products and the availability of alternative information are some of the reasons that keep Wickersham coming back.

Tree House for Earth's Children also carries organic, 100-percent cotton and hemp clothing for all sizes, personal hygiene products that involved no animal testing and literature that shares the store's holistic approach to life.

Kirk Meinke, who makes jewelry sold at the store and Christine's brother, said the store is "all about showing people another direction in which to live." For that reason the store offers classes in Tai-Chi, alchemy, biodynamic gardening and preparing organic raw food.

If it's a visit to a holistic doctor, an oxygen bath or a massage that you desire, they've got those too.

All of the Meinkes are knowledgeable about the products they sell and the beliefs they stand firmly behind. Herman, Kirk and Christine's father, is a research scientist and alchemist who helps to run the store.

Herman Meinke is passionate about biodynamic gardening with what he calls "living water" that he credits for growing a 22-foot-tall corn stalk that produced a 28-inch corn cob in 1982. According to Christine, people come from as far as northern Michigan, Ohio and Indiana to learn about her father's gardening techniques.

Herman's wife Susan, is a registered nurse at Botsford Hospital, an alchemist, certified myomassologist, mother, grandmother and manager of the store. On top of all that, in a pinch, Susan delivered Christine's youngest daughter three months ago.

Susan Meinke believes Tree House for Earth's Children is exactly what the name "tree house" connotes, "a sanctuary half way between heaven and earth." To her, as to the rest of the Meinke family, the store's organic integrity is for the children.

"We're laying the ground work for future generations," Susan said. "If a child leaves here and only remembers a turtle or a plant they touched, but one day decides to plant his own garden, then it's all worth it."

News of special events for shoppers is included in this calendar. Send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; or fax (248) 644-1314. Deadline: Wednesday 5 p.m. for publication on Sunday.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

Spring program for kids

"The World Beyond The Garden," a musical presentation by the Children's Theatre of Michigan, performed free on Grand Court stage, Sundays at 1 and 3 p.m. and throughout the week. Stories differ each day. Visits with the spring bunny, Nestor Fairweather, begin March 28 through April 11. Polaroid courtesy of the mall for \$10. Somerset Collection North.

Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy.
(248) 816-5484.

Puppet Show

Enter the Mask Puppet Theatre's magic world where sunflowers sing to vegetarian monsters. 2 p.m. Free show.

Borders Books. 30995 Orchard Lake.
Farmington Hills.
(248) 737-0110.

Book signing

Meet Stephanie Mellen from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Waldenbooks. 30200 Plymouth. Livonia.
(734) 261-7811.

Easter Bunny photos

The "Eggetra" special garden at Center Court will be home to photo visits with the Easter Bunny through April 11, during mall hours. Each child who visits will receive a Easter Egg stuffed with a surprise. Digital photos available from \$9.99 to \$39.50.

Northland Center. Nine Mile/Greenfield. Southfield.
(248) 569-6272.

Easter Bunny photos

Photos and bunny visits through April 11. Free. Westland Center. Wayne/Warren.
(313) 425-5001.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

Liz petites seminar

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Hudson's hosts a workshop commentated by Liz Claiborne specialist Karla Gaardar 12:30 p.m. Level Two featuring the newest looks for spring. Repeated on March 26 at 12:30 p.m. at the Twelve Oaks, Novi, store. Free. Public is invited.

Somerset Collection North.
Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy.

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

Personal lingerie fittings

Hudson's hosts Wacoal fittings with a computer imaging analyzer in private fitting rooms. 2-7 p.m. Repeated March 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free..

Reservations not required.
Somerset Collection North.
Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy.
(248) 443-4774.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

Easter Bunny arrival

Jelly Bean Park Easter Bunny Show begins with kids picking up neon sunglasses at 6:30 p.m. for a magic show that starts at 7 p.m. and ends with the surprise arrival of you-know-who. Photos through April 11. Visit the Customer Service Booth for a coloring sheet featuring a wild and wacky Easter Rabbit. Kids of all ages are invited to color the rabbit for a chance to win a \$50 mall gift certificate. Names randomly drawn on April 13. Winner notified by phone or mail.

Universal Mall. 12 Mile/Dequindre. Warren.
(810) 751-3161.

Easter Bunny arrival

Now through April 11 photos in JC Penney wing. On March 29 the Clawson High school Band performs from 3-6 p.m.
Oakland Mall. 14 Mile/John R. Troy.
(248) 585-6000.

Rabbits hop out at malls

Whether you call him Peter Rabbit, Peter Cottontail, or just The Easter Bunny, this March Hare is the star at area malls this week through April 11.

BY SUSAN DEMAGGIO
EDITOR

The malls are getting ready to welcome some very famous rabbits this weekend, preparing garden settings and hosting local performers appearing in spring programs for children.

At the Fairlane Center in Dearborn, each child who visits Peter Rabbit in his storybook garden beginning Saturday, March 28, will receive a water-coloring book while their parents purchase special photographs.

Fairlane is also hosting a drawing for a basket full of beanie babies, valued at \$400, which includes 40 plush pets from various mall retailers including The Disney Store, Natural Wonders and Warner Bros.

Not to be outdone, Lakeside Center in Sterling Heights, welcomes Peter Rabbit with a free, 40-minute puppet performance of *There's A Frog in the Woods* by Brad Lowe's Fantasy E-FEX at noon, also on Saturday, March 28.

For the first time, Lakeside visitors who want photos of their kids with the bunny, can buy them on a floppy disk. Photographers will be using the digital imaging process which will allow parents the option of using home computers to send the photos to loved ones over the Internet.

At The Somerset Collection, Troy, the spring bunny takes on a new persona as Nestor Fairweather, "a Grassrabbitt Gentleman." He resides in a village of small play cottages in the North End, designed and built by artist John Bellomo which will be auctioned off at the end of the season to benefit The Lovelight Foundation.

The mall is also hosting a series of performances by the Children's Theatre of Michigan, *Beyond The Garden Wall*, with three alternating storylines. Dates and times are posted throughout the center and on brochures near the concierge desks.



SATURDAY, MARCH 28

Holiday kids program

Peter Rabbit & Friends, performed by Theatre Arts Productions, 1 p.m. Center Court. Free. Bunny arrives at the end of the show for photo opportunities through April 11. Free gifts for kids who visit. Decorated Easter Egg trees on display.

Tel-Twelve Mall. 12 Mile/Telegraph. Southfield.
(248) 353-4111.

Easter kids show

The Easter Bunny arrives at 11 a.m. for instant photos \$6.95. Gardens bloom with live spring flowers, gifts for kids who visit the bunny. Wings & Wheels aircraft and motorcycle club presents displays and exhibits through March 29.

Livonia Mall. Seven Mile/Middlebelt.
(248) 476-1160.

DKNY show

Neiman Marcus hosts a DKNY spring fashion presentation at 1 p.m. Leisure sportswear on Level 2. Reservations required for the free show.

Somerset Collection South.
Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy.
(248) 643-3300. ext. 2511.

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

Barbie Doll collectors show

9th annual show with many dealers and collectors from the Great Lakes Barbie Doll Collectors Club.

Fun for all ages with special guest designer Carol Spencer from Mattel. \$4 admission benefits local kids charities. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bring old dolls and accessories for appraisals.

Livonia Marriott. Six Mile/Newburg.
(313) 432-5146.

Peter Rabbit visits

Coloring, storytelling, photo opportunities and an egg hunt when Peter Rabbit visits Hudson's Kids Department 1-3 p.m. Free.

Summit Place.
Elizabeth Lake/Telegraph. Waterford.
(248) 683-5400.

Where can I find?

(248) 901-2555

What we found:

- Someone has a harmonica made in Germany by Pohl, and wants to know if it is worth money and a dealers name.
 - The movie *Hope & Glory* can be found at Blockbuster on Orchard Lake/Maple.
 - Another Stanley product distributor is Diane Lutz (734) 522-0993.
 - Saddle shoes were spotted at Perkos, Five Mile Road, west of Farmington Road in Livonia, (734) 427-3477.
 - Proctor ironing board covers can be found at Adrays in Dearborn, 20219 Carlisle off Pelham and Outer Drive, one block west of Southfield, (313) 274-9500. Also through a catalog from Gustin-Kramer Co. P.O. Box 366364, Boston, MA. 02136, and Hillings ACE 108 S. Main in Royal Oak (248) 541-2003.
 - Teresa says sunglasses with bifocals can be found through the Orvis catalog (800) 541-3541, also at Loehmann's on Orchard Lake Road, (248) 855-2393.
 - Tillie the Frog fans, there are 11 in the series, (800) 325-1468.
 - Z-Brick can be found at William Panel Brick and Fireplace, Eight Mile in Redford Twp., (313) 538-6633.
 - For Joe, razor parts can be found at Shaver & Time World 27326 N. Grand River, one block east of Inkster, in Redford, (313) 534-0736. Sunbeam parts can also be found at Raleigh Service Center, 17 Mile/Ryan, (810) 795-4170. Or try Sunbeam on the Internet www.Sunbeam.com.
 - Linda Kelly from Lord & Taylor called to say the stores now carry Alexander DeMarkoff products again, but they no longer carry Germaine Monteil.
 - Judy called to say Michigan Chandelier, 190 East Maple, east of Livernois in Troy, has lamp parts. (248) 583-3200. Sharon Kern (248) 641-0137, has a lamp business and she might have the parts.
 - Jeanne called to say thigh high boots and red sequined shoes can be found at the Village Shoe Inn in Farmington.
 - Men's pajama bottoms are in the JC Penney catalog.
 - Found and made connections for: the Betty Crocker cookbook from the 60's, milk bottles from the 30's, a Kenmore zig zag sewing machine.
 - Chris called with a tip: Try garage sales to find old stereo record players. He has seen them in Lake Orion, Rochester-area garage sales.
 - Chupa suckers can be found at Neighborhood Hardware 33801 Woodward.
 - A reader has seen Revlon Milk Plus at the Dixieland Flea Market, Dixie Highway at the end of Telegraph.
 - Deep Magic by Gillette has been discontinued. Gillette Personal Care (800) 872-7202
- We're still looking for:**
- Joely is looking for ceramic soup crocks for onion soup.
 - Video of the *Music Man* for Diana.
 - Joan wants doll clothes patterns for a Martha/George Washington handmade porcelain dolls.
 - Marie is looking for a 3D puzzle of the London Bridge by Milton Bradley.
 - Patty wants "Request" designer blue jeans.
 - Veronica is looking for an Avon Chessboard from the 70's (it is large).
 - Eleanor wants Clearview professional glass cleaner.
 - *Lady and the Tramp* movie for Hilda.
 - Jean is looking for yellow toilet tissue.
 - Pamela is looking for T-shirts or sweat shirts with dragons and wizards on them for her son.
 - Nora is looking for a dinner plate in creme with a gold edge sold at Target, made in Italy. On the back ESTE-ZE, sold for \$3.50.
 - Becky is looking for Grand Manor towels/wash cloths.
 - Jenny is looking for the Gerber baby doll from 1969-70.
 - A small brass duck for Jenny.
 - Axion pretreatment for washing clothes/stains, and also whole wax beans in a can for Janet.
 - Theresa is looking for the game of *Hearts* for Apple II.
 - Ed is looking for the trivia game *Is the Pope Catholic?*
 - Carrie is looking for one of the first computers VIC 20 and any of the software, especially the Las Vegas games.
 - Doris is looking for Lilly of the Valley fragrance, talc, perfume etc. Any brand name will do with that fragrance.
 - Christine is looking for Creme de Chantilly body spray perfume by Houbigant.
 - Linda is looking for a book that describes how to make doll clothes for the Teeny Tiny Mini Tiny Tots dolls by Geck.

— Compiled by Sandi Jarachas

RETAIL DETAILS

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Little Women dolls

The Doll Hospital and Toy Soldier Shop, 3947 West Twelve Mile, Berkley, is showing the complete collection of Little Women Dolls by Madame Alexander, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. through March 28. The March sisters, Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy, from the book by Louisa May Alcott, come in 14 different sets dating from 1949 to the present. Free color catalogs are available with special March prices during the exhibit.

In 1923, Madame Alexander moved dollmaking from her kitchen table into a shop in New York City. 1988 marks the 75th anniversary of her company. For more details call (248) 543-3115.

Kmart sponsors walk

Kmart invites shoppers to participate in the nation's biggest walking event — the March of Dimes WalkAmerica, to raise funds to help babies and their parents. WalkAmerica takes place in more than 1,500 communities April 25-26. Pick

up a sponsor form at your Kmart Service Desk.

Kmart stores across the country are selling paper die-cut sneakers for \$1 during March and April with all proceeds benefiting the March of Dimes. In addition, Kmart is the exclusive retailer to purchase the newest Mattel WalkAmerica Barbie(R) doll. One dollar is being donated to the March of Dimes for every WalkAmerica Barbie doll purchased at \$14.99.

Retailer collects clothing for COTS

The Shirt Box in Farmington Hills will give shoppers \$3 off every man's shirt purchased in March for each dress or casual shirt brought in to the store. The shirts will be donated to Coalition on Temporary Shelters (COTS). For more details call (248) 851-8770.

Egg decorating class is free

The American Polish Cultural Center at Maple and Dequindre in Troy, welcomes interested guests to a free, Pisanki egg decorating class, 1:30 p.m. on Saturday March 28. All necessary supplies are provided. The class ends about 4 p.m. Reservations are suggested by calling (810) 689-3636, during regular business hours.

The APCC reminds area residents that it is open for lunch serving authentic Polish dishes Tuesday-Thursday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dinner is available Wednesday until 8 p.m. and Friday until 9 p.m. Friday evening there is also entertainment from 5 p.m. Carryouts are available.

Parisian supplies pageant fashions for teens

Parisian special events director Jane Bassett will host a March 21 luncheon for Miss Teen USA and Miss Michigan USA contestants at the Livonia

Marriott. Reigning and past winners will model interview suits, swimwear, gowns and shoes from the department store, plus share hints on skin care.

Dessert follows in the Parisian Room of the store at Laurel Park Place in Livonia. The private event is a prelude to the beauty pageants that will be held at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, on Sunday, May 24.

Home decor warehouse opens

The Home Accessory Warehouse is open at 1017 East Maple in downtown Walled Lake, selling silk flowers, glass artwork and fine pottery for the office or home. The owner is Jackie Schwartz of Farmington Hills.

Check services agreement

JC Penney and TeleCheck Services, Inc., have reached an agreement to have TeleCheck provide check verification services to the retailer's 1,200 stores nationwide. Also in the TeleCheck portfolio are Kmart, WalMart, Target, Farmer Jack, Meijer, MC Sporting Goods, Sibley Shoes and Dunham's.

Penney's will use the check company's extensive negative database in conjunction with its own internal check authorization service to identify bad check writers not in their existing databases.

Oakland Mall hosts cool baseball event

In anticipation of opening day, a baseball museum packed with interactive displays will be open at Oakland Mall from April 1-May 2, sponsored by WDFN radio and The Detroit Tigers.

The museum within the mall will honor professional baseball, the Negro League, Women in Baseball, Olympic baseball, and a special tribute to the 1968 World Champion Detroit Tigers,

including a special appearance by veteran players.

A scenic display of a miniature stadium, located at Center Court, will feature an electric scoreboard.

Shoppers will have the opportunity to review the evolution of the game through authentic equipment displays, such as the growth and change of the catcher's mask; full-size photographs of America's original professional baseball stadiums; and baseball artwork by Michigan's very own legendary artist: Bill Williams.

"We're thrilled to bring the museum to a major shopping center like Oakland Mall where shoppers can be entertained, educated and enlightened about America's favorite pastime: baseball," said David H. Martin, director of exhibit design and curtain of the college Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum. "Our goal (through this exhibition) is to rejuvenate the zeal for baseball among parents and kids, coaches, Little League players and baseball lovers from years past."

Television screens located throughout the mall will enable shoppers to relive exciting moments in baseball history. Batting cages will be available for those who would like to practice their swings, and actors will present dramatic performances of baseball greats, such as Jackie Robinson and Babe Ruth, during live stage shows.

Key to the exhibition will be field trips by metro Detroit elementary and middle schools to Oakland Mall. Students will take guided tours of the exhibition, and David H. Martin and his team will present lectures to the students that incorporate the disciplines of geography, mathematics and physics — all tied to baseball ideology.



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TRAVEL

Dogsledding in the north woods renews the spirit

STORY AND PHOTOS BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Many paddlers know the secrets of Northern Minnesota's Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness with its many lakes and rivers to travel for wonderful summer canoe trips.

However, more and more visitors are planning their journeys after Old Man Winter freezes the waters and blankets the north woods with snow — not to glide along on skis, but to traverse the wilderness on dogsleds.

Dogsledding offers the opportunity to quickly move deep into the woods where the spirit is renewed. The trip brochure states, "There is nothing that compares to the thrill and excitement of driving a dog team."

And from the moment you jump on a sled floating across the crusty snow, you know this is true.

The journey begins

This was my second mushing trip into the Boundary Waters wilderness to answer the call of these dogs and after a brief refresher on how to harness and drive a team of four sled dogs, a sense of anticipation was building in me and the dogs.

These are Alaskan Huskies, a breed known for its strength,

speed and stamina; they would rather run than do anything else. And that's a good thing because we had five sleds full of gear and four days to trek across this wilderness.

Now is when the novice musher learns about pandemonium and silence.

We were almost ready to shove off and our 27 excited dogs knew it. At this point their chorus of barks and howls are almost deafening.

"The dogs are ready," yells Kurt Lothe, one of our guides. "They love to run."

Hopping onto the sled runners, I untie the safety rope holding the dogs back. Slowly I step off the brake and command them, "All right."

Like a slingshot, my four new canine friends, Pat, Champ, Fletcher and Bennie shoot onto Fall Lake. The silence piercing barks give way to only the soft shhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh of the sled runners gliding along the snow and the rush of a crisp wind in your face.

Anyone with some basic instruction and a sense of adventure can drive a team of sled dogs.

Peter McClelland, our lead guide and part owner of White Wilderness Sled Dog Adventure,

told the story of a blind man driving his own team on a recent trip. "We just told him left, right, brake a little, duck. It was great," Peter said.

But we didn't really drive the team. Basically the dogs follow the team in front of them, single file with the guide and his team leading the way. Our job was to steer the sleds away from trees, push the sleds to help the dogs — particularly on steep uphill — and braking the sled on quick downhill to avoid running into the dogs. It can be hard work. But helping these Huskies and becoming a part of the team is extremely rewarding.

Fueling up

After each daily mushing adventure we would stop to make camp for the night. And after camp was established our first priority was to fuel our transportation.

The barking chorus explodes back to life the minute the dogs spot the feed bucket. A mushy mixture of warm water and high-protein dog food is a canine delight which each one devours almost before their bowls hit the ground. It's important to keep the dogs fueled and well-hydrated. This ensures the energy they need to pull the 200- to 300-pound sleds as well as keeping warm at night.

Humans need some potent and tasty fuel also, and we were not disappointed. Foods can be brought in winter that would normally spoil in the summer heat. Furthermore, you can eat as much fatty foods as you want because your body burns much of it off keeping warm. The four-day menu consisted of such delicacies as steak and potatoes, biscuits and gravy, and lots of chocolate.

"The fat will keep you warm," Peter told us. So we fill ourselves full before jumping into our toasty sleeping bags for the



Well-earned: After a day of mushing, Burn, one of the Alaskan Husky sled-dogs gets some rest as the group sets up one of the tents and established camp.



Mush-mush: Lester, left, and Ivory, lead the rest of the sled-dog team down a trail in Minnesota pulling Fred Mitchell, standing, and guide Kurt Lothe.

night.

Whatever the weather

The trip started with El Niño-inspired mild temperatures and even some rain. However, midway through our trek temperatures fell below freezing overnight bringing four inches of new fluffy snow. Winter had returned with all its beauty offering up a perfect day for mushing.

At one point on that day some distance developed between myself and the sleds in front and behind. I imagined traversing a great uncharted wilderness, just me and the dogs. A peaceful, tranquil feeling fell over me lasting throughout the day. And I crawled back into my sleeping bag that night reflecting on how life doesn't get any better. Yet just as I was drifting off to sleep a lone dog started a mournful howl. Soon the others joined in serenading us to sleep. Now the day was perfect.

Our last day on the trail

arrived much too quickly. I sometimes forget to soak up the experience before it's gone. And as we arrive back to the trailhead I called out, "whoa," and praised, "good dogs," for the last time. It's moving how hard they work for you, loving every minute of the journey. I hugged

and patted each dog saying my good-byes with a bit of sadness, after becoming quite attached to my new canine companions.

But, I will be back to answer their call once more joining them in this white wilderness where they roam.

Getting ready: Joel Schriever unloads one of the huskies to harness for the mushing trip as one of the other excited dogs watches.



GREAT ESCAPES

Great Escapes features various travel news items. Send news leads to Hugh Gallagher, assistant managing editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279. Or e-mail at hgallagher@oe.homecomm.net

WHITE WATER RAFTING

The EdgeRunner Ski Club presents its annual "White Water Rafting" trip to West Virginia on May 29-31. The trip includes Saturday rafting on the "New River," three meals, two nights camping and an after-rafting party. Members pay \$95, non-members pay \$110 and a down payment of \$50 is due April 9. For more information, contact

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Entry deadline in May 15.

For an entry form and more information on the contest and the Graystone Manor, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Bed & Breakfast Contest, PO Box 36, Bad Axe, MI 48413-1418.

NAGANO SLIDE SHOW

Photographer Jack Gruber, who photographed the Winter Olympics for USA Today, will host a slide show of his photographs 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 25, at REI, 17559 Haggerty Road, Northville at Six Mile and Haggerty.

The Olympians slide presentation is free and open to the public. For more information, call (248)347-2100.

If you decide to go dogsledding

Outfitters — I recommend the folks at White Wilderness Sled Dog Adventures, 1-800-701-6238. Or you may get a list of other outfitters as well as other information from the Ely, Minn., Chamber of Commerce, 1-800-777-7281. Prices range from \$50 for an hourlong ride and \$150 for a day trip to roughly \$400 to \$1000 for a wilderness trek, depending on the number of days.

Drive Time — Ely, Minn., is about a two-hour drive north of Duluth Minnesota (about 930 miles from Observerland). Take highway 53 north from Duluth then highway 169 west until you hit Ely. You can also fly into Duluth International Airport from Detroit Metro.

When To Go — Trips are run from December through March with March being the warmest with some of the best trail conditions. Late January, early February tend to be the coldest. Snow is generally three to four feet deep although snow is down and temperatures are mild this year, so call for conditions.

Other Things To Do — There are miles of trails for snowmobiling, cross-country skiing and snowshoing. And with thousands of lakes in the area are full of trout, northern pike, walleye and perch the fishing is a delight. If visiting over a weekend the International Wolf Center is a must see, 1-800-ELY-WOLF. Swing by international award winning photographer Jim Brandenburgs gallery above Piragis North woods Co. on Central Avenue in town, 1-800-223-6565. You can stay at a warm cozy lodge for some rest and relaxation at Smitty's on Snowbank twenty miles east of town, 1-800-950-8310. And around the second week of February ELY holds its annual Voyageur Winter Festival; call 1-800-777-7281 for more information.

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Tubaro an All-Star

Redford Catholic Central quarterback Adam Tubaro, who led the Shamrocks to a 12-1 record and the state Class AA championship, has been named to play on the East squad in the 18th annual Michigan High School All-Star Football Game, Saturday, Aug. 1, at Spartan Stadium in East Lansing.

The 6-foot-2, 190-pound Tubaro will be joined by Farmington Hills Harrison center Brian Lewis.

The 6-2, 250-pound Lewis helped the Hawks to a 13-0 record and the state Class A crown.

North Farmington's Jim O'Leary will serve as an East assistant coach. Northville's Darrel Schumacher will be the East head coach.

Falcon football clinic

The Livonia Junior Athletic League football coaching staff, along with the Livonia Stevenson High School football coaching staff and varsity team members will be offering a clinic in fundamental football instruction for ages 8-14 beginning with registration at 8 a.m. Saturday, April 4, at the Stevenson gym.

The clinic, which is also open to those entering the ninth grade in September and considering playing freshman football, is \$10 per person.

For more information, call Dave Falzon at (313) 464-8201 or Rick Colley at (313) 464-1041.

Spring training note

Former Livonia Churchill High and Eastern Michigan University standout Mark Rutherford, a member of the Class A Clearwater Phillies of the Florida State League, recently started his first home game against the Yankees' affiliate by tossing three complete innings on a 45 pitch count, allowing no hits, no walks while striking out six in a 6-1 victory.

St. Michael girls 15-5

The Livonia St. Michael's Grade School varsity girls basketball team recently capped a 15-5 season, including a district championship win over Bishop Borgess of Redford, a regional conquest against Our Lady of Victory of Northville and a quarterfinal triumph over St. Hugo of Bloomfield Hills.

Members of the Gaels, coached by Greg Mellon and Ralph Fernley, include: Kelly Jaskot, Allison Morris, Meghan Chapman, Kristin Palombo, Christina Hinkle, Nina DeAngelis, Caitlin James, Katie Rozum, Megan Procalo, Sue Malonis, Meaghan Salo, Maureen Twomey, Elise Larkin, Amy Jacovetti and Samantha Kopack.

CYO district champs

The Livonia St. Colette Cougars, an eighth-grade boys basketball team, captured the Catholic Youth Organization district title earlier this month at Robert Bellarmine with wins over Our Lady of the Woods and St. Anthony.

Members of the Cougars include: Brandon Chitwood, Ryan Drolet, Nick Ehlerdt, Tony Hoblack, Mike Huff, Brad Karas, Bill Marsack, Jerry Murray and Marshall Sied.

The coaching staff includes Gary Drolet, Ned Hart and Rick Marsack.

St. Edith cagers 1st

The Livonia St. Edith Eagles seventh-grade girls basketball team recently captured the inaugural St. Stephen post-season varsity invitational tournament with a 28-21 victory over St. John Neumann.

Members of the St. Edith's team, coached by Bob Malek and Ed Sventickas, include: guards Katie Anderson, Lisa Koterba, Elizabeth Malek, Kelly Verellen and Jacqueline Williams; forwards Rachael Malenfant, Megan Sosnowski, Ruth Sventickas, Noel Williams; centers Nicole Baksa, Nicole Lewis and Erin Rzepka.

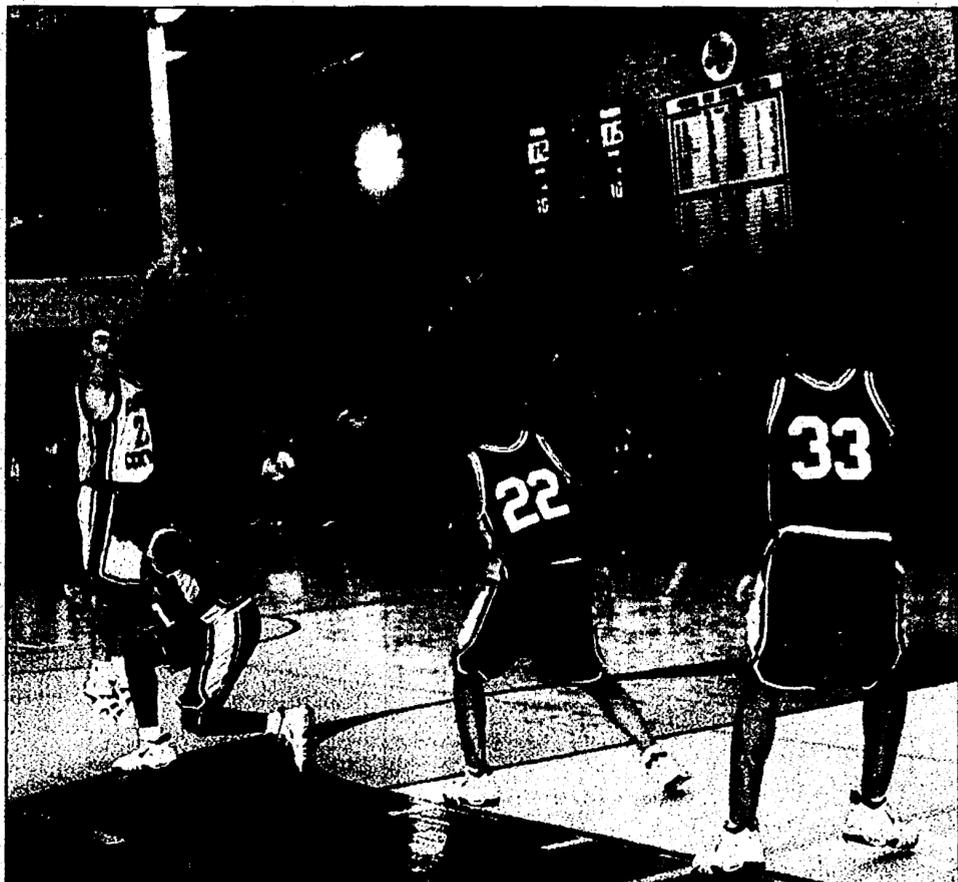
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2 OTs: 116-115



STAFF PHOTOS BY JIM JACOVFIELD

What a game: Chris Young (top photo), Catholic Central's 6-foot-10 center, takes the ball inside against Detroit Cass Tech's Hilton Napoleon, while Shamrock teammate Joe Jonna (right photo) connects on a three-pointer to tie the game at 105-all at the end of the first overtime. The shot capped an incredible sequence where the Shamrocks launched four shots, one by Nick Moore and three by Jonna, during the final 20 seconds.



Cass Tech outlasts Shamrocks in regional classic

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Can anybody top this one?

In a game which will go down as one of the greatest in Michigan schoolboy basketball history, Detroit Cass Tech outlasted Redford Catholic Central in double-overtime, 116-115, to claim the Class A regional basketball championship before a jam-packed crowd Friday night at Dearborn Fordson.

To say it was a shootout would be a gross understatement.

It was 46-all at halftime, 75-70 Cass Tech after three quarters, 94-94 at the end of regulation, and 105-105 after the first OT.

In the second OT, Marlon Williamson split a pair of free throws with 32 seconds left to provide the final margin of victory.

But not before CC's 6-foot-10 senior center Chris Young, in perhaps his finest hour as a Shamrock (with a game-high 39 points, 20 rebounds and 12 blocks), rammed home his fifth dunk of the night to pull his team within one, 116-115, with 13 seconds remaining.

Letting just two seconds go off the clock, CC immediately fouled Javon Clark, who missed a pair of free throws.

Nick Moore then dribbled the ball up the floor against the Cass Tech press,

maneuvered his way to the baseline, and launched a 10-footer.

The shot rimmed off, but teammate Dave Lusky grabbed the rebound and hoisted up a shot as the buzzer sounded. His attempt never made it to the rim as Cass's Hilton Napoleon blocked the potential game-winner as time expired.

No foul was rendered on the play and the Technician fans stormed the floor in jubilation.

The win puts Cass, the Detroit Public School League champion, in Tuesday's quarterfinal round at the University of Detroit's Calihan Hall with a 21-4 record.

Meanwhile, the heartbroken Shamrocks finish their year at 19-5.

"I told them to be proud of what they accomplished and keep their heads up, but it still hurts," CC coach Rick Coratti said. "Both teams shot and played extremely well. You won't see a better high school game than that one."

Cass Tech coach Robert Shannon had empathy for his opponent afterwards.

"It was a great display of outside shooting by both teams and a lot of tenacity on both sides," he said. "Both teams never quit. I feel for them over there, but I'm glad I'm over here. I'm just proud and pleased we won."

"But give them credit. They're an excellent team. Everyone got their money's worth."

Four of CC's five starters scored in double figures, led by Young's 39.

Senior guard Joe Jonna added 24 points, including a three-point shot with :01 left in the first OT that capped a wild sequence and tied the score at 105.

Jonna, who had six three-point baskets, had missed two earlier three-point attempts during the possession but rebounds by Young and Don Slankster gave him a third try.

Sophomore guard Rob Sparks also pumped in 24, including four triples, while Moore, who handled the ball against Cass Tech's pressure, added 17. Slankster, a senior forward, came off the bench to score 10 before fouling out in the second extra period.

D. Bryant, a 6-3 senior guard headed to Duke on a football scholarship, showed why he can hang with the Blue Devils on the hardwood as well, finishing with a team-high 31.

"I got a little tired at the end," Bryant said. "I was short on a couple of free throws so I had to dig down and make them because I wanted to play three more games and get to Breslin (for the state finals)."

Other high scorers for Cass included Javon Clark (25), Napoleon (20), Williamson (17) and reserve Blaine Denning (14).

As a team, the Shamrocks shot 53.0 percent from the floor (43 of 81),

including 11 three-pointers.

"Catholic Central had three shooters who could flat-out shoot to go along with the big man in the middle," Bryant said. "And I can see why he (Young) is going to the University of Michigan."

Shannon also came away impressed with Young's performance.

"What can I say? He played a marvelous, superlative game — he did what a big fella is supposed to do," the Cass coach said. "Big fellas have given us trouble all year long."

Added Coratti: "Chris played extremely well. He didn't want it to end."

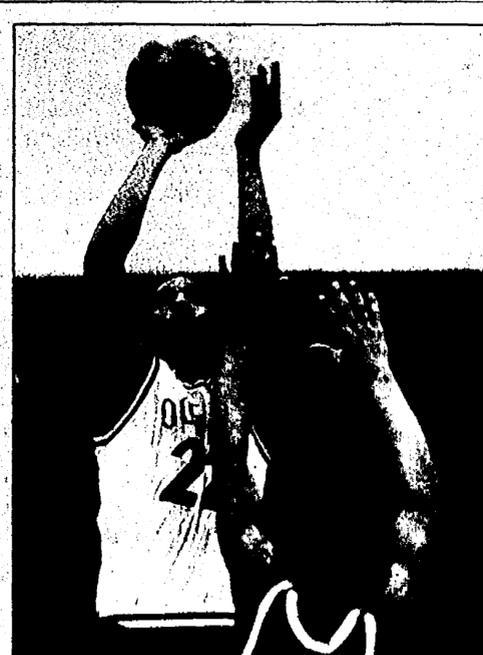
Cass, meanwhile, was 39 of 88 (44.3 percent) with 10 three-pointers.

"We figured it could be a game in the high 70s or 80s because both use the same kind of press," Shannon said. "We have people who know how to break a press. And they know where the next pass is going to go."

The difference may have come at the free throw line as the Technicians were 28 of 39 (71.7 percent), while CC was 16 of 21 (76.1 percent).

Another telling statistic was turnovers — the Shamrocks committed a total of 20, including 14 during the final 24 minutes.

Cass turned it over just eight times the entire night.



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JACOVFIELD

Wright State bound: SC's Kevin Melson, who averaged 29 points per game, has committed.

Recruiting coup: Melson committed next season to play at Wright State

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Schoolcraft College's Kevin Melson, the nation's second leading scorer among junior college players, has made a verbal commitment to play basketball at Wright State University.

The 6-foot-6 Melson, who averaged 29 points and led the Ocelots to a 24-7 record and their first winning season since 1984, made his decision Friday before Schoolcraft's basketball banquet.

He is expected to sign an NCAA national letter-of-intent with the Raiders on April 7.

Melson, who prepped at Detroit Communication & Media Arts, was also recruited by the University of Detroit Mercy, Colorado State and Eastern Kentucky.

Wright State, 10-18 this season, plays in the Midwestern Collegiate Conference which sent three teams — U-D Mercy, Illinois-Chicago and Butler — to the NCAA tournament field of 64.

"I believe Kevin made a good choice because he's going to a program on the rise and a coach in Ed Schilling who is also on the rise, a guy who could be the next (Rick) Pitino," Schoolcraft first-year coach Carlos Briggs said. "Wright State really showed that they wanted him. He's a

junior college player that they really wanted. They liked him a lot.

"I believe their program and coaching staff is a class act. And Kevin will learn a lot about basketball, a lot about life, and a lot about the Lord. It's a good fit for him."

The 190-pound Melson, recruited originally to Schoolcraft by Glen Donahue (who later left to become an assistant at Central Michigan), sat out his freshman year after fracturing an ankle.

This season, he catapulted the Ocelots to second place in the Eastern Conference of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association with a 13-3 record (one game behind Flint Mott).

He also helped the Ocelots receive votes for the first-time ever in the NJCAA national poll.

In a 114-104 double-overtime loss, Melson pumped in a career-high 53 points to go along with 19 rebounds.

He was voted all-Eastern Conference and MCCA Player of the Year.

Last Sunday, Melson played in the MCCA All-Star game in Lansing.



John Mervyn
Plymouth Salem



Katsuhiko Sueda
Livonia Stevenson



Chris Goins
Livonia Stevenson



Josh Henderson
Plymouth Salem

1st-team
selections



Ryan Atwood
Garden City



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Livonia Stevenson



Mitch Hancock
Redford CC



James Greene
Plymouth Salem

All-Observer wrestling team highly rated

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

This year's All-Observer wrestling team is once again a formidable collection of athletes who would represent the area well in an all-star event.

The honor squad includes five first-team, repeat selections in Katsuhiko Sueda and Dan Seder of Livonia Stevenson, Anwar Crutchfield and Teono Wilson of Plymouth Salem and Mitch Hancock of Redford Catholic Central.

The outstanding Observerland wrestler of 1998 is CC junior Casey Rogowski. A third-team, all-area pick last year, he emerged as one of the state's best, winning the Division I heavyweight title while going 45-0.

Four other members of the team were second-team, all-area wrestlers last year: Salem's James Greene, Westland John Glenn's John Fedulchak, Garden City's Brian Hinzman and CC's Brocc Naysmith.

Salem coach Ron Krueger, who retires after 27 years as the only wrestling coach the Rocks have ever had, is the Observerland Coach of the Year.

His team won the Western Lakes Activities Association dual-meet championship, its first Observerland Invitational title and a Division I district championship.

The Rocks have the most first-team representatives with five, including John Mervyn and Josh Henderson. Stevenson and CC have three each and Garden City two.

ALL-AREA FIRST TEAM

John Mervyn, sophomore, Salem: In just two years, Mervyn already has a career record of 76-20, which includes a 49-7 finish this year. He won 27 bouts by pin.

He was the Observerland Invitational champion at 103 pounds, as well as the first-place finisher in the Salem, Holt, Wyandotte and WLAA and district tournaments. He was second in the regional and is a two-time state qualifier.

"John had a great year," coach Ron Krueger said, adding Mervyn set a school record for sophomore wins, surpassing the old record by 13.

"I think he learned, if you want to be on the award stand for the last tournament, it requires a lot of off-season work. I think he will be on that stand."

Katsuhiko Sueda, senior, Stevenson: Sueda is one of the all-time best wrestlers in Observerland, ending his prep career with a 141-25 record, establishing a school record for victories. He was 48-5 as a senior.

Sueda is a three-time state qualifier who was (second) in the state at 103 last year and third at 112 this year. He was the Observerland, WLAA and district champion; he was second at the regional.

"(Sueda) might be small in size, but his heart and determination are huge," coach Don Berg said. "He was a quiet leader who will be very much missed."

Chris Goins, senior, Stevenson: Goins compiled a 40-9 record this year at 119 pounds, giving him a career total of 67-22. Goins was the Observerland, Trenton-Doyle McIntosh and Salem Invitational champion. He was second in the district and a regional qualifier.

"His abilities improved with each year's effort," Berg said. "Every coach wanted to know where he was going to be, so they didn't have to face him."

Josh Henderson, sophomore, Salem:



John Fedulchak
Westland John Glenn



Anwar Crutchfield
Plymouth Salem



Brian Hinzman
Garden City



Teono Wilson
Plymouth Salem



Brocc Naysmith
Redford CC



Casey Rogowski
Redford CC

The 125-pound Henderson distinguished himself early in his prep career. He was 35-13 this year and is 47-25 for the last two.

He was the Observerland champion, placed third in the WLAA meet and "was second at nearly every other tournament throughout the year," according to Krueger.

"Josh is a very promising young man. He had a good year. But, Josh, there were a lot of sophomores at the state

meet. There were even some state champs who were sophomores.

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Ryan Atwood, sophomore, Garden City: The 130-pound Atwood is moving to California with his family, but he left

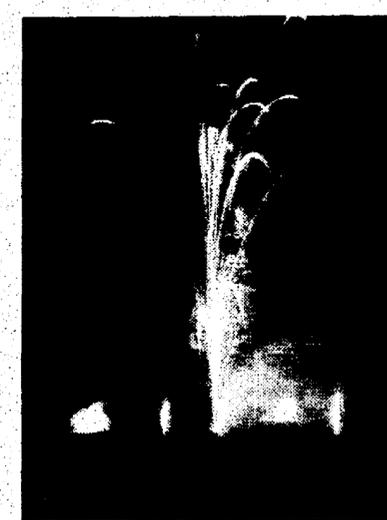
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the Cougars with a lot to remember.

A Mega Conference White Division champion, he also won the Observerland and Belleville tournaments as well as the Garden City Novice Tournament for the second straight year.

He also broke school records for reversals and near falls, leading the Cougars in pins. He had a 35-12 record this year to give him a career mark of 50-21.

"Ryan is one of the best sophomores I've ever coached," coach Dave Chiola said. "He has great mat sense and doesn't back down from anyone. The sad part is just when he's getting his name out there, he's moving to California. There's no question in my mind he would have been a state placer next year."

Dan Seder, senior, Stevenson: Seder concluded an outstanding career and senior season by finishing second in the Division I state tournament at 135. He had an impressive, 50-2 record this year, pushing his career mark to 130-40.

At the Observerland Invitational, Seder was named the most outstanding wrestler in the lower weights. He won the same honor at the Trenton and Garden City tournaments.

With the exception of the state meet, Seder was first in every tournament he entered, including the Salem, CC and WLAA tournaments. He was a district and regional champion, too.

"Dan Seder will be my measuring point for all of the wrestlers to follow in the areas of hard work and dedication," Berg said. "He will be most difficult to replace."

Mitch Hancock, sophomore, Catholic Central: Hancock, who split time between 135 and 140, placed fourth in the Division I state meet at 135 and was second at the regional, losing to eventual state runner-up Dan Seder of

Livonia Stevenson in the final.

A district champion, he was 44-6 this season and raised his career record to 92-8.

"Mitch has a great deal of talent and heart," Rodriguez said. "It's just a matter of time for it to break loose and be made visible."

James Greene, senior, Ply. Salem: Greene won the Observerland Invitational at a second time, placed sixth in the state at 145 pounds and finished with a 47-11 record. His career total was 105-46.

He also took first place at the Wyandotte, Western Lakes and district tournaments. He was fourth in the regional but two weeks later reached the state semifinals.

"James had a very good year," Krueger said. "In his first match at state, he beat the No. 1-ranked wrestler, something not many people gave him a chance to do. Considering last year's state champ finished seventh, James did very well."

John Fedulchak, senior, John Glenn: Fedulchak, who posted over 100 career wins, had a 35-5 record this year.

He was the Observerland and WLAA champ at 152 pounds, and he also won the Hartland, Ypsilanti and district tournaments. Fedulchak was also named Observerland's most outstanding wrestler in the upper weights.

"John was an excellent captain who did a nice job for us," Glenn coach Dave Hill said. "He's a fine fella with good grades. He's planning to go to Eastern Michigan and continue his career."

Anwar Crutchfield, senior, Ply. Salem: Crutchfield won six tournaments this year at 160 pounds and finished his senior season with a 51-7 record. His career record is 91-21.

He won the Holt tournament and Invitational, and he was the Salem, Observerland, WLAA and district cham-

Champion. Crutchfield was second in the regional, losing an overtime match to Wyandotte's Aaron Greene, the eventual state champion.

"It was fun watching Anwar wrestle this year," Krueger said. "His matches with the state champion were great to watch."

"Placing eighth in the state was not what he wanted. But placing in the state and only wrestling two years on varsity is very hard to do."

Brian Hinzman, junior, Garden City: Hinzman placed eighth at the Division I state meet at 171 pounds and was a Mega Conference White Division champion. He also took first place at the Trenton, Pinckney, Belleville, Salem and Garden City Christmas tournaments.

He had a 42-8 season record to raise his overall mark to 82-34.

"Brian is an incredibly hard worker," Chiola said. "He's one of those kids who comes along every once in a while that you just love to coach. He never misses practice; he's a great leader; he always wants to get better, and he wrestles smart."

"He does a lot of work in the off-season to improve and sets a great example for the young wrestlers on the team."

Teono Wilson, senior, Ply. Salem: Wilson ended an outstanding career by finishing sixth in the state at 189 pounds. His record was 49-6 this year and 155-46 for his career.

Wilson, who was fourth in the state last year, won the Observerland, WLAA and regional tournaments this year as a senior.

"I think some day Teono will look back at his days as a Salem wrestler as the best days of his life," Krueger said. "I know he wanted to win it all and

now he is disappointed. Most wrestlers will never achieve 100 wins in a career. Teono did it in two years. Good luck, Teono."

Broce Naysmith, junior, Catholic Central: Naysmith won the 215-pound division at five tournaments, including the Catholic Central and Observerland Invationals.

He was third in the Division I district at Temperance-Bedford and also earned a third straight Catholic League title en route to a 40-4 record. He is 99-12 for his career, placing as a sophomore at 189 pounds at the state meet.

Naysmith's grandfather, Rodriguez, is also his coach.

"A father can love his son and daughter, but a grandfather truly adores his grandchild," Rodriguez said. "I am very proud to say Broce is our first grandchild."

Casey Rogowski, junior, Catholic Central: Rogowski was Observerland's only state champion, winning the Division I state title with a 10-2 victory over Plymouth Salem's Charlie Hamblin in the finals.

A first-year heavyweight, Rogowski went undefeated in 45 matches despite not being ranked in a statewide poll throughout the year.

He carries an 82-7 career record, wrestling at 160 pounds as a freshman and 189 as a sophomore. Rogowski also is a standout in football and baseball.

"Casey is a rare person," Rodriguez said. "He set his sights on high goals at the start of the season and was determined to fulfill them with hard, hard work."

"He is outstanding and a credit to his mother, father and the Rogowski family. It is awesome and a joy to have had a young man like Casey cross my path."

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Goalkeeper Tyler Shatter allowed just five goals in four tournament games, including wins over the Livonia Sharks (3-0) and Livonia Panthers (6-2). The Vipers also tied the Raiders, 1-1.

Ryan Wrathell led the Vipers with a total of seven goals, while Dustin Wischmeyer contributed one goal and seven assists.

Other members of the Vipers, coached by Jim Young, include: Eric Mitchell, Alex Rathiff, Justin Rocheleau, Justin Okerstrom, Jeff McMullen, Ian O'Malley, Max Albulov, Bradley Young, Daniel Yasunio, Alex Dehne and Anthony Martinico.

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ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE PLAYOFFS

Whalers gain upper hand

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS WRITER

Just when you think you have things figured out, at least partially so, along comes the unexpected.

Thursday's Ontario Hockey League playoff game, between the Sarnia Sting and the Plymouth Whalers at Plymouth's Compuware Arena, was supposed to be similar to the first two in the best-of-seven series — close, edge-of-the-seat, tightly-played.

Some relevant stats from the first two games: The home team won both times, the game wasn't decided until the winners scored an empty-net goal in the final minute, each team scored seven goals.

Here's the only relevant stat from game No. 3: Whalers 7, Sarnia 1.

Completely unanticipated. It put Plymouth up one game going into last night's match at Sarnia. Game five will be at 6:30 p.m. tonight at Compuware.

"There's nothing like home ice," said a smiling Pete DeBoer, the Whalers' coach, after the game. "We had a ref who was calling all the stuff that happens after the whistle, the stuff you're supposed to call."

That meant 21 penalties called against Sarnia (and 16 against Plymouth). It also meant five power-play goals for the Whalers.

And that was the game. No comebacks this time to disillusion the home team, the kind they'd been prone to surrendering the last month of the season.

The Sting solved that problem for the Whalers. They ruined any hopes they had for a rally by taking silly penalties.

And they did it over and over and over.

The game was pretty much decided, it's true, by the time the third period started. Plymouth led 6-0 after two, then David Legwand jammed a rebound past Sarnia's back-up goalie, Greg Hewitt, to make it 6-0.

But the Sting did battle back, with Jeff Heerema finally putting a puck past Whaler goalie Robert Esche to make it 6-1. And there was 16 minutes left to play.

But 92 seconds later, Sarnia's Shane Kenny was called for cross checking. Harold Druken followed by scoring his second power-play goal of the game for the Whalers, knocking home a pass that was actually a deflection off Andrew Taylor's skate.

Before the puck could be dropped for the ensuing face-off, Sarnia was penalized again, this one on the bench for delay of game. And 2:41 after that the Sting bench was penalized again, this time for too many men on the ice.

It was not going to be Sarnia's night, that was for certain.

But then, that was apparent from the start. The Whalers scored twice (on the power play, of course) in the opening period, Yuri Babenko getting the first just 3:05 into the game and Druken scoring the second (with a two-man advantage) with 3:41 left.

Sting goalie Patrick DesRochers, who played the first period and 14:35 of the second, displayed one glaring problem: a tendency to not smother rebounds.

"He's a big guy, and he tends to leave rebounds lying around the net," said DeBoers. "For us to score on him early was the key."

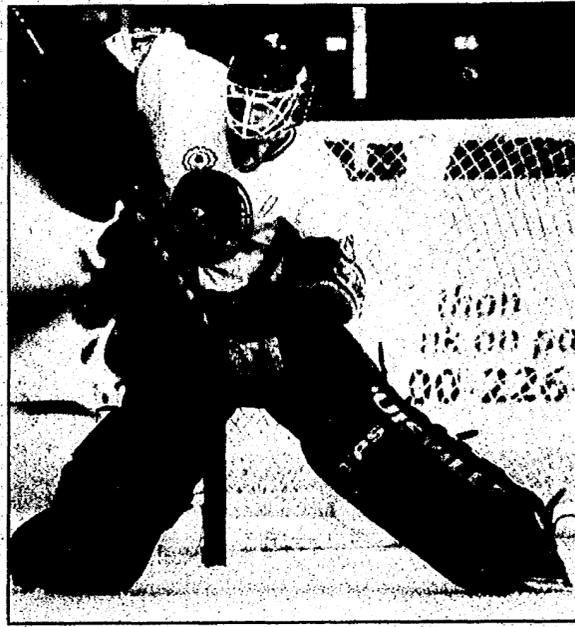
"We had to go to the net hard. He stops all the first shots — almost all of our goals against him in this series have come on second shots."

Shots were something else the Whalers got a bunch of — an 18-5 advantage after one period, 31-15 after two and 48-21 for the game.

Jesse Boulerice made it 3-0 5:15 into the second period, knocking in a pretty centering pass from Eric Gooldy, who beat a Sting defenseman to the puck behind the net.

Two more power-play goals followed, both in the final 4:35 of the second. Babenko got his second of the game, beating DesRochers with a hard shot from the right wing.

That was all for Sarnia's No. 1 goalie. Hewitt replaced him,



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Tending goal: The Plymouth Whalers' Robert Esche could rest easy after a 7-1 win over Sarnia.

and he was greeted by a power-play score 4:23 into his stint, this one scored by Taylor.

Taylor finished with a goal and three assists. Paul Mara and Nik Tsaliotis added two assists apiece.

So: the obvious question. Can the Whalers continue this type of performance?

That depends, according to DeBoers. "We're a skilled kind of team, we rely on the refs calling that (extracurricular) stuff," he said.

The Whalers can be physical, but they'd be better off (against Sarnia, at least) with a game that's called more closely.

NOTES: Should a game six be necessary, it would be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Sarnia. A game seven is tentatively scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Compuware.

The opponent for next round of the playoffs (should the Whalers advance) depends upon who survives the first round. The survivors from round one will be reseeded.

REGIONAL HOOPS

DePorres glides by Spartans

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
STAFF WRITER

Redford Bishop Borgess senior guard Aaron Jessup didn't mind taking his jersey off, but giving it up was another story.

Jessup played his final high school game Friday night as the Spartans lost to Catholic League rival Detroit St. Martin DePorres, 64-49, in a Class C boys basketball regional final at Dundee.

"I want to frame it," said Jessup, who surpassed 1,000 career points earlier in the year. "I don't even want it to be washed. I'm going to miss the whole program. We always stick together, on the court and on the street. That's important."

DePorres took advantage of foul trouble to Borgess senior center Sam Hoskin, outscoring the Spartans 19-2 at the end of the third quarter and the start of the fourth to turn a 41-40 deficit into a rout.

The Eagles improved to 20-4 overall and became the favorites to win the Class C state championship with the victory. Borgess, the defending Class C state champion, bows out with a 14-10 record.

DePorres made 12 straight shots during its second-half explosion compared to one of 10 during the same stretch by Borgess.

Most impressive about the Eagles' surge, perhaps, was only four points came from their 6-foot-7 junior star forward Aloysius Anagonye.

David Denham, a 6-3 senior forward, had seven of his 12 points to lead the run. He also made a neat feed to 6-foot junior guard Marc Sturdivant to finish a fast break and give the Eagles a commanding 53-43 lead midway through the fourth.

Hoskin, bound for Eastern Kentucky, scored 12 points before fouling out in the fourth quarter.

"One thing we didn't want to do is stop attacking," DePorres coach Derrick Owens said. "With Sam getting his fourth foul it took away from his game. I told them to run the offense and I don't care if we have to delay because we have the lead and the clock is tick-ticking. We had four kids in double figures and you can't key on one person."

Anagonye led DePorres with a game-high 23 points, surely impressing Michigan State coach Tom Izzo, who was in attendance. Izzo drove through a snowstorm to get home and probably thought it was worth it.

"He has all the potential in the world," Owens said. "He has size 17 shoes and he's still growing."

"It's always extra incentive when someone comes see you play, mom, dad, sister, anybody," Anagonye said.

Teremun Johnson, a 6-6 senior center, and 6-2 junior guard Calvin Hughes also finished in double figures with 13 and 12 points, respectively.

The Spartans led 18-17 after one quarter and finished the half with a 30-29 lead, thanks to a 6-0 run to end the second quarter.

Three-straight turnovers by the Eagles led to the Borgess points, all scored by Jessup, who finished two fast breaks with dunks.

"At halftime I was upset, they end the half with two momentum dunks and I'm like, 'Oh my goodness,'" Owens said. "We've got to get some stops, some points and get the lead back."

The Spartans, who had 14 fouls called against them, were seven for nine at the free throw line. DePorres, assessed 13 fouls, finished 5-11 at the line.

Anagonye finished with three fouls and Hoskin had that many with 3:15 left in the first half.

"That hurt tremendously," Borgess coach Rosey Barnes said. "I thought we played them pretty well but didn't see the same fouls called the both ways. It took away his physical presence inside."

Kevin Jordan, who also played his final game in a Borgess uniform, scored 13 points. The other seniors on the Borgess roster, Marwan Williams, Jason Doss, James Williams, Wallace Turner and Walter Malone gave Barnes plenty of memories.

"We're going to miss them tremendously," he said. "Their sophomore year they won the league and the Aquinas Christmas Tournament, they won the state last year and the Catholic League this year. They're all winners."

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Central rips Rice at Salem

BY DAN STICKRADT
STAFF WRITER

The characteristics that have made Birmingham Brother Rice a good basketball team this season — great determination, grit, a well-executed offense and good pressure defense — all came up missing Friday night. The result was the end of the road for the Warriors in the Class A tournament.

With Dante Darling and Antonio Gates lighting up the scoreboard for a combined 47 points, Detroit Central was able to roll past Brother Rice 78-55 to capture a regional title at Plymouth Salem.

The ninth-ranked Trailblazers move on to Tuesday's 7 p.m. quarterfinal at Ferndale against third-ranked Clarkston — a 60-42 winner Friday over Mount Clemens Chippewa Valley. Brother Rice closes out its season with a 16-8 record.

"We had a good season. We won some tough ball games, won a district title and tied for second in our (Detroit Catholic League) division with Redford Bishop Borgess," said Rice coach Bill Norton. "But we just didn't have our best game tonight and its all over for us."

It was apparent that the Warriors were off the mark from the

BASKETBALL

beginning. After Rice tied the score at 4-4 early in first quarter on a baseline jumper by senior guard Ron Austin, Central went on a 16-7 run to close out the quarter — Darling scored six points in the paint in that span — while Rice was stone cold from the field. For nearly seven minutes starting late in the opening stanza, the Warriors went 0-12 from the field before the drought finally ended with 3:25 left before halftime on a lay-up by senior forward Chris Petty.

"Our offensive execution just wasn't there," said Norton, who was assessed a technical foul for arguing a call midway through the second quarter. "We just weren't determined out there, we didn't have much fight in us. And it's tough to climb back into game like this when your down against a good team."

Norton did offer some high praise for the Trailblazers.

"They play tough man-to-man and they took us out of our game," he said. "It's not completely our fault that we played the type of game that we did, they deserve a lot of credit. They played with a lot of determination and fight."

The Warriors trailed 35-16 at

halftime, but made a valiant effort to come back as they eventually closed the gap to 12 points at 61-49 with 3:38 left in the game. However, Central answered with a 15-5 run — highlighted by a pair of nifty one-handed dunks by Darling — before the Trailblazers emptied their bench with 35 seconds left in the contest.

Darling, a 6-foot-5 senior forward, collected a game-high 32 points to go along with eight rebounds, five steals, four assists and three blocked shots to pace the Trailblazers. Antonio Gates, a 6-4 senior center who signed with Michigan State to play football, added 15 points and 12 rebounds, while 6-6 senior forward Arise Smith contributed seven points and six rebounds for Central.

"It kind of disappointing that we didn't have our best stuff tonight," added Norton. "If we did, who knows what might have happened."

Jon Poyer, a 6-6 senior forward, led Rice with 14 points, including three 3-pointers, to go along with seven rebounds and a pair of blocks. Austin added 11 points, Petty chipped in with 10 points and five assists, and senior guard Gary Littlejohn had seven points and five boards for the Warriors.

Spartan effort

Kern, Domin head for meet in Long Island

Julie Kern and Steve Domin will represent the Spartan Aquatic club at the Northeast Junior Nationals next week in Long Island, N.Y.

Kern, who attends Livonia Stevenson High, qualified in the 500, 1,000 and 1,850 freestyle events, while Domin, also of Stevenson, will compete in the 50 freestyle and 100 butterfly.

Several other Spartan swimmer also hoped to qualify in this weekend's 13-and-over state championships in Saginaw.

Michelle Aristeo, who took three firsts, was among three Spartan Aquatic Club members who achieved state meet qualifying times at a festival meet hosted last weekend by the Spartans at Livonia Churchill High School.

Aristeo won the 100-yard freestyle (1:01.7), 100 breaststroke (1:21.36) and 100 individual medley (1:10.89).

Shannon Farris, who finished second in the girls 100 IM (1:21.36) and Chas Maul, who added a second in boys 100 IM (1:10.26).

AGE-GROUP SWIM

Tiffany Stelej — sixth, 200 butterfly, 400 IM; Kruszewski — fifth, 100 breaststroke; sixth, 200 backstroke; seventh, 200 butterfly; eighth, 100 backstroke, 200 IM.

Boys 11-12 (B): Jack Tyler — fourth, 50 breaststroke; (C): Matt Swift — first, 50 backstroke; second, 100 backstroke, 200 freestyle; third, 100 freestyle, 50 breaststroke; fifth, 200 IM; sixth, 100 breaststroke, 50 butterfly; Robert Lowes — third, 200 IM, 500 freestyle; fourth, 50 backstroke; fifth, 50 butterfly, 100 backstroke; sixth, 200 freestyle; eighth, 100 IM; Solomon Zheng — seventh, 100 backstroke; eighth, 50 butterfly; Carl Chorb — seventh, 200 freestyle, 50 backstroke.

Girls 11-12 (A): Elizabeth Cambridge — second, 100 and 200 freestyle, 50 backstroke, 500 freestyle; fourth, 100 backstroke; fifth, 50 freestyle; Michelle Aristeo — first, 100 freestyle, 50 breaststroke; Andrea Giczewski — first, 50 backstroke; third, 50 butterfly; sixth, 200 IM; Magda Stawikowska — second, 100 breaststroke; Kara Eschbach — first, 200 freestyle; second, 50 butterfly; third, 100 IM; Lindsay Scypta — third, 100 breaststroke; Lauren Dickerson — sixth, 50 backstroke; Ashley Eilers — first, 100 backstroke, 200 IM; second, 100 IM; sixth, 50 breaststroke; Stephanie Turlo — second, 50 breaststroke; fourth, 50 backstroke; (B): Giczewski — first, 50 breaststroke, 100 butterfly; second, 200 IM; fourth, 500 freestyle; fifth, 100 breaststroke; 200 freestyle; Lollie Hermanin — second, 50 backstroke; fifth, 200 IM; sixth, 500 freestyle; seventh, 100 butterfly; eighth, 50 breaststroke; Magda Stawikowska — first, 100 freestyle; third, 50 butterfly; seventh, 50 eighth, 100 freestyle; Scypta — seventh, 200 IM; eighth, 200 and 500 freestyle, 100 IM, 50 backstroke; Eilers — fourth, 100 breaststroke; Turlo — sixth, 100 breaststroke; eighth, 100 backstroke, 200 freestyle; Katie MacDonald — eighth, 50 butterfly; (C): Stawikowska — first, 100 butterfly, 100 IM; Kristine Elrod — first, 500 freestyle; second, 50 backstroke; fifth, 100 freestyle, 100 backstroke, 100 butterfly; sixth, 100 IM; eighth, 50 breaststroke; Brittany Brodhuhrer — third, 200 IM; fifth, 200 freestyle; Lauren Wilson — third, 50 backstroke; fourth, 100 backstroke; sixth, 200 freestyle, 200 IM; Megan Hoepner — sixth, 500 freestyle, 100 butterfly; eighth, 200 freestyle; Jacqueline Bayliss — first, 50 backstroke; second, 500 freestyle; third, 100 butterfly; Katie MacDonald — first, 500 freestyle; sixth, 100 breaststroke; Cynthia Lebron — second, 100 butterfly, 100 breaststroke; seventh, 100 freestyle; Jackie Michon — seventh, 100 butterfly; eighth, 50 backstroke; Kelly Koch — sixth, 100 backstroke.

OTHER SPARTAN FINISHERS

Boys 13-18 (A Division): Geoff Lowes — first place, 400 individual medley; third, 100 butterfly, 200 IM; fourth, 500 freestyle; Mike Kruszewski — fifth, 200 breaststroke; seventh, 100 breaststroke; (B Division): Lowes — first, 200 breaststroke, 200 butterfly, 200 freestyle; sixth, 100 freestyle; seventh, 100 backstroke; Kruszewski — first, 100 freestyle; third, 200 IM; fifth, 100 and 200 butterfly; sixth, 50 freestyle; seventh, 200 backstroke; Brandon Schmandt — fourth, 500 freestyle; fifth, 200 breaststroke; sixth, 200 backstroke, 200 butterfly; (C Division): Schmandt — eighth, 100 breaststroke.

Girls 13-18 (A): Natalie Aristeo — third, 200 butterfly; fifth, 100 backstroke; sixth, 100 butterfly; Liz Kruszewski — second, 200 breaststroke; Kim Weaver — first, 200 butterfly; second, 400 IM; fourth, 200 and 500 freestyle, 100 butterfly; fifth, 200 IM; seventh, 50 freestyle; Megan Pierce — fourth, 100 breaststroke; (B): Jessica Hrynak — first, 100 butterfly, 100 freestyle; second, 400 IM; fourth, 200 backstroke; sixth, 200 IM; All Stewart — fourth, 400 IM, 500 freestyle; eighth, 200 backstroke; Aristeo — third, 400 IM; sixth, 200 backstroke; Blair Tyler — fifth, 200 backstroke; eighth, 200 breaststroke; Rochelle Hughes — eighth, 200 backstroke; Mary MacDonaid — third, 200 butterfly; sixth, 400 IM;

IM; sixth, 50 freestyle; seventh, 100 breaststroke; Joe Bashara — fourth, 200 freestyle; (C): Bashara — first, 100 butterfly; third, 100 backstroke; Michael Kennedy — second, 200 IM; fourth, 100 butterfly; Quay — sixth, 50 breaststroke; seventh, 50 backstroke, 100 breaststroke; eighth, 100 IM.

Girls 10 and under (A): Jessica Pierce — first, 100 butterfly; third, 200 IM; Shannon Farris — second, 100 IM; third, 50 freestyle; fourth, 50 butterfly; seventh, 50 breaststroke; Elizabeth Hrynak — fourth, 50 breaststroke; Lisa Koch — eighth, 50 breaststroke; (B): Pierce — fifth, 50 breaststroke; Stephanie Sawda — first, 50 breaststroke; fifth, 200 freestyle, 200 IM; sixth, 100 butterfly; seventh, 100 freestyle, 100 breaststroke; eighth, 100 IM; Lauren Bair — third, 200 freestyle; sixth, 100 backstroke; eighth, 100 freestyle; Hrynak — first, 50 butterfly; fourth, 100 butterfly; sixth, 200 freestyle, 100 breaststroke, 200 IM; seventh, 50 freestyle; Amber Hutchinson — first, 200 freestyle; fourth, 200 IM; sixth, 50 freestyle; (C): Kate Donahue — second, 50 and 100 breaststroke; Jennifer Ritz — eighth, 200 IM; Rebecca Kowal — sixth, 100 and 200 IM; eighth, 50 butterfly; Alyssa Schwing — first, 100 freestyle, 50 butterfly; fourth, 50 backstroke, 200 freestyle; Koch — second, 200 freestyle; fourth, 200 IM; fifth, 100 butterfly; sixth, 100 backstroke; Megan Buwala — eighth, 100 breaststroke; Katie Stewart — fifth, 100 freestyle, 100 backstroke; fifth, 50 breaststroke; Elizabeth Hrynak — fourth, 100 freestyle, 50 butterfly; eighth, 200 freestyle; Bair — second, 200 IM; sixth, 100 breaststroke, 100 butterfly; Hutchinson — first, 100 butterfly; second, 100 IM.

Boys 8 and under (B): Michael Maul — first, 50 and 100 freestyle, 50 backstroke, 50 breaststroke, 25 and 50 butterfly; second, 25 freestyle, 25 breaststroke, 25 backstroke, 100 IM; Scott Wegener — third, 25 freestyle; fifth, 50 breaststroke; seventh, 25 breaststroke; eighth, 100 freestyle, 50 backstroke; Kyle Hermann — third, 50 freestyle, 50 backstroke; 25 breaststroke, 100 IM; fifth, 25 and 50 freestyle; seventh, 25 butterfly; Charlie Turlo — sixth, 25 breaststroke; (C): Wegener — second, 25 butterfly; Hermann — first, 50 butterfly; Turlo — second, 50 breaststroke; eighth, 100 freestyle, 50 butterfly; Colin Woods — eighth, 25 breaststroke.

Girls 8 and under (B): Jessica Campbell — first, 50 freestyle, 25 and 50 breaststroke; second, 25 freestyle, 100 IM; third, 50 butterfly; fourth, 25 butterfly; fifth, 25 backstroke; sixth, 50 backstroke; Brittany Eilers — fifth, 25 butterfly; (C): Adrian Turlo — first, 50 freestyle; second, 25 backstroke; third, 100 IM; Claire Wick — third, 100 freestyle, 100 IM; fifth, 50 butterfly; sixth, 50 breaststroke; eighth, 25 backstroke; Amanda Damrath — fifth, 100 freestyle; Eilers — first 50 backstroke; Christine Sawda — second, 25 breaststroke; sixth, 50 butterfly; Megan Derwicht — seventh, 100 freestyle.

Rouge next up for Country Day

BY JOE KYRIAKOZA
STAFF WRITER

It was a tough week for Javin Hunter.

The Birmingham Detroit Country Day guard was held scoreless in a game for the first time in his high school career, endured a blow to the nose and sustained other various nicks and bruises throughout the week.

But Friday was redemption day for the University of Notre Dame-bound senior. Hunter's impeccable shooting — including five 3-pointers and 23 points — along with an inspired team defensive effort in the fourth quarter, catapulted three-time defending Class B state champion Country Day into the state quarterfinals with a 63-49 tri-

umph over Harper Woods Notre Dame at Highland Park High School.

The Yellow Jackets continue their defense of the title on Tuesday at Calihan Hall, home of the Detroit Titans, against River Rouge.

The win marked the fourth straight year that Country Day (21-4) eliminated Notre Dame (17-8) in regional championship play.

The Yellow Jackets used a 13-0 flurry to start the fourth quarter to squelch any chance of a Notre Dame comeback. Most of it was done on the defensive end resulting in easy buckets.

One of the points of focus for Country Day coach Kurt Keener and his staff was to comprise a scheme to contain talented Notre Dame senior guard Whitney

Robinson, who scored 26 points.

Senior forward Mike Manciel's 12 first-half points, including a stretch in which he scored nine straight Country Day points, boosted CDD to a 30-21 halftime lead.

The third quarter, though, belonged to Notre Dame, as the Irish pulled to within three, 40-37, by outscoring CDD 16-10 in the period.

But the Yellow Jackets immediately did a stellar job of regrouping, as they stormed to a 53-37 lead with 3:33 remaining with Webber's steal and layup delivering the final blow which knocked the Irish to the canvas.

Manciel followed Hunter's superb evening with 18 points and 10 rebounds. Webber added seven points.

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RECREATION

NRC approves elevation in deer, bear hunting



BILL PARKER

Michigan's firearm whitetail deer and bear hunters can join archers "up a tree" this fall.

That's because the state Natural Resource Commission did what many expected it to do last week at its monthly meeting by approving an order to allow the use of elevated platforms this fall during the bear and firearm deer seasons.

This proposal had been supported by many of the state's largest conservation groups and was unanimously approved by the NRC.

However, after a month of considerable discussion and research on the matter, the NRC also voted last week to accept public comment for the next 30 days on the appropriate use of safety har-

nesses for hunting from an elevated platform and a proposed ban on climbing attachments such as spikes and screw-in steps.

"The Commission received many, many letters and took lots of calls from hunters on the issue, and the testimony at public hearings was very helpful," NRC chairman Keith Charters said.

"Our vote today was based on that public opinion. I also think it's important the public have the opportunity to fully understand the ramifications of a ban on spikes and screw-in steps and for hunters to provide comment on the proposal that's before the commission."

Anyone wishing to comment to the Commission on the use of safety harnesses or screw-in steps can do so by contacting Charters at 8195 Bel-Cherie Drive, Traverse City, MI 49686. You can reach him by phone at (616) 947-7566.

The other commissioners in southern Michigan

are Jerry Bartnik, 840 S. Telegraph, Monroe, 48161, (313) 243-7325; L. Thornton Edwards Jr., 10711 Northend, Ferndale, 48220, (248) 547-5760; Lloyd "Pete" Weeks, 11337 Jonas, Warren, 48089, (810) 757-4908; and Paul Eisele, 21001 Van Horn, Taylor, 48180, (313) 792-6031.

If you have an opinion on either of these matters, be sure to let the Commission know before it takes up the matter at the April 8-9 NRC meeting in St. Joseph.

New commander named

Troy resident Mike Maziasz will be inducted as the new District 9 Commander of the Power Squadron on Saturday at a ceremony during the Power Squadron meeting at the Troy Marriott. District 9 encompasses the entire state of Michigan along with South Bend, Ind.

Maziasz is currently a member of the Birmingham Power Squadron and was the commander of

that squadron in the early 1990s.

The Power Squadron is the largest boating association dedicated to boating safety and education. It has 2,900 members in District 9 and 52,000 members world-wide.

The goal of Power Squadron is to educate the general public in basic boating in an attempt to make the waters of Michigan safer.

Power Squadron offers a variety of classes throughout the year on such topics as safe boating, GPS use, celestial navigation, sail weather and many more.

(Anglers and hunters are urged to report your success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax information to (248) 644-1314, send e-mail to bparker@oe.homecomm.net or call Bill Parker evenings at (248) 901-2573.)

OUTDOOR CALENDAR

ACTIVITIES

LIFE LINKS

Learn about some of the fascinating connections between plants and animals and their habitats during this program, which begins at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 28, at U-M Dearborn. Call (313) 593-5338 for more information.

LAND NAVIGATION

The School of Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR) presents a class on land navigation on Saturday, March 28, at the Waterloo Recreation Area. Call Linda Burke at (248) 471-9185 for more information.

ARCHERY

JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (810) 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR ARCHERS

A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

CLASSES

HUNTER EDUCATION

Wayne County Sportsmen's Club will hold several hunter education classes in the upcoming months at its clubhouse and grounds in Romulus. These classes will be taught by certified instructors. Students must be present for both days of their respective class. All equipment will be provided. Classes will be offered March 28-29, Aug. 29-30, Oct. 3-4, Oct. 17-18 and Nov.

7-8. Cost is \$10.50 and includes lunch both days. To pre-register call (313) 532-0285.

YOUTH FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club will hold a Youth Fly Fishing School, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, April 4, at the Walled Lake Outdoor Education Center. The school is open to youths age seven to 15 accompanied by a parent or adult guardian. Admission is \$5 and includes pizza, donuts, pop and hot chocolate. Call Dale Ross (734) 420-2233 or Tony Yuhas (248) 478-7461 to register and for more information.

CLUBS

SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation, a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for information.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Senior Citizen's Center in the Livonia Civic Center. Call Jim Kudej at (313) 591-0843 for more information.

FISHING BUDDIES

Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. The meetings are open to all anglers. Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

CLINTON VALLEY BASS

Clinton Valley Bass Anglers is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome.) The club meets monthly at Gander Mountain in Waterford. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for more information.

BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863 for more information.

MEETINGS

NRC

The monthly meeting of the state Natural Resource Commission will be Wednesday and Thursday, April 8-9, at the St. Joseph Hotel in St. Joseph. Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation should contact Teresa Golden at (517) 373-2352 a week in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing and other assistance.

SEASON/DATES

SMELT

Smelt netting season runs through May 31 south of M-72 and April 1-May 31 north of M-72.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-

stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m. to dusk on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Rd. (three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills). Call (810) 814-9193 for more information.

PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (810) 666-1020 for more information.

ORTONVILLE RECREATION

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (810) 693-6767 for more information.

SHOWS

WILDLIFE ART FESTIVAL

The 15th annual Michigan Wildlife Art Festival, sponsored by the Michigan Wildlife Habitat Foundation, will take place March 27-29 at the Southfield Pavilion. The show features the Midwest's largest juried show of wildlife and environmental art; 60 nationally acclaimed artists; thousands of affordable paintings, prints, photos, carvings, etchings, sculptures, stained glass pieces, batiks, and scratchboards; exhibits by Michigan's leading conservation organizations; seminars on Michigan wildlife topics; a celebrity decoy painting contest and much more. Show hours are 4-9 p.m. March 27, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. March 28, and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. March 29. Admission is \$6 and children under 12 will be admitted free.

An animal's name can tell quite a lot

NATURE NOTES



TIM NOWICKI

What's in a name?

Well, if the name is bobwhite, its the name that describes the sound that a small quail makes.

Phoebe and peewee are two names for flycatchers that phonetically

describe the sounds they can make. Names paraphrasing the sounds that an animal makes are common.

Some names are very descriptive of the appearance of the animal.

A bobcat, for instance, has a bobbed tail and is a recognizable member of the cat family.

Cottontail accurately describes the soft, fluffy tail of our rabbit. Red-headed woodpecker, chestnut-sided warbler and sharp-tailed grouse are also helpful names that conjure an image of the animal.

Other names are a combination of the two, sounds and appearance.

Blue jay identifies the color of this bird and a call note that sounds like someone saying "J."

Black-capped chickadee combines the call note and the black on the top of the head of this common bird at our feeders. Gray catbird is another name that describes a gray colored bird that sounds like a cat.

Some names can be very confusing, like lynx, nuthatch, or moose.

Where did these names come from?

Lynx comes from Greek words that mean "lamp," referring to the fact that this cat can see in the dark, "like its using a lamp."

Nuthatch does not refer to this bird sitting on a nut to hatch a little tree.

It is a corruption of nut-hacking, or the habit of using its bill to hack open a seed. Moose comes from the Algonquian name "moos," which means "eater of twigs," or "one who strips off bark."

All these names are descriptive too if you know the origins of the words.

Some of the best names are those that describe real or imagined habits of the animal.

One of my favorites is the woodcock. A woodland member of the shorebird family, this bird sings and dances at night, eats worms in wet moist soils and has large eyes positioned on the top side of its head.

These are some of the features that lead people to common names such as, big eyes, bog borer, bogsucker, Laborador twister (relates to its evening courtship dance that is really worth seeing), night peck, siphon snipe, timber-doodle and whistling snipe (refers to a sound made by wing feathers during the courtship flight).

These are all very colorful names for the same bird that has so many unique characteristics. They also reflect an intimate knowledge of the habits of this bird.

Common names for animals often describe something the animals does or looks like, the uninitiated just have to look deeper in some cases to understand the relationship.

It's playoff time as bowling season winds down

TEN PIN ALLEY



AL HARRISON

Ahl Spring is in the air, the sun is shining, Gordon Bickle is smiling, and the first robin will be along soon.

It is a great time of the year as some of us are thinking about that new putter or going to the beach. But hold on just a minute, the best part of the bowling season is at hand.

Now is the time for league bowlers to find a little extra edge if they are in a position to contend for any of the top spots in the standings.

These last few weeks of the season can mean big dollars in some leagues.

On the other hand, many leagues are competing just for the trophy and the pride of winning.

This is "Crunch Time," regardless of the money or the honors involved, every team wants to win and usually that is determined by a few lucky breaks, a vital strike when it makes a difference, or a missed spare which can affect the fame's outcome.

The end of the regular season can mean lots of excitement, and as they say, "May the best team win!"

If you have signed up for the Pro-Am this May at the Greater Detroit Open PBA at Taylor Lanes, you might have already picked up your new ball.

The paid entry fee includes a Thunder Road by Storm Products.

I have received mine, had it drilled to fit, and all I can say is that it's a terrific piece of equipment, versatile enough for most lane conditions, and hits with authority.

The entry forms are available at bowling centers everywhere. There are cash prizes to be won in every squad in the Pro-Am. For details, call (734) 946-9092.

The DWBA women's city tournament is underway now at Sterling Lanes.

The current leader in the Team Event is Contour Power Grips No. 1, Jeanne Gebbia (Garden City), Capt.

Their score was 1,112-1,112-1,328/3552 (plus 160 handicap equals 3712. The 1,328 actual is also tops in that category.

The Doubles leaders are Jeanne Gebbia - Marianne DiRupo with 479-506-484/1469 (plus 84 handicap equals 1,553). They also led in actual score with the 1,469 count.

Michelle Ewald leads the field in Singles with 206-257-300/763 (plus 55 handicap equals 818 with an actual of 763).

Marianne DiRupo leads All-Events handicap with 741-797-699/2,237 (plus 108), but the actual All-Events leader is Aleta Sill with 726-793-718/2237.

There are still a few weeks to go, the scoring leaders can still change as the tournament keeps on going.

Classic Lanes in Rochester Hills and the Avon Hills Lioness Club will host the 17th annual Leader Dogs for

the Blind bowling benefit at 11 a.m. Sunday, April 26.

Area bowlers will bowl doubles with members of the All-Stars to raise funds for the Leader Dog School. Each bowler is eligible to win prizes and will receive a gift bag donated by local merchants and vendors.

The Lioness Club's goal is to raise \$25,000 for the Leader Dog school this year. Residents of the community are invited to come in and participate in the silent auction.

The school is located in Rochester and operates entirely on donated funds. Interested bowlers must register in advance.

Forms may be obtained by calling Classic Lanes at (248) 852-9100.

Table with bowling league names and member lists. Columns include Bowling Honor Roll, Plaza Lanes (Plymouth), Country Lanes (Farmington), and Super Bowl (Canton). Each column lists members and their scores.