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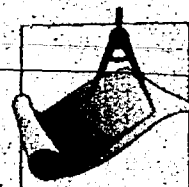
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## School improvements to begin



**Wayne-Westland school improvements made possible by a voter-approved \$108.3 million bond issue will begin next week, with an array of summer projects totaling \$2.5 million approved Monday.**

Long-neglected Wayne-Westland school improvements made possible by a voter-approved \$108.3 million bond issue will begin next week, officials said Monday.

A wide array of summer projects totaling \$2.5 million gained momentum Monday as school board members approved a series of first-round bids.

"We are moving faster than I thought possible," board Vice President Mathew

McCusker said.

Work crews hope to finish the first-phase projects by mid-September to avoid as many disruptions as possible for the startup of school, Construction Manager Bill McCarthy said.

Summer projects will range from replacing high school tennis courts to replacing faulty elementary boilers.

Much larger projects, such as classroom additions and widespread build-

ing renovations, will come later.

School officials have said the bond money will allow them to make widespread building repairs that have been delayed for years, in some cases raising safety questions. Voters approved the bond issue Feb. 17 during a special election.

What follows is a list of summer projects outlined by Charlotte Sherman, assistant superintendent for general administration.

■ John Glenn and Wayne Memorial high schools will receive new tracks, new tennis courts, new football visitors' bleachers, upgraded football public announcement systems and new score-

boards for football, baseball and soccer. Glenn also will get new football field lighting.

Four contractors will do the work for a total tab of \$1,298,115. They are ABC Paving Co., W.R. Dougherty & Associates Inc., Dant Clayton Corp. and Mahalo Corp.

■ Elliott Elementary, Franklin Middle School and Wayne Memorial High will receive new boilers and pipe repairs. Boiler rooms also will be painted. W.J. O'Neil Co. will do the work for \$648,850.

■ Kettering, Hoover, Patchy

Please see **PROJECTS, A1**

## Fowlkes finishes up term

Departing Wayne-Westland school board President Debra Fowlkes, in tears Monday as she chaired her last meeting, drew strong praise for her leadership.

Superintendent Greg Baracy, hired for his job last August during Fowlkes' presidency, cited a long list of achievements during her tenure:

■ The district in February won voter passage of a \$108.3 million bond issue for classroom technology and building improvements.

■ Fowlkes led the charge to appoint a bond oversight committee that includes a cross-section of residents.

■ She supported a Lincoln Elementary-based Oakwood health clinic.

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## Another fake check reported

Meijer officials Saturday reported yet another counterfeit check-cashing scheme - the latest of several Westland incidents, police said.

The newest report again prompted police Sgt. Jon Handzlik to warn local businesses to beware of cashing counterfeit payroll checks.

Local businesses can end up losing money when they cash bogus checks, he has said.

The latest counterfeit check came from a purported Detroit printing business and was supposedly written on an NBD account, Handzlik said.

The amount was \$563; several other counterfeit checks have been in the \$300-\$500 range, he said.

"The amount is just enough to make

Please see **CHECK, A2**

## Doggone fun.



**Patriotic pup:** At right, Peaches, a 15½-year-old poodle, with owner Diane Vrsitti visiting from Florida, attended a "Dog Gone Party" at Dave and Sandy Smith's residence in Westland last week. At top, Lasey, a 5½-month-old Maltese wears a miniature hockey mask named after Osgood of the Detroit Red Wings. Owner is Pam Geppert of Northville.

## Benefit party goes to the dogs

It was a hot day, but it was "way too cool" at Friday's dog costume party benefit in Westland.

"It was a real success, and something I will do again next year," Sandy Smith, organizer of the event, said.

Between 40 and 45 dogs,

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## Fees skate higher at Westland Sports Arena

Ice rink rental fees jumped \$10 an hour Wednesday at Westland Sports Arena - and they will increase another \$10 next July 1.

New rates marked the first price increase in three years at the facility, located on Wildwood north of Ford Road, manager Matt Gorman said.

Hourly rates for the Westland Hockey Association and the Westland Figure Skating Club climbed from \$110 to

\$120 an hour Wednesday, Gorman confirmed.

Those rates will increase to \$130 next July 1, he said.

Outside, independent users will continue to pay \$10 more an hour than local clubs. Their hourly rates climbed Wednesday from \$120 to \$130, Gorman said.

Independent users will pay \$140 an hour next July 1.

A survey of similar ice rinks showed that Westland had below-average user fees, Mark Ward, superintendent of operations, said in a memo to the Municipal Service Bureau, which oversees the local arena.

"Westland has one of the lowest hourly rates for ice rental in this area," Ward said in his memo.

A survey of other ice arenas showed hourly rates ranging from \$115 in

Wayne to \$175 in Troy for prime-time access.

New Westland rates are needed to maintain a quality facility, upgrade existing equipment and programs, and keep pace with inflation, Ward said in his memo.

Groups that want to use the ice arena from midnight to 6 a.m. will still

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## Summer fest fun has begun

A weekend packed full of activities awaits at Westland's Summer Festival.

Tonight, Friday, Saturday and Sunday the festival offers a variety of attractions including rides, games and food booths. The festival carnival and activities are open until 11 p.m. Thursday and noon to 11 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Food available will include pizza, hot dogs, tacos and ice cream.

Thursday's activities also include from 5:30-7 p.m. the Straw Hat Band, an 18-piece brass band, followed from 7-11 p.m. by Benny and the Jets performing oldies and classic rock.

On Friday, July 3, a golf-chipping contest runs from 3-4 p.m.

Then get ready for music as Jacob Raming performs polka music 3:50-5 p.m. Then from 7-8 p.m. Opie's Dream performs classic and modern rock

music.

Also, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, bingo will be held 4-10 p.m.

The Quality Movers Car Show registration kicks off bright and early Saturday, July 4, with the car show and swap meet beginning at 10 a.m. and running until 4 p.m. The show will feature a variety of cars including street rods, street machines, sports cars, and trucks. Net proceeds from the event go to Children's Hospital of Michigan.

A children's picnic, for ages 2-9 will be held 10 a.m. to noon in Tot Town. The fire safety house will also be open for tours. Children's events are sponsored by the Westland Civitan Club.

Saturday's children's activities also include Quiz Show, at 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m.

Please see **FEST, A3**



**Winner:** 1. Oreal Denise Fowlkes, 1998 Miss Westland Summer Festival, receives a hug from last year's winner Jill Crouson. At right, is co-master of ceremonies Officer Matthew Bobby. For more, please see A3.



## Delivery driver robbed

A Garden City pizza delivery driver told police he was robbed at gunpoint outside a Westland apartment building after a bogus order was called in Sunday.

The 20-year-old driver, making his last delivery of the night, reported being held up about 2:05 a.m. outside of Hampton Court Apartments on Christine, north of Ford Road between Wayne and Wildwood.

No arrest has been made, Westland police Sgt. Timothy Kennedy said.

The victim reported losing about \$80 of his own cash. He wasn't carrying any money belonging to his employer, Benito's Pizza on Ford Road, because he had paid for the last order before leaving for the night, a police report said.

"Benito's was closing and he was going home after delivering it," according to the report.

The delivery driver told police

he parked in front of a Hampton Court building and got out to deliver the pizza when he heard footsteps approaching him.

He reported that a man pointed a chrome-colored pistol at him and demanded all his money before fleeing on foot. The victim said he soon heard tires squealing a short distance away.

The victim returned to Benito's and phoned police. An officer checked with an apartment resident who denied placing an order from the address given to the delivery driver.

Officers checked the area around Hampton Court Apartments but didn't locate a suspect.

The delivery driver told police the robber was a white male, about 5-foot-10, with short blond hair and blue or green eyes. The robber wore a black, waist-length jacket, dark jeans and work boots.

## Check from page A1

it worthwhile but not enough to raise an eyebrow," Handzlik said.

The latest incident followed earlier reports of fraudulent checks being cashed in Westland at Meijer and at a Warren Road party store.

The checks purportedly came from NBD, Kentucky Fried Chicken and other businesses.

One Meijer incident led to an arrest and a wider investigation in Detroit, Westland police Lt. Marc Stobbe has said.

The latest counterfeit check appeared on the surface to be legitimate, Handzlik said.

"It looks just as legitimate as can be at first," he said.

But a closer look revealed some problems:

■ The payee and dollar amount were typewritten, rather than coming from a printer.

■ The dollar amount was preceded by a double dollar sign.

■ The month and the day noted on the check were followed by an unusual amount of space before the year "1998" was typed in.

■ The check was supposedly written by a Seven Mile Road business to be drawn on a Seven Mile Road bank, raising questions about why the payee brought it to Westland to cash it.

Handzlik again warned local businesses to closely examine payroll checks before cashing them.

The warning comes as suburbs and the city of Detroit, alike, fight an increasing number of counterfeit check schemes, local police said.

"Detroit has been running a huge investigation," Handzlik said.



Pup pair: Marci Rich of Livonia holds her pugs at the "Dog Gone Party" to benefit Leader Dogs for the Blind. Yoshi, 6 months old, (left) dressed as a clown, and Mattie, 2, as a bride, attend the party at Dave and Sandy Smith's home in Westland.



Doggy dress: Soft-coated wheaten terrier, Casey, 4, of West Bloomfield dressed for the occasion. Casey was with owner Bill Penn and family.

## Dogs from page A1

mostly pugs, were dressed up in costumes as part of the benefit which raised \$865.50 for Leader Dogs for the Blind. The Dog Gone Party was held at Sandy and Dave Smith's Westland residence.

Events included a silent auction for Beanie Babies, prizes and pictures, a disc jockey and a backyard barbecue.

There were also demonstrations by a bomb sniffing dog and by Leader Dogs. Also a business that cleans up after dogs, Pup Cleanup, donated cleanup time.

The dogs also got to cool off in

swimming pools. And despite the hot weather there were no dog fights. "The dogs got along great. It was just way to cool," Sandy Smith said.

It was fun to watch the dogs having fun, Smith said. "It was the craziest thing I've ever seen."

The event started as a picnic and ballooned, she said.

Smith, the owner of five Chinese pug dogs, said she got the idea for the event as she was watching news reports about neglected animals.

"I wanted to do something nice for animals," she said.

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## Arena from page A1

receive the lowest possible price, although those rates, too, have increased \$10 an hour.

Hourly rates for that six-hour period climbed Wednesday from \$100 to \$110 and will increase to \$120 next July 1, Gorman said.

Some local recreation enthusiasts have suggested that a second ice rink is needed at Westland Sports Arena.

In fact, a new rink topped a preliminary wish list of community residents who attended a March brainstorming session on the city's recreation needs.

"That is still under discussion," city Finance Director Tim McCurley said Monday. "There are no real hard plans at this time, although there has been some talk."

Suggestions for a second ice rink parallel the city administration's hopes for building an upscale recreation center, likely on Central City Parkway north of Ford Road.

Seven city officials recently traveled to Colorado at public expense to attend recreation seminars and tour state-of-the-art facilities.

Some council members have said the city needs to chart a clear direction for its recreation needs so that efforts - and possibly services - aren't duplicated.

Ward, in his memo, noted that a three-year freeze on hourly ice rental rates coincided with increasing operational costs due to inflation and the need for facility improvements.

"The Municipal Service Bureau and the administrative team are taking every effort to reduce operating costs in the arena and will continue to do so in the future," Ward wrote. "This is very difficult to do while maintaining an adequate operating schedule for programs and adequate staff coverage."

"Although we will continue to operate an efficient facility," Ward's memo continued, "the growing need to upgrade existing equipment, existing programs, and the need to rise accordingly with the inflation rate, plays an important role in the future and success of the arena."



# Miss Westland pageant kicks off festival

**Tahitian dance:** Melissa Nelson, 8, (left) formerly of Westland, now from Brighton, performs a Tahitian dance with Nicole DeMaria, 13, of Brighton at the Miss Westland Summer Festival Pageant Saturday at Westland Shopping Center. Both are students at the American Dance Academy, which provided entertainment during the pageant.



Miss Westland Summer Festival 1998 is L'Oreal Denise Fowlkes.

Fowlkes, a recent John Glenn High School graduate, won the title Saturday evening during pageant events at Westland Shopping Center. She is the daughter of outgoing Wayne-Westland School Board president Debra Fowlkes.

Eighteen contestants competed for the title. First runner-up in the pageant is Katie Boogren and second runner-up is Malisa Hamilton.

Categories in which contestants were judged included appearance, poise and presentation of goals. They were also judged during a random question round.

Describing herself as "very surprised" at her win, Fowlkes said she entered because she "just wanted to meet people and I did."

Fowlkes, who also competed in last year's Westland Junior Miss program, plans to attend Tennessee State University and major in pre-med and minor in business management. She hopes eventually to attend medical school at the University of Michigan.

The three winners received a trophy, flowers from Westland mall, a cell phone from Activate Cellular and gift packets from Ken Mehl and Blarney Bay Pub.

Fowlkes also received a photo session from American Dance Academy.

Other entrants in the pageant were: Kelli Allison, Jeannie Castillo, Cindy Clos, Teri Rae Colter, Kimberly Anne Corney, Mary Johanna Crofts, Susie Espinoza, Anita Guajardo, Krista Kordie, Lisa Mendenhall, Dawn Pertude, Victoria Ann Pringle, Jennifer Randolph, Shauna Salin and Kelly Karinne Sexton.

Community Police officer



**Questions:** Co-master of ceremonies (left) Officer Thomas Lochinski of the D.A.R.E. program asks Anita Guajardo if she is ready for her question. Anita made it to the top five finalists.

Matthew Bobby and Drug Abuse Resistance Education program officer Thomas Lochinski served as masters of ceremonies.

Students from the American Dance Academy provided dance entertainment during the pageant with a variety of dancers in costume performing to music.

Judges were: Kenneth Mehl, chairman of the Westland Festival Committee; Claudia Frederick, senior marketing manager, Westland Center; Bob Kosowski, director of Westland Parks & Recreation; Melva Stelzer, owner of American Dance Academy; Beth Sundra Jachman, editor of the Westland Observer; Karen Berhoff, automotive editor of the Michi-

gan Community Newspapers; Victor Bernstein, vice president of Michigan Community Newspapers.

Michaeline Ward was pageant coordinator and Pam Martin was pageant consultant.

Contributors also included Westland Shopping Center Management, President Tuxedo, American Dance Academy, Toarmina's, Blarney Bay Pub, W.L.N.D. Cable, Victoria's Secret, Activate Cellular, Led Zeds Modeling Composite Cards, Laurie Brist-Jafra Representative, and U.S. Print.

Miss Westland Summer Festival and her court were to participate in Wednesday's parade opening the Westland Festival activities.

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6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. The fun and games Quiz Show features the former host of CKLW TV's "Swingin' Time," George Young. Participants can play games such as Jeopardy, the Price is Right, Let's Make a Deal and Name That Tune.

Magician Gordon Ruff will also be performing Saturday from 2:15-3:15 p.m. in the main staging area and at 3:15-4:15 p.m. in a tent show.

Clowns will also perform and walk around Saturday during the festival from 3:15-4:15 p.m. On Saturday, a Ronald McDonald Happy Meal Workshop will occur 5:15-6:15 p.m. From 6:15-7:15 p.m., clowns will walk around the main staging area, and from 7:15-8:15 p.m. skits will be performed.

From 1-1:30 p.m. a pie-eating contest, emceed by state Rep. Eileen DeHart, D-Westland, will be held, followed from 1:30-3 p.m. by the Toarmina's Pizza Toss. From 3-3:30 p.m. show off those legs in the women's and men's leg contest emceed by Westland Civitan Club member Barbara Polich.

Music will also fill the air Saturday as Westland's own Josh Gracin performs country music 4-6 p.m. and Southern Exposure performs country music from 7-11 p.m.

Other activities will include golf, bingo and Vegas games.

On Sunday, July 5, the Westland Free Methodist Church will hold a church service 9-10 a.m. Festival events get started from 10:30 to noon with a baby and toddler contest sponsored by the Observer Newspapers. City Councilwoman Justine Barnes will serve as master of ceremonies. Finalists qualify based on the number of penny votes entrants receive.

From noon to 1 p.m., enter the ice cream contest also emceed by DeHart. At 1 p.m. try your hand at the horseshoe-pitching contest, followed from 3-4 p.m. by

### Schedule

#### Thursday, July 2

- 3-11 p.m. Festival open
- 5:30-7 p.m. Straw Hat Band/18-piece brass band
- 7-11 p.m. Benny & the Jets/oldies and classic rock

#### Friday, July 3

- Noon to 11 p.m. Festival open
- 3-4 p.m. Golf chipping contest
- 3:50-5 p.m. Jacob Ramey/polk music
- 7-11 p.m. Ople's Dream/classic and modern rock

#### Saturday, July 4

- 8-10 a.m. Quality Movers Car Show registration
- 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Quality Movers Car Show and Swap Meet
- 10 a.m. to noon Children's picnic/ages 2-9 in Tot Town
- 1-1:30 p.m. Pie eating contest
- 1:30-3 p.m. Toarmina's pizza toss
- 3-3:30 p.m. Women's and Men's leg contest
- 4-6 p.m. Josh Gracin/country music
- 7-11 p.m. Southern Exposure/country music

#### Sunday, July 5

- 10:30 a.m. to noon Baby and toddler contest
- Noon to 1 p.m. Ice cream contest
- 1-3 p.m. Lone Star Dancers/country dancing
- 1 p.m. Horse shoe pitching contest
- 3-4 p.m. Golf chipping contest
- 2-5 p.m. South Bound/country music
- 7-11 p.m. Steve King
- 7-9 p.m. Josh Gracin/Lions Pavilion/country music
- 10:15 p.m. Fireworks

### Kids Department

#### Saturday

- Quiz Show (Tent) 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

#### Sunday

- Quiz Show (Tent) 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

#### Clowns (Saturday and Sunday)

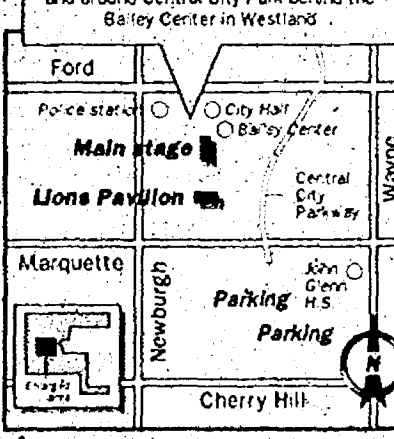
- 3:15-4:15 p.m.

#### Magie Show (Saturday)

- 2:15-3:15 p.m. (Main Stage)
- 3:15-4:15 p.m. (Tent)

#### Clowns Walk Around (Saturday)

- 5:15-6:15 p.m. (Main Stage)
- 6:15-7:15 p.m. (Main Stage)
- 7:15-8:15 p.m. (Main Stage)



the golf-chipping contest.

Get ready for music and dancing Sunday afternoon with the Lone Star Dancers performing country line dancing 1-3 p.m. From 2-5 p.m., South Bound will be performing country music, and from 7-9 p.m. Gracin performs in the Lions Pavilion while Steve King and the Ditties perform 7-11 p.m. on the main stage.

Also Sunday are more children's activities, with Quiz Show performances at 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

Clowns also make a return appearance Sunday from 3:15-4:15 p.m. with face painting from 5:15-6:15 p.m., clowns walking the main stage area 6:15-7:15 p.m. and skits 7:15-8:15 p.m.

At 10 p.m. is the grand finale as a fireworks show caps off the festival.

Parking is available at John Glenn High School with free shuttle service provided by Nankin Transit. Parking is also available near the Lions Pavilion, except on Saturday during the car show.

## City tax deadline extended

Westland taxpayers who expect to be a little short on cash in mid-August needn't worry about missing the deadline for paying their summer tax bills. They'll have until Aug. 31 to

pay the tab under a two-week extension recently approved by the Westland City Council. What's more, taxpayers won't face a penalty as long as they pay their taxes by the new dead-

line: City Finance Director Tim McCurley requested that the council approve the two-week extension, in keeping with past practice.

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# Man sentenced in sexual assault

A Westland man has been sentenced to seven to 15 years in prison for sexually assaulting a Garden City teenager after breaking into her home.

Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Thomas Brookover sentenced Matthew James Knoff to the prison term on June 18.

Knoff had entered a no contest plea to two counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct and a reduced charge of second-degree home invasion.

A 16-year-old Garden City girl recognized Knoff — a family friend — as the man who broke

into her home last August. Armed with a knife, the man sexually assaulted her.

The girl told police she and a child who was in her bedroom at the time were both restrained with duct tape by the intruder, who indicated he had murdered her family members in other parts of the home.

After the assailant left, the girl was able to get free and fled to a neighbor's home to seek assistance. Knoff was arrested later the same day and has been in custody since that time.

## \*SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES BOARD OF EDUCATION Livonia Public Schools 15125 Farmington Road June 1, 1998

\*The following is a summary, in synopsis form, of the Board of Education's regular meeting of June 1, 1998; the full text of the minutes is on file in the office of the superintendent, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, and in the principal's office of each school, and is available on request.

President Kokenakes convened the meeting at 7:04 p.m. in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia. Present: Frank Kokenakes, Daniel Lessard, Joanne Morgan, Patrick Nalley, Dianne Nay, Kenneth Timmons, James Watters. Absent: None.

**Golden Apple Award:** Trustees Timmons presented the Golden Apple Award to Judy Blaharski, nutritional cook for the Head Start program. **Livonia PTA Council Recognized:** The Board unanimously adopted a resolution honoring the Livonia PTA Council for being named Council of the Year for the second consecutive year.

**Team Effort Award:** Trustee Lessard presented the Team Effort Award to the autistic program at Perrinville Center for developing an exemplary program for preschool children identified as autistic impaired.

**Written Communications:** The Board received letters from students of Jim Murphy regarding instrumental music.

**Audience Communications:** Janet Cooper, 27921 Bentley, spoke on behalf of the League of Women Voters, regarding the candidates' forum that the Livonia PTA Council conducted in the Board Room on May 20, 1998.

**Kristen Galka,** 16583 Ronnie, candidate for the June 8 Board election, spoke to the Board regarding the wearing of campaign buttons during official meetings of the Board. Ms. Galka also asked for a letter from John Rennels regarding the wearing of campaign buttons at public board meetings.

**Christine Walczyk,** 14171 Barbara, spoke to the issue of the candidate's forum that was conducted by the Livonia PTA Council and the history of the candidate's forum.

**Terry Goddard-Marschall,** 16519 Ronnie Lane, spoke to the Board regarding the time line of the PTA debate and the Observer article advertising the cablecasting of the debate.

**Nagi Musleh,** 36009 Martin, addressed the Board regarding the subject of the candidate's forum being discussed at the Board meeting. Mr. Musleh said that this subject had no place at the Board meeting and wished they would get back to dealing with children and the instructional program.

**Consent Agenda:** Motion by Nalley and Watters that the following consent agenda items be approved as recommended by the superintendent: I.V.A. Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of May 18, 1998 I.V.B. Minutes of the Closed Session of May 26, 1998 V.B. Move that the Board of Education purchase the following textbooks for secondary courses: Accounting 1 & 2 for \$8,736.25; Automotive Technology 1 & 2 for \$4,500; French 1-3 for \$58,340.41; French 4 for \$14,162.84; French 5 for \$6,519.80; German 1-3 for \$25,388.96; German 4 for \$6,018.41; World Languages-7th gr. for \$14,782.43; U.S. History for \$87,883.90; U.S. History-8th gr. for \$78,936.74. V.I.A. Move that general fund check nos. 295302 through 300173 in the amount of \$3,584,916.16 be approved for payment. Also move that general fund wire transfers in the amount of \$1,560,822.48 be approved. Also move that Building Improvement and Technology Fund check number, 1889 in the amount of \$31,318.43 be approved for payment. V.I.B. Move that the Board of Education authorize the low bidder Motor City Heating to modify the hot water piping at Jackson Center for the low bid amount of \$34,800. V.I.C. Move that the Board of Education authorize Industrial Services to remove asbestos at Hull Elementary School for the low bid amount of \$10,000 and Bedford Environmental for the low bid amount of \$31,344 at Dickinson Center and Tyler Elementary School. V.I.E. Move that the Board of Education authorize the lease of a classroom at Marshall Elementary to the Henry Clay Preschool for the 1997-98 and 1998-99 school years. V.I.F. Move that the Board of Education authorize the lease of a classroom at Clay Elementary to Garfield Preschool for the 1997-98 and 1998-99 school year. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**Gift-Roosevelt PTA:** Motion by Nay and Lessard that the Board of Education accept the gracious gift of approximately \$1,418 from the Roosevelt Elementary School PTA as reimbursement to the district for the purchase of playground equipment (Super Moon Climber) for their playground. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**Scoring & Timing Equipment for Pools:** Motion by Timmons and Watters that the Board of Education authorize the purchase of pool scoring and timing equipment for Franklin and Stevenson High Schools from Colorado Time Systems in the amount of \$81,660. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**Pentamation Contract:** Motion by Watters and Nay that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District authorize the administration to enter into a contract with Pentamation, Inc., for a new administrative computer system and maintenance on the system. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**Retirements:** The Board unanimously adopted resolutions of appreciation for the following retiring employees: John Hunter, Robert Russell, William Wagner, Frances York.

**Leave:** Motion by Lessard and Morgan that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the superintendent and approve the request for a leave of absence for Elizabeth Molnar, effective 8/27/98. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**Teacher Tenure:** Motion by Timmons and Lessard that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the superintendent and grant tenure status to: Janice Filatraut, effective 10/2/98; Mary Kay Hussen, effective 10/23/98; Laura LaPorte, effective 10/8/98; and Julie Lynn Smith, effective 10/13/98. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**Teachers for Approval:** Motion by Watters and Nay that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the superintendent and offer employment for the 1998-99 school year to: Shari Shaw, Daniel Landon, and Anne Marie Goodwin. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**Reports from the Superintendent:** Dr. Watson addressed the Board regarding the Transportation Department and their recognition for their positive attitude; the bus driver rodeo; Harriet Sawyer's recognition from the Michigan Reading Association; the three students who placed in the Business Professionals of America competition, recognized Collette Bahman for her presentation to the State Board of Education on "Quality Programs for Students with Visual Impairments," and congratulated Dr. C. Lynn Babcock, for being nominated president-elect of the National Association of Elementary School Principals.

**Hearing from Board Members:** The Board members commented on the Golden Apple Award recipient, the resolution of appreciation for the Livonia PTA Council, recognition of the Autistic program; Honors Night at Stevenson High School; Transportation Department's Bus Driver Rodeo; Dare graduations; Skill Center Honors program; school board elections; Honors Night at Franklin High School; after school foreign language graduations; and the MEAP test results.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Timmons and Morgan that the regular meeting of June 1, 1998 be adjourned. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

Mr. Kokenakes adjourned the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

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# Fowlkes from page A1

■ She fueled positive relations between the district and the municipalities it serves.

■ She sought — and achieved — unity among board members.

■ She supported far-reaching curriculum changes and new textbooks for students.

■ She presided over the board as the district implemented school-business partnerships with companies such as Detroit Diesel.

■ She led the district as student scores improved on MEAP (Michigan Educational Assessment Program) tests.

■ She supported early retirement plans for longtime teachers, allowing the district to save money by hiring lower-paid educators.

Baracy gave Fowlkes a gavel,



Robbins

Fowlkes

an engraved plaque and a hug as he praised her for ushering in changes "that will certainly have a positive impact on students for generations to come."

Fowlkes lost her June 8 reelection bid to board newcomer Teresa Robbins, a community activist whose four-year term began Wednesday.

Robbins will be officially sworn

in during a July 13 board meeting that begins at 7 p.m. at board offices on Marquette. She is best known for helping wage a battle to protect a Westland nature area, Sassafra Trails, from residential development.

Fowlkes was elected to a four-year term in 1994 after first serving a six-month stint as a board appointee.

A 41-year-old Mercy Health Plans provider relations specialist, she came to her last meeting prepared to read a farewell statement, but she broke into tears and handed it to Vice President Mathew McCusker.

Her statement said, in part, "I'm truly thankful for the opportunity that was given to me to be a part of the leadership of the school district."

McCusker said Wayne-Westland "has lost an asset" with Fowlkes' departure.

"She has done her best. She has done well. She's a neat lady," he said.

Wayne City Councilwoman Josephine Lentine, addressing the board, commended Fowlkes for supporting Baracy's superintendency and for bringing calm to the seven-member board.

Lentine said Fowlkes helped bring "respect and order to the meetings — something I feel was lacking for a long time."

On the night Fowlkes lost to Robbins, she didn't rule out another school board bid next June. However, she also indicated that she may seek a Westland City Council seat next year.

## State group elects McCusker

Mathew McCusker, a 14-year Wayne-Westland school board member, has been named vice president of the Michigan Association of School Boards.

That places him in line to be president-elect the following year and then MASA president in 2000-2001.

Local board members statewide are involved in MASA, which is instrumental in organizing conferences and workshops to help board members become more effective.

"Our primary goal is to prepare board members to do the job that they're elected to do," McCusker, 62, said. "I think board member education is the key to our success."

MASA also provides boards with information and services pertaining to labor relations, policies, legal needs, legislative relations and student achievement, among other areas.

MASA's 21-member board of directors voted McCusker into office for the 1998-99 school year.

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Schweitzer, Jefferson-Barns and Lincoln elementaries will receive new resilient gym flooring. Cohn's Commercial Flooring will complete the job for \$42,244.

■ Marshall Middle School, Wildwood Elementary and Stottlemeyer Early Childhood Center will receive asphalt paving of parking lots and bus loops. Souter Asphalt Paving will do the work for \$432,504.

■ Signs marking school construction zones for summer projects and others still pending will be bought for \$12,744 from Lightforms Co.

■ Underground fuel storage tanks will be bought for the district's transportation department for \$87,486.

The new projects mark the first large phase of the \$108.3 million bond issue, although the district in July did buy new custodial equipment for \$290,000.

"We bought vacuums, dryers, scrubbers, things like that," Sherman said.

Much bigger projects loom this fall, when Sherman said construction is scheduled to begin for classroom additions to Walker-Winter and Roosevelt-McGrath elementaries. Similar projects will follow.

Classroom additions will precede renovations to existing buildings so that students can move into the new rooms while

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older areas are being remodeled, Sherman said.

Next spring, construction is expected to begin for additions and remodeling plans at the William D. Ford Career Technical Center and the senior citizen Dyer Center, next to administration offices on Marquette.

In the end, all 29 Wayne-Westland buildings will receive some work as officials move to complete all bond projects within 3 1/2 years, Sherman said.

The district has 17 elementaries; four middle schools; two high schools; the Ford Center; school administration offices; the Tinkham special education center; the Stottlemeyer center; a buildings and grounds office, and a transportation building.

Wayne-Westland used to own even more buildings, but several, including four elementaries, have been sold in recent years as officials moved to trim expenses and make the district leaner.

## CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On Tuesday, July 7, 1998, the Westland Police Dept. will conduct a Public Auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00 AM at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Road, Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

YEAR	MAKE	BODY STYLE	COLOR	VIN.
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85	FORD	4DR TEMPO	RED	1FABP22X0FK235530
85	PONT	2DR FIERO	BLACK	1G2PF3792FP253196
77	FORD	E150 VAN	BROWN	E12HHV78395
86	FORD	RANGER PU	BLUE	1FTBR10A3GUA08603
94	FORD	2DR PROBE	BLUE	1ZLV120A6R5177951
82	GMC	PU	BLACK	1GTCC14D2C712163
82	OLDS	4DR OMEGA	LT GREEN	1G3AB69R9CW318100
85	HONDA	2DR ACCORD	BROWN	1HGAD5322FA008012
97	FORD	RANGER PU	BLUE	1FTCR10A8VPB09340
78	YAMAHA	MTRCYCLE	RED	2H7007420
82	CHEV	2DR CHEVETTE	BURGY	1G1AB66C7CA127044
78	CADI	2DR DEVILLE	WHITE	6D4758Q108181
90	MERC	4DR TOPAZ	WHITE	1MEPM36X4LK655102
86	FORD	4DR ESCORT	BURGY	1FABP22XKG181809
83	CHEV	2DR CAVALIER	BLACK	2G1AW19X3D1800187

All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition. Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

### 30 DAY NOTICE OF AUCTION

Due to unknown ownership, 30 day notice is hereby given that the vehicle(s) listed below will be auctioned after August 2, 1998, unless it is claimed by the owner prior to that time:

77	BRIGGS & STRATTON GO CART	RED	NONE
87	BUICK 2 DOOR	GREEN	1G4HP5138HH459919
84	FORD PICKUP	RED	2FTDF15Y6EAC81025

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## CITY OF WESTLAND GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION-REGISTRATION NOTICE

THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO PERSONS ALREADY REGISTERED. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the last day on which persons may register in order to be eligible to vote in the General Primary & Special Election to be held on Tuesday, August 4, 1998 is Monday, July 6, 1998 at which time candidates of the Democratic, Republican and Reform Parties and non-partisan candidates for the following offices will be voted upon: Governor, Representative in Congress, State Senate, State Representative, County Executive, County Commissioner, Delegates to County Convention, 2 Judges of Court of Appeals (1st District, Regular Terms, Incumbent Positions) 2 Judges of the Circuit Court (3rd Judicial Circuit, Regular Terms, Non-Incumbent Positions), and the following County of Wayne Charter Amendment Proposal: Proposition A - Shall Section 3.116(13) of the Wayne County Charter be amended to require a 2/3 vote of Commissioners serving to place on any ballot any proposal for a tax increase, and a vote of more than 60% of the qualified electors of Wayne County voting thereon to adopt any such proposed tax increase? and the following Wayne County Proposal: Proposition J - Jail Millage Renewal Proposal: To renew the millage authorized in 1988, shall Wayne County be authorized to continue to levy this millage at the 1997 rollback rate of .9532 mills (about 9.5 cents per thousand dollars of taxable valuation) for four more years (1998 through 2001), to continue these exclusive uses: To acquire, construct, and/or operate jail, misdemeanor, or juvenile incarceration or detention facilities, and for adult penalty options such as work release, home detention and community restitution; with at least one-tenth of the millage used to acquire, build and operate a juvenile offender work/training institution? This renewal is estimated to generate at least \$31,636,666 in property tax revenue in 1998; and for the following Wayne County Transit Authority Millage Renewal: Proposition S - If approved, this proposal will renew the .033 mills levied by the Wayne County Transit Authority in 1997 and allow continued support to the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) for a public transportation system serving the elderly, handicapped, and general public of Wayne County. As a renewal of the millage which expired with the 1997 tax levy, shall the limitation on the amount of taxes imposed on taxable property in the Wayne County Transit Authority area to be increased by .033 mills (33 cents per \$1,000 of taxable value) for four (4) years, 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for the support of a public transportation system serving the elderly, handicapped, and general public of the County of Wayne? It is estimated that .033 mills would raise approximately \$6.3 million when levied in 1998. Registrations will be taken at the office of the Westland City Clerk, Wayne County, Michigan, 36801 Ford Road, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

DIANE J. FRITZ, Westland City Clerk

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## CITY OF WESTLAND INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan 48185-2298, on Tuesday, July 28, 1998, at 10:30 a.m. for the following:

Playground Equipment - Cayley and Northgate Municipal Parks

Complete specifications and pertinent information may be obtained from the Purchasing Office. For further information pertaining to the bid contents, please contact Parks & Recreation Director, Robert Kosowski, at (734) 467-3255. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

JILL B. THOMAS  
Purchasing Agent  
City of Westland

Bid Number: CDBG-690-072898  
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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 JULY 17, 1998, at 2:00 p.m. for the following item(s):

### PAGING EQUIPMENT

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

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, in whole or in part and to waive any informalities when deemed in the best interest of the City.

ALLYSON M. BETTIS  
City Clerk-Treasurer

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## CITY OF GARDEN CITY REGISTRATION NOTICE FOR THE PRIMARY ELECTION TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 1998

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the last day of registration for the PRIMARY ELECTION is MONDAY, JULY 6, 1998.

Candidates seeking election to the following offices are to be voted upon:

GOVERNOR  
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS  
STATE SENATOR  
STATE REPRESENTATIVE  
WAYNE COUNTY EXECUTIVE  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS 1st DISTRICT (REGULAR TERMS INCUMBENT POSITIONS ENDING 1/1/05)  
JUDGES OF THE CIRCUIT COURT 3rd JUDICIAL CIRCUIT (REGULAR TERMS NON INCUMBENT POSITIONS)  
PROPOSITION S - WAYNE COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY MILLAGE RENEWAL  
PROPOSITION J - JAIL MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL  
PRECINCT DELEGATES

The Office of the City Clerk, located in the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan, will be open for the registration of all qualified electors, not already registered, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ALLYSON BETTIS  
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# County ballots contain tax proposal

Attorneys may wait for a ruling from the Michigan Court of Appeals on the legal standing of three county commissioners who support the so-called Supermajority ballot proposal, but the county's ballots are being printed and mailed with the proposal on them anyway.

That means voters can expect to receive ballots with the proposal asking them whether the Wayne County charter should be amended to require county tax increases to have 60 percent support from voters and two-thirds support from county commissioners.

The proposal was to be placed on the ballot after county commissioners approved it this spring by an 8-7 vote split along racial and Detroit-subur-

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ban lines. But on June 1, two members of the three-member Wayne County Election Commission believed the proposal was unconstitutional, so they refused to certify the proposal.

That spurred a lawsuit from Commissioners Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, and Kathleen Husk, R-Redford, challenging whether the election commission members Milton Mack and Teola Hunter could take such action. Mack is also the chief judge of Wayne County Probate Court, while Hunter is Wayne County clerk.

On June 13, Wayne County Chief Circuit Judge Michael Sapala agreed with the com-

missioners, ordering the proposal to be placed before Wayne County voters on Aug. 4, the same ballot as the primary election. Sapala ruled the county commissioners also had standing as taxpayers and residents.

On June 14, eight Wayne County commissioners rescinded the original resolution. Later that day the commission's action was invalidated by Sapala.

Daniel Dulworth, who is one of two attorneys representing McCotter, Patterson and Husk, expects a ruling at any time on the election commission's appeal. "We're confident on the issue of whether the

plaintiffs have legal standing, but anything can happen," Dulworth said.

Michael Bennane, the election commission's attorney, couldn't be reached for comment.

In another development that probably won't affect the legal interpretation of the issue, County Executive Edward McNamara recently vetoed the county commission's vote to rescind the earlier resolution.

"Mayor (Bob) Thomas (of Westland) and Mayor (Jack) Kirksey (of Livonia) asked him to (veto)," said Mike Duggan, assistant county executive. Duggan said McNamara is not openly campaigning for or against the proposal.

## ROAD WATCH

Holiday motorists will get a break.

The Michigan Department of Transportation will suspend all road and bridge work from 3 p.m. Thursday, July 2, through 6 a.m. Monday, July 6, opening up more lanes and removing construction cones.

However, that won't be the case for large projects, including work on I-275. Northbound I-275 between I-94 and Ford Road will continue a one lane closure, while one lane also will be shut down on southbound I-275 between I-94 and the Monroe County line.

Many projects with traffic restrictions are due to bridge work and cannot be reopened. Other exceptions include:

■ One lane of Michigan Avenue closed at Haggerty Road.

■ In Oakland County, ramps from northbound Telegraph and northbound Northwestern to westbound I-696 closed and two lanes closed on northbound M-10 at Telegraph.

### Projects continue

Other construction projects will continue through July and August throughout Wayne County, according to John Roach, public information manager of Wayne County Department of Public Services. Temporary lane closures can be expected on many of these projects with traffic directed by a flag person.

These projects include:

■ Ann Arbor Trail between Ann Arbor Road and Beck: Crews have completed the first layer of asphalt resurfacing. New shoulders will be paved during the next week with final resurfacing to follow.

■ Eight Mile (Baseline) east and west of Haggerty: Crews have completed the first layer of asphalt resurfacing. New shoulders will be paved during the next week with final resurfacing to follow.

■ Canton Center between Michigan and Geddes: Concrete paving is under way on Belleville/Canton Center Road intersection south of Michigan Avenue. One lane of traffic is maintained in each direction. Geddes between Canton Center and Sheldon is closed.

■ Haggerty between Five and Six Mile, Seven and Eight Mile: Work will begin on northbound widening. Traffic remains on one lane in each direction.

■ Hannan between Glenwood and Palmer: Drainage work is under way for gravel road paving project. Hannan Road is closed to thru traffic. Lotz or Hix are recommended detours.

■ Plymouth road between Haggerty and Eckles: Resurfacing continues over the next two weeks.

■ Ridge at North Territorial: Lanes will be closed temporarily for pavement repairs.

■ Van Born between Haggerty and Belleville roads: Resurfacing will continue over the next two weeks.

## Read At Home in today's Observer

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lead by "discounting" fines for workplace safety violations. Small firms (10 or fewer employees) get an 80 percent discount; the largest firms (250 or more) get no discount.

But small firms may be where the problem lies, he said, calling for more research on, among other topics, the effect of hefty fines on making workplaces safer.

### Access cut off

Douglas Earle, director of safety and regulation in the state Department of Consumer and Industry Services, said one problem in counting workplace inspections is new methods of counting.

"We don't have access to workers comp information form 100s," Earle said. The Legislature in 1994 amended the Freedom of Information Act to make such forms off-limits. Reasons were that some groups were using the names of claimants to "blacklist" them with employers. Another reason is that businesses were making FOIA requests

to get financial information about competitors.

A second problem, Earle said, is that standards have changed and inspections take longer.

A third problem is that the Legislature raised penalties seven-fold in 1992. "There are more contested cases," he said, eating up state inspectors' time.

"We want to focus on prevention. We don't want to follow up on accidents," Earle said. "The statute places responsibility for safety and health on employers," Earle said.

"If your philosophy is prevention," said Freeman, "it seems to me you should have high penalties."

### It's your job

UAW Local 6000 representatives of Family Independence Agency caseworkers said they made long lists of complaints to management, but management's attitude was, "It's your job. Be glad you have a job."

Deborah Ruiz, a UAW representative, said her survey of 175 caseworkers showed that 90 per-

cent are overwhelmed by the caseloads, and "too many programs are severely understaffed," Ruiz said. The administration's attitude seems to be overwork the staff to get rid of them.

"We don't have near enough health inspectors in this state," said Richard Whitwam of the AFL-CIO. "We have let that go downhill."

Ken Fletcher, also of the AFL-CIO, said there's a battle in the state capital over reducing MIOSHA positions. "The governor wants to reduce them by 13. The House put them back in (the budget bill). The Senate took them out. The bill is now in conference committee. They put three back."

Fletcher said one business senator "threw a fit" at even putting back three posts because "he doesn't want any more inspectors in his business."

The toll-free number for workplace safety complaints is (800) 2MIOSHA. For fatal construction site accidents, the state's 24-hour hotline is 1-800-858-0397.

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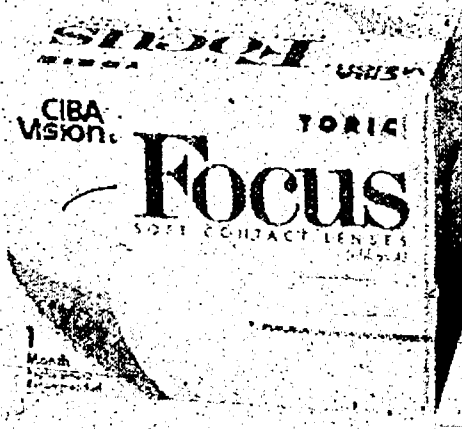
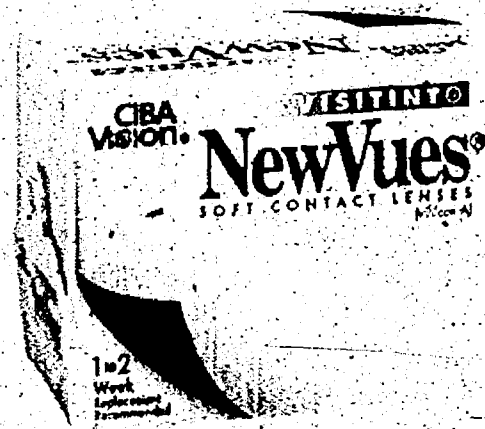
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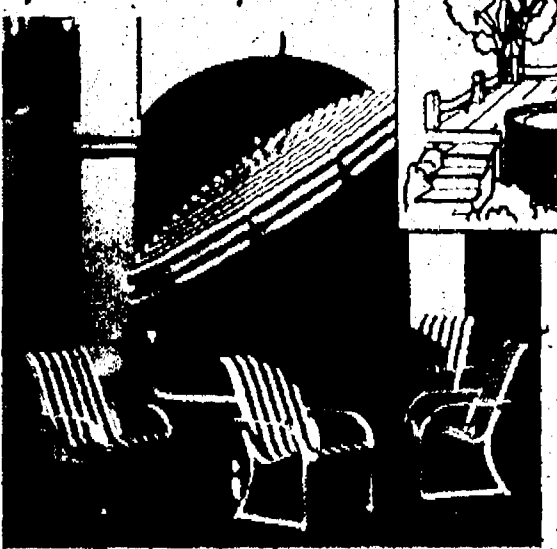
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# Reverse discrimination?

County employee says despite high test scores, promotions were denied

Since June 1991 Dan Biedzen has investigated discrimination complaints by Wayne County employees.

In July 1998 Biedzen finds himself embroiled in a lawsuit against Wayne County alleging that he is a victim of reverse racial discrimination. Biedzen claims blacks and other minorities are allowed to be promoted through provisional appointments, without taking a civil service test.

But a Wayne County official believes Biedzen's complaint is without merit.

Biedzen, a Northville resident, has worked for Wayne County for 24 years and today earns \$36,000 annually. During those years he has advanced only five grades.

"I make what a salt truck driver, tree trimmer and clerical leaders earn," Biedzen said. Biedzen, 49, was a human relations analyst III, but now he says Wayne County has removed his title, classifying him as a social services specialist.

Biedzen said he has been bypassed for promotions even though he placed first on civil

service tests.

In May 1996, Biedzen placed first on a test for a departmental manager job within the court system, but the job was given to a Hispanic male who Biedzen said had been promoted provisionally without taking a civil service exam. In 1991 Biedzen placed first on a promotional exam and was eventually promoted to a human relations analyst position, but only after he filed a civil rights complaint.

"When it comes time and you place first, there's still a lot of loopholes," Biedzen said.

Mike Duggan, assistant county executive, responded: "He's already lost three civil rights complaints he's filed with the federal government. This one is so bad, he can't find a lawyer to take the case." (Biedzen is representing himself.)

Duggan explained the 1996 promotion of the Hispanic male followed contract provisions in the General Administrators Association calling for members of that union to get

first crack at the job, which he joined, thus leaving AFSCME, after a subsequent promotion to another job.

"(Biedzen's) got no legitimate complaint. We went by the collective bargaining agreement," Duggan said.

Qualifications are written around candidates to fit positions, Biedzen says, and if other candidates want the test but don't fit the qualifications, they are excluded. Since 1979 Biedzen has taken two civil service exams and was denied promotions or upgrades 12 times.

Duggan countered that Biedzen would have support from AFSCME Local 1659 if union officials believed he was treated unfairly. AFSCME Local 1659 will not file grievances in cases involving the AFSCME member seeking a promotion into the GAA.

"And if the situation was reversed, and Biedzen had been in the GAA union, he would have been promoted," Duggan said.

In a complaint filed in December 1997 alleging the

Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act was violated, Biedzen stated Human Relations, Personnel and the Civil Service Commission have illegally discriminated against white males and granted preferential treatment to blacks and other minorities in provisional hiring, in transfers across bargaining units, in granting/denying reclassification requests and in granting/denying appeals by rejected applicants for civil service exams.

"Since at least 1984, personnel has allowed human relations to hire, promote and reclassify black employees into department manager positions without an established set of written qualifications and without requiring them to pass a civil service exam," Biedzen said.

"Personal promotions and reclassifications are where the abuses are."

Biedzen is seeking in excess of \$10,000, a promotion to a position comparable in salary to that of the deputy director of human relations

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# Tax-cut issues split state House

BY TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

As both sides in the state House shoot at each other over tax cuts, there's little reason to hope they'll reach agreement this session.

Consider the bitter debate between Republican Nancy Cassis of Novi and Democrat Kirk Profit of Ypsilanti over a single business tax bill.

"On the floor, she pulls this!" an angry Profit said after bottling up Cassis' amendment to an SBT bill on June 30. "They know this would be killed in the Senate."

"It's important we do this immediately," said Cassis, "because it has strong bipartisan support."

The story goes like this:

Rep. Mark Schauer, D-Battle Creek, sponsored House Bill 5111 designed to encourage employers — small ones, in particular — to provide health benefits for workers. Schauer's original bill would have allowed a phased-in deduction of health costs from the SBT over 20 years. That is, each year, 5 percent more of health costs could be deducted from the SBT base.

In the House Tax Policy Committee, Cassis negotiated the time frame down to 10 years, according to Profit, the committee chair. That would reduce SBT revenue by \$9.4 million the first year and \$146 million the

■ It has been like that all year. The Democratic-run House has passed its own version of selective tax cuts. The Republican-run Senate has opted for across-the-board, in-the-future cuts of 0.1 percent a year in the 4.4-percent personal income tax rate.

10th year.

Once the bill was out of committee and before the full House, Cassis offered an amendment to give the entire tax break the first year. "It would be an incentive to employers," she said. "If it's a good idea, let's start it immediately."

Profit publicly accused her of having negotiated in "bad faith."

Coming to Cassis' defense, Republican Chuck Ferricone of Kalamazoo said the negotiations were conducted "to get the bill out of committee." Ferricone added, "This is the only game in town."

Finally, the Cassis amendment came up for a roll call vote. Many green lights (yes) went on — enough so that Cassis thought

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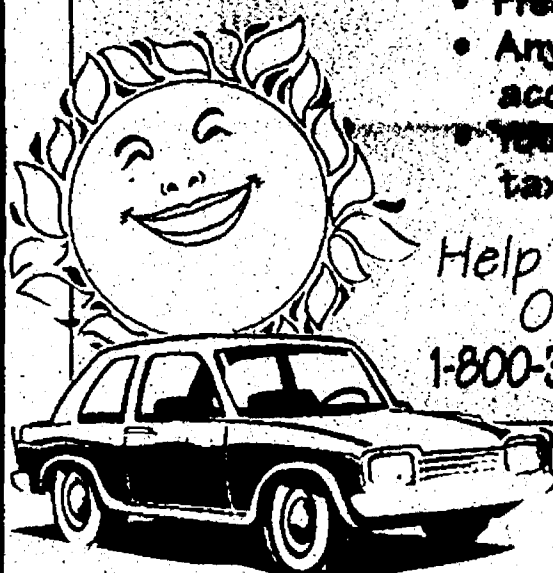
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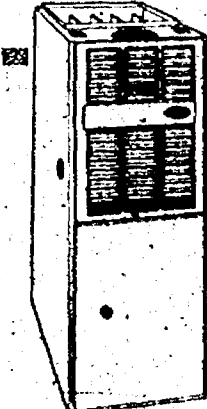
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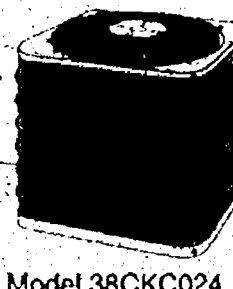
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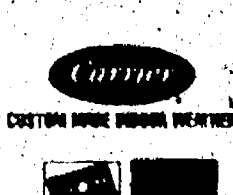
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she had a majority. But before the vote could be tallied, Profit shouted, "Clear the board," and acting Speaker Eileen DeHart, D-Westland, turned off the vote board.

Profit then moved to set aside the bill for the day.

Afterwards, he accused Cassis of trying to make a political issue out of something that had no chance of passage this year. "The Senate won't run a \$100 million tax cut. The Senate has no business tax agenda. The House has a business tax agenda. This is the only game in town," he said.

It has been like that all year. The Democratic-run House has passed its own version of selective tax cuts. The Republican-run Senate has opted for across-the-board, in-the-future cuts of

0.1 percent a year in the 4.4 percent personal income tax rate.

Cassis is pushing her HB 4710, which is similar to the Senate GOP plan. She incurred Profit's wrath recently by asking the full House to discharge the bill from the Tax Policy Committee. She lost on a straight party-line vote because Democrats have a 58-52 majority.

Profit retaliated by removing Cassis' bill from the committee agenda.

"Democrats are not serious about substantial income tax cuts," said House GOP leader Ken Sikkema of Grandville. Pointing at Profit, Sikkema accused House Democrats of giving "only lip service on tax cuts that treat all people fairly."

### Church taxes cut

Meanwhile, the Senate gave 34-0 and 35-0 approval to bills by Profit and Jessie Dalman, R-Holland, cutting the sales and use tax base. They would exempt purchases for improving church sanctuaries from the sales and use taxes, both 6 percent.

The Senate Fiscal Agency estimated the loss of sales tax revenue at \$4 million and use tax revenue at \$1 million per year.

Once the House concurs in minor Senate amendments, the bills would become law as soon as Gov. John Engler signs them. The bills would apply to churches that are exempt from federal taxation under Sec. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

## Red Cross expands blood donor center hours

In response to the blood emergency in effect throughout southeast Michigan, the American Red Cross is expanding the hours of the Livonia Donor Center, located in the Bell Creek Office Plaza, 29691 Six Mile Road, Suite 100.

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Anyone who can donate blood is urged to call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE to schedule an appointment. Other locations include:

■ Ann Arbor, 2725 Packard,

near Eisenhower Road.

■ Bloomfield Hills, 2388 Franklin, east of Telegraph,

■ Dearborn, 25001 Michigan, between Telegraph and Gully,

■ Novi, 41160 10 Mile Road, east of Meadowbrook Road.

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and an end to racial discrimination in hiring, promotion and upward reclassification within human relations.

The irony of Biedzen filing a reverse discrimination complaint doesn't escape the man who investigates discrimination complaints by county employees. "The complaint is unfortunate, but it's consistent with my dedication to equal employment opportunities, so there's no inconsistency in that respect."

### New group formed

Biedzen also has founded a group called Victims of Reverse Discrimination in Public Employment with six county workers to help in his efforts to reform hiring and promotional practices. The five others worked in the Wayne County Youth Home. Biedzen formed

the group to support other victims.

"We want to give people information, such as when the statute of limitations ends," Biedzen said.

Biedzen hopes his efforts will bring reforms, so tests will be given to candidates with broad admission requirements, then candidates with top scores will get the job. Wayne County should complete a utilization analysis to see the percentages of whites and minorities within various occupations and departments.

Duggan said: "I really resent people using race as an issue six weeks before an election. We've got complaints from blacks who have been passed over for whites."

"He's only trying to stir up feelings against blacks when it

wasn't even a black who filled the position."

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## OBITUARIES

## LYNN JOHN SLATER

Services for Lynn John Slater, 73, of Westland were held at Glen Eden Cemetery. Arrangements were made by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

Mr. Slater was born Nov. 22, 1924, in Detroit and died on June 26 in Garden City. He was a supervisor of a steel company. He was preceded in death by his wife, Helen L. Survivors include his two daughters, Sharon L. (James) Boyer, Julie B. (Larry) Russell; three sons, Bruce E., the Rev. Thomas K., Douglas J.; one brother; two sisters; five grandchildren.

## JOHN C. BEATTY

Services for John C. Beatty, 68, of Westland were held on June 29 at the Newburg United Methodist Church. Arrangements were made by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

Mr. Beatty was born Aug. 25, 1929, in Warren, Ohio, and died June 25. He was a operating engineer for a demolition company.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Sandra L. Survivors include his wife, Janette; one daughter, Gail S. (Michael) Brandly; one son, Mark A. (Cynthia); one sister; one brother; two grandchildren.

## BETTY LOU BROCK

Services for Betty Lou Brock,

63, of Westland were held June 28 at Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert Schultz officiating. Burial was at the Barbourville City Cemetery.

Ms. Brock was born May 13, 1935, and died June 24. She was a designer.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John G., and her son, Lester C. Helton Jr.

Survivors include: one son, Roy; one daughter, Chantay Cantrell; six sisters, Georgie Broughton, Beve Helton, Shirley Truesdell, Pat Pike, Carolyn Allen, Wanda Smith; one brother, W.C. Helton; two grandsons, Johnny and Spencer; two uncles, Carl Helton, Eugene Helton; also many nieces and nephews.

## WINNIE BERGIN

Services for Winnie Bergin, 84, of Westland were held June 28 at St. David Episcopal Church, Garden City, with the Rev. Mark A. Jenkins officiating. Arrangements were made by John N. Santeu & Sons Inc.

Ms. Bergin was born June 27, 1923, in Oshawa, Ontario, Canada, and died June 25 in Farmington Hills. She was a Westland resident. She was a telephone operator.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Sheldon "Mike" Bergin. Survivors include her daughter, Joan L. Eldridge of Westland; one son, Pete (Maria) Bergin; seven grandchildren; 11

great-grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; one brother, Robert Thompson.

## CHARLENE M. PIGLOWSKI

Services for Charlene M. Piglowski, 57, of Westland were held June 27 at St. Raphael Catholic Church, Garden City, with the Rev. Scott Thibodeau officiating. Burial was at the Knollwood Memorial Park Cemetery in Canton. Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home.

Ms. Piglowski was born Aug. 19, 1940, in Harbor Beach, Mich., and died on June 24 in Westland. She was a homemaker and loved to travel, needlepoint and collect Precious Moments items.

Survivors include her husband of 39 years, Joseph Piglowski; one daughter, Donna (Scott) MacKinnon of Westland; two sons, Edward of West Branch, Richard (Julia) of Alpine, Calif.; two sisters, Katherine Owens of Lebanon, Tenn.; Elsa Tofil of Detroit; five grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to University of Michigan Cancer Center, 1500 E. Medical Center, sixth floor, Ann Arbor, Mich. 48109.

## MARJORIE J. McDONALD

Services for Marjorie J. McDonald, 71, of Inkster were held June 29 at Uht Funeral

Home. Ms. McDonald was born Dec. 26, 1926, and died June 25. She was a homemaker and mother of four children.

Survivors include: three sons, Dennis McDonald of Westland, Colin McDonald, Timothy McDonald; one daughter, Jessica McDonald; one sister, Frieda Rathburn; four grandchildren.

## HELEN C. EADY

Services for Helen C. Eady, 70, of Westland were held June 27 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Craig Fox officiating. Burial was at Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

Ms. Eady was born May 3, 1928, in Detroit and died June 24 in Wayne. She retired from Michigan National Bank in Southfield where she was a collections agent. She came to the Westland community 10 years ago from Detroit.

Survivors include: one son, Thomas (April) Eady Jr. of Livonia; one daughter, Cheryl L. (Matt Johnson) Eady of Westland; three grandchildren, Dean Mitchell of Livonia, Ashlee Gordon of Livonia and Tyler Gordon of Livonia; one brother, Donald (Irene) Kaczmarek of Shelby Township; one sister, Dolores (Dan) Arini of Orlando, Fla.

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## Bentley Center exercise area OK'd

The downsized Bentley Center may soon sport a new exercise center under a new three-year cooperative agreement between Livonia Public Schools, Livonia Family Y and St. Mary Hospital.

The Livonia Board of Education Monday gave the go-ahead for the school district to do the electrical work needed to run fitness equipment in the Bentley Center cafeteria.

In the meantime, the three groups are expected to iron out the details of an agreement in which Livonia schools provides the space and equipment for district employees to use, the Family Y mans the fitness center, and St. Mary rents space at the center for heart patients who need rehabilitation.

If an agreement is reached, the fitness center could open this fall.

School administrators called it a "win-win" partnership for all three groups, a partnership that can easily be dissolved if the school district ultimately decides to demolish all of the former high school at Five Mile and Hubbard.

"In three years, if it doesn't work out, our investment will not be lost," said Randy Liepa, assistant superintendent for business. "We can just move the equipment to another site."

After discussion, the agreement to operate a fitness center at Bentley may not materialize. But, with electricians now at the center doing work related to the recent demolition at the site, it makes sense to have them do the extra electrical work needed for

the exercise equipment while they still are there, said Dave Watson, director of operations for the school district.

"We need to get the electrical work done, and take our chances that it gets approved down the line," Watson said.

Here's how the fitness center would operate under the proposed agreement:

■ The Livonia Family Y would man the fitness center from 2:30-8:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. It would give Y members another place to exercise during peak use times at the Family Y.

■ Livonia Public Schools would spend about \$90,000 for equipment and about \$55,000 in renovations to the Bentley cafeteria. School employees as well as students in the alternative education and summer school programs would have free access to the fitness center.

"In return, we will have a site staffed at little or no expense to us," Liepa said.

■ St. Mary Hospital will rent space at the center to run rehabilitation programs for heart patients.

During the three-year time span of the proposed agreement, the school district should decide the fate of the downsized Bentley buildings.

"Even in the worst-case scenario where the building will be abandoned at that time or if the cooperative partnership was discontinued, the equipment and much of the building improvements are movable and can be relocated," Liepa said.

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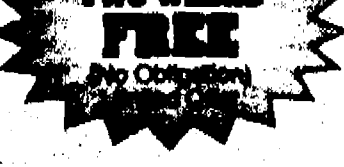
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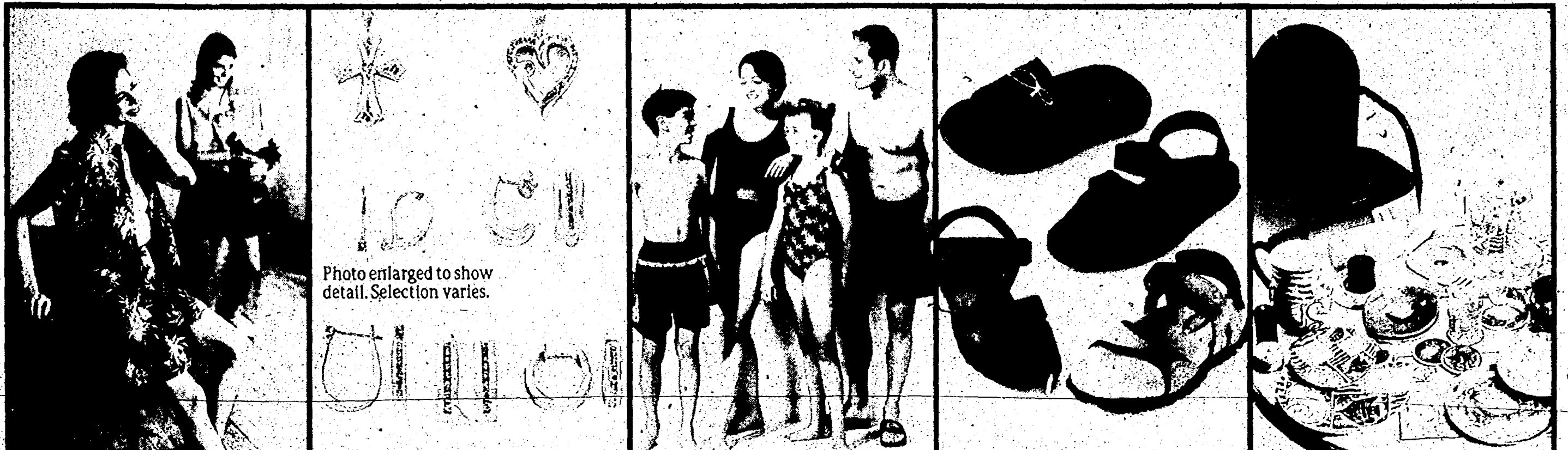




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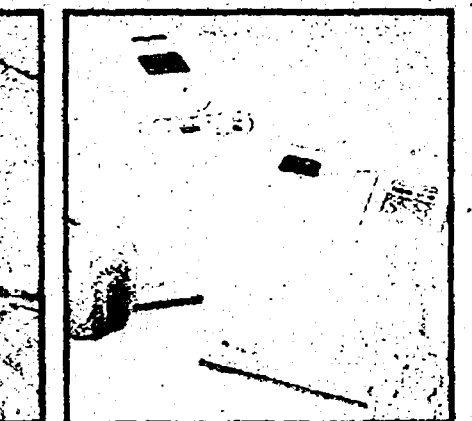
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THURSDAY, JULY 2, 1998

## Keep working Chamber, city ties on track

Both sides say relations are improving between the city of Westland and the Westland Chamber of Commerce — this is welcome news and is to be congratulated.

We believe that strong city-chamber ties are important to the improvement and maintenance of the Westland business community, and that trickles down to the residential community as well.

The renewed ties came about six months after a severe break by the city from the chamber. In January, Westland Mayor Robert Thomas cut off ties with the Westland Chamber because he felt two of its officers had overstepped their bounds in throwing support behind his opponent in the 1997 election. He also had complaints about several other points in his relations with the chamber over the years.

When he broke off ties, Thomas said nothing short of new chamber leadership would satisfy him and bring him to renew ties.

This spring, the chamber made that change — breaking with past tradition in electing new leadership. That brought about a renewal of ties — with city officials attending some chamber events and Deputy Mayor George Gillies being reappointed to the chamber board. He recently attended his first board meeting.

Those are welcome improvements, and we're glad to see that some progress has been made. We hope that healing process can continue.

Meanwhile, we also hope that Thomas himself will keep those relations going. He has made some overtures such as with his recent attendance of local business grand-opening ceremonies. But his absence was noticeable at another recent chamber event. While it was announced that Thomas was on vacation when Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer spoke on June 2 to a combined meeting of the Westland and Garden City chambers of commerce, we couldn't help but notice his absence. We hope that in the future his schedule can be juggled to accommodate attendance at events such as Archer's visit.

While we know the mayor has many demands on his time, the image of Westland is at stake. When high-profile people visit the community it seems only fitting that our mayor would be on hand to warmly welcome them.

That said, we hope the mayor and his staff will continue their efforts to work with chamber and business officials for the good of the community.

Business communities today must compete on many levels with their neighbors, and cities and chambers must do whatever they can do to improve business conditions.

We know that a strong, successful community is the goal of both sides. And with city-chamber ties back on track, that goal is all the more reachable.

## Foresight gave us Kensington

When you applaud the Detroit Symphony Orchestra July 1 at Kensington Metropark's Maple Beach, or "oooo!" at fireworks on the Fourth of July, we hope you'll honor the farsighted public servants who made the setting possible.

This year is the 50th anniversary of Kensington, the first of 13 Huron-Clinton Metroparks, and one of Michigan's most popular recreation places. Each year Kensington draws 2.5 million visitors, more than the Detroit Tigers draw when they win a World Series.

The story begins in the 1930s, when federal officials identified hundreds of thousands of acres of land for public recreation. The old Michigan Conservation Department acquired some for hunting, fishing and camping. A long list of professors, park specialists and political leaders formed the five-county Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority in 1940-41. HCMA won tax support from voters to acquire other tracts.

What is now Kensington Metropark, north of I-96 freeway on the border of Oakland and Livingston counties, was owned by a Detroit labor leader named Joseph Labadie (1850-1933). He had a summer cottage near the current Nature Center. His brothers made silent movies there with such titles as "The Three Bad Men," "Then Came the Woman" and "The Rich Slave."

Labadie, a printer and a founder of the Michigan Federation of Labor, had a dream of providing summer cottages, cheap, to families of the working poor, according to his granddaughter and biographer Carlotta Anderson. In a way, his dream came true. HCMA acquired the land from his children.

Fortunately, HCMA didn't trust "market forces" to develop condominiums, infest the lake with Jet Skis and speedboats, and block the flow of nature with fences. HCMA built a

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dam on the Huron River south of old Grand River Avenue, turning the 60-acre Kent Lake and a huge wetlands into 1,200-acre Kent Lake and a 4,300-acre day-use park.

The name "Kensington" comes from a platted but unbuilt town of the 1830s that straddled old Grand River Avenue west of the Huron River. The local "wildcat" bank went belly-up in the Jackson Depression, but old Oakland County maps still show the town.

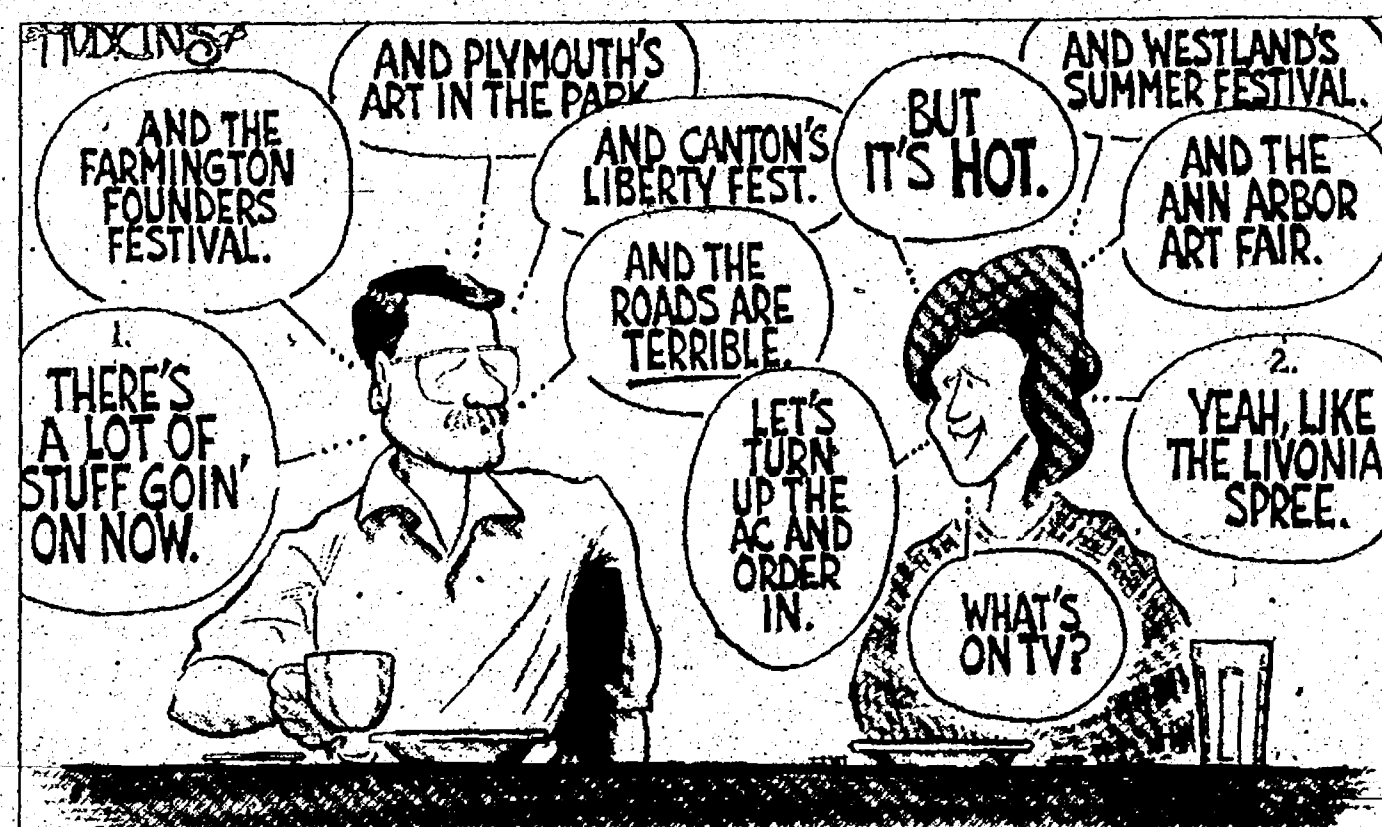
Today Kensington Metropark has 700 acres of nature study area, two beaches, two boat launches, hiking trails, a paddlewheel boat called the "Island Queen," an 18-hole golf course, eight miles of paved bike-hike trails, an interpretive farm, picnic grounds and vast tracts of tree-shaded grounds for quiet reflection.

The first superintendent, David Laidlaw, went on to head the entire Metroparks program and is retired in North Carolina. His successor, Charles Damm, retired in 1986 and is in Farmington. Dick Shafer, current superintendent, is only the third person to hold the job.

Kensington's Nature Center programs have a following of their own. As our nature columnist Tim Nowicki reported a month ago, Wildwing Lake, on the west side of Kensington, will be the site of a hacking box for young ospreys, a fish-eating species of eagle.

Many wise leaders are helping to save the sanity of civilization by saving parks like Kensington from civilization. In a sense, they are Founding Fathers (and Mothers) who didn't let the marketplace do its costly thing. We are richer for their foresight.

ARKIE HUDKINS



LETTERS

### Thanks for caring

An open letter to outgoing Wayne-Westland school board President Debra Fowlkes:

As a graduate of the Wayne-Westland School system and citizen of the city of Wayne, I would like to express my gratitude to you for your years of service.

I have watched school board meeting over the years and have never been more impressed with the board as a whole until the last few years.

One of the most positive decisions made was the appointment of Dr. Greg Baracy. I have known Baracy for many years and am very pleased to have him serving as our superintendent. Another positive aspect is you, Mrs. Fowlkes, serving as our president of the Wayne-Westland school board. I must admit that I was not able to attend meetings, but I watched on my local cable station. I remember thinking to myself when I saw how you ran the meetings, "Who is this lady?" Your leadership, with the help of the entire board, has given respect and order to the meetings — something I feel was lacking for a long time. Your patience is outstanding. You have been an asset to our board, and I wanted to take this time to let you know just how much I appreciated your hard work and dedication to our schools.

Thank you for a job well done. I hope you continue to serve the citizens of Wayne and Westland in some capacity, because people such as yourself are needed in our district. You have my thanks for caring enough to be here and my support for whatever you endeavor in the future.

Josephine Lentine  
Wayne

### Keep perspective

Recent discussion of the level of competitive and reliable air service for our region has undoubtedly captured the attention of Northwest Airlines. As they work on solutions, let's keep some perspective.

First, let's not lose sight of how extraordinarily valuable it is to be a hub market for a major airline. Since 1990, Northwest has increased domestic capacity at Detroit Metro by 42 percent and international capacity by 84 percent. The airline now serves 117 domestic and international destinations non-stop from Detroit with more than 500 daily departures.

We in the Detroit area are the beneficiaries of this expansion in service. We generate less than 20 percent of the traffic on all these flights, but enjoy the convenience of ready access to the range of destinations and frequencies that a hub market offers.

While I am very excited and pleased about the historic agreement between Pro Air, Gen-

eral Motors and Chrysler that will enhance passenger service and place the Detroit City Airport on firm ground, nevertheless, a more viable city airport cannot replace the need for a first class Metropolitan Airport.

Second, let's recognize that the service problems plaguing Northwest Airlines are at least partly attributable to a facility that is inadequate for the volume of traffic it is being asked to handle. But solutions are in the works. Northwest and Wayne County are collaborating on a new mid-field terminal that will accommodate more air service with greater convenience, reliability and speed in parking, ticketing, baggage handling and processing arrivals and departures.

Third, let's be aware that Northwest's service problems are also partly attributable to activities that are a predictable part of negotiations between a company and its unions. There appears to be a contract agreement with the International Association of Machinists at hand that would seem to remove any motivation that has previously existed for work slowdowns.

As Northwest continues talks with its pilots' union, the company will hopefully move closer to achieving internal harmony. That results in better service for all customers. Both sides in these negotiations should remind themselves of what it takes to keep happy customers and find a quick and fair way to resolve the issues that divide them. A reservoir of goodwill being depleted by service problems can ill afford the further drain that a strike — or even the threat of one — will cause.

The people of Northwest came together before to save the airline — to their benefit and that of their customers — who are employees and employers of this community. It's time for the collective leadership that found that solution to rise to this occasion. Northwest's customers and the community are counting on it.

Dennis Archer  
Mayor, City of Detroit

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### COMMUNITY VOICE

#### QUESTION:

What are your plans for the Fourth of July?



We asked this question at the Westland public library.

I'm going to a barbecue over at my in-laws."

Sandy Henderson



"Stay at home some and go (with family) to the community pool in Livonia."

Patti Fitzer



"I don't have any."

Mark Gonzales



"I'm going up North."

Kevin Horner

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## POINTS OF VIEW

## Kids need honest talk on AIDS, HIV

Talking to our children about HIV and AIDS is often difficult, as it includes many issues beyond health.

It is important that young people know the facts, as it may save their lives.

In early childhood, kids need to know the basics about communicable diseases: washing hands, covering mouths and noses when they sneeze or cough, and not to touch blood from another person. As all parents know, children at all developmental stages have questions about sexuality, that usually come up at odd moments.

The questions need to be answered as they come up, taken seriously without overreacting, and in as simple terms as possible.

It helps to remember the old joke about the child who asks his mother

about his birth, and received a long answer about sperm, eggs, uteri and the like, when he only wanted to know the hospital where he was born.

If your children need more information, they will let you know, either by asking something else, or by their expression or reaction. Watch their faces as you give your response, and remember it is OK to answer "I'm not sure, that's a great question, let's find out the answer."

The Michigan AIDS Hotline at 1-800-872-AIDS is an excellent source of facts and the TeenLink Hotline is staffed by teens for teens and can be reached at 1-800-750-TEEN. Both are operated by AIDS Partnership Michigan.

Another hurdle for parents is finding the right times to bring up a discussion about AIDS and/or sexuality.

Before you undertake this, make sure you are up-to-date with your knowledge. HIV (the virus that "causes" AIDS) is spread through contact with four body fluids: blood, semen, vaginal fluids and breast milk.

The most common ways that people get infected with HIV are sexual contact (oral, vaginal and anal intercourse) and sharing needles for injecting drug use. Pregnancy and breastfeeding can also infect babies, if the mother is HIV-positive.

The best way to prevent HIV infection is not to have sexual intercourse or use drugs at all... which is what we hope is the option chosen by our children. If a choice is made to have sex or to use drugs, latex condoms and not sharing needles can help protect a person from becoming infected. Other drug or alcohol use puts many

teens in situations where they do not make informed, careful decisions about having sex.

As simple as those facts may be, it is a difficult concept to discuss with young people. It is imperative that we tell them more than "Just Say No," and give them ammunition to use in the inevitable situations where they may be faced with choices about sex, drugs and drinking. They need to know the consequences of those actions and ways to get out of the situation.

Much of the curriculum in the new Michigan Model lessons about HIV used in many public school districts cover these refusal skills.

Essentially, if your children can quickly analyze a situation, identify the troubles they are facing and potential consequences, suggest an

## GUEST COLUMNIST



LISA RUTLEDGE

alternative activity and know they can walk away, they are better prepared.

Lisa Rutledge is system facilitator, Outreach Initiatives in Community and Corporate Health of the Oakwood Healthcare System, and is board president of AIDS Partnership Michigan. As a health educator, she has been talking to people about AIDS for more than 15 years. She is also a member of the Livonia Mayor's Task Force on Families and Youth.

## Supreme Court not always split on party lines

On paper, Michigan has four Democrats and three Republicans on its supposedly nonpartisan Supreme Court.

Democrats include Chief Justice Conrad Mallett Jr., 44 and a Blanchard appointee, and Justices Michael Cavanagh, 57 a party nominee, Patricia Boyle, 61 and a Blanchard appointee, and Marilyn Kelly, 60 and a party nominee.

Republicans include James Brickley, 69 and a Milliken appointee, Elizabeth Weaver, about 58 and a GOP nominee, and Clifford Taylor, 55 and an Engler appointee.

Note well: Democrat Cavanagh and Republican Taylor will seek re-election Nov. 3.

Sometimes the justices split along two-party lines. Other times they split along liberal-moderate-conservative lines. Take four June cases.

A party-line split occurred when Nov. cop Karen Koester sued the city for sexual harassment. During two

pregnancies, Koester said she got reprimands, was hassled for failure to work overtime during the Fifties Festival because she couldn't get a babysitter, wasn't allowed to wear a shoulder holster for her pistol — stuff like that.

The four Democrats said she had a valid claim for sexual harassment under the Civil Rights Act. "Harassment on the basis of a woman's pregnancy is sexual harassment," wrote Cavanagh, and "harassing conduct need not be motivated by sexual desire..."

Weaver, writing for the dissenting Republicans, said the Democrats "subverted" the intent of the law which was to define harassment as "unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors," etc.

A second party-line split occurred in Marian Hagerman v. Gencorp Automotive. The widow sought worker's comp death benefits on behalf of her husband, a millwright who suf-

fered a back injury. He also had high blood pressure. She won 4-3.

Boyle and the Democrats said that death was "sufficiently traceable to the work-related injury" to justify worker's comp.

Taylor and the GOP dissented, saying the back injury was "a" cause but not clearly "the" cause of death.

More interesting, however, is the tri-party split. On the left are Cavanagh and Kelly. On the right are Taylor and Weaver. In the bipartisan middle are Brickley, Mallett and Boyle.

There's Melania Rourke v. Oakwood Hospital. Rourke no longer could work as a registered nurse due to a shoulder injury from an auto crash. She charged Oakwood violated the Handicappers' Civil Rights Act in failing to retrain her for a different position.

The conservatives and moderates ruled against her, 5-2. "An employer's duty under the Handicappers' Civil Rights Act to accommodate a handi-

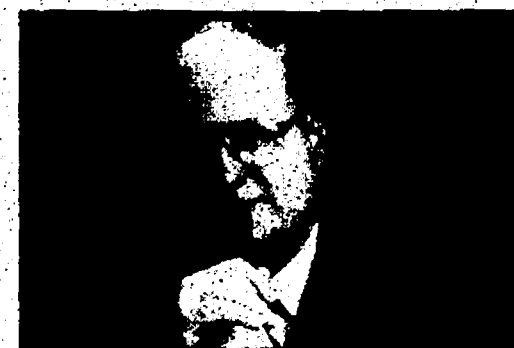
capped employee does not include the duty to transfer the employee to a different job or position," said the majority.

Cavanagh, joined by Kelly, said an employer has a duty to transfer when it "imposes no undue hardship."

Sharon Anzaldúa, a laboratory research worker, sued her boss, professor Rudolph Band, and former employer, Michigan State University, for canning her when she complained about lab conditions. The question before the high court was: Did she have a right to a jury trial?

Yes, said liberals Kelly and Cavanagh, joined by moderates Brickley, Mallett and Boyle. They noted the law was silent on the question of a jury, did research on legislative intent, and concluded that Anzaldúa should get a jury trial.

No, said Taylor joined by Weaver. They said the majority's ruling was "a common-sense-defying approach," which effectively says, unless the Leg-



TIM RICHARD

islature says no, we can infer that it said yes." Taylor will use this to blister "judge-made law."

This was a whopping big case because MSU was supported by three other universities, plus the Michigan Manufacturers Association. The lab worker was supported by the Michigan Trial Lawyers Association.

You need to decide whether you're a moderate, liberal or conservative when you vote Nov. 3. Please don't just vote for nice-sounding Irish names.

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## Integration dream's downfall compelling story of this book

The history of southeastern Michigan for the past 40 years has in large part turned on the relationship between the city of Detroit and the various suburbs surrounding the core.

Pause for a moment to remember:

■ The 1967 Detroit riot that brought armed National Guardsmen onto the streets of a burning city.

■ The sweeping cross-school district busing plan propounded by U.S. District Judge Stephen Roth in 1972, which provoked massive opposition brought to a focus by a Pontiac housewife, Irene McCabe, and her National Action Group (NAG).

■ The 1974 inauguration of Coleman Young as the first black mayor of Detroit whose increasingly confrontational rhetoric over 20 years in office provoked growing suburban indifference, regularly punctuated by anger.

This history is tellingly and remorselessly brought to life in a new book, "Someone Else's House," written by Tamar Jacoby, an experienced journalist with a passionate commitment to social justice. Jacoby's review of the history of relations between the races as played out in New York, Atlanta and Detroit should be essential reading for concerned citizens.

At the core of her book lies this question: How did racial integration, the overarching ideal of the civil rights movement of the 1960s, mutate into today's emphasis on separate-but-sort-of-equal ethnic communities in uneasy and mannered co-existence?

Certainly, much of the answer lies in the confusion of ends and means, through which the methods by which integration was to be accomplished turned out to be so offensive to so many people that the objective itself gradually lost legitimacy.

For Judge Roth, the finding that society in metropolitan Detroit was unacceptably segregated required him to impose the remedy of metropolitan cross-district busing of schoolchildren. The remedy, so widely detested as to transform Michigan politics, legitimated a sometimes-violent white backlash and ultimately poisoned in the public mind the goal of integration.

How? Jacoby quotes in her book a column I wrote in 1972: "Parents who may be the farthest thing from being bigoted resent the idea of their child being bused for an hour every morning and afternoon in service of a principle that seems to have little application to their own community."



PHILIP POWER

## ■ 'Someone Else's House' is not happy reading.

Unflinchingly fair-minded, Jacoby recognizes that black politics also had a hand in offing the goal of racial integration.

The election of Coleman Young, the first black mayor of a newly black city, was at first praised by liberals (who saw election of a black man as a working definition of racial integration) and supported by the business community (perhaps looking for an insurance policy against further riots).

But over the years, Young became more and more strident in attacking the suburbs and playing the race card to pander to his own electorate. When well-meaning people proposed regional solutions to regional problems — building, for example, an area-wide mass transit system with a \$900 million grant engineered by Michigan's Gerald Ford when president — Mayor Young rejected the idea.

Whether Young fully intended it or not, it eventually became clear his ultimate objective was to maintain black political control, won after so many years of struggle, over a city that was becoming increasingly diminished, impoverished and segregated.

So the core city and the surrounding suburbs settled into largely separate ethnic worlds, mostly unconnected. The once-glimmering goal of racial integration took on a fusty tarnish of the distant and not very relevant past.

"Someone Else's House" is not happy reading. But it is compelling, instructive and essential to understanding much of Michigan's history.

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**Sharing honors:** The Rev. Herbert Noe and his wife, Mae, are celebrating their 50th anniversary as their church looks back on 45 years.

## Galilean Church hosts twofold celebration

This Sunday at a special "Homecoming" service, Galilean Baptist Church in Livonia will celebrate a double blessing: Not only will the congregation mark its 45th year, but the Rev. Herbert Noe and his wife, Mae, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

Herbert Noe (pronounced "No-ee") has been the church's only pastor. Forty-five years of preaching takes a lot of dedication and a lot of sermons. He has a library of about 450. "The Bible is an inexhaustible book."

He also has written a preacher's study guide, "The Preacher, Insights into the Pastorate." It's a 50-page tome of wisdom that touches on a preacher's duty toward education, money, music, recreation, conscience, as well as wives and children.

Sample these wise words about children:

"Preachers, if not careful, will believe every lie their kid tells about all the other kids in the church. If a preacher has good sense, he will believe the Bible and hold his child in suspicion...."

"Another bad, bad mistake that preachers make is talking about people and church problems in the presence of their children. If a preacher does not want his congregation have 'fried preacher' for Sunday dinner, he had better not have 'fried members' at his table for Sunday dinner or any time through the week."

At age 80, Herbert Noe has much wisdom left to pass on to his congregation. He has no intention of retiring. "I plan to stay right here as long as I can function. I have no other desire but to preach, be with my wife and children and 12 grandchildren. That's the life I want."

The church, built in 1957, sits on three acres off of Seven Mile Road, just east of Middlebelt. Looking around the church's interior, it's easy to understand why Herbert Noe wants to stay right where he is. Sunlight filters through a series of arched, stained glass windows of blue, yellow and rosy purple. A curved wood ceiling caps soft white walls, and dark cornflower blue cushions line the wood pews.

Some of the lower windows are clear so people can look in. Mae Noe said a man was once saved by looking into the clear windows of the old church, which is attached to the present building and is now used for the education ministry.

"He was driving by and saw my husband preaching - flailing his arms, I don't know - and the man figured there was good preaching going on. He brought his parents back."

Over the years, the congregation has produced 40 ministers for other churches. However, like other churches and denominations, Galilean's population has had its ups and downs.

"I preach to a lot of wood around here," said Herbert Noe about some Sunday services.

He said his emphasis is not on filling the pews but on spiritually building.

Please see CELEBRATION, B2

## ADVENTURE

### IS BUD PELL'S MIDDLE NAME

Besides carving, kayaking, biking and sailing, Westland retiree fills time volunteering

**B**ud Pell laughs when asked about time to relax. He says he has plenty of time to sit around and read or work on his projects. But that doesn't seem possible with the many different things he has filled his retirement years with.

There's duck and fish decoy carving and collecting, boomerang throwing, mountain biking, sea kayaking, sailing, softball and sail planes. Then there's the estimated 1,000 hours of volunteer work he does each year.

"I call myself a part-time adventurer," said Pell. "The name of the game is adventuring. Everything I do is an adventure. It doesn't mean I go out and endanger my life, it means I go out and do something I enjoy."

"In life, you have to set your priorities. One of mine is to help people. It's very inspiring to go out and do things and then have one thing lead to another."

If one thing leads to another, then it's no surprise the Westland resident was recognized earlier this year by United Way Community Services with its CorPLUS Award for his volunteer work as a retiree.

Nominated by the Detroit Zoological Society, Pell was recognized for his organizational skills and talent in carpentry at the zoo as well as his work with Michigan Special Olympics, Friends of Maybury and Independence Oaks Nature Center and National Ski Patrol.

The nomination was sent to the Junior League of Detroit which then nominated him for the CorPLUS Award. The Junior League also donated \$1,000 to his favorite charity, the Special Olympics.

"I'm humbled by all this," said Pell. "I don't volunteer to get recognition, it's to do something for other people. When you volunteer you don't go into it to win awards, but for the rewards."

#### Helping others

His work with Special Olympics is a spin off of the 200 hours a year he gives to the Ski Patrol, which helps while away the winter hours when he's not carving.

As a Ski Patrol member, he is certified in alpine and Norwegian telemarking (free heel) skiing and first aid. At Mount Brighton, he patrols the slopes and works at the Ski Patrol building, ski swap and on refresher courses in first aid and the like.

"The Ski Patrol doesn't get enough praise," said Pell. "If there's no accidents, we're doing our job. Our first response is to prevent accidents. When that doesn't happen, we're

there to help."

He uses his expertise in skiing to teach Special Olympics participants. He got involved in the program 12 years ago and has helped bring the skiing competition from beginner's only to three levels, including advanced.

"The first time I went to state competition, they had members of the Detroit Lions at the bottom of the hill to catch the skiers because they couldn't stop," said Pell. "Now, we're working with level 2 skiers and got them going through race gates."

"The big reward is after they get their medals and they say, 'Hey, Bud, let's go skiing,' and I see them go down the hill and make all the turns. I get all choked up to see the results of my efforts."

The Ski Patrol and Special Olympics were the two volunteer activities he did before retiring from the Ford Motor Company in 1993. The zoo work was a retirement add-on.

His talents have been seen in the animals and other structures he has created for the zoo's special events like the Dinosauria exhibit, Zoo Boo Halloween Trail and Wild Lights, to name a few.

He started mountain biking in the mid-1980s and that led to his interest in birding, bird watching and volunteer work as a member of Friends of Maybury.

He and other mountain bikers rode on hiking trails at the park, but after two years it became apparent that it was causing erosion. Pell helped design biking trails with a lot of switchbacks to minimize the erosion.

"We came up with a solution. That's the kind of thing I like to be involved in," he said. "I like working outdoors and with ecology; that's what I enjoy."

It was while building the trails that Pell heard the birds singing, and when he rides the trails at Maybury State Park these days, he makes a point of stopping and listening to the same birds. And that has led to him monitoring 12 bluebird houses the Friends of Maybury erected at the park.

"When I worked, I'd watch the weather and pick a day to call in sick and then spend the day there, photographing wildflowers and lazing around," he said. "It's a very unique place, a wonderful park."



**On the job:** Bud Pell has taken on monitoring the bluebird houses installed by the Friends of Maybury at Maybury State Park. Inspecting the boxes is just one of the things that keeps him on the park trails.

#### Land, sea and air

As for his other athletic pursuits, he says his mother was the root of his interest in boomerang throwing and soaring. Mom had been giving her sons shirts, underwear and socks, for presents for some time when they took her aside and asked for something different. She obliged by giving them boomerangs she had ordered from the Smithsonian.

It took three years to master the art of throwing, and only after he ordered three boomerangs with directions from the "Boomer Man." His brother Rich sent for information about the U.S. Boomerang Association, which led to their competing in their first throwing event in 1988 in Delaware, Ohio.

Pell now has a collection 350-400 boomerangs and is making and decorating the throwing sticks to sell to pay his way to the world competition in St. Louis later this year.

"Boomerangs are never used for hunting, kyles are for hunting and are larger than boomerangs," he said.

His interest in flying goes back to when mom would give them money to buy penny candy. His favorite was "Guess What" candy that came with a prize package, some with little airplanes. Mom showed him how to fly the planes.

That interest led to flying radio

controlled model sail planes and, with Brother Earl, the founding of the Greater Detroit Soaring and Hiking Society in 1970.

He was working at a Ford plant in San Jose, Calif.,

when he went to see a nearby glider operation he had heard about. And in 1974 he took his first demonstration ride for his birthday and "was hooked."

He has been soaring at the Ionia County Airport for 25 years. He is FAA certified and has a commercial pilot's license. For four years, he worked with an operator in Ionia, giving people rides in weekends. At one time, he owned two planes, but they have been replaced with his 22-foot sailboat, which is docked in Sutton's Bay.

He bought the boat in 1995 and took 79 days to sail from South Haven to Harbor Springs, fulfilling a dream he and his late wife had of taking a two-week vacation and working their way from Saugatuck to Wilderness State Park.

"I hit every harbor except Muskegon and Arcadia along Lake Michigan," Pell said. "It was a spectacular adventure. I'm going to write a book about it. I was my novice trip on Lake Michigan."

Wilderness State Park also is his favorite spot for sea kayaking. "It's comparable to what the Eskimos use," although he does go out on the other Great Lakes and the ocean. With five islands off the point of the park, Pell likes to kayak to the further-

Please see BUD PELL, B2

## WRC program makes college intro easier



**Helping out:** Joyce Krause and Barbara Bellaire review a client's college paperwork at the Schoolcraft College's Women's Resource Center. Krause learned about college in 1988 through the "Thinking About College Program" hosted by the WRC.

As Jan Munday sees it, she was a late bloomer when she decided to return to college in 1979. As a returning student, she knew no one on campus, was frightened to have to do it on her own.

After she got involved in campus life, she decided to set up a table in the campus center to provide information and then started holding coffee hours for new students.

"It was born out of a survival thing," said Munday of her work to inform women about the college. "I wanted them to get the information, but I also wanted the women to know about the Women's Resource Center. Schoolcraft is a great place; it's opened many doors for me. It's an incredible place."

Nine years later, Joyce Krause made the decision to do something for herself and enroll in college. Little did she know that when she attended the "Thinking About College" program in August 1988 at Schoolcraft College, she was reaping the fruits of Munday's early efforts.

Krause learned about the program through the college's Women's Resource Center which hosts the day-long program. Admittedly, "scared to

death," the mother of four learned about the college, where to go, what tests to take and the different departments.

"It was really good at breaking down how to begin," said Krause, a Westland resident. "It was a wonderful way to learn about college."

"Thinking About College" will be offered 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 22, in Room MC200 of the McDowell Center on the campus, Hagerty north of Six Mile Road, Livonia.

#### For women

Specifically designed for adult women who are thinking about going back to school, the program will explore such topics as how to get started, affording college including financial aid, juggling responsibilities and finding time to study.

College services - admissions, career planning and placement, counseling, financial aid, the Learning Assistance Center, Registrar's Office and the WRC - will be covered and a panel of mature students will share their experiences and answer questions. Participants also will be given a tour of the campus by WRC volunteers.

Please see COLLEGE, B2



## Golf outing keeps student's spirit alive

An angel atop a blue and white ribbon sparkles from Barb Kilgore's blouse serving a two-fold purpose.

It keeps her 16-year-old son, Michael, close to her heart and when asked about the gift, it gives Barb Kilgore the opportunity to talk about Long QT Syndrome, a heart disorder that claimed the life of her son on March 4.

To further educate the public about Long QT Syndrome and to honor students with values similar to Michael's, she and his friends, Steve Blossom and Joe Mullally, are hosting a memorial golf tournament to benefit the Michael Kilgore Scholarship Fund, administered by The Educational Excellence Foundation.

"He golfed and I've heard of golf outings for other things so I thought it would be a good idea," said Blossom, a Canton resident.

The golf outing is Tuesday, July 28, at Polo Fields Golf and Country Club, 5200 Polo Fields Drive, in Ann Arbor. Registration begins at 9 a.m.

The ticket price is \$50 for children ages 18 and younger, and \$75 for adults 19 and older, and includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, and a barbecue lunch. The registration deadline is July 17. For more information, call (734) 454-0998 or (734) 459-4837.

Roush Technologies in Livonia, the employer of Michael's father, Tim, is donating merchandise. Door prizes such as certificates for dinner and for movies will also be offered. Blossom and the Kilgores are seeking more sponsors.

### Shocking discovery

On the afternoon of March 4, Kilgore, known as Mike to his friends and Michael to his family, came home from school and ran upstairs to mess with his computer.

"He was fine. ... I took my daughter to dance and 35 minutes later he was dead,"

his mother said.

Save for a heart murmur diagnosed two years ago, there were no outward signs of any problems for the gifted student-athlete. Michael competed in the Salem Rocks swim team's final meet of the season in Lansing the night before his death. Besides being active in athletics and academics, Michael is a former Observer Newspapers Carrier of the Year.

An autopsy showed that Michael died from Long QT Syndrome, an inherited disorder that affects the heart's electrical system that causes serious rhythm abnormalities. For more information about Long QT Syndrome, call SADS toll-free at 1-800-786-7723.

Michael Kilgore's 13-year-old brother, Kevin Kilgore, has also been diagnosed with the syndrome. Their sister, Sherrill, 15, is fine.

### Strong friendship

The Michael Kilgore Scholarship Fund was established prior to his funeral as an alternative to sending flowers.

"Our goal as a family is to take a tragedy and turn it into something positive. We want to keep Michael's spirit alive," Barb Kilgore explained.

The scholarship will be awarded to a student with goals and ideals similar to Michael Kilgore.

So far, many of Michael's classmates have signed up for the July 28 golf outing.

"There are a lot of people who want to help. Those kids over at the high school are so excited about doing something to help. That school was wondering when Michael died. The next day they had pizzas delivered for lunch and opened the pool so kids could come and basically grieve."

"It's incredible but I'd give it all up to have him back and to have him tying up the phone line playing WarCraft."

## Celebration from page B1

ing families. Those families who have stayed are loyal, and the worshippers who once were babies now have their own babies.

He said the high point of his ministry was during his five-year hospital stay from age 17-22 for tuberculosis of the bone.

"No doubt about the high point. I was brought to the Lord in the hospital. I came to the Lord by reading the King James Bible during the last part of my stay. God puts you through experience to get you ready.

"Going to that hospital seemed like the end of the world to me. I had all the expectations of playing baseball and flying an airplane. But it really was the beginning because I trusted the

Lord."

Mae Noe, who has directed the church's choir since 1962, didn't hesitate in recalling her high point. It was the day David Frederick, a Galilean assistant pastor for several years, was saved.

"He was one of the first who went on to Bible training and the ministry. He went to college, the ministry and came back here. It was a real blessing," she said.

The Noes prevailed through their share of low points also, like Herbert's bout with cancer in 1985 and his severely broken leg in 1993 that kept him out of the pulpit for several months.

But the lows never involved

the congregation.

"I am really not disappointed in the people. I figured I'm here for the people. They're the reason I'm here," said Herbert Noe.

The Noes met when Herbert was an evangelist and held a revival meeting in Mae's hometown near Lansing. He soon spotted Mae in the audience.

"Before the meeting was done, I knew I had met my wife."

Mae Noe said the life of a preacher's wife has been a good one. It's brought her many blessings. She also said she still enjoys hearing him preach.

"I've listened to him for 50 years and I'm not tired of him yet. I'm not ever going to tire of his preaching."

Preaching runs in the family. The Noes' son, Daniel, is one of Galilean's assistant pastors.

"He doesn't feel called to preach, but he is a good preacher," said Mae Noe.

Daniel Noe also administers the education ministry, which schools 35 students from kindergarten through 12th grade. The school is available to all congregation members.

Herbert Noe takes no credit for his congregation's success.

"Any mistakes around here I'll take them. Any blessings, we give them to the people."

Sunday's special service begins at 11 a.m. For more information, call the church at (248) 474-7660.

## College from page B1

The cost of the program is \$5, including lunch. Reservations are necessary and can be completed through Monday, July 20,

by sending a check, payable to Schoolcraft College, to the Women's Resource Center, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia 48152, or by visiting the WRC in the McDowell Center. For more information, call (734) 462-4443.

"Thinking About College" is supported in part by the Zonta Club, Northwest Wayne.

"We've had 60 people show up and had two people show up for the program," said Nancy Swanson, WRC director. "It's never an issue of numbers. If you help one person, it's worthwhile because they'll tell five other people. I like the group because it builds support for the women."

"It's designed for women to feel secure, to come on campus in a non-threatening environment," Monday added. "It provides them with information, lets them meet the staff and get on campus, so if they do come, they have some

security, know some names and have some information."

### Something in common

The WRC is something Munday and Krause have in common.

Munday had become a peer counselor at the WRC when she set up her first information table in the Waterman Center. By the time she graduated, she was up to lunch get-togethers with speakers, but couldn't do it anymore when she transferred to Eastern Michigan University. She knew it was something that was needed, so she helped get the "Thinking About College" program started through the WRC.

As for Krause, rather than enroll in college after "Thinking About College," she took classes to be a peer counselor at the center and spent a year working with women before deciding to take the plunge.

"I'd see women like me and what they were accomplishing

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and doing well and it made me go get my own student number," she said. "I memorized it in one day."

Both women also attended college part time.

Munday took five years to get her associate's degree in social work before transferring to Eastern Michigan University to get her bachelor's degree.

She has returned to Schoolcraft to work as a veterans' information specialist/student services, although her main respon-

sibility is that of transfer coordinator and organizing the annual transfer fair. This year's fair will be Oct. 22 and will feature 23 different schools.

"I'm still providing programs for students," she said with a laugh. "I believe that informed students make the best students. You have to give them the information, so they can make informed choices."

Krause spread her studies over eight years, earning an associate of science degree. She took a year off to become a massage therapist and is now enrolled in the occupational therapy program at EMU. Her goal is to blend her love of massage therapy with the occupational therapy.

"I didn't do real well in high school and I had been with babies, so I was afraid," she said. "But with 'Thinking About College,' I found people who were in the same position as me in a friendly atmosphere."

## Bud Pell from page B1

As for his carving, Pell is making a name for himself carving antique-style shore bird decoys. The breakfast nook of his condominium is his painting studio, and one of the two bedrooms upstairs is used for carving and doing bills.

Duck and fish decoys are the

At first, he carved flat birds and then learned to do silhouettes and paint them. Lacking a

■ As for his carving, Westland retiree Bud Pell is making a name for himself carving antique-style shore bird decoys. His breakfast nook serves as his painting studio, and one of the bedrooms is used for carving.

good bandsaw - his only cuts 1-inch pieces - he does the body in two pieces, gluing them together and then adding the side pieces.

"I do most of my carving late at night," Pell said.

"The painting is inspirational. I paint at all times. I come in here and paint for as long as I want."

Carving is a rewarding hobby for Pell, for several reasons. He

accomplishes something he is pleased with. He can sell his pieces and make enough to cover the cost of the wood and paint. And he can enter contests and meet other people.

"I've filled my life with activities," Pell said.

"I just enjoy everything and I enjoy collecting things. For me, people carved decoys to be functional, and that's folk art."

### 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 July 29, 1998, at 2:00 p.m., for the following item(s):

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Sealed bids will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 38601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan 48185, on or before Tuesday, July 7, 1998, at 10:00 a.m. (no exceptions) for the following:

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## NEW VOICES

Andrew and Pamela Bushway of Westland announce the birth of Melanie Jeanne April 11 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. She joins a sister, Lexie. Grandparents are Charles and Rose Bushway of Chelsea and John and Barb Ptasnik of Westland.

William and Diane Burr of Ypsilanti announce the birth of Noah William April 12 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He joins siblings William IV, Nichole, Laci, Brandi and Sierra. Grandmother is Nancy Gaab of Garden City.

Marcus and Angela Terwilliger of Livonia announce the birth of Travis Connor April 9 at Sparrow Hospital, Lansing. He joins sisters Taylor, 4, McKenzie, 3, and brother Zachary, 1. Grandparents are Robert and Sharon Winchester and Rick and Nancy Weage, all of Midland. Great-grandparents are Ray and Jeanne Terwilliger of Midland, Bernard and Dot Connor of Hampton, Va., Tom and Letha Anthony of Vassar, and Dick and Betty Weage.

Joelle Marie Humbarger and Joshua J. Olsen of Redford announce the birth of Shauna Terese Olsen March 30 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Terese and John Hosbrook and Lucy and Mike Moskal, all of Redford.

Pete and Debbie DiMascio of Westland announce the adoption of Lucas Pietro March 20. He was born April 24, 1997, in Moscow, Russia. Grandparents are Carmine DeVitis and Silvano and Anna DiMascio, all of Dearborn.

Wendy Pellegrin and

Robert A. Nehring of Detroit announce the birth of William Andrew Nehring March 3 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Bob and Norma Pellegrin of Redford and Bob and Natalie Nehring of Garden City.

Chuck and Jennifer Morningstar of Livonia announce the birth of Joshua Nicholas April 17. He joins a brother, Jakob. Grandparents are Bob and Karen Chartier of Westland and Charlie and Pat Morningstar of Livonia. Great-grandmothers are Mary Burns of Livonia and Betty Morningstar of Boynton Beach, Fla.

Ken and Mary Lynn Free-land of Plymouth Township announce the birth of Scott Andrew April 1 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. Grandparents are Linda Gish of Jackson, Thomas Gish of Statesville, N.C., and William and Florence Free-land of Clinton Township. Great-grandmothers are Jean White of Kalamazoo, and Lottie Farnsworth of Evansville, Ind.

Donna Foster and Rick Farmer of Inkster announce the birth of Brandon Lee Farmer April 1 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins siblings John, 14, Tonya, 13, and Jennifer Foster, 9. Grandparents are Carol and Norman Korowski of Brooklyn, and William Farmer of Garden City.

Larry and Joanne Callegari of Plymouth Township announce the birth of Nicholas Jon, April 8 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. He has two sisters, Brittany Lynn, 5, and Lauren Elizabeth, 2. Grandparents

are Donna Eiwart and Louie and Gertrude Calledari, also of Westland.

Wayland and Melissa Mullins of Westland announce the birth of Tristian Robert April 1 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins a brother, Alex, 2. Grandparents are Richard and Georgann Pepper of Westland, and Kathleen Mullins of Taylor.

Brian and Vicki Baker of Canton announce the birth of Megan Victoria March 16 at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Dale and Patricia Baker of Mishawaka, Ind., and Tom and Bonnie Hosler of Huntington, Ind.

Robert and Maureen Kraemer of Plymouth announce the birth of Keelin McGovern May 13 at St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. She joins a sister, Maura Rose, 1. Grandparents are Robert and Donna McGovern and Rose Kraemer, all of Venice Fla.

Scott and Ann Winfrey of Westland announce the birth of Jagger Scott April 8 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Ronald and Dianne Winfrey, and Dennis and Judy Reighard, all of Westland.

David and Karen Howe of Canton announce the birth of Baylee Elizabeth June April 22 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. She joins a brother, Tyler Walker. Grandparents are Martin and Denise Howe of North Yorkshire, England, Brian and Nancy Howard of Canton and Willy and Pat Walker of West-

land.

Edward and Julie Lindberg of Westland announce the birth of Eric Edward March 16 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He has a brother, Brendan, 3 1/2, and a sister, Brooke, 1 1/2. Grandparents are Richard and Sharon Devine of Canton and Edward and Eileen Lindberg of Livonia.

Jim and Audrey Bastas of Westland announce the birth of Sophia Mary April 11 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins a brother, Joseph, 3 1/2. Grandparents are Carol and Jim Bastas of Davisburg, and Sam and Ces Hryk-owian of Holly.

Scott and Christy Money of Garden City announce the birth of Emily Lauren May 10 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are Ernest and Barbara Lenard of Westland and Bleve and Ruth Money of Ewart, Mich.

Michael and Rebecca Smith of Westland announce the birth of Coty Joseph April 11 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Michael and Darlene Smith of Livonia, and Gerald and Roxanne Sands of Garden City.

Robert and Tasha Tywla of Superior Township announce the birth of Zachary Robert May 11 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are Ray and Patricia Hunter of Superior Township and Al Tywla of Livonia.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

Listings for vacation Bible schools should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131.

**ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN**  
St. Paul's Presbyterian Church will have its vacation Bible school, "God's Children Pray: H.O.P.E. World Tour," 9:30 a.m. to noon July 13-17 at the church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia. The school is for children ages 4-10. A donation of \$7.50 per child, \$15 for families, is requested. A free will collection also will be taken during the Bible school to support the "Dime an Eye" Program of Rivers of the World. Registration will be accepted through July 10. For more information, call (734) 422-1470.

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN**  
St. Paul's Lutheran Church will have its vacation Bible school, "Animals on Assignment," 9-11:30 a.m. July 13-17 at the church, 17810 Farmington Road, Livonia. Classes for 3-year-olds through sixth-graders will feature devotion lessons, crafts, singing, recreation and refreshments. All students also will sing at a 10 a.m. worship service on July 19. For more information, call (734) 261-1360.

**NEWBURG UNITED METHODIST**  
Newburg United Methodist Church will have its vacation

Bible school, "WWJD (What Would Jesus Do?)," 9 a.m. to noon July 13-17 at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Children in first through the sixth grades will discover what Jesus would do through stories, music, games and crafts. The preschool program, for children entering kindergarten in 1998, 1999 and 2000, will be 9 a.m. to noon July 13-16 at the church. Stories will be heard and experienced in crafts, cooking, music and worship to learn how Jesus led his life. There is a \$5 registration fee. To register, call the church at (734) 422-0149.

**TIMOTHY LUTHERAN**  
Timothy Lutheran Church will have its vacation Bible school, "God's People Pray," 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, July 22 and 29 and Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26, at the church, 8820 Wayne Road, Livonia. A light supper will be served at 6 p.m. Infants are welcome with parents in the adult program. There is no charge, but registration is required. For more information or a registration form, call the church office at (734) 427-2290.

**GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN**  
Geneva Presbyterian Church will have its vacation Bible school 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. July 27-31 at the church, 5835 Sheldon, Canton. The program is for children age 4 through completion of the fifth grade. The offering is \$5 per child, with scholarships available. To register, call (734) 459-0013.

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# CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND WESTLAND

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### CAR SHOW

The Third Annual Quality Movers Inc. Benefit Car Fest and Swap Meet is planned for Saturday, July 4, at the Westland Summer Festival. The event benefits Children's Hospital of Michigan. Setup is 8-10 a.m. with showtime 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Vehicle classes include: street rod, street machine, pro-street, trucks/mini-trucks and Corvette/sports car. More than 50 trophies will be awarded and the first 150 entries receive free dash plaques. A club participation award will be given for clubs that preregister five or more cars.

### TEEN NIGHTS

Middle school teens are invited to Middle School Kids Teen Nights Tuesdays at the Bailey Center this summer. The cost is \$1. Basketball, crafts, games and special activities will be 7-9:30 p.m. with swimming from 8-9:30 p.m. Participants must have a waiver signed by a parent on file to participate. Register at the pro shop at the Bailey Center. The activity is sponsored by the Mayor's Task Force on Substance Abuse and Violence and Westland Parks and Recreation.

Activities include:  
 ■ July 7: Volleyball night  
 ■ July 14: Tie Dye night (bring one to three white T-shirts)  
 ■ July 21: Pizza night  
 ■ July 28: Beach Boys night, music by Classic Rock Band  
 ■ Aug. 4: DJ night  
 ■ Aug. 11: Pizza night  
 ■ Aug. 18: Performance by The Earth Angels.

### Flea Market

A flea market is planned for 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 11, at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, 6500 N. Wayne Road in Westland. Rain date is July 18. Cost is \$20 per space, and one space equals two parking spaces. Setup starts at 7 a.m. For information, call (734) 722-7225.

### SUMMER SKATING

The Westland Sports Arena is offering a summer open skating schedule through Aug. 18: 4-5:45 p.m. Fridays; 1-2:45 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Admission will be \$2.75 for students and senior citizens and \$3.25 for adults. Skate rental is available for \$2. The arena also offers skate sharpening for \$4.

### SUMMER CAMPS

The Salvation Army is holding summer day camps, at 2300 Venoy in Westland, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. The cost of enrollment is \$50 per camper. Summer camps include:  
 ■ Sunbeam camp, July 10-13, for girls going into the first through the fifth grades.  
 ■ Girl guard/ranger camp, July 15-21, for boys and girls who are entering sixth through 12th grades.  
 ■ Explorer camp, July 24-27, for boys going into the first through fifth grades.  
 ■ Community Center camp, July 9-12, for boys and girls ages 7-11.  
 ■ Family camp, Aug. 3-7, for any family with children ages 12 and under. For more information, call (734) 722-3660.

### GOLF OUTING

The Westland Police Department D.A.R.E. John "Moses" Reddy Memorial Golf Outing is planned for Wednesday, Aug. 12, at Oakwood Shores Golf Club in Howell. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. with shotgun start at 8:30

a.m. Sponsor programs include: \$100 for a sign placed on golf course and a quarter-page ad in the program; \$350 for two green fees, two signs placed on golf course and a half page ad in the program; \$650 for four green fees, two signs placed on golf course, a full-page ad in the program and a framed certificate. Prizes include a trip for two to Atlantic City sponsored by Westland Travel and two hole-in-one contests sponsored by Jack Demmer Ford and North Brothers Ford. For information, call (734) 722-DARE.

### SUMMER FIELD TRIPS

Children ages 3-7 who have an impairment may go on five field trips this summer as part of the Westland Therapeutic summer field trip program. Children must attend Wayne-Westland or Livonia schools or live in Westland to attend. Cost is \$2 per child with \$5 additional deposit to hold a reservation, which will be returned at check-in. Parents or siblings accompanied by parents are welcome to attend at no cost. Trips include:

■ Nature Center, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 8.  
 ■ Kensington Farm and Lake cruise, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 15.  
 ■ Nature Center, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 29.  
 ■ Detroit Zoo, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 5.  
 ■ Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 19.  
 Bring a picnic lunch to all trips. Accessible transportation provided. Program coordinated by a certified therapeutic recreation specialist. Call Westland Therapeutic Recreation Program to register at (734) 722-7620.

### BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS

The Westland mayor's office is accepting nominations for the residential and nonresidential beautification awards. The deadline for nominations is 5 p.m. Friday, July 31. Judging of residential nominees will be based on overall appearance of the front and back yards. This includes flowers, color combinations, trees and greenery. Judging of nonresidential nominees will be based on overall appearance of the grounds surrounding the business. This includes any flowers, color combinations, trees and greenery, as well as the cleanliness of the business and its property. Condominiums and apartments will be judged under the nonresidential award category. In addition, the home or business will be highlighted on television in a special segment during the Sept. 10 Town Hall meeting. To submit a nomination, call (734) 467-3200 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., or send the nomination to: Mayor Robert Thomas, city of Westland, 36601 Ford, Westland 48185. The residential prizes are: first place: plaque, yard sign and dinner for two with the mayor via limousine; second place: certificate of recognition, \$30 dinner certificate for two at the Alexander the Great restaurant and a yard sign; third place: certificate of recognition, \$35 gift certificate to Westland Shopping Center and a yard sign. The nonresidential prizes are: first place: plaque and a yard sign; second place: certificate of recognition and a yard sign; third place: certificate of recognition and a yard sign. All winners will receive their awards at the Thursday, Sept. 10, Town Hall meeting at Willow Creek Apart-

ments, 1673 Fairwood, between Cherry Hill and Marquette off Newburgh.

## SUMMER CONCERTS

### CULTURAL SOCIETY

All concerts are free and will begin at 6 p.m. at the Performing Arts Pavilion behind the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, except the July 19 concert, which will be at Stottlemeyer Park, Dancy Boulevard. Rain location is the Bailey Center.

■ July 12 - show featuring Motown, light rock and rhythm and blues by Pyramid II, with Tyrone Hamilton.  
 ■ July 26 - blue grass appearance by Roy Cobb & the Coachmen.  
 ■ Aug. 2 - American jazz show featuring the Phil Gram Combo.  
 ■ Aug. 9 - country and western performance by the Waco Country Band.  
 ■ Aug. 16 - variety performance, featuring music from the '50s through the '90s, by Detroit Breakdown.

■ Aug. 23 - to be announced.

### CHILDREN'S CONCERTS

Free children's concerts will begin at noon on Saturdays through the beginning of August at the Westland Performing Arts Pavilion behind Westland library. Rain location: Bailey Recreation Center Gymnasium. For more information, call (734) 722-7620.

■ July 11 - Spoon Man.  
 ■ July 18 - Chautauqua Express, children's musician Guy Louis.  
 ■ July 25 - Gratitude Steel Drum Band.  
 ■ Aug. 1 - Clowns Around Redford.  
 ■ Aug. 8 - Westland All-Stars.

### COFFEEHOUSE CONCERTS

The Westland Community Foundation sponsors a free Coffeehouse Concert Series 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays this summer. Dates include:  
 ■ July 8 - Sheila Landis Trio - jazz.  
 ■ July 15 - Opera Lite - Broadway revue.  
 ■ July 22 - Lenaghan-Herald Duo, classical guitar and flute.  
 ■ July 29 - Stone Circle Trio, Irish music.  
 ■ Aug. 5 - Paul Vornhagen Quartet, jazz.

## AT THE LIBRARY

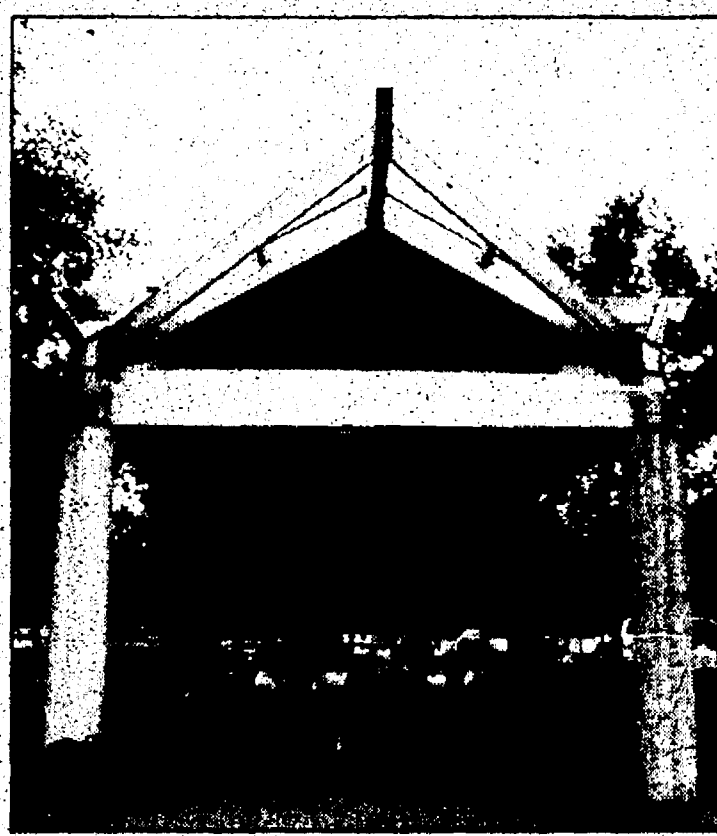
### BOOK DISCUSSION

The Westland library adult book discussion group will discuss O'Henry stories at 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 21. The group will discuss picks from 1997 literary magazines at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 18. The group meets in Meeting Room A. Multiple copies of featured books are available at the library. The library is at 6123 Central City Parkway.

### TRAINING

Training is 10:30 a.m. each

## In concert



Music in the air: The Performing Arts Pavilion behind the Westland public library is the site of several summer concert series. See listings, this page.

Saturday for library patrons on the use of the public access catalogs. The computers are the modern-day equivalent of the traditional card catalog. These training sessions take about 15-20 minutes. Library staff will teach the fundamentals of using the public access catalogs and will answer questions. This training is free, and no registration is required.

### FRIENDS OF LIBRARY

The Friends of the William P. Faust Public Library meet 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at the library, 6123 Central City Parkway. Call (734) 826-6123. Meetings last about one hour and are open to the public. The Friends also hold a Friends Shop Book Sale during regular library hours at the library.

## WESTLAND CENTER

### SENIOR DANCE

The Westland Shopping Center will host a senior citizen dance Monday, July 6, in the lower level auditorium. The dance begins at 11 a.m. with coffee and refreshments served at 12:30 p.m. The dance ends at 2 p.m. The senior dance is held the first Monday of every month (except when it falls on a holiday).

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## RECREATION

### SWIMMING HOURS

Westland Bailey outdoor swimming pool and water slide is open noon to 3:30 p.m. and 4:30-7:30 p.m. daily. For lessons, call

(734) 722-7620. Birthday packages are offered including two large pizzas, one large pop, paper products, games for the kids and entrance to the pool and water slide. Call ahead for birthday reservations. Discounts are offered for groups by calling ahead, (734) 722-7620.

### RECREATION AND FUN

A recreational get-together for teens and adults who are disabled is the second Friday of each month at the Westland Bailey Center. (734) 722-7620.

### FIGURE SKATING

The Westland Figure Skating Club has formed an Adult Introductory Precision Team. The team is for those who want to have fun with other skating adults and get exercise. Practices are 6-8:50 a.m. Saturdays. All levels are welcome. For information, call (734) 722-1091.

## SCHOOLS

### McKINLEY COOPERATIVE

McKinley Cooperative Preschool, housed in Good Shepherd Reformed Church, Wayne Road at Hunter, is holding registration. Morning and afternoon classes are available. Call (734) 729-7222 for information.

### SUBURBAN CHILDREN'S

Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery has openings in all classes 18 months through 5 years old. Located in Livonia bordering Westland. Call Michelle at (734) 421-6198.

### PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

The Wayne-Westland Community School District has ongoing registration for the preschool programs at Stottlemeyer Early Childhood and Family Development Center, on Marquette between Wayne and Wildwood. Programs include an Early Intervention Program, Head Start, Kids/Plus Preschool, a Pre-

Primary Impaired program and Sparkey Preschool. Registration is 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call (734) 595-2660 for information.

### CHURCH PRESCHOOL

The Westland Free Methodist Preschool has openings for 3- and 4-year-olds in the morning and afternoon sessions. The younger pupils attend Tuesdays and Thursdays, other pupils on Mondays and Wednesdays. A Friday enrichment class is also available. The preschool is at 1421 S. Venoy, Westland. Call (734) 728-3559.

### ST. MEL PRESCHOOL

St. Mel Preschool, 7506 Inkster Road, north of Warren Avenue in Dearborn Heights, has morning and afternoon classes for both 3- and 4-year-olds. Registration for the 1998-99 school year has begun. Call (313) 274-6270.

### YWCA READINESS

The YWCA of Western Wayne County Early Childhood School Readiness Program is available to 4- and 5-year-old children. The YWCA is at 26279 Michigan in Inkster. Call (313) 561-4110.

### CHARTER SCHOOL

The Academy of Detroit-Westland, an entrepreneurial and business charter school, serves kindergarten through seventh grade. The school emphasizes a basic education with business and entrepreneurial skills. The school offers a foreign language class, music and art, a dress code and a computer lab with access to the Internet. Call (734) 722-1465 or (248) 569-7787.

### LITTLE LAMBS

Little Lambs Preschool, on Farmington Road south of West Chicago in Livonia, is accepting registration for the 1998-99 school year. Classes meet Monday-Wednesday-Friday afternoons and Tuesday-Thursday mornings for 3- to 5-year-olds. Little Lambs is a nonprofit, nondiscriminatory preschool. For information, call (248) 471-2077.

### TUTORIAL PROGRAM

A free tutoring program for students is offered at the Salvation Army Wayne-Westland Corps Community Center, 2300 Venoy in Westland. The program, 4:50-5:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, is for students ages 9 and older in Wayne, Westland and Romulus. For information on participating or volunteering, call Leau Rette Douglas, (734) 722-3660.

### LIVONIA COOPERATIVE

Livonia Cooperative Nursery, a preschool at 9601 W. Chicago, has openings for 3- and 4-year-olds. To enroll or for more information, call Donna at (734) 266-8185.

## HISTORY ON VIEW

### WESTLAND MUSEUM

The Westland Historical Museum is open 1-4 p.m. Saturdays at 857 N. Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill. Call (734) 326-1110.

### DRESSES ON DISPLAY

The Westland Historical Museum is currently displaying wedding dresses and accessories. The items are from the 1930s, 1950s and 1960s. The museum is located at 857 N. Wayne Road and is open 1-4 p.m. Saturdays.

### FRIENDS MEET

Friends of the Westland Historical Museum meets 7 p.m. on the second Tuesdays of January, March, May, July, September and November at the Westland Meeting House, 37091 Marquette between Newburgh and Wayne roads.

For information, call President Jim Franklin, (734) 721-0136. Everyone is welcome.

## VOLUNTEERS

### PET-A-PET

The Pet-A-Pet Club, which offers pet visits to nursing home residents, needs special pets and people. Pets undergo a slight screening and need proof of shots to participate. Local sites include Camelot Hall Convalescent Center (Debbie McDermott, 427-3791, 10 a.m. the second Saturday of the month), Garden City Rehab (Stacy Suida, (734) 422-2438, 3 p.m. the second Thursday of the month) and Roosevelt-McGrath School (Lynn Eichbrecht, (734) 591-3347, the last Wednesday of the month). Information is available from Ruth Curry, (313) 535-0410, or Daisy Doran, (313) 565-1981. There is a \$5 membership charge.

## CLUBS IN ACTION

### CHADD

CHADD of Northwest Wayne County meets the first Thursday of the month throughout the school year at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile. CHADD is a nonprofit, parent-based, volunteer organization whose aim is to better the lives of individuals with attention difficulties. Call (313) 438-3099.

### T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly, a nonprofit support group for sensible weight loss, meets at 7 p.m. Mondays at the Dorsey Center in Westland. For more information, call Anna at (734) 421-2539.

### MOMS CLUB

The newly formed MOMS Club of Westland will hold its next meeting at 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 15, in the Brayman Lounge located in the Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford Road. The club will be holding an organized discussion group on summer activities. Members will also discuss forming play groups and a monthly MOMS night out. The MOMS Club is a national support group for mothers who stay home with their children, including those who have home-based businesses or who work part time but are home with their children during the day. The groups offers activities, including programs for mothers, play groups for children, and get-togethers for the whole family. The MOMS Club also performs service projects benefiting needy children in the community. Children are welcome at all club activities. For more information, call (734) 266-2919.

### PUBLIC SPEAKING

The Westland Easy Talkers Toastmasters Club urges people who want to learn the art of public speaking to attend the club's weekly meetings at 6 p.m. each Thursday at Denny's Restaurant, 7725 N. Wayne Road next to Westland Center. For more information, call John Elbe at (734) 326-6419, anytime.

### VFW AUXILIARY

Membership in the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Ladies Auxiliary Grand River Post 1519, is open. Relationship to a veteran of combat on foreign soil will ensure eligibility. Make reservations by calling membership recruiter Dolores M. Griffin at (734) 427-2791. Meetings are the first Thursday of each month at 27555 Grantland in Livonia.

## CALENDAR FORM

The Observer Newspapers welcome Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Westland Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or by fax to 734-591-7279. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 953-2104 if you have any questions.

### Event:

### Date and Time:

### Location:

### Telephone:

### Additional Info.:

Use additional sheet if necessary



## ENGAGEMENTS

## Granata-Ricotta

Dennis and Judy Granata of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Andrea Lynn, to Andrew James Ricotta, the son of Jim and Joan Ricotta, also of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 1992 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School and a 1996 graduate of University of Michigan-Dearborn. She is employed as an accountant for Clayton and McKerverey in Southfield.

Her fiancé is a 1990 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School and a 1995 graduate of University of Michigan-Dearborn. He is employed as a controls engineer for TrioTool in Livonia.

A September wedding is



planned at St. Valentine Catholic Church in Redford.

## Watkins-O'Hare

John and Helen Watkins of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Katherine, to Aaron Daniel O'Hare, the son of D. Peter and Susan O'Hare of Northville.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Shrine High School in Royal Oak and the University of Michigan. She is enrolled in the master of science degree program in clinical psychology at Eastern Michigan University. She is employed as a loss prevention/safety manager at the Parisian Department Store in Livonia.

Her fiancé is a graduate of South Lyon High School. He is



employed by the Detroit Police Department.

An October wedding is planned at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in South Lyon.

## DeLibero-D'Orazio

Carmine and Maria DeLibero of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Angela JoAnn, to Michael Angelo D'Orazio, the son of Mario and Alicia D'Orazio, also of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 1992 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and is a senior majoring in elementary-special education at Eastern Michigan University.

Her fiancé is a 1991 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor's degree in business management. He is employed as a configuration analyst at TRW



Automotive Electronics.

A September 1999 wedding is planned at St. Aidan's Catholic Church in Livonia.

## Klemm-Hardy

Gerhard and Gail Klemm of Bay City announce the engagement of their daughter, Wendy Louise, to Jamison John Hardy, the son of Dan and Cathy Hardy, formerly of Westland.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Central Michigan University. She is employed as an elementary school teacher.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Lutheran High School of Westland and Concordia University in Mequon, Wis. He is a graduate student at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Ind.

An August wedding is planned



at Zion Lutheran Church in Bay City.

## Dawson-Emerson

Charles and Vicki Dawson of Knoxville, Tenn., announce the engagement of their daughter, Betsy G., to Chad D. Emerson, the son of Darrel and Joy Emerson of Livonia.

The bride-to-be graduated from high school in Karns, Tenn. She will graduate from the University of Tennessee School of Education in 1999.

Her fiancé is a 1990 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and 1997 graduate of the University of Tennessee Law School. He is an attorney with the firm of Woolf, McClain, Bright in Knoxville.

An August wedding is planned



at the Church of Christ in Knoxville.

## Stitz-Mahnlick

Donald and Joanne Stitz of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Denise Renee, to Michael Charles Mahnick, the son of Kenneth and Barbara Mahnick of Rochester.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Schoolcraft College with an associate's degree in liberal arts.

## MacKenzie-Rener

Jim and Debbie MacKenzie of Provo, Utah, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Christine, to Michael Patrick Rener, the son of Tom and Pat Rener of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be attends Brigham Young University where she is majoring in pre-dentistry. She will attend Brigham Young University in Hawaii in the fall.

Her fiancé is a 1996 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. He is employed at actor Robert Redford's ranch.

An August wedding is planned at Sundance Ski Resort in Utah.

She is employed as a marketing executive with Imperial Marketing in Southfield.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Ferris State University with a degree in construction management. He is employed as chief estimator at the Bell Company.

A September wedding is planned at St. James Catholic Church in Ferndale.

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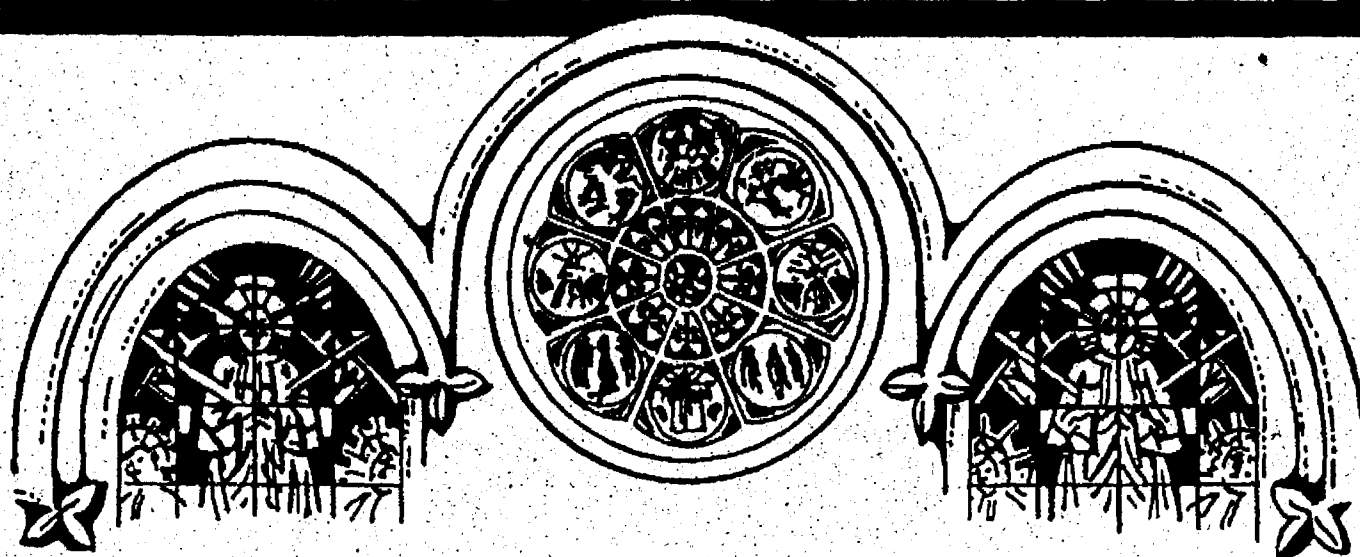
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## RELIGIOUS NEWS

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**SCHOOL ENROLLMENT**

St. Michael Christian School is accepting a limited number of applications for fall classes—kindergarten morning or afternoon and grades 1-3. Class sizes are small to promote individualized attention and the curriculum includes physical education, computers and music, with an emphasis on writing skills, spelling and phonics. The school is at 7000 N. Sheldon Road, Canton. For more information, call (734) 469-9720.

**UNITY CLASS**

Unity of Livonia Church is offering a series of classes, focusing on a different topic each week, at 7 p.m. Thursdays in the Fellowship Hall of the church, 28660 Five Mile Road, Livonia. The topics include "Forgiveness," Matthew: 6:14-15, on July 2 and "Wealth," Luke 18:24-5, on July 9. Readings of scripture will be followed by group discussion and interpretation led by Unity teacher Debra Ammar. A Bible is needed for the class. For more information, call the church at (734) 421-1760.

**NEW BEGINNING**

New Beginnings, a grief support group held year-round at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road, east of Merriman Road, Livonia, continues with its regular meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 2. The program is for people suffering as the result of the death of a loved one. There are no fees. Anyone may attend any or all sessions as they feel the need. For more information, call the church office at (734) 422-6038, Marilyn Wilkinson at (248) 380-7903, or Rosemary Kline at (734) 462-3770.

**CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB**

The Catholic Alumni Club of Detroit, a non-profit organization of single Catholics age 21 and older who have a bachelor's

degree and are free to marry in the Catholic Church, will have a picnic at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 4, at the Possum Hollow shelter in Kensington Metropark. The cost is \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members before June 28 and \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members thereafter for a barbecue lunch of hamburgers, hot dogs, salads, dessert, pop, beer and munchies. Call Teresa at (248) 557-6183 for more information.

**BETHANY SUBURBAN WEST**

Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and support assistance divorced and separated Christians, will have a dance, starting at 7 p.m., Saturday, July 4, at St. Robert Belarmine Church, West Chicago and Inkster roads, Redford. The charge will be \$8, including refreshments.

The group meets regularly on Sundays for breakfast and Mass—10 a.m. at the Redford Inn, Five Mile Road west of Beech Daly Road, Redford, and at 11:15 a.m. at St. Aidan's Church, 17500 Farmington Road (north of Six Mile Road), Livonia—call Val at (734) 729-1974—for coffee and conversation at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Archie's Family Restaurant, 30471 Plymouth Road, Livonia, and for pinocchio at 7 p.m. every other Friday—call Rose at (734) 464-3325.

**INDEPENDENCE DAY WORSHIP**

The Fourth of July will be marked by an Independence Day worship celebration, followed by an old-fashioned picnic and sing-along at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, Haggerty Road, north of Eight Mile Road, Northville. The 11 a.m. worship service will feature a full color guard, multimedia presentation and special Independence Day message by Dr. Carl Leth, senior pastor. The worship celebration will be followed by a picnic dinner of chicken, salads and cold drinks on the church grounds and an afternoon of spiritual and patriotic music. Donations of \$3 per person or \$10 per family for dinner will be accepted. Child care will be available during the worship cel-

ebation. For more information, call (248) 348-7600.

**SUNDAY LESSONS**

Church of Today West-Unity meets at 10 a.m. Sundays at Meadowbrook Elementary School, 29200 Meadowbrook Road south of 13 Mile Road. The church offers youth education and Bible classes, meditation, Art and Way and Unity Basics courses. For more information, call (248) 449-8900 or visit its Web site at <http://www.cotwest.com>.

**VISION OF HOPE**

Vision of Hope will perform at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh Road (at Newburgh and Plymouth roads), Livonia. Nursery care will be provided for children up to age 4. Call (734) 464-0990 for more information.

**FLEA MARKET**

Good Shepherd Reformed Church will have a flea market 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 11, at the church, 6500 N. Wayne Road, Westland. The rain date will be July 18. Space (the equivalent of two parking spots) is available at \$20 per space. Setup time will be 7 a.m. For more information, call Ray or Jackie Gagnon at (734) 722-7225.

**BASKETBALL CAMP**

Ward Presbyterian Church will offer two week-long basketball camps July 13-17 and July 20-24 for children entering grades 5-6. The camps will be held 9 a.m. to noon in Knox Hall of the church, 40000 Six Mile Road, Northville. The camps will be directed by Aaron Jerome, director of the fifth and sixth grade ministries at Ward. Some of the camp features will be daily devotional, dribbling drills, shooting instructions, man-to-man defense principles and offensive foot work. Each child will receive a T-shirt to wear and keep. Enrollment is limited and the cost is \$55. For more information, call the Christian education office at (248) 374-7903 during regular business hours.

**FRIENDSHIP EXPRESS**

Garden City Presbyterian

Church will host the Friendship Express, an evening of fun and fellowship for all ages for the congregation and community, 5-9 p.m. Wednesday, July 15, at the church, 1841 Middlebelt Road, Garden City. A light supper will be served. For more information, or to register, call the church at (734) 421-7620.

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers a weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy and renew their love for each other Friday through Sunday, July 17-19 and Sept. 18-20, at St. John's Family Life Center in Plymouth. For more information or to register, call Bill and Carol at (248) 528-2512, Dan and Debbie at (810) 286-5524 or visit <http://www.rc.net/detroit/wwme>.

**PRECEPT TRAINING**

Registration is being for Precept Ministries Institute of Training for students, potential leaders or current leaders Aug. 13-15 at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton. Experienced instructors will lead intense sessions that teach participants inductive Bible study skills of observation, interpretation, application and discussion group leadership. The trainers also will offer tried-and-true instructions to guide participants in developing more effective skills in their particular areas of interest or need. People interested in the training can call Lee Anne Young at (734) 455-0022.

**SUMMER SERVICE**

The Sunday worship service at Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile Road, Livonia, will be at 9:30 a.m. Sundays through Sept. 6. During the month of June, there will be a special learning and worship time 7-8 p.m. Wednesdays. For more information, call the church office at (734) 421-7249.

**EXERCISE FUN**

The Merriman Road Baptist Church Fitness Bunch meets 6:15-7 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the church, 2055 Merriman Road, Garden City. The program consists of

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**HISPANIC CHURCH**

The Hispanic Pentecostal Church conducts worship services at 2 p.m. Sundays at the Open Door Church, 33105 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia. The Rev. G. Diaz officiates. For more information, call (248) 471-5282.

**FROM THE HEART**

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church offers From the Heart Cancer Support Group at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month in Rooms B2 and 4 at the church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia. Family members, those with cancer and friends are invited to share, encourage and support one another in a loving, hopeful God-focused environment. For more information, call the church at (734) 422-1826.

**LITURGY ON TAPE**

The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom is available on videotape for a cost of \$15, plus \$3 postage, from Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church, 36075 W. Seven Mile, Livonia 48152. The tapes make a great gift for a shut-in or those unable to attend the liturgy. The tapes also can be given to those people who are either seeking or expressing an interest in the Orthodox faith.

**PROMISE BUILDERS**

Memorial Church of Christ's weekly men's discipleship group the "Promise Builders" meets 6-8 a.m. every Tuesday morning at the church building, 35475 Five Mile Road, Livonia. Each morning begins with a 10-minute introduction, followed by 40 minutes of small group discussion and prayer, and a 10-minute large group "wrap-up" session. The goal of Promise Builders "is to encourage one another to live

as men of faith in our relationship with family, friends and fellow workers and to hold one another accountable to these responsibilities." For more information, call Bob Veresh at (734) 281-7833 or Bob Perry at (734) 261-6017.

**LOOKING FOR A CHURCH?**

An open invitation is extended to anyone inquiring about membership in the Catholic church by St. Richard's Church, 35637 Cherry Hill, Westland. For more information, call Claudia at (734) 729-4411.

**SENIOR FELLOWSHIP**

Bethel Baptist Temple, 29475 W. Six Mile, Livonia, sponsors meetings for senior citizens and retirees the first and third Tuesday of the month. For more information, call (734) 525-3664 or (734) 261-9276.

**ALCOHOLICS**

The Alcoholics for Christ, Meet Your Needs Group, meets 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Tri-City Christian Center, Michigan Avenue at Canton. Alcoholics for Christ is a non-denominational, non-profit Christian fellowship for alcoholics and their families. The group's chief goal is to direct alcoholics, family members and other concerned people to a dedicated, sincere relationship with Jesus Christ. For more information, call (734) 326-0330.

**SAFE**

Main Street Baptist Church, 8500 N. Morton Taylor, south of Joy, Canton, has a ministry to assist people whose lives have been affected by substance abuse. SAFE (Setting Addicts Free Eternally) Recovery Group meets 7 p.m. each Tuesday for the chemically dependent and their families. Help is provided through a 12-step recovery program. Family members receive support in overcoming problems of co-dependency. Those interested in assisting in the recovery ministry are offered training. All meetings are interpreted for the deaf. For more information or individual counseling, call (734) 453-4785.

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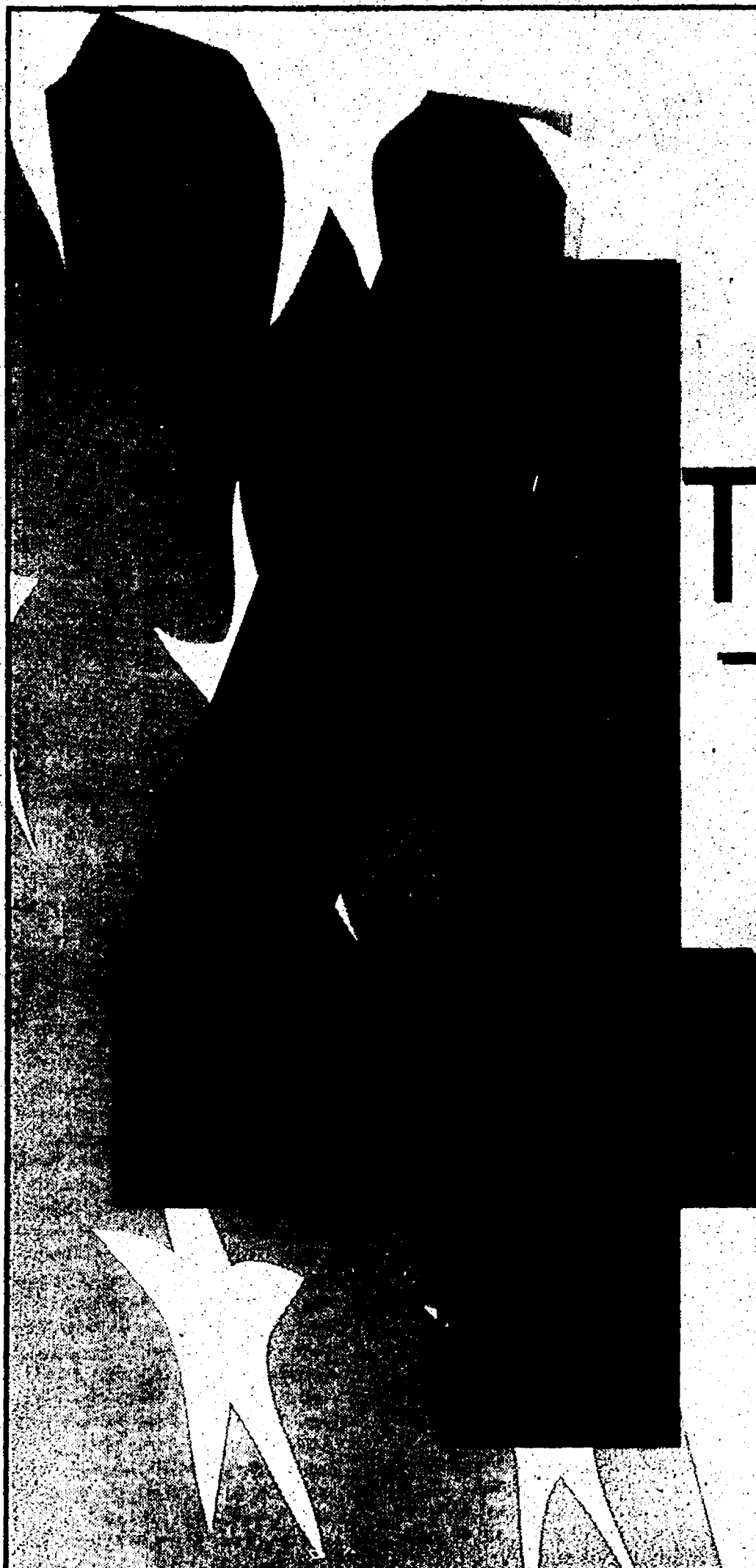
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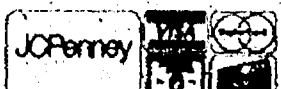
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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### Livonia Travel news

Livonia Travel 15's baseball winning streak reached eight with a 9-2 victory over Birmingham No. 2.

Brad Buckler gave up a run on three hits to raise his record to 4-1 and improve LT 15's mark to 9-1 in league play and 16-3 overall. Joe Ruggiero got the final six outs.

Brent Scheffler went 3-for-4 and drove in four runs while Buckler and Dan Wilson had two hits apiece. Scheffler leads the team with a .489 batting average.

Ruggiero, Wilson, Joe Meier and Chris Grabowski are also hitting above .400.

Livonia Travel's Mickey Mantle team went 3-1 in the Brighton baseball tournament.

Winning pitcher Leon Perez and outfielder Charlie Rozum hit home runs to highlight LT Mantle's 15-6 victory over Macomb in the opener.

Tom Grace went 4-for-4 with three triples and Mike Byberg went 3-for-3 to key the team's second-game 12-10 victory over Holly. Grace hit .761 and Byberg .714 for the tournament.

Perez also hit another home run. Joe McCrohan retired all nine batters he faced to get the win.

Livonia beat Brighton Tri-County, 11-6, with Tim Oliver striking out eight in his five innings.

The same two teams met in the tournament semifinals but this time Brighton came out on top, 14-10, in eight innings. Byberg had four hits and Rozum hit his second home run.

Also playing key roles were catchers Steve Baker and Steve Ziolkowski, outfielders Dan Ross and Mike Berthiaume, shortstop Mike Ventimiglia and infielder Mike Majewski.

LT Mantle plays in the Little Caesar's 16-under league and has an overall record of 9-5. It is sponsored by Tablaco Inc.

Unbeaten Livonia Travel Connie Mack team trimmed the Michigan Braves, 6-2, at Gabriel Richard field to take first place with a 5-0 record.

Dale Hayes of Westland John Glenn defeated Redford Union's Mike Macek with both pitchers going the distance.

Hayes struck out six, walked one and gave up eight hits while Macek struck out four, walked three and was touched for 10 hits.

"Our guys played an outstanding game," Manager Bill Rabe said. "Hayes has pitched real well for us all year. We didn't make an error and had six extra base hits. That was the difference."

Bob Malek, of Canton and Redford Catholic Central had two doubles and a home run for LT while CC teammate Casey Rogowski had a double and a home run good for three RBI. Harrison's Mike Fisher was 2-for-2.

Chris Woodruff of CC, Roy Rabe of Stevenson and Corey Cook of Churchill also drove in runs.

### Meteors take tourney

Livonia U-12 Meteors recently won the Findley (O.) Invitational Soccer tournament with a 4-0 record. It outscored its foes 16-6.

Philip Calleja's four goals sparked the 4-1 championship game victory over Perrysburg Yellow Jackets.

Other members of the Meteors included team captain Jeff Mies, goalkeeper Marwon Chammut, Andrew Curl, Tim Derrig, Ed Gallagher, Jeff Grendel, Jimmy Michael, Greg Wilson, Jeff Wilson, all of Livonia; Joe Carbott of Northville; Sean Goocher of Dearborn Heights; Nathan Grabowski of Milford; Bryan Kinnell of Redford and Brett Toporek of Belleville.

### Soccer Strikers unbeaten

The Livonia Youth Soccer Strikers, an under-14 team in the Superior Division, completed its season undefeated, outscoring its opponents 42-8.

Team members include Maria Dimopoulos, Audrey Dulude, Marydeth Guerin, Krysten Kunka, Megan Lane, Hollie Lefevre, Emily Manogian, Katherine Nizienski, Marie Nizienski, Kellyan Olah, Claire Petersen, Erin Pfeiffer, Stacy Rock, Aimee Shamberger, Diane Shureb, Laura Suveg and Toni Wallace.

Coaches are Bob Williams and Lorne Green. Manager is Linda Pfeiffer.

### Carlisle makes grade

University of Toledo women's swimmer Kelly Carlisle, a Livonia Stevenson graduate, made the school's athletic honor roll for attaining at least a 3.0 grade point average for the spring semester.

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## Shake-up at the top

### Teen phenom Polanski 2nd behind collegian at Michigan Amateur

Stephen Polanski has been going after golf for quite some time. Now golf will be coming to him.

Polanski faces a major decision as he enters his senior season at Livonia Stevenson High School — where to go to college.

July 1 was the first date colleges could officially talk to the Livonia golfing prodigy and there's no shortage of schools from the West, South and in Michigan who have been recruiting the 17-year-old.

The recruiting has only intensified after Polanski made the finals of the Michigan Amateur Golf Championship, where he lost, 2-and-1 Sunday, to collegian Shawn Koch.

"That's going to begin another grueling process," said Polanski's father, John, "as he tries to sort through where he wants to play his college golf."

Warm-weather schools have an intrinsic edge in the recruiting battle for any golfer but the attraction of playing close to family and friends can't be overlooked, either. Polanski hopes to have a decision made by the November early signing period.

The youngster has been well known in golfing circles for several seasons but the Michigan Amateur introduced him to the general public and the media.

"GAM (Golf Association of Michigan) officials said they were very impressed with how Stephen handled himself, the interviews and all that," said his father, who works at Diversified Services Group in Bingham Farms.

Stephen was on his way to the American Junior Golf Association tournament in Lake Geneva, Wis., and was unavailable for comment.

"I think he would say it was a great opportunity," John Polanski said, "but more importantly a great experience playing in the Michigan Amateur."

"It's my understanding that if he would have won, he would have been the youngest player in the last 68 years to win."

Not since Chuck Kocsis in 1930 has a 17-year-old won the Michigan Amateur, so just matching that feat of getting to the final was impressive.

"It's a grueling and trying week," the elder Polanski said, "especially the match play component. Playing six matches to win the championship is a very trying process. Mentally, it's an emotional roller coaster. You win one (hole), lose one. You're down one, you're up one. You're up, you're down. It's very, very trying."

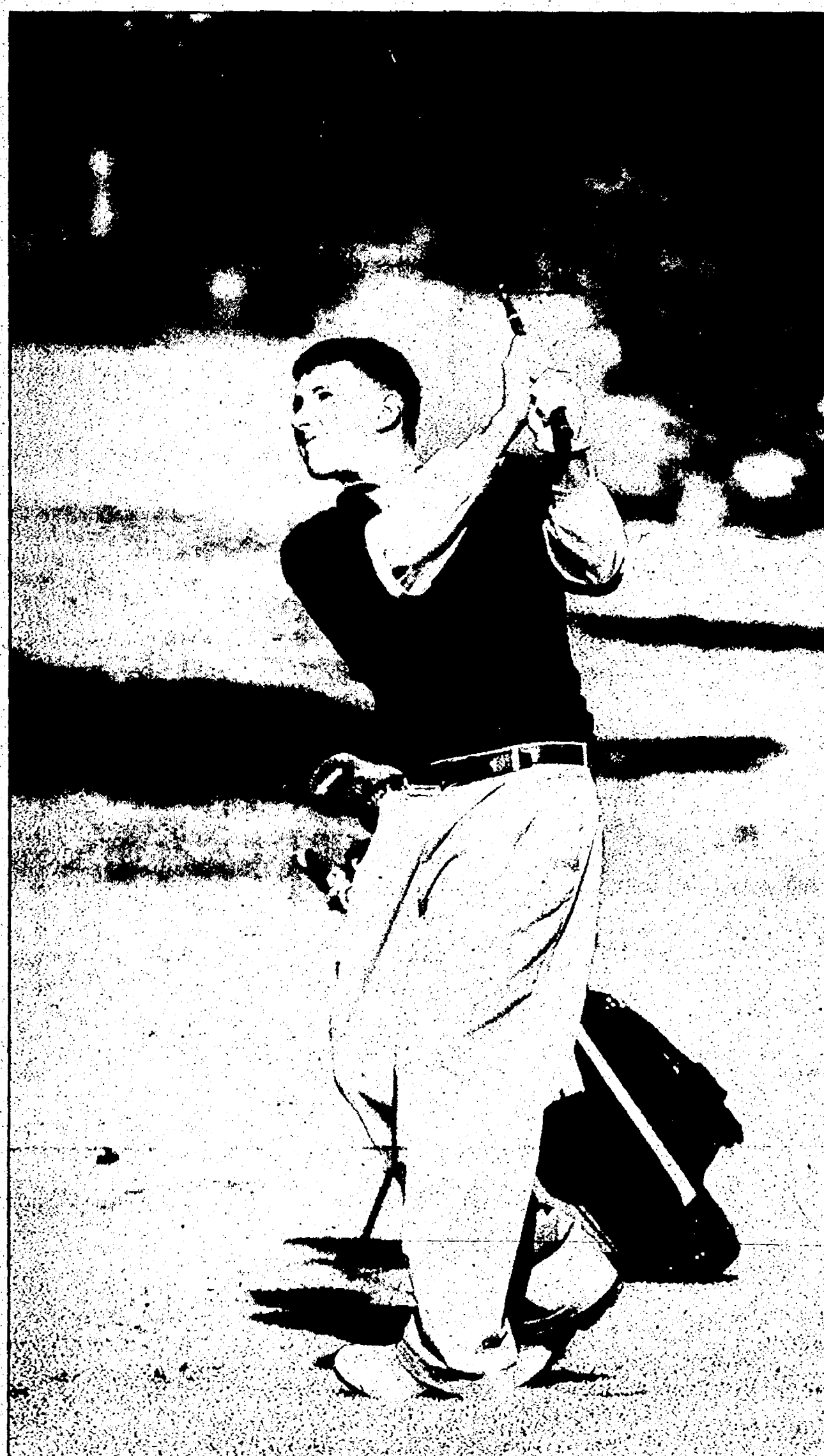
"After he made it through the semifinals, he was very, very confident. He was a little bit concerned about his putting, so after the two Saturday matches he spent a couple of hours trying to work on his putting."

Koch had four straight birdies to finish the front nine and led, 3-up, at the turn. Polanski drew within a hole but his 14-foot birdie putt to tie the match on the 16th didn't drop. He missed the 5-footer coming back and Koch iced it on the 17th.

"He was down after the match," Polanski's father said. "But he's had a great summer so far. He had four top-10 finishes in five national tournaments."

Polanski will attempt to qualify in Oscoda next weekend for the United States Junior Amateur. After that he'll play in "The Big 1" (Independent Insurance Agents' tournament) in Jackson,

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**Teen hot-shot:** Stephen Polanski, who will be a senior in the fall at Livonia Stevenson, became the youngest player in more than 60 years to challenge for last week's Michigan Amateur Golf Championship.

**Now in charge:**  
Schoolcraft College's dean of student services John Tomey has added the responsibility of athletics to his duties. He replaces Midge Carleton, the assistant dean of instruction, who used to oversee the athletic department.



### Re-organization at SC puts Tomey in charge of athletics

Things are changing.

Then again, maybe they aren't.

Talk to those in charge of athletics at Schoolcraft College and the impression is that, well, really, nothing's all that different. Just shifting stuff around. Not up. Not down.

Laterally.

"The transition," said John Tomey, dean of student services, of his taking control of SC's athletic department, "has been almost transparent."

Which is how they want it to be seen, quite naturally. Midge Carleton, an assistant dean of instruction, had had the responsibility for nearly a decade. A re-shuffling of the administration this past spring resulted in the athletic

department switching to Tomey's control.

Why? That's the obvious question.

And the answer seems just as simple. "Mrs. Carleton did a great job," Tomey said. "It's just that athletics is a student services activity."

Making this kind of adjustment — which is how Tomey and SC athletic director Ed Kavanaugh described this change — seem like the right thing to do.

But is that all that will come of it? Are other changes in the school's athletic department in store?

Good questions, which deserve

Please see TOMEY, C2

## Muchow gracias! Lasers sweep twinbill

Tara Muchow was the winning pitcher in both games Tuesday as the host Livonia Lasers swept a softball double-header from the Birmingham Bulls, 5-4 and 3-0.

The Lasers improved their record to 5-2-1 in the Girls Incredible Fastpitch Softball League.

Muchow allowed four hits in the six-inning first game, striking out eight while walking seven.

Livonia had only three hits, one each by Kelly Young, Kelli Zawacki and Sara Knopsnider. The Lasers capitalized on seven walks — six in the last two innings.

In the second game, the Lasers scored all their runs in the fifth inning, the last due to a time limit.

Muchow tossed a three-hitter this time, again striking out eight and walking four.

Jamie Linden keyed the fifth inning with a two-run double, and Tera Morrill's second hit of the night was an RBI single.

Linden and Young also had two hits apiece.

The Lasers play the Livonia Lancers tonight at Livonia Ladywood.

M.C. Mold 12-10, Canton Cobras 2-0.

The wins keep piling up for the Motor City Mold.

Tuesday's sweep of their younger counterparts (both teams play for the Plymouth Canton team) at Canton HS pushed the Mold's record to 8-0 in the Incredible Fastpitch Softball League. In the opener, Laura Stewart was the winning pitcher, allowing two earned runs on two hits while striking out 11.

Melissa Brown and Paula McKernan each had a hit (Brown's was a double) and drove in two runs, while Carrie Kovachevich got one hit, scored two runs and stole four bases, and Christina Klessel had a hit and two stolen bases.

Brianne McNichols and Shelly Priebe both scored two runs.

In the nightcap, Gretchen Hudson was the winning pitcher, allowing one walk and fanning eight. Angela Neu had a hit, scored two runs and stole two bases, and Lisa Baker, Jenna Pirrino and Priebe each got a hit and an RBI.

**M.C. Mold 14-17, Farmington Diamonds 1-1:** Last Thursday, the Motor City Mold got a no-hitter from Laura Stewart in the opening game of a twinbill sweep of the Diamonds. Stewart

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then it's off to Chicago for the Western Junior.

Polanski has been working with Dave Kendall at Miles of Golf in Ypsilanti as he advances his game. He's also aided by veteran pros Ray Glenn and John Jawor.

The youngster was able to translate their advice to success in the Michigan Amateur, although he went through a couple of caddies in the process. Polanski carded a 143 in the two qualifying rounds to finish second.

He opened match play with a 1-up victory over Ian Harris, then defeated Doug Davis and John Barry before running into fellow Livonia product Kevin Janasik in the quarterfinals.

Polanski prevailed, 1-up, in the battle of city golfers before shading David Brochu, 1-up, to reach the finals. He was down two after the first nine holes of the 18-hole semifinal but rallied to win.

His father carried Polanski's bag through the first two

matches and "from my point of view it was the most grueling thing I've ever gone through. It was very hard for me to help him stay focused. I'm basically a hack."

"He had to hire a caddy for his third match, a kid from Boyne Highlands."

After that, Polanski's bag was carried by his close golfing friend Scott Cook, a 22-year-old from Elk Rapids who works at Grand Traverse Resort. It didn't hurt Polanski in the finals that he had played his two qualifying rounds with Koch.

"Shawn called him a 17-year-old star," John Polanski said. "He said he was brilliant and that he'd never had an opportunity to play with a young golfer with as much ability as Stephen. He guaranteed Stephen would have a good career. Stephen really liked hearing that. Shawn is a class individual."

Now it's back to the courses for Stephen Polanski — first golf, then school.

## Tomey from page C1

answers. After all, just a year ago, SC found itself looking for replacements for two coaches, and they had little time to devote to the search.

The administrators in charge, mainly Kavanaugh, were fortunate. Good, too. They came up with Bill Tolstedt for the women's soccer team and Carlos Briggs for the men's basketball team.

Tolstedt has re-structured the women's soccer program and recruited a team for the upcoming season that makes the outlook promising. And Briggs coached SC's men's basketball team to its finest season ever.

But was it just luck? Or can SC continue on its current heading?

Perhaps some would think Tomey's response to such questions predictable. Whatever, it is the proper one: "My philosophy is that, as an educational institution, our product is our students. We want to make them successful as students — and as athletes."

"We want them to go on to represent

Schoolcraft College proudly."

Tomey, who has served as dean of student services for the past three years (he has been at SC for 26), is not one to quickly commit to radical changes. Ascertain and evaluate — that's his policy.

He also refused to take credit for something not of his doing. When athletic scholarship funding was increased almost twofold, just when he was taking charge of the program, he resisted taking responsibility for it.

"Just an accident of timing," Tomey said. Such accidents will make the Ocelots far more competitive in all arenas — and that's something Tomey is committed to.

"One of the reasons I wanted to meet with all the coaches yesterday," Tomey said of his meeting with them Monday, "was to let them know they'll be on an equal footing (with other community college programs). In recruiting student-athletes, I want to give them all the support they need."

"And as far as the student-athlete is concerned, all the tools are in place to make

them successful."

Remaining competitive — or making clear the school's determination to keep its teams "on an equal playing field," as Tomey put it — is a priority.

This is not, and if Tomey's intentions are clear it never will be, a win-at-all-costs situation. Athletics has not, and will not, take precedence over scholastics at SC.

"I'll do anything possible to help a student," Tomey declared. "But they have to go to class."

"If they're only here to play basketball or soccer, they're here for the wrong reasons."

In administrative jargon, this shift is probably nothing more than a shuffle. The popular corporate term currently applied to such restructuring is *streamlining*. Instead of weaving through various levels of the administration, Kavanaugh now can report directly to a dean — Tomey.

"More direct — that would be a good way to describe it," Kavanaugh said.

## Concealed Koufax stays perfect, 9-6

The 12-year-old Concealed Security baseball team remained undefeated in Little Caesar's play Monday with a 9-6 win over North Farmington-West Bloomfield at Stepping Stone School in Farmington Hills.

Chris Rigley pitched the first 4 2/3 innings to earn his fourth victory without a loss as Concealed improved to 16-0 in the league and 27-0 overall.

Mark McDaniel, who had two hits and one RBI, closed out the game with 2 1/3 innings of hitless relief.

Jason Krug had three RBI with

a sacrifice fly, a groundout and a single. Mike Krause hit a two-run single; Rigley and Mike Monterey chipped in one RBI each.

On Sunday at Stepping Stone, Concealed defeated the South Farmington Blues, 8-2, behind the four-hit pitching of Chuck Pate, who is 8-0. He struck out nine over seven innings.

Rigley went 3-for-4 with a double and three RBI, and Tim Kalczynski was 2-for-2 with two RBI.

Monterey also had two hits; McDaniel and Robert Reznick added single RBI.

### SANDLOT

The Concealed Security 11-year-old team defeated North Farmington-West Bloomfield on Monday at Stepping Stone, 10-2.

Eric Drieselman went the distance on the mound, allowing five hits. Philip Mabey was 3-for-4; Scott Szpyka, who had a two-run double, and Jeff Richard were 2-for-3.

On Sunday at Stepping Stone, Concealed outscored Livonia, 16-10. Alan Hagedon pitched 3 2/3 innings for the win, allowed just one hit and pushed his record to 4-0, too.

Richard was 3-for-5 with three RBI. Ryan Shay and Mabey had two hits and one RBI apiece.

In an earlier Sunday game, Concealed defeated Garden City, 8-4, after scoring four runs in the top of the ninth inning.

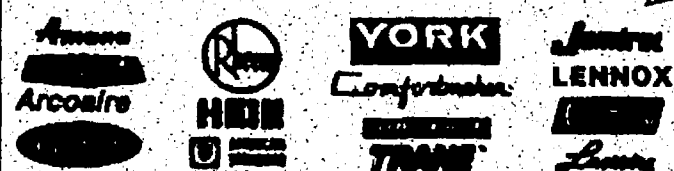
Drieselman broke the tie with an RBI single. Shay was 4-for-5 with two RBI. Richard, Scott Szpyka and Drieselman added two hits each.

Hagedon was the winning pitcher in relief of Shay, who worked the first seven.

The 11-year-old team is 13-3 in the Little Caesar's loop (30-5 overall) and in second place behind the 12-year-old team.

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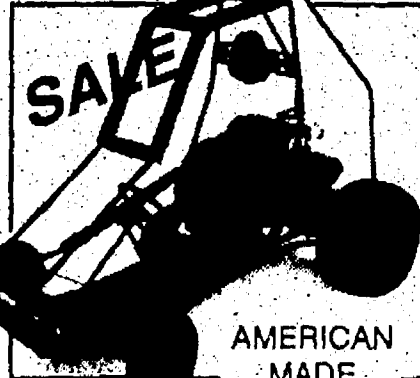


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## BASEBALL

## DCI leads Rams in Adray

More than halfway through the Adray Metro Baseball Association, Livonia Decision Consultants Inc. resides in first place in the Livonia Collegiate Division.

The collegiate champion receives an automatic berth to the All-American Amateur Baseball Association national championship in Johnstown, Pa.

DCI owns a 10-4-1 record for 21 points, four ahead of the second-place Michigan Lake Area Rams with two games in hand.

The Rams are 8-8-1 and their three remaining games against DCI are crucial in their hopes of repeating as division champions. The two teams split two games earlier in the season.

"We've got to win two out of three," Rams coach Rick Berryman said. "They have an edge now. They're playing well."

The Rams failed to move above the .500 mark on Monday, losing to the Windsor Stars, 11-9. The game was originally scheduled for June 12 but postponed due to rain.

The Stars jumped to a 9-0 lead, scoring five runs in the first inning and four in the second off Rams' starter Tom Willerer. A grand slam by Steve Krusul, following a single, walk and a hit batter, highlighted the first-inning outburst.

Relief pitcher Mike Noonan (Redford Union/Adrian College) came on with no outs in the second and four more runs by the Stars were charged to Willerer.

Willerer gave up three hits, walked five and hit one batter, trying a new motion, according to Berryman.

"He was trying something differ-

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ent, had trouble finding the strike zone," Berryman said.

Noonan gave up two runs, allowing seven hits through four innings, before Josh Axelsson finished up strong. Lance Siegwald got one out in the sixth and Axelsson didn't let any of the five batters he faced reach base, striking out two.

Kevin Prader and Matt Pike led the Rams with two hits each. Prader doubled and tripled and scored three runs. Pike had three RBI. Aaron Lawson (Farmington Hills-Harrison/Wayne State) reached base three times, once by a hit and twice getting hit by pitches.

Todd Miller (Farmington Hills/Madonna University) was 1-for-3 with two RBI.

The Rams trailed 9-2 at one point but stayed in contention by scoring five runs in the third, one in the fourth and one in the fifth.

They were threatening for more in the fifth but stranded the bases loaded.

"I'm real proud of the way they fought back but they couldn't fight back over the big deficit," Berryman said.

Leading the Rams' hitters is Prader with a .407 average. Lawson is hitting .382 and Rickey Green .326. Axelsson has become the Rams' ace, owning a 1.53 earned run average in 32 innings with two wins, two losses and two saves. Noonan has been a nice addition, owning a 2-1 record with one save and a 1.85 ERA. Dave

Wampler (Livonia Franklin/University of Detroit-Mercy) is 2-1 with a 1.97 ERA.

Hitters must use wooden bats this year as opposed to the aluminum model and pitchers have had the advantage, Berryman said.

"I would say the last three or four games, hitters are finally catching up to pitchers," he said. "We're still not going to be having 'aluminum bat slug fests' like we had in the past. The positive thing is the college kids will go back as better hitters. The sweet spot isn't as big as it is on aluminum bats. You can have hitting flaws with an aluminum bat and still get by. Wooden bats you can't do that."

The Windsor teams, including the Selects, showed the most opposition to using wooden bats at first. The Windsor players have adjusted, but one of the Stars showed his displeasure with a wooden bat the other day, cracking it over his knee after already getting a slight crack in it after hitting the ball on the handle.

Rams 6, Stars 2: On Friday at Ford Field, the Rams' Redford Union connection - Luke Humphreys and Mike Noonan - combined to shut down the Stars.

Humphreys started and pitched 4 2/3 innings, allowing two runs with five strikeouts and three walks. He left with the score 2-2 and Noonan earned the win, pitching 2 1/3 innings of hitless relief, striking out two.

Prader and Pike again led the Rams with two hits each. Prader had an RBI and stolen base and Pike scored a run with an RBI, stroking a double and triple.

Joe Seestadt had a triple and scored a run in two official trips to the plate. Green was 2-3, scoring one run and driving in one run.



Winning look: Coach Lee Cagle (bottom row, far right) and his Crusaders 16-under Elite girls volleyball team had a lot to be proud of at the National USA Volleyball Association Championships.

## Crusaders 18th at nationals

The Crusaders 16-under Elite girls volleyball team, fresh off an AAU state championship, finished 18th in a field of 96 teams at the National USA Volleyball Association Championships.

All of the Crusaders reside in Overland with the exception of two from Northville. The Crusaders won six of the seven tournaments they entered this season, losing only one match and splitting three others before the state meet.

They were 9-3 at the national tournament.

They are coached by former Livonia Stevenson coach Lee Cagle. The fact that the players sport a combined 3.8 grade point average adds to the appeal of coaching them, Cagle said.

"That's a pretty incredible season," Cagle said. "They are quality kids on a team that enjoys volleyball and gets along well. They are an easy team to coach, they learn quickly and enjoy challenges. I get a lot of satisfaction knowing these players go back and become varsity starters and the core of their high school teams. Volleyball is an ultimate team sport - you can't play it

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alone."

Play at the national tournament opened on Saturday, June 20 when the Crusaders beat Gold Star (Illinois), 15-3, 15-6, and the Hawaii Asics Rainbow, 15-9, 15-7, before losing 16-14, 10-15, 11-15 (rally) to Sports Performance No. 2 (Illinois).

"It was an off match that all felt we should have won," Cagle said.

On Sunday, June 21, the Crusaders rebounded with a 15-6, 15-11 win over the St. Louis Lightning, a 16-10, 10-15, 15-7 (rally) win over Sports Performance No. 3 (Illinois) and a 7-15, 16-14, 15-11 (rally) win over Genesee (Michigan).

"Although we were outplayed much of the match our superior serving and defense prevailed on the rally game," Cagle said.

On the third day of competition, the Crusaders beat the Motor City (Michigan), 15-1, 15-10, before losing to Fort Wayne (Indiana), 13-15, 6-15, and beating Central (Ohio), 15-1, 15-8,

"After losing a tough match to Fort Wayne, they came out against an excellent Ohio team and with great serving and excellent defensive reads, smoked them. The loss to Fort Wayne took us out of medal contention but the girls had a new goal - to finish on top in the consolation round. The best we could finish at that point was 17th."

On the final day of competition, Tuesday, June 23, the Crusaders beat the Hawaii Asics Rainbow No. 2, 15-9, 15-10, and Genesee, 15-5, 15-6, before being eliminated by St. Louis, 6-15, 15-13, 14-16 (rally).

Team member included: Desiree Betts (Livonia/Ladywood), Kelli Bracken (Redford/Dearborn Divine Child), Jill Dombrowski (Plymouth Salem), Janel Hasse (Northville), Meredith Hasse (Northville), Andrea Kmet (Livonia Franklin), Tera Morrill (Livonia Franklin), Bree Pastalaniec (Salem), Lyndsay Sopko (Franklin), Amanda Suder (Salem), Noelle Swartz (Westland John Glenn) and Jessica Tilson (Wayne/Ladywood).

## Indians win Washtenaw tourney

The Michigan Indians, a Plymouth-based Willie Mays-level (10 years and under) baseball team, proved best at the fourth annual Washtenaw Amateur Baseball Association Invitational Tournament last weekend at the Canton Softball Center. The Indians posted a 5-0 record in the tourney, outscoring their opponents 64-13.

In an 11-0 mercy-rule victory over Howell in the championship

game, Shawn Dunford (from Westland) tossed four innings of scoreless pitching, allowing two hits while striking out four.

In Little Caesar's Baseball Federation league play last Monday, the Indians ripped the Wayne Bandits 29-6 to improve to 10-5. Shawn Little (Canton) struck out five of the six batters he faced in two innings of work, and Craig Laplante collected seven strikeouts in three innings

pitched. Nick Sarkissian hit for the cycle and had five hits, totaling eight runs batted in.

Other team members include David Carey and Craig Post (Canton); Kyle Gendron and Greg Marrone (Plymouth); Eddie Duggan and Stephen Merlo (Livonia); Nathan Sarkissian (South Lyon); and Garrett Ruthig (Brighton). The team is coached by Jim Gendron, Dave Sarkissian and Nick Marrone.

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struck out eight.

Melissa Brown had three hits and scored three runs in the first game, and Liz Elsner had two hits (one a double), two walks, scored four runs and drove in two more. Shelly Priebe added two hits and two RBI. Carrie Kovachevich scored twice and drove in a run,

and Brianne McNichols scored twice.

In the second game, Gretchen Hudson tossed a one-hitter, surrendering one run, walking two and striking out seven in picking up the win. She also had a triple.

Paula McKernan and Elsner each had a hit, scored two runs

and got one RBI for the unbeaten Mold. Christina Kessel had a hit and scored three runs, and Jenna Pirrino got a hit and an RBI.

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## SUMMER HOCKEY

## Lakers whip Wildcats in Metro hockey

Two first-period goals by Brad Feiler (from Canton) — he finished with three in the game — enabled the Lakers to open a 4-1 lead after one, a cushion they never relinquished in collecting a 9-5 triumph over the Wildcats in a Metro Summer Hockey League contest played Tuesday at Plymouth Ice Arena.

Mike Vigilante added two goals and an assist, and Eric Dolesh (Farmington Hills) and Jeramie Murray (Redford) each had a goal and two assists for the Lakers, who led 7-3 entering the final period. Other goal-scorers for the winners: Ryan Gauthier (Canton) and Ryan Ward.

The Wildcats got two goals apiece from Michael Wisniewski (with one assist) and Matt Henderson (Livonia). Tom Taylor also scored, with Brian Calka adding three assists and Troy Taylor contributing two.

Shawn Miller was in goal the entire game for the Lakers (he assisted on Vigilante's first goal). Kevin Swope started in the net for the Wildcats, with Chuck Schervish taking over in the second period.

Wolverines 8, Wildcats 5: On Monday at Plymouth, a four-goal burst in the final period enabled the Wolverines to break a 4-4 tie

and beat the Wildcats.

The Wolves got goals from seven different players in collecting the victory. Dan Trainor (Plymouth) scored twice; he also had an assist. Other third-period goals came from Jim Wheaton (Plymouth), Keith Rowe (Redford) and Shaun Harrington (Livonia). Rowe and Dale Rominski each added two assists in the game. Bill Trainor (Canton), Darryl Schimmelpfenneg (Canton) and Dennis Elenich (Livonia) also scored goals for the Wolverines.

The 'Cats, who led 3-1 after one period, were paced by Tom Taylor, who had two goals and an assist. Matt Henderson (Livonia)

added a goal and an assist, Troy Taylor and Bobby Jones each scored goals, and Nick McCormack (Livonia) got two assists.

Joe Sorrentino was in goal all the way for the Wolves; Chuck Schervish and Kevin Swope split time in goal for the 'Cats.

**Bulldogs 10, Falcons 3:** The Bulldogs opened up a 4-0 lead and never looked back in defeating the Falcons Monday at Plymouth.

Kevin Swider (Livonia) scored two of those first four goals for the 'Dogs; he later added three assists. Ben Blackwood also had two goals and three assists for

the winners, with Corey Swider (Livonia) and Lex Madals each getting a goal and three assists, Ian Crockford mustering a goal and two assists, and Mike Schmidt (Livonia) and Eric Bratcher collecting a goal and an assist each. Matt Grant (Livonia) also had a goal.

The Falcons got goals from Scott Goleniak, Nick Field and Vic Decina (Canton). Goleniak also had an assist, and Paul Goleniak got two assists.

J.J. Weaks was in goal the entire game for the 'Dogs; Matt Wierzbica and Casey Osting divided time in goal for the Falcons.

## OUTDOORS CALENDAR

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## ARCHERY

## HOLIDAY SHOOT

Detroit Archers will hold a Holiday 3D Shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday and Sunday, July 4-5, on its walk-through course in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 for more information. 3D SHOOT Oakland County Sportsmen's Club will hold a 30 target 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Sun-

day, July 12, on its walk-through course in Clarkston. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

## BOWHUNTERS RENDEZVOUS

The Michigan Bow Hunters Rendezvous will be held July 25-26 at the Springfield Oaks Fairgrounds in Davisburg. The show offers seminars, shooting exhibitions, MUCC's live encounters show, Yoder's Big Game Exhibit, free archery shooting and instruction for the kids, a 3D course and much more. Admission is \$5 for both days and children 15 and under will be admitted free. Springfield Oaks is located on Andersonville Road, one mile south of Davisburg.

## JUNIOR OLYMPICS

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## 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.

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## CLUBS

## SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), 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 more 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 at 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 BUDDYS

Fishing Buddys Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. The meetings are open to all anglers. Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

## CLINTON VALLEY BASS

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## 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.

## FISHING TOURNAMENTS

## OAKLAND BASS MASTERS

Oakland Bass Masters will hold its fifth annual Tournament for Toys benefit bass tournament on Sunday, July 19, on Lake St. Clair. A portion of the proceeds from this two-man team tournament will benefit the pediatric patients at William Beaumont Hospital. Registration is \$75, and \$80 after July 15. Call (248) 542-5254 for more information.

## MEETINGS

## NRC

The monthly meeting of the state Natural Resource Commission will be Wednesday, July 6, at the Calumet Theatre, 340 Sixth Street, Calumet. Persons who wish to address the commission or persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation should contact Teresa Golden at (517) 373-2352 a week in advance.

## SEASON/DATES

## DEER

August 15 is the deadline to apply for an antlerless deer permit.

## ELK

July 15 is the deadline to apply for a September or a December elk permit.

## STATE PARKS

## STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS

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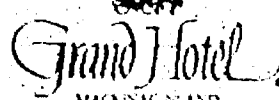
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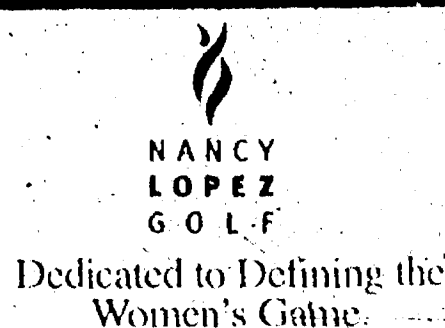
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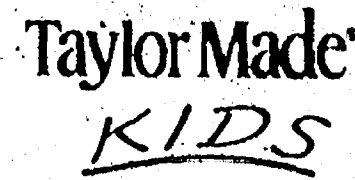
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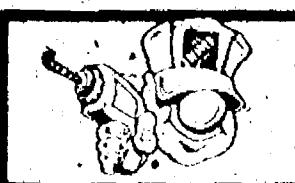
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## THE WEEKEND

### FRIDAY



"Armageddon" starring Liv Tyler and Ben Affleck, who recently won an Oscar for "Good Will Hunting," continues at area theaters.

### SATURDAY



Chumbawamba with special guest Sister Soleil perform at 8 p.m. Meadow Brook Music Festival at Oakland University in Rochester. Call (248) 377-0100 or visit <http://www.palacenet.com> for more information.

### SUNDAY



The Canton-based band The Articles perform as part of "Moonstomp III" with Easy Big Fella and the Robustos, 8:30 p.m. at the Magic Stick in the Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets are \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door for the all-ages show. Call (313) 833-9700 for more information.

### HOT TICKET



**Hot Tix:** The Michigan TasteFest runs through Sunday, July 5, in the New Center Area of Detroit and features a variety of entertainment, including country singer Michael Peterson at 7 p.m. Saturday, July 4, and a taste of metro Detroit's finest restaurants. For more information, call (313) 872-0188 or visit <http://comnet.org/taste-fest>. All concerts are free.

# GIRL POWER

Local women show their stuff at this year's Lilith Fair

Blanketed by sunlight and engulfed by sticky heat, Lori Amey intently watched last year's Lilith Fair performers at Pine Knob and vowed that someday she would be a part of the all-women music festival.

"I didn't mean this summer," Amey said buoyantly. "It's weird how things happen."

Amey, a former Livonia resident now living in Commerce Township, along with Detroit R&B/blues singer Thornetta Davis and Windsor singer/songwriter Julie Kryk were chosen to open the Lilith Fair shows at 3:30 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, July 6-8, at Pine Knob Music Theatre in Independence Township.

The three women were among

78 females who submitted tapes and biographical information to Ritual Inc. in Detroit in hopes of earning the coveted Lilith Fair spot. Maria Cukr, a promoter for Ritual, said the decision was a lot harder than she thought.

"I went into it thinking, 'I'm sure there will be a lot who are OK and a few that would really stand out.' But as they performed, it got harder and harder with each person," Cukr said.

"Julie Kryk, she's really young and Jewelesque. Thornetta, is well, fabulous. And Lori, I had never heard of her. Where did she come from? She performed really well," she added.

Singer Kari Newhouse was a runner-up and won a prize package. She will step in if Kryk,

Amey or Davis are unable to perform on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, respectively.

### Chalk it up to fate

Being chosen to play Lilith Fair is one of the "good things that have been happening" since Amey released her CD "Nothing to Say" in March.

Record companies have been nosing around and she has scheduled gigs here and in Chicago. Amey said she owes most of it to her producer Larry Pachecowhom she met while ordering the "Nashville Red Book" over the phone.

"I decided to take a trip (to Nashville) in August 1997

Please see WOMEN, E2



Hitting the stage: Lori Amey, a former Livonia resident, is going from playing Cup O' Joe coffeehouse in Novi to the Village Stage at Lilith Fair Tuesday, July 7.

Lilith Fair comes to Pine Knob Music Theatre, 1-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township, 3:30 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, July 6-8. Tickets are \$39 pavilion, \$26.50 lawn. For more information, call (248) 377-0100 or visit <http://www.palacenet.com>.

### The line-up

(subject to change)

#### MONDAY, JULY 6:

##### ON THE VILLAGE STAGE

- Julie Kryk 3:30-3:50 p.m.
- Sherri Jackson 3:55-4:15 p.m.
- Kendall Payne 5:20-5:40 p.m.

##### ON THE SECOND STAGE

- Litany 4:20-4:40 p.m.
- N'Dea Davenport 4:55-5:15 p.m.
- Sister 7 6:10-6:40 p.m.

##### ON THE MAIN STAGE

- Me'Shell Ndegocello 5:40-6:10 p.m.
- Sinead O'Connor 6:45-7:30 p.m.
- Indigo Girls 7:50-8:40 p.m.
- Natalie Merchant 9:50 p.m.
- Sarah McLachlan 10:10-11 p.m.

The show benefits Interim House in Detroit

#### TUESDAY, JULY 7:

##### ON THE VILLAGE STAGE

- Lori Amey 3:30-3:50 p.m.
- Dayna Manning 3:55-4:15 p.m.
- Kendall Payne 5:20-5:40 p.m.

##### ON THE SECOND STAGE

- Litany 4:20-4:40 p.m.
- Imani Coppola 4:55-5:15 p.m.
- Heather Nova 6:10-6:40 p.m.

##### ON THE MAIN STAGE

- Sinead O'Connor 5:40-6:10 p.m.
- Indigo Girls 6:45-7:30 p.m.
- Bonnie Raitt 7:50-8:40 p.m.
- Natalie Merchant 9:50 p.m.
- Sarah McLachlan 10:10-11 p.m.

The show benefits SAFE House in Ann Arbor

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 8:

##### ON THE VILLAGE STAGE

- Thornetta Davis 3:30-3:50 p.m.
- Dayna Manning 3:55-4:15 p.m.
- Kendall Payne 5:20-5:40 p.m.

##### ON THE SECOND STAGE

- Litany 4:20-4:40 p.m.
- Imani Coppola 4:55-5:15 p.m.
- Heather Nova 6:10-6:40 p.m.

##### ON THE MAIN STAGE

- Traci Bonham 5:40-6:10 p.m.
- Me'Shell Ndegocello 6:45-7:30 p.m.
- Bonnie Raitt 7:50-8:40 p.m.
- Natalie Merchant 9:50 p.m.
- Sarah McLachlan 10:10-11 p.m.

The show benefits LACASA in Howell

### RELATED PERFORMANCE:

Heather Nova performs for free at noon Monday, July 6, at Starbucks, 300 S. Main St., in Royal Oak. For more information, call (248) 548-4570.

### African Rhythms

**WHAT:** Three concerts featuring African Music  
**WHEN:**  
■ 7 p.m. Thursday, July 2  
• Africa Fete w/ Salif Keita & the Wanda Band  
• Papa Wemba and Molokai  
• Cheikh Lo  
• Maryam Mursal  
■ 8 p.m. Saturday, July 25  
• Women of the Calabash  
■ 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13  
• Ensemble Kalinda  
**WHERE:** Orchestra Hall  
3663 Woodward, Detroit  
**TICKETS:** Range from \$15 to \$25 and may be purchased at Orchestra Hall or by calling (313) 576-5111.

## Fete celebrates African rhythm

BY HUGO GALLAGHER  
STAFF WRITER

When Cheikh Lo was growing up in Burkina Faso he listened to a lot of different music but especially Zairean Rumba which was rooted in Cuban Son music which was the rage in West Africa in the 1950s.

Cuban music was in turn rooted in the rhythms of Africa. What goes around comes around in music as well as life.

Cheikh Lo tonight will join popular African musicians Salif Keita and the Wanda Band of Mali, Papa Wemba and Molokai of the Democratic Republic of

Africa, and Maryam Mursal of Somalia for an "Africa Fete" at Detroit's Orchestra Hall, the first of three summer concerts at Orchestra Hall celebrating African rhythm.

On Saturday, July 25, the Women of the Calabash will perform. The company of three African American women — Madeline Yaydele Nelson, Marsha Perry Starkes and Mayra Casales — use a variety of percussion instruments made from natural material including calabash, an African gourd, augmented by lyrically harmonic vocals.

Please see RHYTHM, E2

Africa Fete '98 CD cover

## HOLIDAY CELEBRATION



Patriotic salute: Fireworks follow "Salute to America" concerts.

## Detroit Symphony Orchestra set to shine under the stars

"Three Cheers for the Red, White and Blue!" For the past six years, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, and U.S. Army Field Band, have joined forces in a "Salute to America" at Greenfield Village in Dearborn to kick off their summer season.

"It's a beautiful location. Outdoor concerts are always comfortable," said resident conductor Leslie B. Dunner who will lead the DSO in a program of patriotic and pop favorites including Aaron Copland's "Rodeo" and Leonard Bernstein's "West Side Story."

They will muster their forces with the Soldiers' Chorus, conducted by Col Jack H. Grogan, Jr., for Copland's "Old American Songs," and the "Battle Hymn of the Republic."



Conductor Leslie B. Dunner

and picnic dinners to enjoy on the Village Green surrounded by historic buildings. Snacks, gourmet picnic baskets, and a variety of beverages will be offered for sale.

As the premier touring musical representative for the U.S. Army, the United States Army Field Band travels world-

The July 4 concert will be broadcast live on WJBK Fox 2, and stereo simulcast on WNIC 100.3 FM.

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On July 10, the DSO begins their three weekend summer concert series at Meadow Brook Music Festival. Three programs will feature fireworks finales.

This year, for the first time, the DSO is offering subscription concert packages with significant discounts.

Please see CELEBRATION, E2



## Women from page E1

because I heard it was the mecca for the recording industry. I decided to call and get the Nashville Red Book. The guy on the phone asked why I wanted it, I told him I was a musician and he said he was a producer," Amey explained.

Amey admits that she was skeptical at first so she went down to Nashville for three days to meet with him. She had a good feeling about him and went for it.

Influenced as a child by Simon and Garfunkel and Peter, Paul and Mary, Amey began singing at age 5. Her earliest gigs were for her family where she'd sing along with records with a microphone fashioned from a pen covered with tin foil.

Her grandfather, who mastered the guitar, mandolin and violin, played an important role in her future musical career.

"I'd love to get him to perform with me, but he's just not interested anymore," said Amey, 21.

She went from her living room to choir rooms as she got older. Upon graduating from Livonia Stevenson High School in 1994, she began playing the guitar.

Amey entered Michigan State University as a voice major but found the program to be too limiting.

"It was too much music and too many classes. But it was good training."

Moving from folk music to 10,000 Maniacs and R.E.M., Amey is now a senior studying

English, music and sociology.

"It keeps me sane," she said with a laugh.

Amey is a newcomer to the Detroit music scene having performed mostly at Cup O' Joe Coffeehouse in the Novi Town Center. Despite that, she said she's really not that nervous about performing at Lilith Fair where she will be joined by guitarist Eric Stiner and percussionist Steve Hartley.

"I thrive in a big crowd. I'm more nervous in front of a smaller crowd," said Amey who hopes to meet Sinead O'Connor.

"Everything that has happened has been beyond my wildest dreams. And it was all a result of the CD. I guess it was

meant to be."

### Disqualified?

Singers auditioning for Lilith Fair were told to have a limit of three people in their band. Multi-Detroit Music Award winner Thornetta Davis brought three musicians with her.

"I had three musicians behind me because I can't play any instruments. When I walked off stage, the lady who was one of the judges told me, 'You're only supposed to have three pieces and you have four.' I asked her if I was disqualified and she said no, but if I won I had to break it down one more person," Davis explained.

"I left there thinking I didn't have a chance."

After winning two Detroit Music Awards on Friday, April 24, Davis returned to her Detroit home and received the call.

"I collected two awards at the music awards and then the phone rang and I found out I won a slot in Lilith Fair."

For Davis, Lilith Fair will give her the opportunity to reunite with Bonnie Raitt.

"The last time I saw her I opened up for her and she let me sing an encore song with her; I don't remember which song it was. But she came in my dressing room and taught me the song. Man, it was so cool. I'd love to talk to her for a minute."

Since the 1996 release of her gospel- and R&B-flavored debut CD "Sunday Morning Music"

(Sub Pop), Davis has been writing new material and has been gigging locally. She performs with the Chisel Bros. at area blues clubs, Oo Papa Dah on Wednesdays at the Music Menu Cafe in Greektown, and with the rockabilly outfit Black Beauty.

For her Lilith Fair performance, Davis called upon Black Beauty's lead guitarist George Friend, formerly of the Twistin' Tarantulas, and upright bassist Jim Simonson.

"I only have 20 minutes so I'm gonna perform some of the stuff off my album. I've been rehearsing a tune by Oleta Adams called 'You Gotta Give Me Room.' If it works out in rehearsal I'm going to sing that too."

## Rhythm from page E1

On Thursday, Aug. 13, Ensemble Kalinda will perform. The group was formed to explore the links of African music to the music of Latin and South America, as well as the Caribbean.

Founded at Chicago's Columbia College Center for Black Music Research, the nine-piece group, led by electric bassist Miguel Rivera, takes its name from the Kalinda, a universal Caribbean

dance that was danced in that region by African slaves as late as the 17th century.

The African Fete '98 tour of African musicians began June 18 in Los Angeles and concludes July 12 at the National Black Arts Festival in Atlanta, Ga.

Interest in African music has exploded in recent years. World Music is introducing the West to the rich rhythms that have influenced the development of ragtime, jazz, salsa, reggae, rock and roll and hip-hop and, in turn, have been influenced by North and South American music and rhythms.

Cheikh Lo was born in 1955 to Senegalese parents in the small town of Bobo Dioulasso in Burkina Faso, near the border with

Mali. This was a multi-lingual, multi-ethnic area where Cheikh heard every kind of music.

In a telephone interview and through an interpreter Cheikh Lo talked about his music.

"I started very young with Orchestra Volta, the biggest band in Burkina Faso," he said.

At 21, Cheikh started playing percussion but quickly became proficient in guitar and singing.

"I enjoy guitar when I am singing, but my first instrument is drums. I play all the drums on my CD," Cheikh said.

He moved to France in 1985 where he worked as a session musician and immersed himself

in the Parisian recording scene.

He is quoted as saying, "Studio - sleep - studio for two years. I love Zairean and Cameroonian music and I absorbed a lot of it during this period."

He was also influenced by reggae and says he listened to a lot of Bob Marley and Peter Tosh. Several music critics have compared Cheikh and Marley. Their often impassioned vocal styles are similar.

Like Marley, Cheikh's music is influenced by his religion. He is a follower of the Baye Fall, a Senegalese form of Islam. He said his religion has been an influence, but he tries to reach out to everyone.

A CD to promote the tour, "Africa Fete '98" on Island Records, contains sampling of the four featured acts. It displays Cheikh's high, bright, emotional voice; rhythmic acoustic guitar; and multiple drum patterns on two songs "Ne La Thiass" and "Guiss Guiss."

"Ne La Thiass" is about destiny, what your destiny can do, when your time comes, your time comes," he said. "Guiss, Guiss" is about observing things, being aware of what's around you."

Cheikh and his fellow musicians serve up a rich variety of roots music in this first of three African music concerts.

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## Celebration from page E1

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For those who want to enjoy a catered dinner and remain at the table while listening to the concerts, the DSO is offering a VIP table seating section in front of the orchestra, reminiscent of the Hollywood Bowl, complete with candles and linens.

Whether you're in the mood for "Mozart," "Romance Under the Stars," or "Beethoven," you're sure to find something to whistle about in this season's schedule.

The DSO will travel to Vall, Colo. for a series of concerts from Wednesday, July 15 to Sunday, July 26.

"We're part of their two-week residency program," said Dunner. "There's a similar outdoor pavilion and concert theme."

### Sixth Annual "Salute to America"

What: Concerts featuring the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and the United States Army Field Band and Soldiers' Chorus, at Greenfield Village, Oakwood Boulevard at Village Road (west of the Southfield Freeway) Dearborn.

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When: 7 p.m. (doors open) 7:30 p.m. (prelude concert with the U.S. Army Field Band and Soldiers' Chorus) 8:30 p.m. DSO concert. Fireworks follow all concerts. Thursday-Saturday, July 2-4.

Where: Greenfield Village, Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road, Dearborn (west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Ave.)

Tickets: \$18 adults, \$9 children (ages 5-12), children under 4 admitted free. Available at the Orchestra Hall box office, (313) 576-5111; all Ticketmaster outlets, (248) 645-6666; and Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village (313) 982-6177.

Program - Leslie B. Dunner conducts the DSO; Col. Jack H. Grogan, Jr. commander and conductor U.S. Army Field Band and Soldier's Chorus

■ Star Spangled Banner - Smith  
■ Excerpts from "Rodeo" -

Copland  
■ "Lord of the Dance" - Hardiman/Moore  
■ "Rocky Point Holiday" - Ron Nelson  
■ "Old American Songs" - Copland  
■ "Gershwin Tribute" - Gershwin/Richards  
Intermission  
■ "Armed Forces Salute" - Whitcomb  
■ Medley from "West Side Story" - Bernstein/Hough  
■ The Battle Hymn of the Republic - Steffe/Wilhouisky  
■ "1812 Overture" - Tchaikovsky

### DSO at Meadow Brook Music Festival

Where: Oakland University campus, at the corner of Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester.

Subscription packages: Offering 2 and 3-concert subscription packages, which range in price from \$106 for Premier Pavilion to \$22 for lawn seats. Limited VIP table packages of 4 are available for \$600 and \$600. Specially priced subscription tickets for three Sunday concerts at \$21 for children ages 5-12 and seniors 65 and over. Subscription tickets are available at the Orchestra Hall box office, or by calling (313) 576-5111.

Individual concert tickets: \$13 to \$44 available at Orches-

tra Hall or the Meadow Brook Music Festival, call the Palace box office (248) 377-0100 or Ticketmaster (248) 648-6666.

### Concert Schedule

■ Mozart Gala - 8 p.m. Friday, July 10; Jaime Laredo conductor & violinist. Fireworks

■ Roberta Flack - 8 p.m. Saturday, July 11; Leslie Dunner, conductor

■ Romance Under the Stars - 7 p.m. Sunday, July 12; Leslie Dunner conductor; Xiang Gao, violin

■ The Great Grieg Concerto - 8 p.m. Friday, July 31; Neeme Jarvi conductor, Sergei Babayan, piano

■ Bravo Beethoven! - 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1; Neeme Jarvi, conductor; Mark Kaplan, violin

■ Summer's Fantastique - 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2; Neeme Jarvi, conductor; Ted Oien, clarinet

■ Top Down Pops! - 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 7; Erich Kunzel conductor, Cortes Alexander Trio. Fireworks

■ Tchaikovsky Spectacular - 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 8; Erich Kunzel, conductor, Stephen Prutsman, piano. Fireworks

■ Giants of Broadway - 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 9; Erich Kunzel conductor, Kathleen Brett, soprano, Kevin Anderson, tenor, Daniel Narducci, baritone, Choral Union of the University of Michigan Musical Society.

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#### HURON CIVIC THEATRE

"The Hunchback of Notre Dame," featuring Mark Hammet of Lathrup Village as Frodo, the priest, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 10-11 and 17-18, Huron High School auditorium, 32044 Huron River Dr., New Boston. \$12, \$10 students and seniors. (734) 782-5380

### DINNER THEATER

#### FIORILLI'S

"Divas Do the Movies," a musical revue, 6:30 p.m. Saturdays to Aug. 29, at the restaurant, 26125 E. Huron River Dr., Flat Rock. \$30 advance, \$35 at door, includes dinner, show, tax and tip. (313) 782-1431

#### GENITTI'S

"Pasta to Paozakis," the story of the marriage of an Italian bride and a Polish groom, through October at the restaurant, 108 E. Main St., Northville. \$39.95 includes seven-course Italian dinner, show, tax and gratuity. (248) 349-0522

### YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

#### HILBERRY THEATRE

"Little Red Riding Hood," Thursday, July 2, Monday-Saturday, July 6-11, and Monday-Tuesday, July 13-14, at the theater, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. (313) 577-2972

#### NOVI THEATRES

"The Pied Piper," 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 10-11, and 3 p.m. Sunday, July 12, Novi Civic Center Stage, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi. \$7 in advance, \$7 at the door. All ages. (248) 347-0400

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### "CRAZY CAROL REVUE"

Italian American Club of Livonia event includes the Sarasota, Fla., entertainer and dinner of rosemary chicken, Italian sausage with peppers and onions, pasta with meat sauce, pasta all'aglio, sugar snap peas, salad, rolls, coffee, tea, and Italian lemon ice, 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 28, at the club, 39200 Five Mile Road, Livonia. \$20, mail check along with names of guests, address, city, zip and phone number, to: Rose Meteyer, 16030 Meadowbrook, Redford, Mich. 48239-3942. (313) 534-5924/(734) 422-3415

#### "FASH BASH"

Fashion show extravaganza to benefit the Detroit Institute of Arts, Wednesday, Aug. 5, at the Fox and State theaters, Detroit. \$150, \$37.50, \$27.50. (313) 833-6954

#### "FERNDALE WOODWARD AVE. PUB CRAWL"

A "walking" tour of clubs and nightspots along Woodward Avenue just north and south of Nine Mile Road, 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 10. Participants meet at the corner of West Breckenridge and Woodward. Sponsored by FANS of Ferndale, a gay/lesbian residents' association. \$2, 21 and older. (248) 545-1435 or FANSofFerndale@aol.com

#### REDFOOT THEATRE

The film "Love Me or Leave Me" with Doris Day and James Cagney, and guest organists Brian Carmody (evenings) and Gus Borman (matinees), 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 10, and 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 11, at the theater, 17360 Lehigh Road (at Grand River Avenue), Detroit. \$2.50. (313) 531-4407

### FAMILY EVENTS

#### "OPA FEST"

Greek festival featuring authentic Greek folk dancing, live music, Festival Singers, children's activities and free food, 4-10 p.m. Friday, July 10, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, July 11, and 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday, July 12, St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 760 W. Wattles Road, Troy. (248) 362-9575

### SUMMER CONCERTS

#### AIR MARGARITAVILLE

Featuring the music of Jimmy Buffet, 7 p.m. Friday, July 3, Depot Park in downtown Clarkston. Free. All ages. (248) 625-8055

#### JACK DRYDEN AND THE SOUNDS OF BRAZIL

7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Municipal Park behind Rochester City Hall (rain location is Rochester High School auditorium). Free. All ages. (248) 652-7762

#### GEMINI

7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Civic Center Park, Livonia. Free. All ages. (734) 421-2000, ext. 351

#### JOE KINGSLLEY BAND

7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Civic Center Park, Livonia. Free. All ages. (Clen Miller hits) (734) 421-2000, ext. 351

#### SHEILA LANDIS TRIO

7:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, Performing Arts Pavilion behind the William Faust Public Library, 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. All ages. (734) 326-6123

#### RED CARTER BAND

7 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, Burgh



Grab your fork: Over 125 tempting dishes will be offered by 35 restaurants selling "tastes" of their culinary specialties during Michigan TasteFest.

## Fine tunes, food at TasteFest

The Michigan TasteFest runs through Sunday, July 5, in the New Center Area of Detroit. For more information, call (313) 872-0188 or visit <http://comnet.org/tastefest>. All concerts are free.

In addition to music, 35 Michigan restaurants will be selling "tastes" of their culinary specialties. See award-winning ice carvers from Henry Ford Community at work 1-6 p.m. Friday-Sunday, July 3-5; QVC will broadcast live from TasteFest noon to 2 p.m. Friday, July 3.

The following concerts take place on the Best Buy stage on West Grand Boulevard in front of the GM Building:

Boney James, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2; Black Market at 3:30 p.m. and Felix Cavaliere's Rascals, 7 p.m. Friday, July 3.

Imperial Swing Orchestra at 3 p.m. Saturday, July 4, and Michael Peterson, 7 p.m. Saturday, July 4.

Enchantment at 2 p.m. and Los Lobos, 5 p.m. Sunday, July 5.

The Wellness Plan Jazz Showcase on West Grand Boulevard at Third Street, features:

Rayse Biggs at noon and 1:15 p.m., Kog's Kats at 4:30 p.m., and The Edge at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2.

CASSJAZZ at noon, Ryse-Tyme at 2 p.m., Jazzhead at 4:30 p.m., and Straight Ahead at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 3.

Double Exposure: The McKinney Twins and Friends at noon, 3/4 Step featuring Roger Tucker at 2 p.m., Gwen and Charles Scales at 4:30 p.m., and Randy Scott at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4.

Tim Bowman at 1 p.m., Orchestra Fuego at

3:30 p.m., and Kimmie Horne at 6 p.m. Sunday, July 5.

The New Center Park Stage on Second Avenue and West Grand Boulevard hosts:

The Rev. Right Time and the First Cousins of Funk, 5:30 p.m., and Killer Flamings, 8 p.m. Friday, July 3.

Jan Krist at 3 p.m., Mudpuppy at 5:30 p.m., and Twistin' Tarantulas at 8 p.m. Saturday, July 4.

Jill Jack at 3 p.m. and Gillespie, Rasmussen and Raffoul (G.R.R.) at 5:30 p.m., Sunday, July 5.

This summer's Kids Shows take place in the Fisher Theatre lobby.

The Mosaic Youth Theatre performs at 1 p.m., Children's Theatre of Michigan at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., and Maureen Shiffman's Musical Jamboree at 3 p.m. Friday, July 3.

Storyteller Ivory Williams takes the stage at 1 p.m., Gemini at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. and the Mosaic Youth Theatre returns at 3 p.m. Saturday, July 4.

Amazing Clark's Punch and Judy visits at 1 p.m., Chris Linn at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., and Yo-Master Zeemo at 8 p.m. Sunday, July 5.

The Henry Ford Health System Kidzone in New Center One Plaza offers dozens of free activities for children July 3-5 including Barnes and Noble Story time, cookie decorating, barnyard express, model trains, Kids Art on the Boulevard, Snowdays and Friends, Make 'n' Take Crafts, as well as visits by Marine Safari, Science Alive, Kids and Chemistry, the Detroit Science Center's Bubbles and More, and a puppet-making workshop.

### CLASSICAL

#### CLASSIC TOUCH STRING TRIO

With Diane Worthey, Leslie Capozzoli and Wendy Stuart, 1 p.m. Sunday, July 5, Borders Books and Music, 612 E. Liberty St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 668-7100

#### DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"Mozart Gala" with conductor/violinist Jaime Laredo, 8 p.m. Friday, July 10, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. Tickets at Ticketmaster. (313) 576-5100 or <http://www.detroitssymphony.com>

#### FLYING KARMAZOV BROTHERS

8 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$11-\$20. All ages. (734) 763-3333

#### CARILLON

##### PATRICK MACOSKA

Noon Sunday, July 5, Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson Ave., at Burns in Indian

Village), Detroit. Free. All ages. (313) 822-3456

#### HENK VERHOEF

Carillonist of Woerden and Monnickendam, the world's oldest carillon, 7 p.m. Monday, July 6, University of Michigan's Ann and Robert H. Lurie Tower on the school's north campus. Free. All ages. (734) 764-0594

### POPS/SWING

#### BIG BAD VOODOO DADDY

9 p.m. Sunday, July 5, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Tickets at Ticketmaster. 18 and older. (swing) (248) 333-2362

#### DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With conductor Leslie Dunner, the U.S. Army Field Band and Soldier's Chorus, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, July 2-4, Greenfield Village, Dearborn; 6 p.m. Sunday, July 5, Chene Park, 2600 E. Atwater St., Detroit. (313) 576-5100 or <http://www.detroitssymphony.com>

#### THREE MEN AND A TENOR

8 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, as part of the Ann Arbor Summer Festival, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$15 and \$18. All ages. (734) 763-3333

### AUDITIONS/WORKSHOPS

#### BARBIZON SCHOOL OF MICHIGAN

The school is offering "The Play's the Thing," a series of summer acting workshops for special needs children and handicapped young persons taught by Detroit actor Bob Catagna at the school, 6220 Orchard Lake

Road, Suite 110, West Bloomfield. Topics include improving their speech, movement, coordination and confidence through acting. (248) 855-5660

#### DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE

The DDC offers "Learning at the Opera House," a series of classes at the Detroit Opera House in July. Jazz dance for children ages 10-14 (no experience necessary) are 9:30-11 a.m. Monday-Friday, July 13-17 (\$10); Modern dance technique and improvisation for teens and adults (intermediate level), 6-8 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, July 21-23 (\$36); followed by performance/sharing by workshop participants, Friday, July 31, all at the Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. (313) 965-3544

#### HURON CIVIC THEATRE

Auditions for the musical "Anything Goes," 7:30-10 p.m. July 12-14, in the Huron High School auditorium, 32044 W. Huron River Dr., New Boston. (734) 782-5380/(734) 675-4017

#### RACKHAM SYMPHONY CHOIR

Auditions for the 1998-99 season including Rutter's "Gloria," Handel's "Messiah," "Carmina Burana," and "Missa Criolla." By appointment (313) 341-3466

#### SECOND CITY KIDS' CAMP

Two-week day camp for kids ages 10-16 that helps children develop teamwork skills by learning how to improvise in group situations, 9 a.m. to noon or 1-4 p.m. July 6-16 or Aug. 3-13, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$120. (313) 984-5821

#### SUMMER MUSIC SCHOOL

Schoolcraft College is offering the opportunity for late elementary and high school musicians to perform as soloists and with a live orchestra July 20-31 and Aug. 3-14; \$250 for each two-week term. (734) 462-4400, ext. 5218

### JAZZ

#### ABLER-LEDDUFF TRIO

With guitarist Paul Abler, congas and percussionist Jerry Leduff, alto saxophonist John Wojciechowski and bass accompaniment, 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Thursday, July 9, Fleetwood on Sixth restaurant, 209 W. Sixth St., Royal Oak. Free. All ages. (248) 541-8050

#### SEAN BLACKMAN AND WAYNE GERARD

8:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages; 10 p.m. Friday, July 10, Giovanni's, 31 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. All ages. (gypsy jazz) (248) 652-1600/(248) 334-5241

#### RON BROOKS TRIO

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 3-4, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

#### HEIDI HEPLER & MICHELE RAMO

6-10 p.m. Mondays, at Too Chez, 27155 Sheraton Dr., Novi; 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays at Encore in the Quality Inn, 1801 S. Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills; 8:30-10:30 p.m. Thursdays, at Java Master, 33214 W. 14 Mile Road (east of Farmington Road), West Bloomfield; 7-10 p.m. Fridays, at Cafe Cortina, 30715 W. 10 Mile Road, Farmington Hills; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, at Vic's Market, 42875 Grand River Ave., Novi. (248) 348-5555/(248) 335-3790/(248) 626-7393/(248) 474-3033/(248) 305-7333

#### JAZZODITY

9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Karl's Cabin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. Free. 21 and older. (734) 455-8450

#### BETTY JOPLIN

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 10-11, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

#### PHIL KELLY TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, July 10, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (plano/bass/drums) (248) 645-2150

#### LARVAL

With The Disco Biscuits, 9:30 p.m. Friday, July 10, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (avant jazz) (734) 996-8555

#### JEFF MICHAEL BAND

6-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, July 2-3, in the Coyote Cantina at the Crowne Plaza Pontchartrain, 2 Washington Blvd., Detroit. (313) 965-0200

#### MATT MICHAELS TRIO

With vocalist Judie Cochill, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, and trumpeter Louis Smith, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Botsford Inn 28000 Grand River, Farmington Hills. \$5 cover waived with dinner. Reservations recommended. (248) 474-4800

#### HIDEKO MILLS

With Surrogate Earth, 10 p.m. Friday, July 10, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. \$6. 18 and older. (313) 832-2355

#### LARRY NOZERO

6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, July 10, Kollogg Park, Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street, downtown Plymouth. Free. All ages. (734) 453-1234

#### SHAHIDA NURULLAH TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, July

3, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (vocal/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150

#### ANGELO PRIMO

8:30 p.m. Friday, July 10, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 652-1600

#### TERRANCE SIMIEN

7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10 in advance. All ages. (734) 761-1800

#### TRANSMISSION

9 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (acid jazz) (734) 662-8310

#### PAUL VORNHAGEN TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, July 9, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (sax, vocal/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150

#### URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON

With Dan Kolton, 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursdays and Fridays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

#### WHAZUREE

8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, July 4, Agape Caffe, 205 Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free. All ages. (248) 546-1400

#### STEVE WOOD TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, July 2, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (sax/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150

### WORLD MUSIC

#### "AFRICAN RHYTHMS SUMMER FESTIVAL"

With "African Fete 1998" with more than 50 musicians and dancers, performing a wide range of African popular and ethnic music featuring Salif Keita and the Wanda Band (Mali), Papa Wemba and Molokai (Democratic Republic of the Congo), and vocalists Chelkh Lo (Senegal) and Maryam Mursal (Somalia), 7 p.m. Thursday, July 2; With Women of the Calabash, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 25; and Ensemble Kalinda, 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, Orchestra Hall, 3663 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$15-\$40. (313) 576-5100 or <http://www.detroitssymphony.com>

#### JUSTIN HINDS AND THE DOMINOS

9 p.m. Friday, July 3, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 in advance. All ages. (roots reggae) (313) 833-9700

#### IMMUNITY

10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday, July 3, The Deck at Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older; 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Goudy Park near Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Road, Wayne. Free. All ages. (reggae) (313) 965-2222/(734) 722-2000

#### DAVID MENEFEE

8 p.m. Friday, July 10, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10, \$9 members, students and seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

#### MARIA MULDAUR

7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 9, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$12 in advance. All ages. (734) 761-1800

#### MADDY PRIOR AND FRIENDS

With Kathryn Tickell, 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

#### DUSTY RHODES

8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 3-4, at the Botsford Inn, Grand River west of Eight Mile, Farmington Hills. (248) 474-4800

#### SALINE FIDDLERS PHILHARMONIC

With Peter Ostroshko and Dean Magraw, as part of the Ann Arbor Summer Festival, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$9-\$18. All ages. (734) 763-3333

### POETRY

#### "POETRY AT THE OPERA HOUSE"

With fiction writer Gay Rubin, essayist Daniel Minock, Michigan poet Mitzi Alvin and Detroit performance poet Ann Holdreith, 9 p.m. Monday, July 6, Detroit Opera House's Madison Avenue Lounge, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. Free. All ages. (313) 874-7290/(313) 267-5300, ext. 338

### DANCE

#### "CABARET NIGHT"

With dinner and a ballroom dancing performance, 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple Road, Troy. \$25. (248) 689-3636

#### FIRST SATURDAY CONTRA DANCE

With the Ann Arbor Council for Traditional Music and Dance, and Strings and Things, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Pittsfield Grange, 3337



# 8 days a week

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Surreal dance troupe contains partial nudity, 8 p.m. Friday, July 3, as part of the Ann Arbor Summer Festival, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$14-\$23. (734) 763-3333

**PETER SPARLING DANCE CO.**  
8 p.m. Friday, July 10, as part of the Ann Arbor Summer Festival, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$10-\$19. All ages. (734) 763-3333

## COMEDY

### CAPITOL STEPS

5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, July 4, as part of the Ann Arbor Summer Festival, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$12-\$21. All ages. (734) 763-3333

### JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB

Kevin McPeck, Robert Mack and Rich Higginbottom, Thursday-Saturday, July 2-4; Lowell Sanders, from the movie "Jungle to Jungle," Jim Hamm and Rich Higginbottom, Thursday-Saturday, July 9-11, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 9 p.m. Wednesdays (\$2), 9 p.m. Thursdays (free), 9 p.m. Friday (\$10), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Saturdays (\$10), unless otherwise noted. (734) 261-0555

### JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S

Keith Ruff, 9 p.m. Friday, July 10 (\$6), and 9 p.m. Saturday, July 10 (\$8), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

### MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE

Closed July 2-4; Chris Zito, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 10-11, at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

### JOE PISCOPO

With Bill Thomas, 8 p.m. Friday, July 3, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$10-\$20. All ages. (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

### MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE

269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays (\$6), 9:30 p.m. Fridays (\$12), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6). Prices same unless otherwise noted. (248) 542-9900 or <http://www.comedycastle.com>

### SECOND CITY

"Viagra Falls," 8 p.m. Wednesdays with additional shows at 10:30 p.m. on Fridays-Saturdays through September, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 Wednesdays, Thursdays, Sundays, \$17.50 on Fridays, and \$19.50 on Saturdays. (313) 965-2222

## POPULAR MUSIC

### ACME JAM

8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, July 2-3, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

### PATTI AUSTIN

With Alex Bugnon, 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, Chene Park, 2600 E. Atwater, Detroit. \$5. All ages. (R&B) (313) 393-0292

### BARDO POND

9 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. All ages. (space rock) (313) 833-POOL

### BUGS BEDDOW BAND

6:10-10:30 p.m. Sunday, July 5, Halmich Park Concert, 13 Mile Road between Dequindre and Ryan roads, Warren. Free. All ages. 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, July 10-11, Beale Street Blues, 8 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (trombone-driven party blues) (810) 954-0497/(248) 334-7900 or <http://www.bugsbeddow.com>

### PAT BENATAR

With Jill Jack, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

### "BLIND PIG SHOWCASE"

With Yoroka, Crack Abraham, Dave Boutette and Tinfoil, 9 p.m. Thursday, July 7, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Free. 18 and older. (variety) (734) 996-8555

### BLUE ROSE

9 p.m. Friday, July 3, O'Grady's, 585 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 524-4770

### BLUE SUIT WITH ALBERTA ADAMS

9 p.m. Friday, July 10, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

### BONNE TEMPS ROULLE

10 p.m. Friday, July 3, Giovanni's, 31 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. All ages. (R&B) (248) 334-5241

### BROKEN TOYS

With 60 Second Crush and Emergency Grapefruit, 8 p.m. Friday, July 10, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward

Ave., Ferndale. \$5. 18 and older. (rock) (248) 544-3030

### THE BURROS

10 p.m. Friday, July 3, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (roots rock) (248) 349-9110

### CHUMBAWAMBA

With Sister Soleil, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Rochester. (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

### "COUNTRY CONCERT"

With Tim McGraw, Faith Hill, Clint Black, Deana Carter, Lorrie Morgan, Collin Raye, Neal McCoy, Diamond Rio, Kevin Sharp, Daryle Singletary, Trace Adkins, Don Williams, Kenny Chesney, Aaron Tippin, Rhet Akins, Confederate Railroad, Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, The Kinleys, America and Creedence Clearwater Revisited, Thursday-Sunday, July 9-12, Hickory Hill Lakes, Fort Loramie, Ohio. \$90-\$485. (937) 295-3000 or <http://www.countryconcert.com>

### DANNY COX

8:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages. 8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic rock) (248) 652-1600/(248) 544-1141

### CYBERTRYBE

8 p.m. Thursdays, July 2 and July 9, Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 21 and older. (industrial/techno) (810) 465-5154

### THE DERAILERS

9 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Mill Street Entry below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (country rock) (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961MELT.com>

### 88 FINGERS LOUIE

7 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$6 in advance. All ages. (ska) (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com>

### ELIZA

10 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Giovanni's, 31 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. All ages. (pop/rock) (248) 334-5241

### PETE "BIG DOG" FETTERS

8:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. 10 p.m. Friday, July 10, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic blues) (248) 544-1141/(313) 886-8101

### THE FLESHTONES

With Swingin' Neckbreakers, 9 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 833-POOL

### THE GHETTOBILLIES

With Blaze and Face, 9:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

### GRAND FUNK RAILROAD

With Wet Willy, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$27.50 pavilion, \$15 lawn. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

### GRR

10 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic rock) (248) 349-9110

### COREY HARRIS BAND

9:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Canceled, (blues) (313) 833-POOL

### AL HILL

6:10 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, D.L. Harrington's, 2086 Crooks Road, Rochester Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 852-0550

### HUFFAMOOSE

9 p.m. Friday, July 3, Mill Street Entry below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (pop) (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961MELT.com>

### IMMATURE

3:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Chene Park, 2600 E. Atwater St., Detroit. \$16.50-\$26.50. All ages. (R&B) (313) 393-0292

### THE INCURABLES

9 p.m. Thursdays beginning July 9, Fire and Ice Lounge, 27200 Cherry Hill Road (east of Inkster Road), Inkster. Free. 18 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 730-9014

### JOAN OF ARC

With Call It In The Air, 6 p.m. Friday, July 3, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$5 in advance. All ages. (indie pop) (313) 833-POOL

### CHAKA KHAN

With Ashford and Simpson, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Chene Park, 2600 E. Atwater St., Detroit. \$19.50-\$46.50. All ages. (R&B) (313) 393-0292

### MIKE KING

8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic rock) (248) 544-1141

### LILITH FAIR

With Sarah McLachlan, Natalie Merchant, Linseed O'Connor, Mc'Shell Ndegeocello, Litany, N'Dea Davenport, and Mono, 3 p.m. Monday,

July 6; With McLachlan, Merchant, Indigo Girls, O'Connor, Bonnie Raitt, Heather Nova, Litany, and Imani Coppola, 3 p.m. Tuesday, July 7; and with McLachlan, Merchant, Tracy Bonham, Ndegeocello, Bonnie Raitt, Nova, Coppola, and Litany, 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$39 pavilion, \$26.50 lawn. Superfan seating available. (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

### LL COOL J

With Montell Jordan, 8 p.m. Sunday, July 5, Masonic Temple Theatre, 500 Temple Ave., Detroit. Canceled. (rap/R&B) (313) 832-5900

### METALLICA

With Days of the New and Jerry Cantrell, 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 10-11, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. Sold out. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

### THE MIGHTY SNOW CONE

Hosts open mic with Shorty Sneeze, Lyrikill Assassins, 3D, TNT, KO, Paige, Dr. Mynd Benda and C.A. Millon, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 18 and older. (variety) (810) 465-5154

### BUDDY MILES

8 p.m. Friday, July 3, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$13 in advance. 18 and older. (blues) (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

### STEVE MILLER

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, Toledo Zoo, Toledo. \$24.50. All ages. (rock) (419) 474-1333 or (248) 645-6666

### MR. FREEDOM X

9 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050

### "MOONSTOMP III"

With The Articles, Easy Big Fella and the Robustos, 8:30 p.m. Sunday, July 5, The Magic Stick in the Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8 in advance. \$10 day of show. All ages. (313) 833-9700

### CHARLIE MOSBROOK

8:10 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Espresso Royale Cafe, 214 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. All ages. (pop) (734) 668-1836

### MUDDUPPY

9:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-0917

### NAKED

With The Tories, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Mill Street Entry below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$7. All ages. (pop) (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961melt.com>

### STEVE NARDELLA

9 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, July 7-8, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

### HEATHER NOVA

Lilith Fair performer does a free show noon Monday, July 6, Starbucks, 300 S. Main St., Royal Oak. All ages. (pop) (248) 548-4570

### ORIGINAL HITS

9 p.m. Monday, July 6, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (variety) (248) 644-4800

### ROBERT PENN

9 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, July 10, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth. Cover

charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 624-9400/(734) 451-1213

### BONNIE RAITT

With John Hammond, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, Toledo Zoo, Toledo. \$28.50 and \$24.50. All ages. (pop/rock) (419) 474-1333

### MARKY RAMONE AND THE INTRUDERS

With Beatnik Termites, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 2, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$6 in advance. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com>

### COLLIN RAYE

With Trace Adkins, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Interlochen Center for the Arts' Kresge Auditorium, Interlochen. \$17.50-\$32.50. (country) (618) 276-7604

### REDFORD STEVE

9 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

### RUBBER SOUL

With Big Sam, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

### SMASHING PUMPKINS

8 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Sold out. All ages. (alternative rock) (313) 961-5451

### THE STILL

With Sluice, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$4. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

### SUPERDOT

9 p.m. Friday, July 10, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (ska) (734) 485-5050

### THEY COME IN THREES

With Cloud Car and Fletcher Pratt, 9 p.m. Friday, July 10, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 833-POOL

### THIRD EYE BLIND

With Our Lady Peace and Eve 6, 5:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheatre, 10 Water St., Pontiac. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (rock) (248) 335-4850 or <http://www.961melt.com>

### MARY THOMPSON AND THE DELTA CHILDREN BLUES BAND

8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, July 4, Lone Star Coffee House, 207 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. All ages. (blues) (248) 642-2233

### THE TRI-PHONIX

7:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, the gazebo next to Village Comm., on Grand River in downtown Farmington. Free. All ages. ('50s and '60s music) (248) 473-7283

### TWISTIN' TARANTULAS

10 p.m. Friday, July 3, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (rockabilly) (734) 421-2250

### 2XL

10 p.m. Friday, July 3, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (810) 731-1750

### US

10 p.m. Friday, July 3, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic rock) (313) 886-8101

### VAL VENTRO

10 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 349-9110

### RANDY VOLIN AND THE SONIC BLUES

Celebrates release of CD with party and performance, 9 p.m. Friday, July

10, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300 or <http://www.rockindaddys.com>

### WITCHDOCTORS

9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Karl's Cabin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 455-8450

### THE WORKHORSE MOVEMENT

With Taproot and Powerface, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$4. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

### THE X HUSBANDS

7-11 p.m. Wednesdays through August, Woolly Bully's, 43333 W. Seven Mile Road, Northville. Free. All ages. (acoustic rock) (248) 380-5163

### YES

In SurroundSound, with Alan Parsons, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, July 5, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$28.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

### ZEN TRICKSTERS

8 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (Deadhead) (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>



# Clooney, Lopez click in Elmore Leonard's 'Out of Sight'



JOHN MONAGHAN

being held up?"

"Thank you," he smiles.

"You're welcome," she replies, almost ready to chirp, "have a nice day."

I suppose if you're going to be

In the opening scene of "Out of Sight," George Clooney walks up to a bank teller's window and quietly tells the woman to put unmarked hundreds into a bag. "You're doing fine," he says encouragingly. "Is this your first time

held up, it might as well be by Clooney. Witty, polite, his hair graying slightly at the temples, he is the kind of thief Cary Grant used to play. Sure, he's breaking the law, but he has such a nice way of doing it, with a line into senseless violence that he won't cross.

And it's precisely this style of unnerving charm that first attracts Jennifer Lopez's U.S. Marshall, who ends up locked in the trunk of a getaway car with him during a prison break. Feigning disinterest, she listens as he whispers to her the idea that if they were talking this same way in a bar right now, they might actually have something.

And the thought sticks. She begs to be put on the task force to catch him, and the two engage in a game of cat-and-mouse as their paths cross in some unorthodox situations.

"Out of Sight" is the third Elmore Leonard adaptation in as many years ("Get Shorty" and "Jackie Brown" were the others) to capture the spirit of the writer. And even though Bloomfield-based Leonard admits that the characters stray widely from the way he envisioned them on paper, they look great on film.

And looks are almost everything here. Let's face it: Neither Clooney nor Lopez is that great of an actor, but they click on film.

Lopez, a relative newcomer best known as the movies' Selena, plays her Marshall with a cold detachment, in control of virtually every situation. Yet she plays her scenes exactly the same way with her father as with her bank robber.

Clooney, meanwhile, has finally arrived in his best screen role to date. "Out of Sight" cashes in on his good looks — for once he looks like a movie star, not just a blown-up TV actor — but also on his quiet vulnerability. Unlike Lopez, his plans often go awry, and these are some of the moments in which he's most endearing.

Another pleasure of the movie

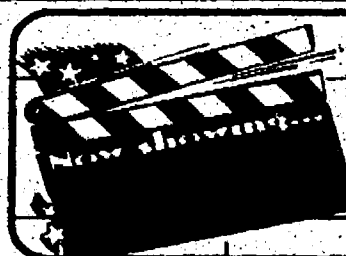
is seeing familiar Detroit-area locations captured in a Hollywood film. Though the Motor City has often figured prominently in Leonard's novels, this is the first to shoot here in any depth, thanks, I suppose, to producer Danny DeVito, who had such a good time working here on "Hoffa."

The Renaissance Center. The Barry Sanders mural. The Joe Louis fist. Woodward near the Fisher Building. They all make cameo appearances. But what makes "Out of Sight" different from other movies is how it doesn't just treat locations as establishing shots, but actually gets inside them. You'll see the State

Theater both inside and out, as well as a prominent Bloomfield Hills estate where Clooney and company attempt to lift some diamonds.

To say that "Out of Sight" is the best Leonard adaptation ever might be a bit presumptuous. Some of the early Westerns ("3:10 to Yuma" and "The Tall T" among them) were outstanding films, but in a summer of "Godzilla"-sized disappointments, a movie this good is definitely something to shout about.

John Monaghan welcomes your calls and comments. To leave John a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1866.



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## COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduled to open Friday, July 3

### "THE OPPOSITE OF SEX"

Exclusively at the Main Art Theatre. Humorous look at life and sex in the 1990s, while also telling a serious story about human values. The story revolves around a teenage girl who runs away from home one summer and wreaks havoc in the lives of everyone she encounters.

Scheduled to open Friday, July 10

### "THE HANGING GARDEN"

Exclusively at the Main Art. An offbeat drama of a 25-year-old gay man who returns home to his seriously dysfunctional family after a 10 year absence. Stars Chris Leavins.

### "SMALL SOLDIERS"

This computer generated and live action family film about the battle between a small but intrepid band of monstrous-looking creatures and a platoon of war-loving commandos.

### "LETHAL WEAPON 4"

Detectives Murtaugh and Riggs are reunited in a struggle to unravel a complex and deadly mission of revenge. Stars Mel Gibson.

### "MADELINE"

In an old house in Paris all covered with vines, lived 12 little girls in two straight lives. Those are the opening lines from the classic books by Ludwig Bemelmans about the adventures of a tiny school girl.

### "SMOKE SIGNALS"

Exclusively at the Main Art Theatre. The story of a native American boy on a journey to understand his late father.

Scheduled to open Wednesday, July 15

### "THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT MARY"

Comedy about a man who hires a private detective to find the love of his life. When the detective falls in love with the woman himself, the two suitors embark on a no-holds-barred battle for her affections. Stars Cameron Diaz, Matt Dillon.

Scheduled to open Friday, July 17

### "THE MASK OF ZORRO"

Romantic adventure of love and honor, of tragedy and triumph, set against Mexico's fight for independence from Spain. Stars Antonio Banderas, Anthony Hopkins, Catherine Zeta Jones.

## SCREEN SCENE

A sampling of what's playing at alternative movie theaters across metro Detroit as reviewed by John Monaghan.

**Abbey Theatre** - 14 Mile Road (at I-75), Madison Heights. Call (248) 688-0881 for information. (\$6.50; \$4 students/seniors; \$3 twilight)

**"Music From Another Room"** (USA - 1998). Jennifer Tilly and Jude Law star in this romantic comedy about a man searching for his one true love, whose birth he assisted when he was only five years old.

**Main Art Theatre** - 118 N. Main (at 11 Mile Road), Royal Oak. Call (248) 542-0180 for information. (\$6.50; \$4 students/seniors and matinees; \$3 twilight)

**"Kurt and Courtney"** (USA - 1998). A documentary portrait of the often destructive relationship between rock singers Kurt Cobain and Courtney Love. She has fought to keep the movie out of theaters, not surprising since the director, Nick Broomfield, makes the case that, short of handing him the gun, Love encouraged his morbid side.

**"High Art"** (USA - 1998). Ally Sheedy and Radha Mitchell play a pair of women whose lives change due to a chance meeting.

**"The Opposite of Sex"** (USA - 1998). Christina Ricci plays a teenage girl who runs away from her home one summer and wreaks the lives of virtually everyone she encounters. Starts Friday.

**Midnight movies** - Cult films play at the witching hour Friday and Saturday nights. Call for titles.

**Maple Art Theatre** - Maple at Telegraph, Bloomfield. Call (248) 855-9090 for information.



JILL SABELLA/MIRAMAX FILMS  
**Journey:** Evan Adams (foreground) with Adam Beach in a scene from "Smoke Signals," opening Friday, July 10 exclusively at the Main Art Theatre.

### "POLISH WEDDING"

Romantic comedy of maternal mishaps about a working class family who never allow life's triumphs, tragedies and farces to interrupt the cycles of love and creation.

Scheduled to open Wednesday, Aug. 5

### "HALLOWEEN: H20"

It's been twenty years since the first pumpkin was carved by Michael Myers...would you like to know what every one else is up to now?

Scheduled to open Friday, Aug. 7

### "EVER AFTER: A CINDERELLA STORY"

Fresh spin on one of our most beloved tales. Stars Drew Barrymore, Anjelica Huston.

### "THE NEGOTIATOR"

Story of a maverick hostage negotiator who becomes the victim of a police frame up. He turns the tables by taking the chief of internal affairs hostage and finds an ally in the negotiator assigned to the situation he's created. Stars Samuel L. Jackson and Kevin Spacey.

Scheduled to open Wednesday, Aug. 12

### "HOW STELLA GOT HER GROOVE BACK"

Based on the best seller by Terry McMillan, the story of a 40-year-old African American woman who takes a spur of

the moment trip to Jamaica and meets the man of her dreams, except he's only half her age. Stars Angela Bassett, Whoopi Goldberg.

Scheduled to open Friday, Aug. 14

### "AIR BUDS: GOLDEN RECEIVER"

Buddy the talented dog, continues his adventures when he becomes a kidnapp target. Stars Kevin Zegers.

### "THE AVENGERS"

The unflappable duo of John Steed and Emma Peel are united again. This time to stop a diabolical scientist with plans for world domination. Stars Ralph Fiennes.

Scheduled to open Friday, Aug. 21

### "DANCE WITH ME"

A romance about a dance instructor who finds inspiration and eventually love with the arrival of a young man who has a passion for life and a flair for Latin dance. Stars Vanessa L. Williams, Kris Kristofferson.

### "WRONGFULLY ACCUSED"

A violinist is wrongfully (and hilariously) accused of murdering a prominent patron of the arts. He takes flight to evade capture and works to track down the real killer, a one-armed and one-legged man. Stars Leslie Nielsen.



JAMES BRIDGES/SONY PICTURES CLASSICS  
**Drama:** Campbell Scott (left) as Joe Ross and Steve Martin as Jimmy Dell in "The Spanish Prisoner."

(\$6.50; \$4 before 6 p.m.)

**"Cousin Bette"** (USA - 1998). This romp through love and revenge, based on the novel by Honore de Balzac, has a high-p



## STREET SCENE

## Eve 6 member decides to join the family business

Tony Fagenson isn't like other kids. As a high school student in Los Angeles, the now 19-year-old rebelled against his family by not getting into music.

"There was a long time that I didn't want to go into music actually. It must have been a child rebellion thing or something like that," he said with a laugh.

"My dad and my step-mom were in the music industry and I thought, 'That's being done.' Then eventually with all the people around me being into music, I thought it might be something in my genes also."

Fagenson's father is Oakland County native and Grammy Award-winning producer Don Was. He identified his step-mother as a woman who works in Virgin Records' A&R department.

Fagenson and his friends Max Collins and Jon Siebels, both of whom are 18, are following in his father's footsteps with Eve 6, a mouth-watering pop rock band whose self-titled debut has spawned the hit "Inside Out."

Short spurts of guitars coupled with bassist Max Collins' hummable lyrics "I would swallow my pride/I would choke on the rhines/ But the lack thereof would leave me empty inside" made "Inside Out" a recent WXDG "Shriek of the Week."

"Leech" grasps the same characteristics while Collins shares his knack for writing crafty lyrics: "sucking on my brain/ You're the teacher/ I'm the student/ Turning things around/ Your story's not congruent." "Superhero Girl" is a super-charged pop gem.

Eve 6, named for an "X-Files" character who gouged her guard's eyeball with her teeth, was formed in 1993 by La Crescenta Valley High School students Collins and guitarist/vocalist Jon Siebels. While still at La Crescenta Valley the duo was signed to RCA Records. About 1-1/2 years ago, the blonde-streaked Fagenson joined Eve 6.

When Fagenson was approached to join Eve 6, he was "actually in college. I went to USC for a little more than a semester. I've always done a lot

of music stuff. In high school I was in jazz band, I had a couple rock bands. I did a lot of recording in the home studio; finding my own way through the studio."

"I was kind of lost in college. I was not really sure what I wanted to do."

Fagenson added that Eve 6 "was signed before they met me or knew who my dad was. Max the singer had written a lot of the lyrics by then and had some of the basic melodies and stuff."

Eve 6 went into pre-production about a year ago and wrapped up the album in August. Fagenson explained that the three-year lapse in recording and releasing an album was the band's choice.

"I wasn't really part of the band when they got signed but the record company knew that they were not ready to put out a record right away. They gave us time to develop and really get the songs together and stuff."

"It's extremely exciting. No one thought things would happen so quickly. It's really come into place. Everything that's had to

happened has happened. It's like clockwork."

Fagenson was born in the Detroit area and lived in Birmingham until the age of 5 when his family moved to Manhattan. Fagenson spent most of his formative years in Los Angeles.

With singers like Bonnie Raitt working with his father, Fagenson said that his father's career taken as a whole was inspirational.

"I can't say there were instances where afterward I said, 'I have to do music because I met someone.' I went to the studio a couple times but it wasn't like I ever went in and said 'Wow, this what I want to.' It was independent of that."

Eve 6 opens for Third Eye Blind and Our Lady Peace Thursday, July 2, at the Phoenix Plaza Amphitheatre, 10 Water St. (at Saginaw Street), Pontiac. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for the all-ages show. Tickets are still available. For more information, call (248) 335-4850 or visit <http://www.961melt.com>.



Playing Pontiac: The rock band Eve 6 - from left, Jon Siebels, Max Collins and Tony Fagenson, the son of Don Was - performs Thursday, July 2, at the Phoenix Plaza Amphitheatre in Pontiac opening for Third Eye Blind and Our Lady Peace.

## Liquid Soul added to Montreux lineup

The 1998 Ford Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival has added acid jazz sensation Liquid Soul to its line up.

Liquid Soul will close out the free Labor Day weekend jazz festival 9:45 p.m. Monday, Sept. 7 on the festival's Hudson's/Live Jazz Stage.

The 10-piece Chicago group led by saxophonist Mars Williams, plays a mix of jazz, funk, hip-hop, rap and salsa that pushes jazz back onto the dance floor.

Liquid Soul has received rave reviews for its second CD "Make Some Noise."

The Ford Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival features more than 120 acts, all free of charge, one five stages at Hart Plaza in downtown Detroit, noon to 11

p.m. Sept. 4-7. For more information and a complete schedule, call (313) 963-7622.

Here are some other jazz festivals of note:

■ Michigan Jazz Festival - noon to 11 p.m. Sunday, July 19 at Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River (at 8 Mile Road), Farmington Hills.

Highlights - Four big bands, at least 12 small groups, trombone ensemble, and SCool JAZZ from Schoolcraft College performing on four stages. Botsford Inn offers food and beverages for sale throughout the day and evening. For more information: Call (248) 474-2720 or (248) 437-9468

■ Birmingham Jazzfest '98 - Thursday-Saturday, July 23-25,

downtown Birmingham at Shain Park, and most of the area's restaurants.

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## DINING

# Something for everyone at Copper Canyon Brewery

BY ELEANOR HEALD  
SPECIAL WRITER

What does owner Ed Miri have in mind for your enjoyment at Southfield's new Copper Canyon Brewery? Just about everything from food designed to match microbrews to live entertainment and cyberbooths. Appealing to families is a great kids menu.

The name tells you a lot. While Miri's marketing research affirmed the name as "catchy," it's more than that. Michigan's copper industry reaches deep into the state's history. Canyon suggests grand, big and beer country. Copper Canyon Brewery's motif and entire operation plays on this.

Seating about 240, but convenient to the Telegraph Road, I-696 and Northwestern Highway interchanges, this eatery gets busy. Reservations are not accepted, but table calls are made by a paging system offered to each diner on the waiting list.

To the tune of \$3 million, Miri more than face-lifted the former Pearl City located on the site, to a spacious, sleek, bright and inviting environment with glimpses of copper everywhere. Simultaneously, it speaks to casual but upscale, where social environment is a prime focus.

While this is Miri's first restaurant, he's been around the industry for a while. He formerly owned four Coffee Exchange outlets in Birmingham, Royal Oak, West Bloomfield and Rochester Hills. He sold these to Caribou Coffee and began to achieve

## Copper Canyon Brewery

**Where:** 27522 Northwestern Highway, Southfield (248) 223-1700

**Hours:** Food served seven days a week noon to midnight

**Menu:** American steakhouse focus with sandwiches, pasta, pizzas and seafood, all designed to accompany house brews. Lunch express menu with six items is both time and price sensitive.

**Cost:** Appetizers, soups, salads, sandwiches and burgers \$3-9; entrees \$11-20.

**Live entertainment:** Friday and Saturday 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. featuring Blues, Jazz, Top 40 and Motown.

**Reservations:** Not accepted.

**Credit cards:** All majors accepted.

another goal, "turning liquid into liquid assets." He came up with the brewery idea in 1993 after a visit to Crescent City Brewery in New Orleans.

He translated the idea well to a great Michigan fit with a number of unique twists including roasting coffee on premise, integrating house-roasted coffee into the Stout, roasting barley on premise for the Stout, cyberbooths where one can access the Internet through a server with local telephone number, telling kids they get dessert only if they finish their plate, a billiards game room, house bread with wort spritzed ale-herb butter, house-made root beer and an equal commitment to beer and food.

All this is in the capable hands of General Manager Dan McNamara and Executive Chef Brian DeMeyer, whose 10-year "training" at Southfield's Golden Mushroom and Oakland Com-

munity College's culinary apprentice program, is not wasted. DeMeyer's kitchen crew knows how to cook food properly, from scratch, without shortcuts.

Head Brewer, 26-year-old Matt Allyn, who trained in Utah, didn't skip a beat when I asked him to pair his four main brews and two seasonal, rotating beers with his favorite menu listings. The menu gives you some beverage pairing clues, but it never hurts to get it straight from the head suds man.

Northwestern Gold Ale with balanced malt presence and crisp bitterness from European hops is best with Honey Roasted Salmon topped with apple, walnut and raisin chutney. The American style Devil's Peak Ale, appealing to hop-heads, makes an unbeatable match with The Copper Canyon Slab, full \$16 or half \$11. This is American-style eats at its best served with baked beans and coleslaw.



On tap: General Manager Dan McNamara at the newly opened Copper Canyon Brewery in Southfield.

"I like Buffalo Jump Stout after dinner because of its coffee-like flavors," Allyn noted. "It doesn't pair that well with food."

Alt, an old-style German ale, is reproduced in Copper Canyon Alt that Allyn likes with Pan Flashed Perch Piccata (although it's not recommended on the menu with this beer). Currently, American Ale and Peach Tea Ale

are the seasonal brews. With American Ale, Allyn suggests Linguini Chicken Florentine in a garlic cream sauce topped with roasted pine nuts and freshly-grated Parmesan cheese. Peach Tea Ale makes a refreshingly light opener brew.

Cost of items, given in fractions, will not befuddle the math challenged, but it will get you to

look twice! Holding that math thought, Miri said, "I believe in multiplicity, but I'm a cautious multiplier. Before I'd anchor at another property, we'll debug the system here totally."

But Miri is doing a little multiplying at this location. An outdoor beer garden is slated to open in July, next to the big grain storage silo he's erecting.

## EATING OUT IN THE SUBURBS

In case you missed it. Here are some of the restaurants we've recently featured on our Dining page. Call (734) 953-2105 to recommend your favorite restaurant. If you're a restaurant owner, call us with information about restaurant anniversaries, renovations, and menu changes. You can fax information to Entertainment editor: (734) 591-7279, or mail to The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.

**Cafe Hawaii** - 22048 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, (west of the Southfield Freeway) (313) 724-2233. There is a rear entrance on Garrison. Open: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Wednesday; 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Thursday-Saturday; 1-9 p.m. Sunday. Lunch served until 3 p.m., Early Bird Dinner Specials begin 3 p.m. Menu: Hawaiian theme menu including American fare with a Polynesian flair. Cost: Lunch \$5.95 to \$10.95; dinner \$7.95 to \$18.95. Credit cards: All majors accepted. Reservations: Groups of seven or more. Can accommodate groups up to 50 people. Highlights: Hula dancers

and Hawaiian singer 8-10 p.m. Wednesdays; Live bands 9 p.m. to close Thursday-Saturday.

**Too Chez** - 27155 E. Sheraton Drive, (northwest corner of Novi Road and I-96) Novi, (248) 348-5555. Open: 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday, (lunch); 5:30-10:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday (dinner) and 5:30-11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Closed Sunday. Menu: Innovative, contemporary presentations for a variety of palates. Offerings include vegetarian dishes, pasta, seafood, steaks, and poultry. Reservations: Accepted. Credit Cards: All majors. Cost: Dinner entrees \$13 to \$27; Small courses such as steamed mussels and Nori rolls \$4.50 to \$8.25; Soups \$3.50 to \$4.95; Salads \$3.25 to \$5.25; Pizzas \$7 and \$8. Half portions available at half price, plus a buck and a half. Highlights: Jazz on the outdoor patio features Heidi Hepler and Michele Ramo 6-10 p.m. Mondays; Louis Resto and David McMurray perform 7-11 p.m. Fridays; Pink dinner featuring rose wines, Monday, July 27 - call for information/reservations;

Macrobiotic dinner celebrating the first frost, late September or early October. Call for details.

**Duet** - 3663 Woodward Avenue (at Mack), Detroit (313) 831-0811. Open: Lunch Monday-Friday 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Dinner Monday-Thursday 5-11 p.m. Until midnight Friday and Saturday. Sundays 4-8 p.m., only when the Detroit Symphony Orchestra is performing. Menu: Urban upscale theme plays on continental cuisine notes with overtures and orchestrations bringing the word creative to heightened tones. Cost: Preludes \$5-13; main course orchestrations and duets (combination plates) \$16-34. Reservations: Accepted. Credit cards: All majors accepted. Smoking: Cigar-friendly bar. All dining areas non-smoking.

**Portabella** - 2745 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy, in Somerset Collection South, (second level, adjacent to sky bridge) (248) 649-6625. Open: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday; noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Menu: Italian with creative diversions. Many

dishes play on the portabella mushroom theme. Cost: Starters and pizzas \$5-8; sandwiches and salads \$6.50-10; pastas \$7-10; and main plates all under \$13. Pastas and main plates come with bread and choice of mine-strone or salad. Reservations: For parties of six or more. Credit cards: All majors accepted.

**American Table** - 33501 W. Eight Mile Road (one 1/2 mile west of Farmington Road), Livonia, (734) 888-1000. Open: 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily. Menu: Family style restaurant serving American, Italian, Greek specialties including burgers, meat loaf, pork chops, spaghetti, spinach pie and gyro plate. Breakfast served anytime. Children's menu available. Cost: Reasonable. Sandwiches \$2 to \$4.50; entrees \$6 to \$12. Credit cards: All majors, except Discover. Private dining room: For parties of up to 40 people. Reservations: Recommended for parties of eight or more. Carry-out: Yes. Seats: 200.

**Champps Americana** - 19470 Haggerty Road, (between Seven and Eight Mile Roads) Livonia, (734) 591-3334. Open:

11 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. Monday-Saturday; 10 a.m. to midnight Sunday. Sunday brunch menu 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Menu: Classic American dining including salads, sandwiches, pasta, chicken, steaks, seafood, pizza and hamburgers. Children's and late night menus available. Cost: Entrees \$9.95 to \$14.50; sandwiches \$6.25 to \$10.50; burgers \$4.75 to \$6.95; pizza \$6.50 to \$8.25. Sunday brunch items range from \$6.95 to \$8.95. Reservations: Not accepted. Credit cards: All majors accepted. Magician performs 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays during brunch. Bloody Mary Bar 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, noon to 3 p.m. Sundays. Specialty martini menu.

**Fire Academy Brewery & Grill** - 6677 N. Wayne Road, Westland, (734) 595-1988. Open 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Wednesday; 11 a.m. to midnight, Thursday-Saturday; noon to 11 p.m. Sunday. Menu: Something for everyone including hand-crafted beers and root beer, sandwiches, soup, salads, steaks, baby back ribs, chicken, shrimp, whitefish, and pasta. Children's menu available. Cost: Ranges from \$4.75 to \$5.95 for sandwiches, entrees \$7.95 to \$15.50. Credit Cards: All majors accepted. Reservations: Not accepted after 5 p.m. Very busy 5-9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, expect to wait.

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