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So you think she's special? In twenty-five words or less, tell us how and why she is so special to you. We'll pick the best responses and use them in our Mother's Day issue. The responses need to be in our office by Thursday, May 8, so quickly put them in the mail or fax us at 313-459-4224 or e-mail them to us at newsroom@oeonline.com. If you're running late you can even drop them off at our office. Please include Mom's name and your name, address and phone number. Send to: **Special Mom**, Observer Newspapers, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170

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Area code changes come again

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth city and township residents will soon use area codes to call their Oakland County neighbors, specifically those in Northville. Starting May 3, residents in Plymouth must dial 11 digits rather than seven, when making local calls between the 313 and 810 area codes. Customers who dial in error will hear a recording guiding them to dial 1 plus the area code and number. Then on May 10, a four-month option period begins as a new area code is introduced for Northville and most of Oakland County. The new area code is 248. But both the new 248 area code and the former 810 code will operate, during the four-month option period. The 248 area code becomes permanent Sept. 13. "Moving to 11-digit dialing is necessary to meet the demand for more phone numbers," said Helen Ranney, Ameritech external relations director. In-community dialing - the ability to dial only seven digits between closely aligned area codes, started in 1994 to ease the addition of the 810 area code in metro Detroit, Ranney said. "However, with the growth of additional phone lines, cellular phones, pagers, faxes and modems, we can't spare the blocks of numbers required to maintain in-community dialing." There is no rate increase resulting from the change, according to Ameritech. "Whatever is a long distance call today is going to be a long distance call tomorrow," said Marcia Sayles, Ameritech public relations director. Then the next round of area code changes follows Dec. 13. That's when Plymouth gets its new area code, 734. That 734 area code will also

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Former employee sues district

An executive secretary who worked in Assistant Superintendent Errol Goldman's department until May 1995 is suing for harassment, humiliation and age and gender discrimination.

BY M.B. DILLON
STAFF WRITER

Errol Goldman, Plymouth-Canton assistant superintendent for employee relations, is being sued by a former employee for harassment, humiliation, and age/gender discrimination. Lorraine Burnett, an executive

secretary in Goldman's department until she left in May 1995, is suing for \$4 million, claiming "intentional infliction of emotional distress and retaliatory harassment."

Also named in the suit are Superintendent Charles Little, the Plymouth-Canton School District and the Board of Education.

Burnett, 56, claims that Goldman humiliated and denigrated her by assigning her duties to others; giving her title to her assistant; communicating with her only via Dictaphone and memos; and subjecting her to "such emotional abuse that she was unable to sleep."

A complaint filed last month in Wayne County Circuit Court says Goldman "wanted her (Burnett) gone; and that Goldman wanted Walt Bartnick, (administrative assistant/labor relations), to 'get rid of her.'"

Despite Burnett's requests, Little

and the Board of Education failed to satisfactorily address the situation, according to the complaint. "Defendant Little said he would not permit Burnett to address the board with her concerns," the complaint says. The superintendent's solution to Burnett's problems "was for her to forget what had happened and for him (Goldman) to say good morning and goodbye."

Asked about the suit, Little said, "I have no comment. The board is aware of the litigation. That's all I'll

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Pharmacy FEVER



Inside

- Drugstore chains have their sights set on expansion in western Wayne County. **A5**
- Many years have passed, but it seems like yesterday. Copy editor Julie Brown reminisces about her high school job in a pharmacy. **A5**
- Wayne County map showing overall drugstore names and locations. **A5**



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Bright future: Bill McMullen, owner of Beyer Friendly Drugs in Plymouth, believes the remaining independent drugstores are stable. Customer service is what allows smaller stores to compete, McMullen said.

Local druggist finds business satisfying

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

From his store on Ann Arbor Road, Bill McMullen isn't all that far from competitors such as Arbor and Rite Aid. Even so, he doesn't feel threatened.

"You just learn the needs of your clientele," said McMullen, a pharmacist and owner of Beyer Friendly Drugs in Plymouth. "We've got a wonderful clientele, a real nice clientele."

McMullen's a graduate of Wayne State University's pharmacy school, where he met his wife, a pharmacist at Huron Valley Hospital. They live in Milford and have three teenage children.

"I've been here 10 years," he said of the store between Main and Sheldon. The Beyer Drugs on Main in Plymouth is separately owned. The store was established in 1865, making it Plymouth's oldest business.

"They had a big weeding-out pro-

cess maybe 10-15 years ago," he said of drugstore competition. Chains and conglomerates came in. "That's when the independents started going out of business."

Almost every year, a major drugstore company makes McMullen an offer for his store. "You just make the decision if you want to keep competing."

Independent drugstores left tend to be stable, he said, and there's not much competition between independent stores these days. Bigger stores look to control the market by getting exclusive contracts from insurance companies.

The disparity in advertising is the biggest difference he's seen. Providing information on drugs and drug reactions, for example, is now done by just about all stores, he said; it's only the bigger stores that can afford to advertise that service.

McMullen, 49, accepts up to 42 different insurance plans, and said

it was rare for him not to be able to accept insurance. "Again, it's all computerized." He'd like to see standardization of different billing programs.

"You've got to keep up on it." The biggest challenge he and his staff face is explaining benefits and their limitations to customers.

"We're not as busy" as big stores, he said. "We have the time to spend with the patient. We have service. We take our time with the customer. That's the satisfying part of it."

McMullen, a Vietnam veteran and member of the Disabled American Veterans, likes to be involved in his community. He's spoken at Churchill High School in Livonia, Schoolcraft College and at different retirement homes. "I like to get out in the community and do the public speaking."

He works with the Salvation Army and the local prisons to fill prescriptions for low-income people

and prisoners. He doesn't find not being open 24 hours a day a problem.

The store's open 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. six days a week. "So we cover the busiest times."

He knows the pharmacists at nearby stores and will call them if he's out of something he needs; they in turn do the same. McMullen knows a lot of his customers by name and has some third-generation customers. He finds that service is the key for a smaller drugstore.

He draws mostly from Plymouth-Canton, although some customers who have moved away come back for prescriptions. The store does a lot of special orders and deliveries. They help with sale and rental of hospital equipment.

"They're happy, we're happy. It's very satisfying."

"It's a satisfying business, it's a

Please see DRUGGIST, A2

Contaminated fish flee lowered lake

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Scores of fish contaminated with polychlorinated biphenyls probably have moved downstream by the lowering of Newburgh Lake to the middle branch of the Rouge River, state officials said last week.

That has prompted state officials to re-emphasize an advisory that exists against the public consumption of fish caught in that branch of the Rouge River.

The lake lowering from its original 15-foot depth to about 5 feet was completed according to permit requirements drawn by Environmental Consulting & Technology issued and approved by the state Department of Environmental Quality, but contractors used what the state called an "inappropriate" net in a spillway area at the dam in attempts to contain the fish.

EC&T was contracted by Wayne County to be the project manager of the \$10 million restoration of Newburgh Lake.

A project manager from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality said he was "not happy with what he saw upstream" when checking the site early last week.

"It was a lot shallower than we thought it would be, and not a large



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

A contaminated site: Newburgh Lake's water level was lowered nearly 10 feet so contractors can remove soil contaminated with polychlorinated biphenyls. But state officials worry about contaminated fish that have moved downstream and advise anglers that a ban on public consumption remains in effect on the Rouge.

enough zone for (the fish) to stay in," said Mark Oemke, project manager with the state Department of Environmental Quality. Oemke was referring to a pool of water just west of the dam.

Fish number unknown

Oemke reiterated that the contractors did nothing in violation of the permit, still the DEQ "didn't

know how many, and we still don't know how many fish may have gone downstream."

Gary Towns, a fisheries biologist with the Michigan's Department of Natural Resources who is responsible for a five-county area, was furious that the lake was drawn down so low from 105 acres down to about 10 acres without what the state

Please see FISH, A6

Officials reinforce fish-eating ban

State officials warn the public that an advisory remains against consuming fish caught in the Rouge River.

The advisory is nothing new, but officials with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality want to reinforce that message after learning many fish contaminated with polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) may have been displaced out of Newburgh Lake and moved downstream toward Nankin Mills.

PCBs are carcinogens that can cause birth defects in children.

The 1997 Michigan Fishing Guide outlines advisories against consuming fish on the Middle Branch of the Rouge below Phoenix Lake and the main branch below Ford Road.

The Michigan Department of Public Health issued the following advisory: "No consumption of the following fish: northern pike, white suckers, large and small mouth bass, catfish, bullheads and carp. Restrictive consumption of all other species caught to no more than one meal a week. Nursing mothers, pregnant women, women who intend to have children and children under the age of 15 should not eat any fish from this area."

Contractor bids to be reviewed for sidewalk repairs

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Half the city's sidewalks will be inspected for repairs this summer, in the first year of a two-year Sidewalk Repair Program.

Plymouth City Commissioners were scheduled Monday to review contractor bids on the \$95,000 project. About \$20,000 of that amount will be paid from the city general fund budget and the rest will be billed to homeowners whose sidewalks require repairs, as determined by city officials.

"The process right now is there are a couple of sidewalk inspectors from the Building Department," said Paul Sincok, Municipal Services director. "They will be soon looking at everything south of Ann Arbor Trail, currently they're working west of Main Street," he said.

Inspectors will soon draw orange marks on sidewalks, designating that repairs are coming.

An "XS" symbol means a repair is needed, and it will be paid for by the homeowner. "XSC" means there is a city water line underneath this portion, and the city will pay for the repair.

"Once their sidewalks have been marked they will get a letter in the relatively near future from the building department," Sincok said. Homeowners will have the option of seeking a firm to do the repair, or to use the contractor hired by the city.

The city code provides for a 30-day window for owners to arrange for their own repair of sidewalks. If arrangements are not made by the property owner, the city will proceed with the work.

In that instance, "We will bill the property owner," he said. "Generally you'll find that the city's price is less than what they can have it done for."

The estimated cost to repair a sidewalk is \$70 to \$90 per sidewalk slab. The property owner is

then billed for the cost of the improvement and given a minimum of 30 days to make payment, according to a report to City Manager Steve Walters from Finance Director Mark Christiansen.

Unpaid bills are put on the homeowner's next city tax bill.

Sincok said the sidewalk program is overdue, as the last major sidewalk repair program was in the early 1980s.

Benefits of the program include the obvious, providing

nice even sidewalks. But well maintained sidewalks also head off liability concerns and boost property values, officials say.

Residents with any questions about repair marks on their sidewalks or other questions related to the program can call Jim Penn at 459-1234, extension 232.

By the city charter, there is no public hearing of necessity for sidewalk improvements, Christiansen said.

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say."

Calls to Goldman were not returned.

Board members including Dave Artley, Carrie Blamer, and Jack Farrow also refused comment. "I'm following Errol's recommendation not to," said Farrow.

Burnett, who found a job with Citizens Insurance but has since been laid off in a downsizing move, said she's "really sorry it had to come to this."

"It was hard for me to do, because of my loyalty to the district," she said. "I feel for the district, however the parties-that-be have to correct actions that were

taken. This should not have happened. Errol is a human resources professional and should handle all his employees professionally."

Shortly after joining the district in 1976, Burnett was promoted to executive secretary to the assistant superintendent for employee relations, a job then held by Norm Kee. Goldman filled the position after Kee retired in 1990.

In 1994, Burnett requested an upgrade in recognition of the on-the-job training she provided Goldman; increased responsibilities; and degree attainment. "Although Burnett requested to

meet with Goldman per her request, she heard nothing," the suit claims.

Burnett also contends that co-workers who were younger, had fewer years of service, or were male and had not accomplished as much as she had "were recommended for promotion by Goldman and promoted."

Rather than speak with her directly, Goldman channeled all communication through Burnett's subordinate, Karen Stemberger via Dictaphone. The action "both humiliated Burnett and made doing her job more difficult, but Goldman continued to insist upon so communicating," according to the complaint.

Goldman "continued to try to set her up for failure by withholding information she required to do her job."

On Sept. 12, 1994, the board approved a pay increase for Stemberger. "Goldman continued to refuse to discuss the situation with Burnett, but Burnett

was advised that it was her responsibility to make staff aware of Stemberger's retroactive pay increase and promotion to executive secretary to the assistant superintendent, as well as her own resulting demotion in status."

While Goldman continued to treat Burnett as "leper" and attempted to "rid himself of Burnett, she continued to perform her responsibilities with competence and professionalism as even the superintendent recognized," the complaint says.

The complaint also says that "on Oct. 18, 1994, Bartnick advised Burnett that Goldman was going to ---- him in the after going to Superintendent Little over Goldman's direction to him to get rid of her."

"Goldman continued to ignore and avoid Burnett to the point that she came face-to-face with him for the first time in weeks on Oct. 21, 1994 and she was surprised that he acknowledged

her existence by saying 'Good Morning' for the first time in 1994."

On May 1, 1995, Burnett was asked to submit a severance agreement to Little for his review, which she did. On May 4, Little told Burnett that "her request" would be put before the board on May 8," according to the suit.

The May 8 meeting didn't result in a resolution. Burnett, Little and Goldman met on May 18, at which time Burnett said she was accepting a lesser-paid position at Citizens "as a way of saving herself emotionally."

Burnett claims no agreement was reached regarding her employment rights, retirement or compensation.

She requested a closed session of the board to deal with complaint, but it never occurred. Little, however, indicated to her that he would investigate Burnett's charges, according to the complaint.

On July 18, Burnett was placed upon unpaid leave. Although she agreed to cooperate with the investigation and to withhold action to allow it to proceed, Burnett never heard anything further about the alleged investigation, said Daniel Hoekenga, her attorney.

In fact, Goldman and Little "retaliated against Burnett and escalated the harassment and discriminatory actions" after she reported Goldman's improper and illegal conduct/actions to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and/or the board of education," Hoekenga said.

Burnett's position "was posted and ultimately given with board approval to a female who is more than 10 years younger than Burnett and who had been Goldman's assistant when he was employed by Ann Arbor Public Schools prior to 1992," according to her suit.

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The 3 Cities Art Club's annual spring exhibit runs May 10-22

D & M Studio's Once Upon An Easel, will host "The 3 Cities Art Club Annual Spring Art Exhibit and Acquisition," May 10-22. The Artist Reception and Award Ceremony will be at 2 p.m., Saturday, May 10.

Once Upon An Easel is in the Golden Gate Plaza, 8691 North Lillen Road, southwest corner of Joy and Lillen Roads in Canton Township.

3 Cities Art Club is the area's oldest art club. This annual

exhibit will feature daily artist demonstrations, 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, 9 p.m. Thursdays and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday.

The juror for the exhibit is Marge Hogan Chellstorp of

Farmington Hills. Currently she is the assistant professor of art and humanities at Madonna University and has instructed at the Belian Art Center in Troy. She has been a juror for art exhibitions around the State of Michigan. With more than 25 years in art competitions, Marge has won various awards at competitive, invitational and solo exhibitions such as, the Detroit Institute of Art; Michigan Watercolor Society-two awards for excellence.



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be new code for Canton, Garden City, Westland, part of Northville Township and most of Washtenaw County. That means Plymouth dialers must use it to reach those areas by phone.

If all these changes are just plain confusing, Sayles said, "They can just call the operator and ask to be connected."

To further publicize the changes, Sayles said there would be information provided with bills, and in press interviews.

Sayles said people in the community she's talked to have already got in the habit of dialing the area code, to avoid warnings that the code must be dialed.

"As a nation that's where we're headed - Dialing 1 plus the area code plus the seven-digit number," she said.

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real sense of accomplishment."

He credits his employees with much of the success. Pharmacy technician Helen Fox, for example, is able to answer questions women customers don't feel comfortable asking a man. She's a 14-year employee.

The store measures some 5,000 square feet. In addition to prescriptions, it does a good party store business, McMullen said, along with over-the-counter medications, first aid items, Lotto business and others.

McMullen, a Colonial Kiwanis Club member on inactive status, isn't sure if one of his three children will take over the store. "That would be nice," he said. "I could see it happening. I really don't know."

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BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

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Croaking sound identifies frogs for study

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

On a rainy spring evening, frogs may be hard to spot - but you can tell they're there.

That's because unlike birds, each frog species has just one call that identifies them.

Even during a recent cloudy afternoon at the fishing pond at Maybury State Park in Northville Township, one could hear a clicking noise. "That's a leopard frog," explains Karen Gourlay, a park interpreter.

She is among a few hundred state Department of Natural Resources workers and volunteers who this spring are touring 400 routes in Michigan, including sites in Salem Township. The frog counters are counting bull frogs, leopard frogs, mink frogs and others for a second statewide survey.

The frog counters wait for drizzly days with no strong winds to conduct counts. That's because these weather conditions make for the best days to hear the calls of the green and brown creatures.

Funded by voluntary donations to the Non Game Fish and Wildlife Fund, the survey of frog and toad populations will help the DNR assess long-term trends and population fluctuations of the amphibians.

The study will begin long-term data collection needed to determine whether population fluctuations are caused by environmental factors, including habitat degradation, ultraviolet radiation and excessive pesticide use. A worldwide decline of amphibians including frogs and toads has been recorded since the 1970s.

Gourlay's routine is driving and walking to 10 designated spots along her route that spans Salem and Northville townships. Last year she heard peepers and gray tree, leopard, bull, pickerel, green chorus and wood frogs.

"At night is the best time, there are less distractions for frogs from cars on the highways," she said.

Besides ponds, frogs can also be heard in roadside ditches. But Gourlay said these areas aren't suitable for some species, who produce tadpoles that take more than a year to mature.

To conduct the survey, volunteers learn how to distinguish the mating calls of 13 species of frogs and toads native to Michigan, Gourlay said she's identified seven species at Maybury.

Volunteers learn how to distinguish the mating calls from tapes. The volunteers traveled to designated sites in early April, and will continue to count frogs in early May and early June.

DNR researchers will have to wait five or six years to have enough data to assess any trends in



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Frog finders: Karen Gourlay of the DNR is among hundreds of researchers counting frogs in Michigan for an environmental study.

the population, said DNR Wildlife Biologist Lori Sargent who coordinates the survey.

"Last year bull frogs were heard less frequently across the state and we had expected to hear more mink frogs than were reported in the Upper Peninsula, but that does not indicate any trend," she said.

Frogs and toads absorb oxygen and water

through their skin. That makes them especially vulnerable to toxins in the environment, experts say.

An ideal time to count frogs is when the temperature is 65 or above, Sargent said, with clam winds and light rain. Gourlay said it takes but five minutes to stop at a site and record a count. An accurate count isn't possible, she said, when

more than three species are heard at once.

Frogs benefit the environment by eating loads of mosquitoes. Frogs and tadpoles also provide food for great blue herons and fish.

Those interested in participating in the survey can call Sargent in Lansing at 517-373-9418.

COP CALLS

Woman arrested

Plymouth police arrested a 30-year-old Wayne woman for driving while her license was restricted shortly after 9 a.m. April 29.

The woman was traveling at 42 mph on northbound Sheldon, south of West Middle School. The speed limit in the school zone is 25 mph. The woman didn't have a license with her and said it was the first time she'd been on Sheldon Road. She also said she thought she was out of the school zone.

She was booked, processed, and released on \$100 bond. She was given a court date of May 20.

Skateboarding violations

Plymouth police arrested five male skateboarders shortly after 9 p.m. April 28, including a 22-year-old from Southgate; a 21-year-old from Livonia; a 19-year-old from Northville; a 15-year-old from Plymouth; and a 20-year-old from Northville.

An officer traveling northbound on Main approaching Ann Arbor Trail in a semi-marked car observed two males skateboarding in the roadway on S. Main, and through the alley on Main approaching Fleet Street. Others were skateboarding on the lower level of the Central Parking Deck. A no roller blading/skateboarding sign is posted on the cement pillar on the deck's lower level.

The youths were advised of the ordinance. With the exception of one, all of them had "poor attitudes," said police. One youth was cooperative and said he was aware of the ordinance. The skateboards were seized, labeled and placed in the gun room.

The skateboarders were given court dates and issued misdemeanor violations.

Larceny reported

An 86-year-old Plymouth woman told police that over the past year, three religious articles have disappeared from her Haggerty Road apartment.

Just before Easter, a gold crucifix disappeared from her wall. Sometime last year, a crystal rosary turned up missing. The week of April 21, her mother's gold wedding band was taken from her dresser.

The victim says no one has been in her apartment except a cleaning woman who comes once a week. The woman doesn't want to accuse anyone and wouldn't give police the woman's name.

Breaking and entering

Plymouth police responded to a breaking and entering in progress on Jener at 8:30 p.m. April 27. Officers arrived to find glass shattered in the garage/walk through area.

A 49-year-old male with a gray beard was standing just inside the door. Police told him

to raise his hands and to turn around, which he did. The man was handcuffed and taken to the patrol car.

As they reached the car, they were approached by a woman who said she was the suspect's sister. She said her brother is an alcoholic, and that the home was that of her parents, who have severed ties with the man. She said they used to have him stay with them on occasion, but his drinking was an emotional drain on them and he is no longer welcome. The parents were vacationing in South Carolina.

The man lives in Livonia. Police said he appeared to be intoxicated as his speech was garbled and his conversation disjointed. The man tensed up and made a fist, telling police how angry he was. He said he'd just been released from a veteran's rehabilitation center in Battle Creek. He said he was weary of the spartan conditions at his house, which is under construction and decided to go to his parents' house.

He said he couldn't find the key and kicked out the glass door to try and find the other spare key. He'd planned to stay at the house one night before a friend was going to take him back to Battle Creek. Seized from the suspect was an old court officer's badge from 35th District Court where he formerly worked.

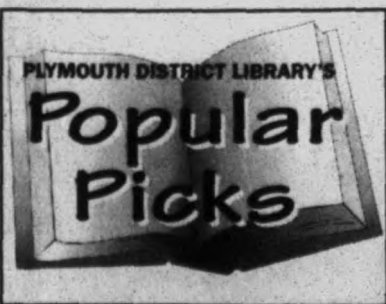
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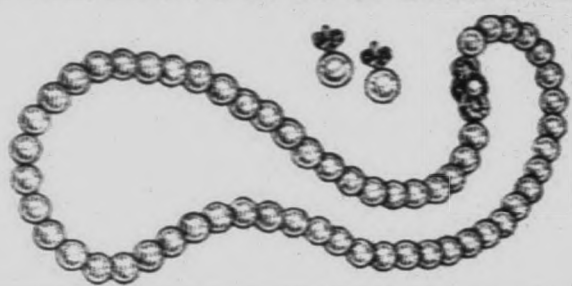
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Drugstore chains plan for expansion

BY BETH SUNDBLA JACOBSON
STAFF WRITER

Pharmacies seem to have the prescription for business in metro Detroit.

If it looks like there's a pharmacy on every corner, that's almost the case in some local communities as customers are offered many places to spend their health-care dollars.

Arbor Drugs has 183 stores mostly in southeast Michigan. Rite Aid, which bought the Perry Drug Store chain in 1985, now has more than 3,500 stores in 26 states and Washington, D.C., including 57 in Wayne County. Meanwhile, Walgreen, which has announced its planned entry into the Detroit market, has 2,256 stores in 34 states and Puerto Rico.

But that's only part of the picture. Expansion is the name of the game

There are times when a customer needs dog food or cookies and would rather go to a drugstore where the parking is right next door rather than park and walk in a large parking lot, Marx said.

for all three chains. Arbor plans to build 15-20 stores this year and at least that many are planned for next year, according to Frederick Marx, retail analyst and Arbor spokesman.

Based in Troy, Arbor had its beginnings with a store in Dearborn in 1963, and has seen very strong

growth in the last decade, Marx said. In 1986, when the company went public, it had 52 stores.

By the end of this year \$1 billion in sales are expected, Marx said.

Rite Aid, founded in 1962 in Scranton, Pa., has expansion plans for metro Detroit as well, according to Sarah Datz, Rite Aid spokeswoman. On tap for 1987 in Wayne County are 20 new stores, 15 relocations where an older outdated store is moved to a new store site nearby and 15 remodels where the store is expanded or remodeled to meet customer needs, Datz said.

Walgreen, founded in 1901 in Chicago, has plans to build in metro Detroit as part of its plan to have 3,000 stores by the year 2000.

Walgreen will be opening a half-dozen stores in metro Detroit in the second half of this year, Michael Polzin, Walgreen spokesman, said.

Metro Detroit is one of the largest markets in the country that Walgreen hasn't entered yet, Polzin said.



The company currently is looking at sites in Westland and Livonia.

"We'll start with this initial expansion," and then expand beyond that, he said.

It is expected metro Detroit could support around 200 Walgreens stores, based on the population and density, Polzin said.

Pharmacies are also a part of business at stores such as Kmart, Meijer, Kroger and Farmer Jack.

Pharmacies have been very successful at Kmart stores, according to Kmart spokesman Daniel Jarvis. Pharmacy services are offered in about three-quarters of Kmart stores nationwide, he said.

"We're constantly looking at our pharmacy operations," he said. The pharmacies are up to date and will stack up with any chain, he said.

Meijer has pharmacies in all 107 of its stores, according to Steven VanWagoner, Meijer public relations coordinator.

"We do well with them," he said. "A pharmacy in a Meijer store is part of our one-stop shopping concept."

Arbor's dominant

"People relate to their neighbor-

hood drugstores," Marx said.

Arbor is the chain drugstore leader in metro Detroit by every measure, Marx said. Arbor has enjoyed a growth of market share with 42 percent of the market share in 1986 up from 36 percent in 1985.

Michigan is different from the rest of the country in that most people have third-party plans, as a result the plans tend to dictate pricing, Marx said.

Customers tend to select a drugstore based on a variety of factors including convenience, and how quickly they can get in and out, he said.

Even with the number of chain stores, the Detroit market has far more independents than other markets, Marx said.

Marx sees the current market as just more of the same in the drugstore business. There has always been drugstore competition, Marx said. Arbor started "literally in the shadow of Kmart," Marx said. Also, once prominent in the drugstore market were Cunningham and Perry, Marx said.

Product lines don't change much from drugstore to drugstore, but

Arbor is very strong in its discipline, with most of its stores being located near enough to its Novi warehouse distribution center for one-day delivery, Marx said.

When buying a drugstore-related product, the customer wants it today and not in three days, Marx added.

Also, many supermarkets are now going to mega stores, stores that used to be 20,000 square feet are now 60,000 square feet, Marx said. The companies close two stores to open a mega store, but that makes them less convenient for the customer, he said.

There are times when a customer needs dog food or cookies and would rather go to a drugstore where the parking is right next door rather than park and walk in a large parking lot, Marx said.

Shopping habits can be monitored through the prescriptions - which require a name and address - as well as through film processing, Marx said.

If, by the addresses, the company can see that customers are driving past competitors to get to an Arbor, that tells the company that an Arbor is needed in that area, Marx said.

More drugstores are going into mature neighborhoods, because the population has aged, he said.

Store sites

Metro Detroit also has lots of suitable sites for Walgreen which likes to build freestanding stores at major intersections with easy on-off access, Polzin said.

"Convenience is really our strategy," Polzin said.

All new Walgreens stores include drive-through pharmacies, one-hour photo finishing, patient waiting rooms, separate consultation windows and satellite links between stores, Polzin said. Also, several stores in each market are 24-hour stores, he said.

Rite Aid also looks to locate more freestanding stores in convenient, high-traffic locations with easy on-and-off access and lots of parking, Datz said.

Walgreen has dropped out of first place in terms of number of stores, but is still the No. 1 chain in several areas including sales and earnings, Polzin said.

Rite Aid, No. 1 in number of stores, has seen much of its growth through the acquisition of other chains, according to Datz. The company recently bought the Thrifty Payless Inc. drugstores, which has 1,000 stores located in 10 states on the West Coast, she said.

Rite Aid also has a "fairly aggressive" new store expansion plan, Datz said.

Rite Aid plans 700 new stores on the East Coast in 1987 as well as 200 relocations or expansions on the East Coast. The West Coast stores are still being evaluated, Datz said.

Drive-through pharmacies are among the ways the company is going about serving customers, Datz said. Rite Aid is also putting in business centers in its stores, for photocopying and faxing, she said.

The stores are also tailored for the areas they serve, Datz said, such as carrying ethnic foods and cosmetics in some areas.

"In today's world where everyone is in a rush, people want one-stop shopping," Datz added.

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JULIE BROWN

Many years have passed, but it seems like yesterday.

My senior year in high school, I worked at Ed Downing's Pharmacy, on Walnut Lake Road just west of Inkster in West Bloomfield. My beginning there was innocuous; the summer heat got to me, and I fainted my first day and had to be toted to the nearby Henry Ford Medical facility; back in those days of the mid-1970s, it was surrounded by fields and woods.

Things got better, much better, and I'll always have my fond memories of working at the drugstore. Mr. Downing could be gruff at times, but he was a good, fair boss, a good introduction to the workaday world for a high school student.

I remember Herb, the nighttime/Sunday pharmacist, Mr. Downing's wife, Jane, who was such an integral part of store operations, the woman who took care of things during the day and my fellow students who worked at the store. Some were older by a bit; one young woman, a junior nursing student at Oakland University, used her experience in the drugstore to bolster her professional skills.

There were, to be sure, some humorous moments. One time, a classmate came in to buy condoms. Not surprisingly, he went to see the pharmacist rather than coming to my counter. Mr. Downing put the box into a prescription bag. There was, however, sales tax on the purchase which wouldn't have been the case for a prescription. I couldn't resist an innocent "Have a nice evening" as he left with his purchase.

Ed Downing's Pharmacy was more than a store; it also functioned as a community drop-in center where regulars gathered for a cup of coffee and some conversation. The

Pharmacy gives introduction to workaday world

local postman used to spend some time there, and I remember my mother complaining about his not being on his route. I got to know the regulars, who sometimes wanted to get a young person's point of view on a particular issue.

Walnut Lake Elementary School was just across the street, and the kids came in on school days for candy after classes ended. A few had permission to charge candy and other small purchases, which was a bit of a nuisance.

One day, I caught two girls shoplifting, putting small erasers in their knit hats. I took them to see Mr. Downing, noticing their growing fears and apprehension of being turned over to the police. As I recall, he called their parents, a fate probably worse in their eyes than being turned over to the local law enforcement officials.

We sold cigarettes but no liquor at Ed Downing's. Cigarettes, as I recall, were 52 cents a pack. I must confess that I at least didn't give much thought to the morality of a drugstore selling tobacco. When you're 17, death from lung cancer seems pretty remote.

In 1976-77, when I worked at the store, I made \$1.50

per hour. That was below the minimum wage, which was \$2.30 at the time. However, the store's proximity to my home meant I didn't have to maintain a car, so the job ended up being a better deal than it first appeared.

We were aware of larger drugstore competitors, but it wasn't the same as it is today. We had Savon (which continues to operate), but that was before the days of Arbor and Rite Aid. Most of the insurance checks we got came from Blue Cross Blue Shield, although there were some smaller insurers whose cards we accepted as well.

I left Ed Downing and the others that fall of 1977 to begin studies at the University of Michigan. I kept in touch, and put my graduation present from Mr. Downing to good use to pay for books and supplies. I remember how proud he was the summer after my sophomore year of college when I worked for the Birmingham-Bloomfield Eccentric. He would read my articles in the paper. I think in some ways he thought of those of us who worked in the store as an extension of his family.

Mr. Downing died of a stroke shortly after that. I found out too late to attend the service, but did send a note of condolence to Jane Downing. Another pharmacist bought the store, but it's since closed.

When I see smaller, locally owned drugstores struggling to compete with larger competitors, I'm drawn back to the days at Ed Downing's Pharmacy. The store was a wonderful place to begin my professional life; although I didn't choose to study pharmacy, I know that I benefited both professionally and personally from my time there. I hope that other, younger people will also have that opportunity.

Julie Brown, a Plymouth Township resident, is a copy editor for the Observer Newspapers.



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'believed was proper containment of the PCB-contaminated fish.

An original plan dated October 1996 called for EC&T to draw down to 54.5 acres. Towns believed many of the fish were to remain in the lake, then killed and sent to a landfill.

"I've been around draw downs and I know once you impact it like this, at least 80 percent of the fish population is displaced," Towns said.

Jim Murray, director of environment for Wayne County, said the county was doing everything that was required under its permit issued by the state Department of Environmental Quality.

"There's a fish advisory on all (the Rouge) branches," Murray said. "We've complied with our part to the letter. Besides, those fish can come over the dam anytime there's high water that's coming over the dam."

Jim Ridgway, vice president of Environmental Consulting & Technology and EC&T's project manager for the Newburgh Lake restoration, refused to answer any questions regarding the state's concerns or the fish situation, and referred all questions to Wayne County.

EC&T received approval of two permits from the Depart-

ment of Environmental Quality. One allowed for the lowering of the lake and was approved by the DEQ's land and water management division; another was approved by the DEQ's surface water quality division.

A fish kill to remove what was an estimated 25 tons of fish is scheduled for June using a natural pesticide, rotenone, that is harmless to humans and waterfowl.

Oemke said it was difficult to tally the actual fish population of the lake. "They did draw down the lake about six inches a day, which was slow enough so not to move the PCBs," Oemke said.

Few on shore

The first drawdown has not washed many dead fish on the shore.

"I bought into this for two reasons: No. 1, because the sediments with PCBs in the lake were going to be removed and we would end up with a clean lake that would be fishable, and No. 2, we were not going to pass this fish on (downstream) so it would be someone else's problem," Towns said.

While those fish will not move back upstream, they could conceivably move into other branch-

es, such as the main branch north into Detroit and Oakland County or lower branch of Rouge, where fish advisories do not exist in the upper reaches of the river, Towns said.

The project's goal is to draw down the lake, remove PCB-contaminated soil and restore the lake to a healthy fishery.

Murray said Wayne County had planned on conducting a second fish kill from Wilcox Lake downstream to Nankin Mills. Wayne County would need to apply for a second permit. "We know those fish can migrate back up from Nankin to Newburgh," Murray said.

"Once the restoration is finished, and we plan to apply for a permit to do another fish kill, coming from one dam over Wilcox Lake (upstream from Newburgh Lake) and to Nankin, then Newburgh will be stocked."

Towns said earlier talks with EC&T had indicated that the water was to be lowered only about 2 feet below the crest of the Newburgh Lake spillway, which was to decrease the surface area to 54.5 acres. The water was about 5 feet deep in its deepest area.

On Wednesday, Towns and Oemke saw a net about 6 feet across the dam in the east end of the lake that was placed against the spillway to stop the fish and it had captured a pike in it, but Towns called the net "totally inappropriate" because fish could easily flop over the top of the dam and the net.

"The proper method would be a rigid screen or a steel mesh net that totally blocked out the water," Towns said.

In October 1996, EC&T had proposed using blocking nets during the rotenone application. The nets were not discussed during meetings with the contractor because the state believed the lake would be lowered only a couple feet during the first phase, Towns said.

Net useless

Towns said the 6-foot net folded over the spillway, rendering it useless to retain the fish.

"I think it puts a big black mark in a large segment of what we were getting into," Towns said. "Those fish have been passed downstream."

Murray replied: "I would like to hear his explanation about what to do about the fish that have the ability to go over the dam when the water levels are high." Oemke was told Wednesday by contractors that stronger nets would be used to contain the fish.

State biologists conducted a summary of catch in 1988 that found northern pike, largemouth bass, carp and suckers in Newburgh Lake. These species are bottom-feeders and have high contaminant levels of PCBs, because the PCBs lie within the sediment on the lake's bottom, with larger concentrations in the western end of the lake, Towns said.

"If (these bottom-feeders) eat a lot of small fish, the PCB levels increase, and it can get into the flesh itself," Towns said.

"We found five times (in the pike) what is considered the 'active' level of 8.92 parts per million," Towns said. "At two parts per million, we warn of no consumption."

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The PCB levels in Newburgh Lake (the PCB) pike in Newburgh Lake said. "This is a frenzy, and that hasn't past."

"We believe they will be between Nankin and Newburgh Lake."

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bioaccumulate in animals, meaning they continue through the food chain and collect as one species consumes another contaminated with the PCBs.

The PCB warning was issued many years ago on fish consumption, but the public still needs to be reminded, officials believe.

"We believe a lot of anglers between Nankin Mills and Newburgh Lake who consider that the (PCB) problem is a Newburgh Lake problem," Towns said. "This could cause a fishing frenzy, and a heightened interest that hasn't been there in the past."

"We believe the fish are a lot

'hotter' (contaminated with PCBs) than in the past."

State officials weren't the only ones concerned about the contaminated fish.

Bill Craig, a member of a subcommittee on contaminated sites and habitats for the Rouge River Remedial Action Plan Advisory Council and the leader of Rouge Rescue cleanups at the Holliday Nature Preserve in Westland, was troubled by the news.

"Now there's a possibility that there's 'hot' fish and this puts a toxic legacy in another pond," Craig said.

"That was a 'bonus' (during the restoration) - to get rid of

the contaminated fish. And now, they have to go downstream."

Towns was asked if it jeopardized the state's commitment to restocking Newburgh Lake.

"We want to consider all options at this point. We want to see the restocking effort proceed with the right effort, so the lake's fish population is a healthy and balanced one."

Towns believed the restoration has good goals and that the state supports the overall efforts.

"It's just that we've run into a snafu that can create other problems," he said.

MSU president fields money questions at budget hearing

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

When M. Peter McPherson was a junior at Michigan State University, he ran for class president on the platform of starting a student bookstore because text prices were so high.

"We never started it," said McPherson, "but the threat of a student bookstore had some impact."

For the last three years, McPherson has been president of the 40,000-student university with a nearly \$1 billion budget, but the high cost of textbooks still is a problem.

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son during May 1 hearings on the East Lansing campus on the state's \$1.5 billion universities budget bill. "There were many publishers 10 years ago. Today there are only three or four university book companies left."

"Why are these prices going up faster than the (consumer) price index? Individual schools have little influence. Science texts are out of date in two or three years. Books are a significant amount of higher education costs."

McPherson had no immediate answer to the textbook cost problem.

Cisky, one of three members of the appropriations subcommittee on higher education, is a former sheriff's department sergeant who has studied or taught at nine different colleges, public and private, and is considered a connoisseur of higher education.

Senators liked McPherson's answers to other cost problems at MSU - a science building, tuition and room-and-board.

Asked chairman John J.H. Schwarz, R-Battle Creek: "You

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want a science building that will cost \$80 million. Universities will be asked to put up 25 percent of the cost. How much of a problem will that be? Possible sources are investment income, alumni gifts, and the ever popular student fees.

"Some match by the universities is realistic," said McPherson, adding it wouldn't be done with student fees. "We much prefer a 25 percent match than no program."

Schwarz noted Gov. John Engler recommended \$274 million in state aid for MSU, up 2.5 percent, while the House voted \$282.3 million, a 5.5 percent

hike. Realistically, Schwarz said, MSU's increase will be somewhere between 3.75 and 4.5 percent increase. "Could you hold the line on tuition?" he asked.

"It would allow us to, with some restraint," McPherson replied. He reported the MSU board had extended the tuition guarantee (no more than the rate of increase in the federal consumer price index, about 2.8 percent) to this fall's incoming freshmen.

"It now covers almost everybody on campus," said McPherson.

son.

"You've sent a message that we in the Legislature appreciate," smiled Schwarz. "Thank you for leading the way." Confessing he had just finished sending two children to college, Schwarz added, "I'm pretty well tuitioned out."

While legislative Democrats, such as Rep. Laura Baird of Okemos, boasted about the House's generosity compared to Engler's, Schwarz said, "Never in my pleasantest wild dreams can I see the House increase."

State appropriations don't cover room-and-board costs, but McPherson reported on them anyway. "MSU has the lowest board and room rates of any university in Michigan," he said.

"This year's increase - 2.79 percent - is the lowest among the Big Ten universities. These efforts have allowed us to expand the services available to on-campus students." Some 14,000 students live in campus housing.

McPherson's goal is to expand the number of students who

study one semester abroad from the current 1,000 to 40 percent of all by the year 2000.

MSU has no plan to absorb the Detroit College of Law's program into its own structure. We have announced a joint MBA (master of business administration) and law degree," the president said.

DCL moved out of Detroit to the MSU campus but still exists as a separate entity, McPherson said. "We have committed to an existing law school rather than creating a new one."

To Schwarz's question, he said

MSU has no plan to introduce a law school program to the west side of the state.

Schwarz, an MD, observed ruefully: "We're overproducing lawyers and doctors."

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KEELY WYGONIK

Farmers begin asparagus harvest

My Aunt Marge introduced me to u-pick farms 15 years ago this June, on the day before my wedding, and I've been a fan ever since.

Aunt Marge, her sister Nancy, who is my mother-in-law, and I picked the strawberries to serve the next day at my wedding reception. Some were dipped in chocolate, the rest arranged on a platter.

We could have gone to the store to buy strawberries, but spending that time together helped me feel like a family member, and the berries we picked were superior in every way — color, flavor, and aroma.

Every fruit and vegetable has a season, and while you can get some very good produce at the market, home grown is better. Some of us are too busy to garden. U-pick, or fresh picked from a farm, is the next best thing.

Local farmers started harvesting asparagus this week. Expect to pay \$1 to \$1.50 a pound for u-pick, or freshly picked asparagus.

Michigan ranks third in the nation in asparagus production behind California and Washington. According to the Michigan Asparagus Advisory Board, there are about 70 Michigan asparagus growers producing more than 25 million pounds of asparagus each year. Most of Michigan's asparagus is grown in counties along Lake Michigan where the soil is sandy, climate moist, and temperatures are 52° F, or slightly above. Oceana County, between Ludington and Muskegon, ranks number one in the state for asparagus, and hosts the National Asparagus Festival.

A variety of activities are offered during the three-day festival June 13-15 in Hart, including an Arts and Crafts Fair, entertainment, and asparagus food show. Call (616) 861-8110 for more information, or the online site <http://www.oceana.net/na/>

Michigan's asparagus harvest begins in early May, and peaks in early June. Because its only available for a very short time, asparagus truly is one of our state's treasures.

Wiard's Orchards

Jay Wiard, whose family has been farming the same plot of land in Washtenaw County for 154 years, has about five acres asparagus. He started harvesting April 30.

"Asparagus is an interesting crop," he said. "It normally lasts a month. Rain and temperature are real important. If it's too hot the season won't last as long."

Wiard, whose family offers u-pick asparagus, strawberries, apples, peaches, and pumpkins at their farm, is optimistic. "I was looking at the buds and it looks like a good crop of apples this year," he said. "The peaches look favorable too."

Chris Long grew up in Livonia, married Rob, and moved to a farm in Oakland County. "We offer fresh picked asparagus," she said. U-pick strawberry season begins in June.

They're taking orders for fresh picked asparagus at Blake's Big Apple Orchard in Macomb County. Like Wiard, Peter Blake, whose family has been farming for 50 years, is keeping his fingers crossed.

"Spring weather — rain and temperature — determines everything," said Blake who runs the business with his brothers Paul and Ray. "We grow about five acres of asparagus. We'll begin offering fresh picked asparagus around May 9 through June 9, or as long as the weather is good." Blake's also offers u-pick strawberries.

Wednesday was a beautiful sunny day with a light misting of rain. But temperatures dropped overnight, and Linda Girard who operates Girard's Produce Farm in Belleville with her husband Mark, was up early checking the asparagus.

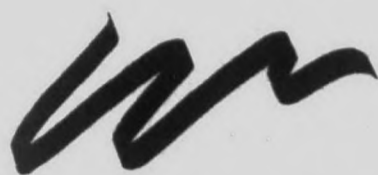
"We just started picking asparagus last night," she said. "A lot of people don't realize how hard

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LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Recipes for working moms
- Main Dish Miracles



Cinco de Mayo CELEBRATES MEXICO'S INDEPENDENCE

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Every day is a celebration at Old Mexico Restaurant in West Bloomfield, but May 5 is special. "On May 5 we celebrate freedom from the French," said Chef Timothy R. Castaneda whose family owns the Old Mexico Restaurants in West Bloomfield and Livonia. But the French did leave something behind — pastries, and breads.

"There are a lot of great bakeries in Mexico where you can see the French influence. You can get great baguettes in Mexico," said Castaneda who grew up in Livonia, and worked at restaurants in Los Angeles, Phoenix and San Francisco before returning home to help run the restaurants founded by his parents Ramon and Vicki Castaneda.

Celebrated with parades and feasting, Cinco de Mayo commemorates a battle that took place between the French troops of Napoleon III, and a Mexican army led by General Ignacio Zaragoza in Puebla, Mexico. Zaragoza and his army, outnumbered three to one by the French, won. The victory marked the beginning of the end of European occupation of Mexico.

"The Indians were there first, and the Europeans took over," said Castaneda. Early maize cultivation in Mexico as early as 10,000 B.C., led to a farming culture.

Conquering armies brought ingredients, which have become part of the Mexican food palate. "The Spanish brought cattle, pork, cheese, wheat, rice, onions, and nuts. The Mexicans already had chocolate, beans, corn, and tomatoes," said Castaneda. Also indigenous to Mexico, chilies, squash, and avocados, were discovered by conquerors, and introduced to Europeans, and later Americans.

"The Aztecs ate avocados, as

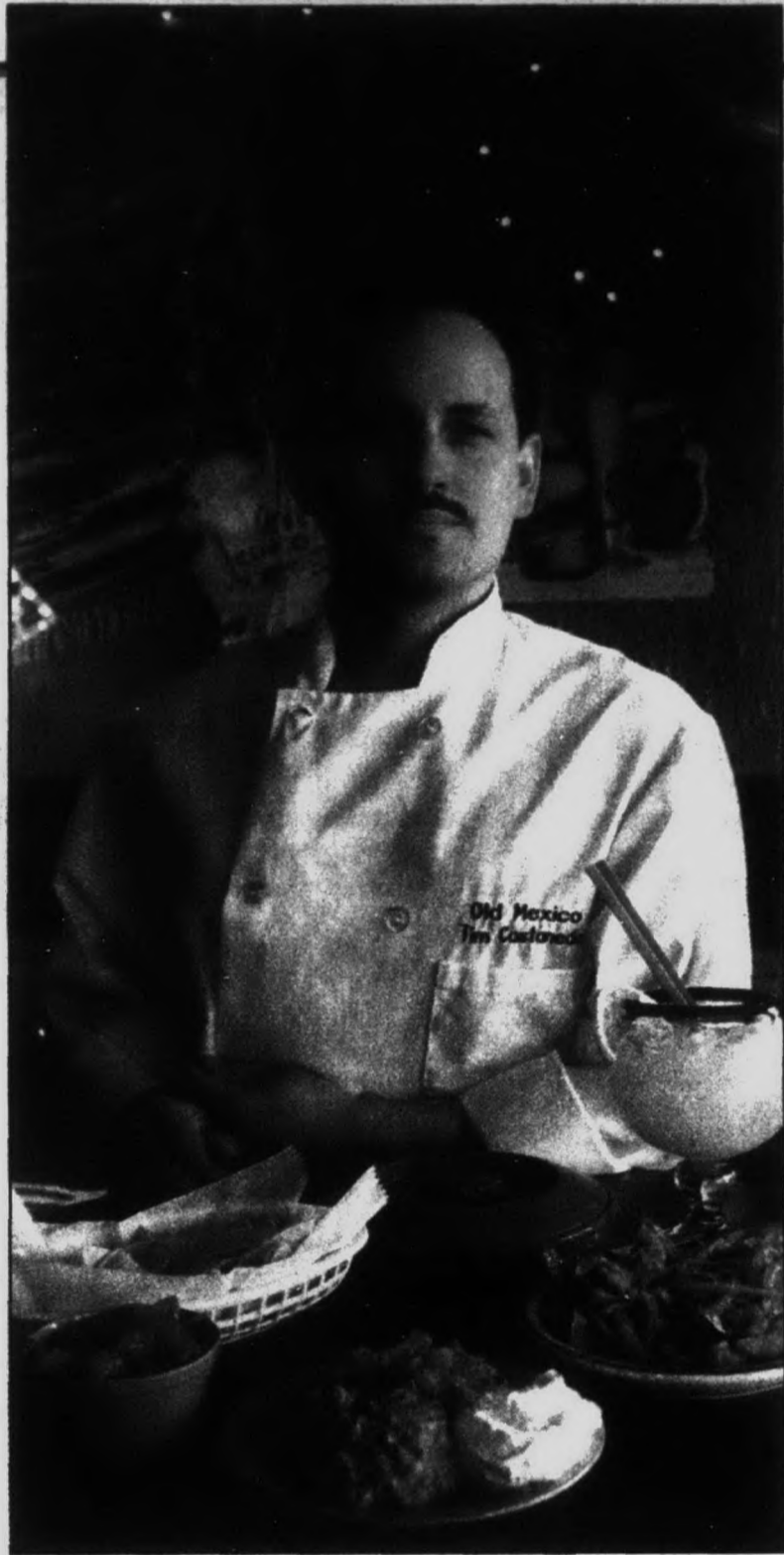
noted by the early Spanish explorers," writes John F. Mariani in "The Dictionary of American Food and Drink," (Hearst Books, New York, copyright 1994). "Horticulturist Henry Perrine planted the first avocados in Florida in 1833. It was reported in 1529 by a Spanish missionary that the Aztecs put chile peppers in everything they ate, including chocolate. Chiles may first have been brought into what is now the United States by General Juan de Onate, who founded Santa Fe in 1598. The oldest evidence of squash being used as food dating back to between 7000 and 5500 B.C. was found at the Ocampo Caves in Mexico, whence they were carried to North America. Evidence of squash has been found in the burial mounds of Ohio, Kentucky, and Virginia, from 2,000 years ago."

"Mole combines Spanish and Mexican culinary traditions. It's a mixture of chilies, chocolate, and nuts such as almonds," said Castaneda. Pollo en Mole — Chicken breast with chocolate flavored gravy, is one of the items on Old Mexico's menu.

Mexicantown in Detroit celebrates Cinco de Mayo noon to 6 p.m., rain or shine, today at the Mexican Fiesta Gardens on Bagley (between 20th street and the I-75 Service Drive). Entertainment, and traditional Mexican cuisine await. Call (313) 842-0450 for information.

Locally, Cinco de Mayo will be celebrated at Old Mexico in West Bloomfield with live music, and piñata. The restaurant will be open 4-10 p.m. today in celebration of Cinco de Mayo. A Latin-style band will perform 7-10 p.m.

A mariachi band will play 8-10 p.m. Monday. Tim's Shrimp or Chicken Diablo made with a spicy chipotle cream sauce is a featured menu item at the West Bloomfield location, 5566 Drake Road,



STAFF PHOTO BY DAN DEAN

Taste of Mexico: Timothy R. Castaneda presents Chicken Fajitas, one of Old Mexico's specialty dishes.

(corner of Walnut Lake Road), (810) 661-8088. Regular restaurant hours are 5-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; noon to 11 p.m. Friday; 5-11 p.m. Saturday.

Old Mexico, 28407 Five Mile Road, (between Inkster and Middlebelt) Livonia, (313) 421-3310, is smaller than the West Bloomfield restaurant, but offers many of the items that have made these restaurants so popular. The restaurant is open 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 10:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday; (closed Sunday).

Rio Bravo Cantina, 19265 Victor Parkway (at Seven Mile Road) in Livonia, (313) 542-0700 is "having a party 4-11 p.m. Monday," said Greg Spangis, one of the managers. "There will be a tent in the parking lot. We'll have live entertainment beginning at 6 p.m. with the Ron Coden Show,

games and giveaways, and a jalapeno eating contest. Q95.5 FM will be there too.

Trini & Carmen's, 1019 Maple (between Crooks & Livernois) Clawson, (810) 280-2626, is celebrating 1-5 p.m. today with drink specials, piñata, and giveaways. Children age six and under eat free 1-5 p.m. today. On Monday there will be drink and food specials all day. Restaurant hours are 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday; 1-9 p.m. Sunday.

Plymouth Landing, 340 North Main Street, Plymouth, (313) 455-3700, is offering Mexican food specials on Monday, including a special dessert — ice cream topped apple tortillas. Lunch and dinner are served 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.

See recipes inside.

Importer specializes in French wines

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD
SPECIAL WRITERS

If you've purchased California wine recently, you've noticed that prices are up; way up for ultra-premium brands. With the dollar in a favorable ratio to the French franc currently, many French wines now appear affordable by comparison.

Choosing French wines is difficult for the uninitiated. We offer a rule we've expressed before — buy based on the importer's reputation. A few wines imported by Weygant-Metzler have been available in this market, but there's a bevy here now. Owner Peter Weygant was born on a farm in Illinois. He had his first taste of wine in college. Without capital, an early start in the wine business was impossible. "I went to law school so I could earn a living," he admitted.

With a law practice in Illinois, he had an opportunity to shop at Chicago's many fine wine stores and hone his palate. In 1979, Weygant made a southeast Pennsylvania land purchase with his brother and started Stargazers Vineyard. In 1981, he moved his law practice to Pennsylvania as his interest in wine grew. In 1985, he made his first visit to France accompanied by his French-speaking wife Maria. Fermenting in the back of their heads was the idea to discover and import wine from a select number of small producers. Permit to import was granted in 1986 and the first container of 700 cases landed in 1987.

"I got lucky," Weygant said. "Several of the wines got good reviews from Robert Parker Jr. in his Wine Advocate."

To stay in the import business, Weygant knew he had to increase the size of his company. Today, he

imports 25,000 cases of French wines only, sourced from small, personally-selected estates with productions no greater than 5,000 cases. His distribution extends to 25 states. He's his own national sales director stumping the country enthusiastically selling wines.

"In order to compete with larger import companies I have to come up with exceptional wine that is a good value," Weygant said. In our opinion, he has done just that in his wine choices from France's Loire Valley, Burgundy, Beaujolais, Rhone, southern France, Alsace and Provence region. We recommend the following superstars from a stellar collection:

1995 Boileau Chablis \$17.50 makes a great seafood match. 1995 Serge Dagueneau Pouilly-Fumé \$18.75 is a ripe and rich rendition of sauvignon blanc. 1995 Schöffit Chasselas "Vieilles Vignes" \$15.75 is a real find from Alsace. Chasselas is not a well-known grape outside its homeland. Vieilles Vignes translates as old vines and these are 70 years old. This is a refreshing spring and summertime pour redolent of ripe pear and peaches. Chardonnay lovers will be charmed by 1994 Melin Pouilly-Fuissé, Clos Soufrandise Vieilles Vignes \$25.50. These are 40 to 75-year-old vines yielding a rich, yet delicate wine with balanced oak nuances.

1995 Domaine Guilhem Durand \$9 is a syrah from the Languedoc that's blackberry, spice and everything nice.

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Wine Picks

■ Chardonnay outsells its nearest competitor cabernet sauvignon two to one. From the 1995 vintage we recommend:

Chateau St. Jean Chardonnay \$13; Meridian Reserve Chardonnay, Edna Valley \$15; Dry Creek Vineyard Chardonnay \$17; DeLoach Sonoma Cuvee Chardonnay \$14; Pine Ridge Knollside Chardonnay \$19.50; Shafer Red Shoulder Ranch Chardonnay \$34 — outstanding.

■ Sauvignon blanc remains one of the best buys despite escalating California wine prices. It's unbeatable with seafood.

Try: 1996 Geyser Peak Sauvignon Blanc \$11; 1995 Beringer Sauvignon Blanc \$10; 1995 Taft Street Sauvignon Blanc \$8; 1996 Canyon Road Sauvignon Blanc \$8.

■ Merlot is luxurious and luscious. From vintage 1994 we recommend: Columbia Crest Merlot \$14.50; Dry Creek Vineyard Merlot \$21; Pine Ridge Merlot, Carneros \$31.50.

■ Cabernet Sauvignon — unbeatable with grilled beef. Again from 1994, try: Turnbull Cabernet Sauvignon \$24; Sterling Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon \$20; Pine Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon, Rutherford \$25.50; Geyser Peak Cabernet Sauvignon \$17 — exceptional value.

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with flavorful fare

See related story on Taste front.

TRINI & CARMEN'S FAMOUS NACHO RECIPE

- 1/4 to 1/2 pound ground beef
- 1/2 cup diced Spanish onions
- 2 cloves of fresh garlic, diced
- 1/2 teaspoon cumin
- 1/4 teaspoon ground oregano
- Salt to taste
- 1 (16 ounce) can whole tomatoes
- Nacho chips
- 8 to 16 ounces Muenster Cheese

Optional ingredients: Diced green peppers, diced onions, fresh tomatoes, Spanish rice, seafood, beans, mushrooms

Brown ground beef and add Spanish onions. Cook 15-20 minutes over low heat.

In blender, puree the garlic, cumin, oregano, canned tomatoes, and salt. Add this mixture to the ground beef. Cook for 5 minutes and then simmer for 20 minutes on low heat.

On a pizza pan, layer nacho chips, seasoned ground beef, cheese and any of the optional items you desire. Broil for 5 minutes to melt the cheese. Do not microwave.

Recipe compliments of Rudy Martinez, owner of Trini & Carmen's.

CHICKEN FAJITAS

- 3 tablespoons lime juice
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1/4 teaspoon crushed hot red pepper
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 6 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves
- 12 flour tortillas
- Guacamole, salsa, shredded lettuce, pickled jalapeno peppers, and sour cream as accompaniment.

In a large bowl, combine lime juice, garlic, oregano, hot pepper, salt, and oil. Add chicken and toss to coat. Cover and marinate 1 to 2 hours.

Prepare a hot fire in a barbecue

grill. Put chicken on an oiled grill rack and grill, turning and basting with marinade several times, until chicken is white throughout, 8 to 10 minutes. Remove to cutting board.

Place tortillas directly on grill. Heat 10 to 20 seconds, turning with tongs. Wrap in a cloth napkin and place in a basket to keep warm.

Cut chicken into large strips and place on a platter. Serve with guacamole, salsa, lettuce, pickled jalapeno peppers, and sour cream for each person to roll their own. Serves 6.

Recipe from "365 Easy Mexican Recipes" by Marge Poore (HarperCollins Publishers, copyright 1993.)

GUACAMOLE

- 2 large ripe avocados
- 1/2 medium onion, finely

- chopped
- 1 to 2 serrano peppers, minced
- 1 tablespoon chopped cilantro
- Juice of 1 lime, about 2 tablespoons
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Cut avocados in half. Remove seeds. Hold one unpeeled half in the palm of your hand and mash avocado meat with a fork right in its shell. Repeat with remaining avocado halves.

Scoop out mashed avocado into medium bowl. Add onion, serrano peppers, cilantro, lime juice, and salt. Mix well.

Pile into pretty bowl and place a piece of plastic wrap right on surface to retain color. Serve as soon as possible or up to 2 hours for best color and flavor. Serves 4.

For a variation, add 1 small tomato, chopped.

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MEXICAN RICE

- 1 medium carrot, peeled and cut into 1/4-inch dice
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 2 cups long-grain white rice
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- 3/4 cup canned pureed tomatoes
- 1 (14 1/2-ounce) can reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper

In a small saucepan of boiling salted water, cook carrot until just

tender, about 3 minutes. Drain and rinse under cold running water; drain well.

In a large saucepan, heat oil over medium heat. Add rice and cook, stirring, about 1 minute to coat with oil. Stir in onion and garlic. Cook, stirring until onion is translucent, about 3 minutes.

Stir in cumin, tomatoes, chicken broth, salt, pepper, and 1 cup water. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low, cover, and cook 15 to 18 minutes, or until liquid is absorbed and rice is tender. Remove from heat and let stand 5 minutes. Add cooked carrot and stir gently to combine. Serves 8.

Recipe from "365 Easy Mexican Recipes" by Marge Poore (HarperCollins Publishers, copyright 1993.)

Wine from page B1

Pepperiness in the finish makes it a handsome pairing for grilled meats. In the same league and from the Corbières appellation of the Languedoc is 1994 Bousquet Grand Moulin \$9.50. From the Rhone, try 1995 Chateau Mourgues du Grès, Costières de Nimes \$11. It's 70 percent syrah and 30 percent grenache. If you've become fond of Rhone blends, this is a winner.

Are you confused about all the terms we and other wine writers use in describing wines? Beringer Vineyards is offering

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Look for Focus on Wine on the first and third Sunday of the month in Taste. To leave a voice mail message for the Healds, dial (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1864.

Home Grown from page B1

farming is. We're at the mercy of the weather." Girard is prepared in case of frost. "We've got the sprinklers ready if it gets too cold," she said. "The sprinklers will help protect the strawberries against frost."

Girard is Linda's married name, her maiden name is Rowe, and she and Mark also run her parent's farm, which is just across the county line in Ypsi-

lanti. The Girards are taking orders for fresh picked asparagus. They have almost four acres of asparagus, and 30 acres of strawberries.

Share your stories

Look for my Home Grown column on the first Sunday of the month in Taste. We'll have information about u-pick and fresh picked strawberries June 1.

According to the Michigan Department of Agriculture, the strawberry season starts around June 15, and continues to July 1 in the lower peninsula.

Raspberries, and cherries follow in July. If you offer u-pick at your farm, enjoy visiting u-pick farms, have a story, or recipe to share, please call me at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, (313) 953-2105, or fax

information (313) 591-7279. My address is 36251 Schoolcraft, Ionia, MI 48150.

Keely Wygonik is editor of the Taste, Arts & Leisure and Entertainment sections of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Look for her Specialty Foods column in Taste on the third Sunday of the month.

Wonderful Pacific Rim Chicken 'slow cooker'

AP — Use a slow cooker for the following recipe for Pacific Rim Chicken. The combination of sauce ingredients gives this chicken dish a wonderful flavor. The recipe is from "Skinny One-Pot Meals" by Ruth Glick (Surrey Books, \$12.95).

PACIFIC RIM CHICKEN

- 1 large onion, finely chopped
- 1 large green bell pepper, chopped
- 4 to 5 large bone-in chicken

- breast halves, skin and fat removed (about 3 1/2 pounds)
- 8-ounce can crushed pineapple, including juice
- 3/4 cup defatted reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 1/4 cup dry sherry
- 2 tablespoons reduced-sodium soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon packed light

In large slow cooker, combine onion and green pepper. Arrange

chicken over vegetables.

In medium bowl combine pineapple and juice, broth, sherry, soy sauce, brown sugar, vinegar, ginger, salt if desired and black pepper. Stir to mix. Pour over chicken. Cover and cook on high for 1 hour. Reduce heat to low, stir chicken into sauce and cook an additional 5 to 6 hours or until

chicken is done.

Remove and reserve chicken in medium bowl. Transfer liquid and vegetables to saucepan. Quickly boil down sauce, stirring frequently, to thicken slightly. Meanwhile, slice chicken meat. Arrange rice on serving platter. Arrange chicken slices over rice. Pour sauce over all. Makes 6 servings.

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Build a savory, sandwich that's hearty and healthful

Sandwiches have great potential to serve up sound nutrition: complex carbohydrates and fiber in the bread; protein and other nutrients in the filling; and lots of vitamins, minerals and fiber in the vegetable add-ons that boost flavor and crunch. So why waste your time and calories on white bread sandwiches loaded with high-fat bologna, cheese and mayonnaise? Here's a plan for building savory sandwiches that are both hearty and healthful.

Bread. In place of bland white bread, use whole wheat, rye, pumpernickel, or multi-grain varieties. They provide rich flavor and about two grams of fiber per slice, compared to about a half a gram in white bread. Whole wheat pita pockets provide fiber and a pouch for holding wholesome vegetable additions. Remember, not all breads that are dark in color and have healthy sounding names are high in fiber. Check the label.

Condiments. In spite of what

you may have learned in childhood, you don't need mayonnaise to hold your sandwich together. A single tablespoon of mayonnaise contains 11 grams of fat, or almost twice the amount in the rest of a lean turkey breast sandwich. Opt for a fat-free or reduced fat version instead, or use naturally low-fat mustard, ketchup, salsa, or horseradish for added zing. Cranberry relish can help you enjoy Thanksgiving's celebrated combination of tart fruit and tender turkey.

Filling. Choose fresh, lean chicken or turkey (white meat) instead of fatty, processed turkey meat. If you're tired of plain poultry, try highly-flavored peppered or herb-roasted turkey breast for a new twist to your lunchtime menu. If you prefer cold cuts, look for brands labeled "low fat," since these only have three grams of fat or less per two-ounce serving. Even roast beef isn't a bad choice with only 15 percent of its calories coming

from fat, compared to the 45 percent found in some hams.

Vegetables. Add crunch, taste and nutrition to your sandwiches with greens and other colorful veggies. Replace iceberg lettuce with mild Boston, romaine or red-leaf lettuce. You'll get even more intense flavor and added beta-carotene when you include shredded cabbage, watercress, arugula, escarole, radicchio, spinach, or Swiss chard. Grilled or stir-fried vegetables add an exotic flavor.

SOUTHWESTERN TURKEY POCKET FAJITAS

- 1 cup non-fat or low-fat plain yogurt
- 1 teaspoon grated lime peel
- 1 can (20 oz.) pineapple bits or pineapple chunks
- 12 oz. turkey tenderloins, cut into 1 inch cubes
- 1/2 cup thinly sliced onion
- 1 tsp. ground cumin
- 1 tablespoon lime juice
- 1 medium green or red pepper, cut into 1-inch strips

4 (6-inch) whole wheat pita breads, cut in half crosswise to make pockets

Stir yogurt and lime peel together in a small bowl and set aside. Drain the pineapple and reserve 2 tablespoons of the juice.

Combine the reserved pineapple juice, turkey, lime juice, and onion over medium-high heat in a large, nonstick skillet for 1 minute, or until turkey is lightly browned. Add the cumin, pepper strips and pineapple and cook 2 to 3 minutes more, stirring occasionally until the vegetables are tender-crisp and the turkey is no longer pink.

Spoon the fajita mixture into the pita pockets and drizzle with the cooking sauce and yogurt sauce.

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See related story on Taste front.

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- 1 1/4 pounds fresh Michigan asparagus or 2 cups (12 ounce) package frozen asparagus cuts and tips
- 1 cup small shell pasta
- 1/2 cup sliced carrots
- 1/2 cup finely chopped onions
- 1/4 cup chopped red sweet pepper
- 1 teaspoon oregano
- 1/2 teaspoon celery seeds
- 1/2 cup reduced calorie Italian dressing

Trim, wash and cut fresh asparagus into 1-inch pieces. Steam about 5 minutes until just crisp-tender. Quickly cool in ice water and drain. If using frozen asparagus, thaw, drain and cut into 1-inch pieces.

Cook pasta according to package directions. Rinse with cold water, drain and cool. Combine all ingredients. Place in airtight container.

Chill thoroughly or overnight before serving. Yield 5 servings.

Recipe from Michigan Asparagus Advisory Board.

SESAME ASPARAGUS AND NOODLES

- 2 tablespoons sesame seeds
- 2 tablespoons Oriental sesame oil
- 1/4 cup tamari soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons vegetable stock
- 2 tablespoons Chinese rice wine or dry sherry
- 1/2 teaspoon chili oil
- 1 pound linguine or vermicelli
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 teaspoon fresh minced ginger
- 1 pound asparagus, cut diagonally into 2-inch lengths
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 teaspoon tamari soy sauce
- 4 scallions, thinly sliced

Bring a large pot of water to a boil for the noodles.

Toast the sesame seeds by placing them in a small skillet over medium heat. Swirl the pan occasionally until the seeds begin to smoke and become fragrant. Immediately pour them into small bowl to cool.

Combine the sesame oil, tamari, vegetable stock, wine, and chili oil in a measuring cup and set aside. This will be the sauce for the noodles.

When the water is at a rolling boil, cook the noodles until tender yet chewy.

Heat the vegetable oil in a large skillet or wok over medium-high heat. Add the garlic and ginger and cook 1 minute. Add the asparagus and stir-fry 1 minute. Pour in the water and cover the pan. Cook until the asparagus pieces are tender, about 5 minutes.

Drain the noodles and return them to the pot. Pour on the prepared sauce and toss with tongs to coat.

Remove the cover from the

asparagus. Pour on the teaspoon of tamari and the scallions and toss for 1 minute. Serve on the noodles.

Serves 3 to 4.

Recipe from: "Main-Course Vegetarian Pleasures: 125 Delicious Meatless Entrees," by Jeanne Lemlin, (HarperPerennial, copyright 1995.)

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MALLS & MAINSTREETS

Sunday, May 4, 1997

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Delight your mom with neat surprises

BY DONNA MULCAHY
SPECIAL WRITER

"It's not what you give me on Mother's Day that counts. It's how you treat me all year long."

That's what my mom says every year, when I ask her what she would like for Mother's Day. And whenever she says that, it just makes me want to get her the most expensive present I can buy, to try to make up for all of the awful things I did to her when I was growing up.

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DONNA MULCAHY

But then again, I know that the best gifts don't have to cost a lot of money. They just have to come from the heart.

Mother's Day is next Sunday, May 11, so if you need help thinking of something to get your mom (or the mother of your child) then here are some ideas:

- Dirty hand prints on walls are one thing. But when a child's hand print is preserved in plaster or on paper, it can make a wonderful gift.

Botanical Science makes a product called, "Precious Hands Plaster Molding Kit," (pictured above) which produces a 3-D plaster image of a child's hand in a heart-shaped mold. According to the box, it's a 15-minute project for children 12 and under (infants, too) and adult supervision is required. I found it for \$9.99 at Franks Nursery & Crafts stores.

- Non-toxic, washable ink stamp pads don't cost a lot (Frank's has some for about \$3), but they can be used to make priceless gifts. Place an infant's or child's hand on the ink, then onto a piece of paper, and you have a treasured keepsake. Be sure to write the child's name and date on the paper, too. The ink washes off the skin with soap and water.

- School-age kids can give their moms coupons redeemable for chores and other such things. B. Dalton, Waldenbooks and Hallmark all sell coupon books, but why buy one when you can make your own?

(Just make sure that if you give coupons as a gift, that you're prepared to deliver. When mom tries to redeem the coupon that says you have to clean your room without complaining, don't say, "That coupon's expired." Just do it.)

- Give mom a necklace, pin or bracelet, featuring charms that contain the birthstones of her children. "Crystal Kids" is just one jewelry line that features birthstone charms. Its charms come in the shape of baby shoes, angels, stick people, cats and dogs. The cost for each charm ranges from \$7 to \$12 at JC Penney. Chains, pins and charm holders are sold separately.

- Most everyone has old photos lying about that they haven't had time to put into albums. Buy a pretty album (or more than one) for your mom, and make a date to help her organize her old photos. Bring along a tape recorder, too, to capture the family stories that go along with the photos. Hallmark has very pretty photo albums, starting at \$15.

- Give your mom a memory book to record her family history and yours for future generations. Sometimes, filling out such a book can be a chore. But if you go through the book together, and use a tape recorder instead of writing the answers down then and there, it can be fun.

Two memory books to consider are: "Mom Remembers," by Judith Levy, available at B. Dalton for \$15.95; and "A Mother's Recollections" by Hallmark Cards Inc., available at Hallmark stores for \$12.99.

- Mother's Day week is the busiest week of the year at the Nature Nook floral shop in Westland, said Wilma Darr, a salesperson. She said blooming, potted plants that can be planted outside are big sellers for Mother's Day. Because florists are so busy this time of year, it's best to place delivery orders a week or so ahead of time.

- In my opinion, a T-shirt or sweatshirt from Northern Reflections can't be beat. It's one of my favorite stores, because the clothes there are not only pretty, but they're comfortable and hold up well, too. T-shirts start at about \$15.99.

Remember to get your mom something nice for Mother's Day, but like mine always says, don't forget to treat her well all year through, too!

Donna Mulcahy is a Livonia resident who writes about the newest merchandise available in Malls & Mainstreet shops. You can leave her column ideas and comments c/o (810) 901-2567.

Kids are heroes at Hercules event



They came. They played. They shopped.

Oakland Mall in Troy drew the young crowd to Disney's Hercules Mega Mall Tour April 25-27 to promote the new animated feature film arriving in local theaters June 27.

The attraction included 11 interactive activities for kids plus a live stage show. (Below) sisters Emilia Kassab, 5, and Lauren, 2, of West Bloomfield, enjoy the Baby Pegasus ride. (Below left) John Hilla, 11, of Ferndale scores in the ball toss game.

- PHOTO STORY BY BILL HANSEN



Retailers back schools to boost sales



Merchants see a partnership with area schools as a win-win situation for all concerned. One by one they're developing promotions that support education. The award-winning Be True To Your School program stands as a shining example.

By Susan DeMaggio
EDITOR

Mall marketers from across Michigan listened carefully as Elaine Kah from Twelve Oaks in Novi described the evolution of the successful Be True To Your School program.

The two-year-old receipts-for-education promotion has produced more than \$520,000 for Michigan schools, brought the participating shopping centers a 10-percent return on their

investment, and captured an Effie Award for excellence from the National Marketing Association.

Kah's presentation was part of a panel discussion hosted by the International Council of Shopping Centers on April 30 at Dodge Tree Suites in Southfield.

Other speakers offered tips for finding sponsors and business partners, including public relations specialist Susan Haddad, marketing specialist Cindy Ciura, and WXYZ account executive Karen Yurgalite.

Kah said Be True To Your School grew from the Taubman Co. malls' (Lakeside, Twelve Oaks, Fairlane and Briarwood) desire to reward loyal shoppers with a contribution to their community. Since education was a high priority with their core shoppers - families - a donation to local schools seemed the perfect plan.

For the program to succeed across metro-Detroit, mall marketers had to insure that dozens of communities were informed about the details and that the project's credibility was well established. Through a partnership with WXYZ-TV (noted for its support of education) emotion-tugging commercials promoting education were broadcast over 46 weeks via 399 mall-paid messages and 650 public service announcements. Radio personalities

Dick Purtan and Jim Harper discussed Be True To Your School on the air, and an additional 1,500 emotional radio spots drove the program's points home.

In its first year, 35 million shoppers stopped at schoolhouse credit booths located throughout the malls to tally their receipts for the school of their choice. Shoppers raised \$250,000 for learning tools like software, videos, reference materials and books.

By the second year of the program, 100 million customer receipts worth about \$7.5 million, netted another \$275,000 for the 3,000 shopper-chosen area schools in the program's database. (The mall contributed \$1 for every \$200 totaled from receipts.)

Be True To Your School was the

largest marketing endeavor ever undertaken by the centers, according to Kah. It captured 60-percent of the marketing dollars the first year and 35-percent the second year.

The Taubman malls will continue the program for a third year beginning in August.

Karen Susalla, marketing director of the Birchwood Mall in Port Huron, attended the session and liked what she heard.

"We are running a similar customer loyalty program, Cash Back for Schools," she said. "But ours is on a much smaller scale because we only have 90 schools. I got some practical ideas from the speakers - they're right on about a community's concern for its schools."



Elaine Kah of Twelve Oaks.



PHOTOS BY JERRY ZOLYNSKY

Good Ideas: Mall marketers listen as speakers present partnership tips to help them create successful programs.

News of special events for shoppers is included in this calendar. Send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o The Observer & Eccentric 805 East Maple, 48009; or fax (810) 644-1314. Deadline: Wednesday 5 p.m. for publication on Sunday.

MONDAY, MAY 5

Senior citizens dance

Enjoy music, dancing, refreshments, social hour from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lower level community room. Complimentary. Scheduled for the first Monday of each month.

Westland Center. Wayne/Warren. (313) 425-5001.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

Music Fair

Celebrate National Music week with performances through May 10 in mall's center court. Call the musicale director for complete schedule of local musicians and singers performing.

Laurel Park. Six Mile/Newburgh. Livonia. Contact: (810) 349-0490.

FRIDAY, MAY 9

Dinosaur Expo Opens

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

"Blast from the Past" features eight moving, roaring dinosaurs in natural setting, plus related activities and classes by Cranbrook Science Center staff for school groups. Now through July 7. A must-see! Co-sponsored by Blue Care Network, Cranbrook, and the mall. Produced by Kokoro Dinosaurs of Los Angeles.

Oakland Mall. 14 Mile/John R. Troy. (810) 585-4114.

SATURDAY, MAY 10

Family Fun

As part of Fairlane's Family Fun Central, Mark Thomas and Max the Moose perform at 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. at Fountain Court. On May 11 from 1-4 p.m. it's Phil Cole's Quartet with 'jumpin' Big Band sounds.

Fairlane Town Center. Michigan/Southfield Fwy. Dearborn. (313) 593-3330.

Mother's Day fun

Mall hosts arts and crafts show through May 11. On May 10, kids and moms can enjoy the Teddie C. Bear musical performance at 11 a.m. 1 and 3 p.m. in Center Court, plus participate in making a card activity.

Wonderland. Plymouth/Middlebelt. Livonia. (313) 522-4100.

More Mother's Day fun

Linda Arnold performs on Fountain Stage, plus free gift wrap, free photos of moms and prepaid phone cards with \$200 in mall receipts, through the weekend.

Lakeside. M-59/Schoenherr. Sterling Heights. 1-800-334-LKSD.

Safety Town Program

Kids learn about electrical, fire, vehicle safety and stranger danger through May 11. Program taught by Detroit Edison and local police and fire staff. Noon to 4 p.m. Kids will receive certificate after participating. Safety vehicles parked for tours. Free event.

Meadowbrook Village Mall. Adams/University. Rochester Hills. (810) 375-9451.

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Fashion benefit is a colorful affair

Parisian's "Portrait of Style" show for the Myasthenia Gravis Association April 26, attracted a sold-out crowd to the Laurel Manor in Livonia.

Emcee Sherry Margolis of Fox 2 News, reminded guests that "Service is the rent we pay for the privilege of living," and then told them they were "a roomful of people making a positive difference in the world."

On behalf of the 100,000 Americans (mostly women) afflicted by MG, she thanked one and all for the funds that would support patients and their families. There is no cure for the neuromuscular disease that causes drooping eyelids, difficulty swallowing and breathing, weakness in the limbs, slurred speech and blurred vision. Treatment through medication eases symptoms.

Parisian's special events director Jane Bassett commented the runway show which pulsed with color in everything from a royal red evening gown to the citrus brights of fun jackets and short sets.

Bassett dedicated one segment to the new designs that have been added to Parisian's collection at the request of shoppers looking for Lily Pulitzer, Eileen Fisher, Maxou and Ralph Lauren. Fashionable images from the permanent collection of the Detroit Institute of Arts were projected onto a big screen between acts.

Agnes Jacques of Farmington applauded the production, then teased "The clothes were beautiful - I just wish I was younger so I could wear them all!"

For more information contact the Myasthenia Gravis Association on Nine Mile in Southfield at (810) 423-9700.

-Susan DeMaggio



Guest speaker: Sherry Margolis addresses guests at the 21st annual Myasthenia Gravis fashion luncheon.

PHOTOS BY SUSAN DEMAGGIO



Fashion forward: (Right) The sea-blue shimmer in this mini dress deserves a second look. (Left) A slim silhouette takes shape in these bright yellow separates.



All smiles: (From left) Lynn Cooper of Oak Park, Nicole Roth of Farmington Hills, and Ashley Cooper, enjoy the show from front row seats.

Local celebs 'work it' for the Salvation Army

Television and radio personalities will join Detroit community leaders for the ninth year as the Auxiliary to The Salvation Army presents "On Parade" at the Ritz-Carlton on Monday, May 12.

The local celebrities are joined by their families to model fashions from the Somerset Collection. The luncheon begins with a social hour at 10:45 a.m. Master of Ceremonies Gene Taylor, and Auctioneer Harry Hairston will conduct a live auction of such unusual items as a rare gold coin, jewelry, a Bed and Breakfast bridal suite, and a private lunch with a U.S. Congressman in Washington, D.C.

Then the fun begins as the amateur models walk the runway in clothing drawn from Somerset's elegant shops, coordinated by fashion director Amanda Turner.

Models will include Don Shane, Shellee Smith, Mike Huckman, Chris Bradley, Rich Fisher, Nancy McCauley, Micah Materre, Sally Gerak, Devin Scillian, Anne Thompson, Lila Orbach, Mike Wendland, David Scott, Cynthia Canty, Denise Jenkins, Bob Allison, Jim Johnson, Dr. David DiChiera, U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg, Samuel Sachs, Tom and Diane Schoenith, Vinnie Johnson and Charlene Mitchell.

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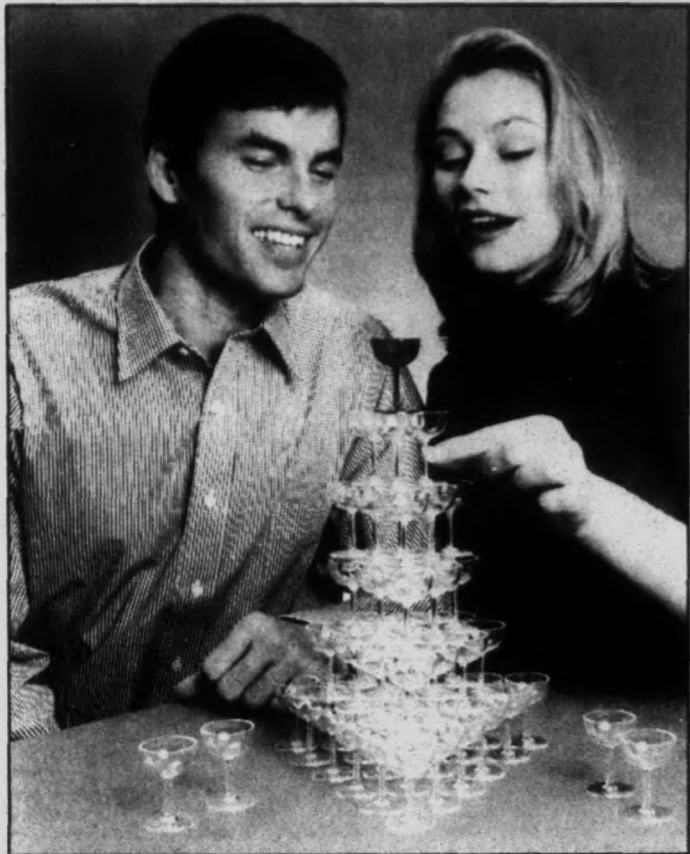
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Balancing the bubbly



Falling glasses: New from Pressman Toys is *Champagne: The Game*. This toast-worthy party fun challenges players to remove mini plastic champagne glasses formed in a pyramid without toppling the stack. \$15, wherever toys are sold.

RETAIL DETAILS

Retail Details features news briefs from the Malls & Mainstreets beat compiled by Susan DeMaggio. For inclusion, send information to: Retail Details, c/o The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009, or fax to (810) 644-1314.

Calling all resale shoppers

Nicole Christ of **Nicole's Revival**, 958 N. Newburgh in Westland, is booking reservations for her annual Resale Shopping Spree, Saturday, May 10 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Shoppers pay \$35 for continental breakfast, lunch and chauffeur service on an air-conditioned motor coach with reclining seats. Guests visit seven notable resale shops. Limit 47. For reservations call (313) 729-1234.

On a related note, Nicole's Revival is selling Carolyn Schneider's new book "The Ultimate Consignment & Thrift Store Guide." It contains the best of the best, world-wide, plus tips and suggestions for stretching wardrobe dollars.

Trunk show roundup

• View **Carol Cohen Collectibles** (outerwear and trench coats) **Margaret O'Leary** knits and sweaters, plus **Anou Linge** body suits and blouses, May 8-10 at **Hersh's** on the Boardwalk, Orchard Lake in West Bloomfield. For details call (810) 626-7776.

• See **Joan Vass Fall 1997** May 8-10 at **Sally's Design Boutique** in the Orchard Mall, West Bloomfield. Call for details (810) 626-0886.

• Browse the third annual **Watch Fair** at **Jules R. Schubot Jewellers**, May 8-10 to see **Baume & Mercier**, **Bertolucci**, **Cartier**, **Piaget** and more. For more details call (810) 649-1122.

• **Michael Dawkins** jewelry collection, plus the artist himself, at **Neiman Marcus**, Troy on May 9 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Also at **Neiman Marcus**, on May 10 meet **Prince Louis Albert de Broglie** creator of a collection of very special garden tools and accessories, 1-3 p.m. in the Gift Gallery.

• Meet psychedelic 60s icon, tie-dyed folk legend, and "clown commando" **Wavy Gravy** promoting **Grateful Dead** neck wear and silk boxer collection at **Hudson's**, Oakland Mall in Troy, May 8 from noon to 2 p.m.

• **Kazuko** shows her one-of-a-kind crystal healing sculptures, May 10 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at **Barney's New York**, Somerset Collection South, Troy. (810) 643-9696.

Hudson's offers Mom's Day brunches at select restaurants

Hudson's restaurants are offering a six-course brunch on **Mother's Day**, May 11 at 11 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. The price for adults is \$14.95 and children 12 and under, \$7.50.

The restaurants will be closed to regular diners that day. Guests will enjoy live entertain-

ment and all mothers will receive a complimentary gift. Make reservations at participating Hudson's stores: Oakland Mall, Troy; Westland Shopping Center; Twelve Oaks, Novi; Lakeside, Sterling Heights; Fairlane, Dearborn; and Southland, Taylor.

Plymouth launches seasonal Saturday farmer's market

Through October 25, downtown Plymouth shoppers can enjoy the annual **Farmer's Market** 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturdays in the Gathering across from Kellogg Park.

The **Farmer's Market** features fresh produce, dairy products, cheeses, baked goods, flowers, plants and herbs. Hot coffee and cold lemonade is also available. For further details call the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce (313) 453-1540.

Mother's Day drawing

Entry forms are available at Livonia Mall stores for a **Mother's Day drawing** that includes a complete makeover, three-hour limousine service and dinner for two. Three packages will be given away on May 12. Drop one entry per family off at the Information Desk by May 11.

Art shop new to Rochester

At 415 Main in downtown Rochester, California artist **Sally Huss** exhibits and sells her "bright and happy" designs at a gallery owned by **Louise Doherty**. The gallery is the first to feature Huss's work in Michigan. You can reach the shop at (810) 652-2262.

The art ranges from large, impressionistic canvasses to monoprints and serigraphs, greeting cards, wallpaper and kids clothing.

Four new stores arrive at Northland

New merchants opened shop recently at the **Northland Center** in Southfield: **Sew What**, (features Elna sewing machines, hard-to-find buttons and threads,) **Unique Clothing** (beaded and After Five attire) **UMI Oriental and Cajun Cuisine**, and **Top of the Line Styles and Profiles Barber Shop**.

Hemp jewelry collection arrives

The **World Bead Co.** stores debut a summer **Industrial Hemp Jewelry/Accessory Collection**, featuring bracelets, hats, purses and boots. Hemp-based products are eight times stronger than cotton, according to **Matt Ellis** CEO and **World Bead Co.** founder.

Hudson's renames service

The Hudson's personal shopping service formerly known as **FYI** has been rechristened **SELECT** by Hudson's officials. Shoppers can use **SELECT** personnel to make gift and clothing purchases on their behalf, or to help them choose wardrobe items. Only 11 stores have the service which keeps records of customer's gift-giving dates, clothing sizes and preferences.

Thanks to all the readers who phoned in locations for the hard-to-find items listed last week!

What we've found:

- Videotapes of two Stephen Sondheim musicals **Into The Woods** and **Sunday In The Park With George** are available, according to "Debbie" by calling 1-800-473-3475 ext. 400, Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. PST. "They will cost \$24.99 plus \$4.50 shipping, each, but it's hard to reach the company. We got copies for our daughter at Christmas," she said.

We're still looking for:

- Old-fashioned ice cream makers "the kind where you have to turn the crank" for a

Where can I find?

- J.J. a Birmingham television producer looking for props for a segment of **Daedal Doors**.
- A videotape copy of Disney's "Lady and the Tramp" for "Lynn".
- The **Mother's Day plate** from 1986 by Avon for "Cheryl".
- "Disposer Care," a garbage disposal cleaning product by 3M(?) "It used to come in a yellow box with the cleaner packets inside. I think it was sold through a home products catalog but I can't find it anywhere," said Charlene.
- Nylon gloves for "Betty" of

- Redford that allow you to put on your pantyhose without tears or snags. The gloves have a thumb, finger and the rest is mitten shaped.
- **Sandy Crocker** of West Bloomfield reports that **Megaware** from France is no longer made by the company we supplied to her. Now she wants to know if anyone is willing to sell their old Megaware pieces?
- A tube of **Estee Lauder** lipstick "Suncreme Red," for **Trish Beyreis**. "I loved it and now it's discontinued. I'm hoping somebody has a few tubes they've

never used in their drawer someplace."

- A videotape copy of **The Music Man** for **Dennis**. He is also looking for old, collectible snow globes.
 - A 20th Anniversary **Cinderella's Castle poster** (11 x 17) that was sold at **Disney World** about five years ago for **Sharon**.
 - A plastic, nesting set of **measuring cups** - 1, 2, and 4-cups for a **South Lyon** reader with arthritis.
 - A "rain lady" **mineral oil lamp** for "Mary" of Livonia.
 - **Easterbrook pens** and writing tips for **Aileen Strobel** of Plymouth.
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Times: May 8 - 2:00 PM May 21 - 9:30 AM May 29 - 9:30 AM	Times: May 7 - 9:30 AM May 14 - 9:30 AM May 15 - 2:00 PM May 22 - 2:00 PM	Times: May 7 - 2:00 PM May 22 - 9:30 AM
Location: Bill Knapp's Restaurant 36601 Warren Avenue Westland	Location: Bakers Square Restaurant 22373 Eureka Road Taylor	Location: Bakers Square Restaurant 5946 N. Sheldon Road Canton
Times: May 15 - 9:30 AM May 22 - 9:30 AM May 29 - 2:00 PM	Times: May 14 - 2:00 PM May 28 - 2:00 PM	Times: May 8 - 9:30 AM May 21 - 2:00 PM
	Location: Grosse Pointe War Memorial 32 Lake Shore Drive Grosse Pointe Farms	
	Times: May 2 - 10:00 AM May 9 - 10:00 AM May 23 - 10:00 AM	

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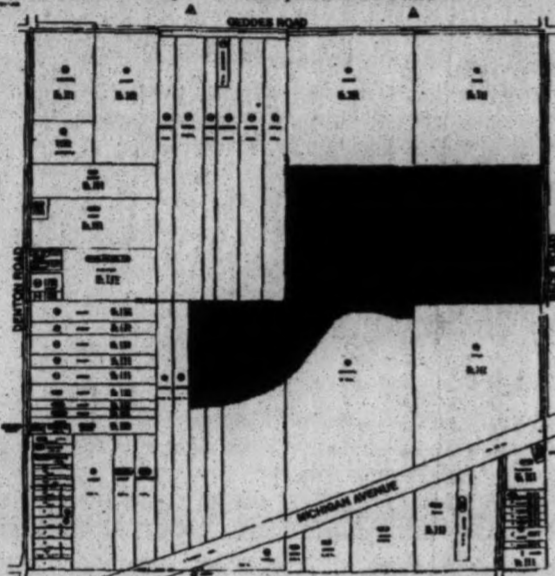


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 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 168 of the Public Acts of 1959 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, June 2, 1997 at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan:



ASHLEY CAPITAL/GRIFFIN FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT
 - CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM MEDIUM-LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (RESEARCH PARK) FOR PARCEL NO. 125-99-0002-000, AND PART OF PARCEL NOS. 125-99-0004-000, 127-99-0021-000, 127-99-0022-000, AND 127-99-0023-000. Property is located west of Beck Road between Geddes Road and Michigan Avenue.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission will be received at the above address up to the time of the hearing.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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Lining up: Theresa Edwards and Amanda Koch arrange some of the 240 Beanie Babies that invaded Plymouth Township Hall's board room on Bring Your Daughters and Sons to Work Day. The Girl Scouts brought the stuffed animals to township hall and conducted mock meetings.

STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BREZLER

Expert to study gypsy moth problem

BY VALERIE OLANDER
 STAFF WRITER

There's no question that gypsy moths have infested trees in Canton and the Plymouths, but to what extent will be determined shortly.

A horticulturist has been hired to survey the communities to find out how prevalent the problem is.

Gypsy moths can be managed and do not typically kill trees. At

worst some trees will suffer defoliation.

The moths have migrated through Michigan from the eastern United States damaging deciduous trees, such as oak and aspen. Within the past several years the gypsy moth path has headed southward into Oakland and Macomb counties. Parts of western Wayne County (Livonia and Redford) have reported infestation.

sure," he said.

The survey has already begun in Northville, where a 60-acre area, south of Seven Mile and east of Beck Road, has been flagged as having a heavy pocket of gypsy moth eggs. Dollhops estimated the area as having upwards of 1,000 masses per site. Typically, 12-18 masses per site would qualify for a state program for chemical spraying, he said.

The course leads to Canton, Plymouth and the Northvilles, said Carl Dollhops, who has been hired as a consultant by the three communities. Dollhops, a Westland resident, is a retired horticulturist from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

"If they're not here this year, then next year they'll be here for

Small hot spots such as that are not usual migration patterns. It is suspected that the gypsy moths were brought to the Northville locale by a camping trailer that had been in northern Michigan or by fire wood.

"If nothing was done there could have been 100 percent defoliation, but we're ahead of the game," Dollhops said.

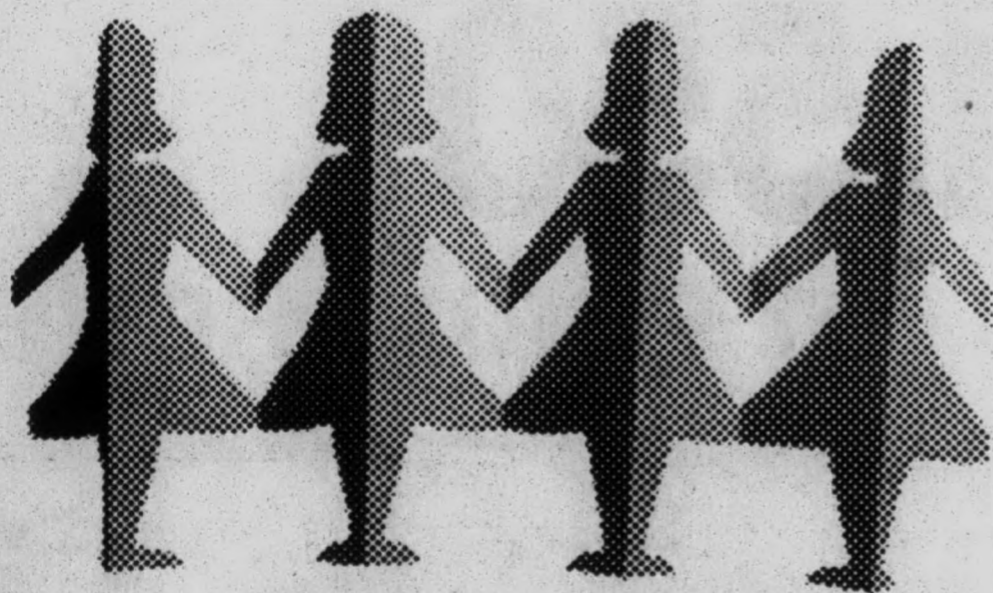
All three communities are to be surveyed by May 1. A representative from each community will train with Dollhops as he surveys their respective communities.

Chris Haas, with Plymouth Township municipal services, said a brochure with information on gypsy moths is available for residents who want one. She can be called at 454-0530, and a brochure will be mailed on request.

"We don't anticipate a problem here, but there is the potential to kill trees," she said.

Dollhops said, "The eggs will be hatching the first of May. They look like tan felt about one inch long and can be found on the underside of the lowest branches or on the trunk of oaks."

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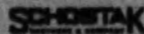
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S'craft student newspaper wins national awards

The Schoolcraft Connection, Schoolcraft College's student-produced newspaper, was honored with several awards in two separate contests for the newspaper's quality and excellence.

The Society of Professional Journalists honored Schoolcraft with a third place award in the best overall non-daily student newspaper category.

Schoolcraft competed against 20 universities from Michigan, Ohio and West Virginia and was the only community college to enter the category. Judges from the Stanford University School of Journalism and the San Francisco Society of Professional Journalists gave higher honors to only Central Michigan University and the University of Toledo publications.

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The SPJ evaluated nondaily publications from 20 colleges and universities, looking at elements such as writing quality, layout and design, use of photos and overall content in three consecutive issues. Connection editors picked editions in October and November.

The Connection competed with 14 other community colleges in numerous categories April 12 at the Annual Michigan Community College Press Day in Alpena. The Michigan Society of Professional Journalists judged the competition entries.

The Connection won first place awards for overall design, the editorial board's editorial writing and for advertising placement by design and layout editor Jim Naum. The publication also won second place

awards for best overall newspaper, in-depth story by editor-in-chief Julia Jendrusik, and review writing by staff writer Jeremy Wells.

The Connection also received third place honors for front page design by Jim Naum; in-depth story by news editor Jared Friebe; commentary by columnist Michael Gorzen, and cartoon by staff writer Nancy Walls-Smith.

The newspaper received honorable mention awards in headline writing, commentary by managing editor Holly Palmeri, light column by staff writer Tony Lawry and sports photograph by photo editor Ryan Nunez.

The Connection publishes 13 issues a year with a staff between 20 and 25 students under adviser Sherry Springer. Staff members work an average of 10 hours a week.

The Connection's April 22 edition was the last publication until the fall semester.

Livonia-Redford Irish Unity chapter to host Gaelic activist Lucy Rice

The Livonia-Redford chapter of the Irish-American Unity Conference is co-sponsoring the visit to Detroit of Lucy Rice of Belfast, Northern Ireland.

Rice is a member of the Lower Ormeau Concerned Community, a non-political community organization.

She will be speaking at 7:30 p.m., Monday, May 5 at the Gaelic League, 2068 Michigan Avenue in Detroit.

"She will talk about what's really happening in her commu-

nity, without the overwhelming British influence on information about Northern Ireland, which infringes on freedom of the press and freedom of religion," said Dan O'Rourke, who is coordinating the event.

Detroit is one of the few American cities in which Rice will be speaking on the continuing local efforts to avoid continued violence in Northern Ireland, said O'Rourke.

Rice is being sponsored by a coalition of Irish-American orga-

nizations in Detroit and the Midwest including the Oakland County Chapter of the IAUC; the Ben Franklin Press; Irish Northern Aid, the Michigan Ancient Order of Hibernians; Ladies Auxiliary Ancient Order of Hibernians; the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick; and the Knights of Equity of metropolitan Detroit.

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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Arts group in Garden City on the move

Innovation is key to growth as Garden City Fine Arts Association president Bob Sheridan knows all too well. Since taking the reins of the Garden City art club in the fall of 1996, Sheridan has instituted exhibiting procedure changes and arranged to sponsor classes in a space adjoining The Art Gallery in Sheridan Square, Garden City.

Founded 15 years ago, the Association accepted only two-dimensional art works for exhibits. In February the club voted to also show three-dimensional works. Sheridan will exhibit two clay sculptures in the

Association's exhibit and sale May 5-10 at Garden City Public Library, 2012 Middlebelt. An opening reception and awards ceremony will take place 7 p.m. Monday, May 5. The public is invited to meet the artists, and enjoy the art works and refreshments.



Tropical Delight: Norma McQueen captures the scenery of Saba in this watercolor which will be exhibited in the Garden City Fine Arts Association exhibit.

"We thought the move to accept 3-D would encourage new membership," said Sheridan, a Livonia Arts Commissioner. "As far as classes, we've offered a few classes before at The Art Gallery. I expect the classes will help support the gallery."

Sheridan, owner of Sheridan Construction in Garden City, initially became interested in arts after taking classes at The Art Gallery which opened in 1989 as a cooperative of Association members exhibiting in the space. Lack of participation by artists led Sheridan, who owns Sheridan Square and donated the space, to turn the nonprofit gallery over to director Norma McQueen, then Association president, to operate for profit.

New space

The gallery will move at the end of May to a new space adjoining the old North Bros. Ford Body Shop. Sheridan thinks the large open space, on the east end of Sheridan Square, is conducive to teaching and creating three-dimensional art.

"We're excited about offering clay classes for children and adults, and eventually would like to expand to metal sculpture," said Sheridan. "We

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ASIAN ART FLOWERS AT DIA

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Ralph F. Glenn thinks Americans could learn a lot from Asian art.

For the last 15 years, the Madonna University art department chairman has taught classes on Chinese and Japanese art history. Beginning May 10, Glenn will lead a six-week study of hand-painted scrolls, lacquer, bronzes, ceramics, and gardens with field trips to the Detroit Institute of Arts, Toledo Museum of Art, Greenfield Village Antiques Show, and a private Chinese garden in West Bloomfield.

"Asian art tells us a lot about the people because these art forms are what they treasured," said Glenn, a Bloomfield Hills resident who earned a master's degree in Asian art history from Harvard University. "We can learn a great deal of patience because to make works like these hand scrolls took a lot of patience, and also perseverance. They had to work at developing these skills. They start as children to work with calligraphy. The strokes are similar to what's used in their paintings. You can see the tie-in with their written language and visual language of their paintings."

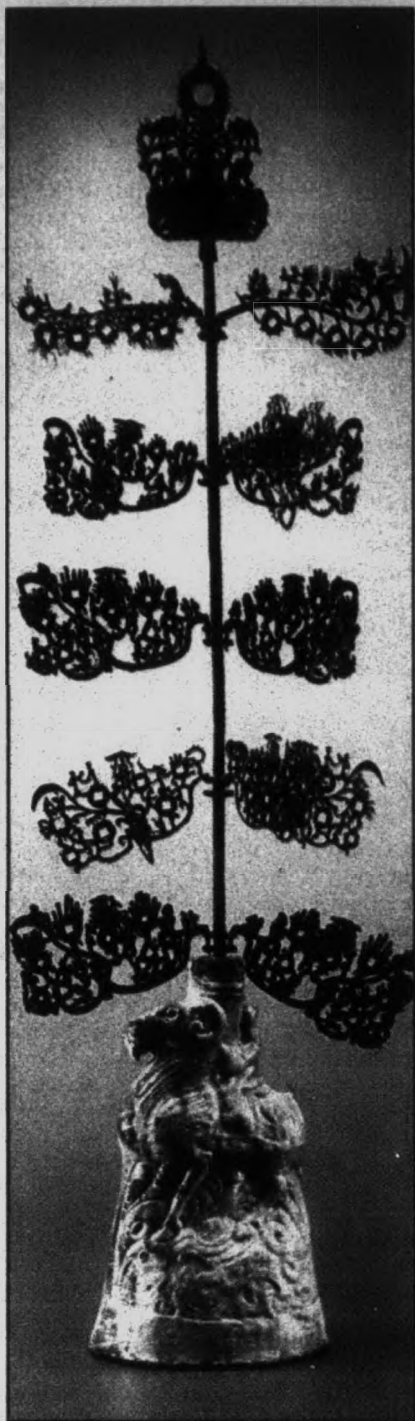
Glenn's Asian art class is but one activity taking place during May. In recognition of Asian-American month, the Detroit Institute of Arts will host a series of programs Sunday, May 18. The event also celebrates International Museum Day by offering free admission to the DIA.

Artist Xuan YongSheng will demonstrate the traditional Chinese art of paper-cut design noon to 2 p.m. in Prentiss Court. Born in Shanghai, YongSheng took advanced studies at Central Arts and Crafts University in Beijing, the highest art institute in China. Six years ago, he immigrated to Saskatchewan then to Windsor where he opened an art gallery and crafts store as one of his many dreams to present his art works to all North America.

Paper-cut goes back to ancient times in China. The oldest excavated paper-cut dates back to 6 A.D. near the end of the Han Dynasty. In China, paper-cut is mostly considered folk art, a family craft passed from generation to generation and used in religious ceremonies, weddings, birthday celebrations, and funeral rites. Windows, doors, furniture, everyday objects, and food-stuffs are decorated with brightly-colored paper-cuts during New Year festivities. On these occasions, the designs carry well wishes for longevity, peace, good fortune, and a full and happy life.

After watching YongSheng create designs, make your own paper-cuts at a drop-in workshop noon to 4 p.m. in the DIA studio.

"It's kind of a fun family activity," said Amelia Chau of the DIA's Asian



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Art History: Beginning May 10, Madonna University art department chairman Ralph F. Glenn will discuss hand scrolls and lacquer tobacco boxes during classes on Chinese and Japanese art and gardens.

art department. "We'll have simple designs people can trace. Hopefully, people will get a sense that Chinese art is approachable, and that paper-cut is a tradition prevalent in a country half way around the world. I'm sure everyone has seen or done paper-cut. Paper-cut is very much a living art and still goes on everyday in China."

Free bus service will run between the DIA and Eastern Market where it's flower day. From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., a tent staffed by the DIA's Founders Society, will offer membership information, a contest to win airline tickets, and shopping sprees in DIA Museum Shops, and the opportunity to experience art first hand by mak-

Money Tree: The Detroit Institute of Arts recently acquired a Chinese Money Tree, which takes its name from the fine metalwork branches decorated with coin and mythological motifs.

Celebrate Asian Art

What: The Detroit Institute of Arts presents a series of programs on the arts of China in recognition of Asian-American Month and International Museum Day. Admission is free. Free shuttle bus service will run between the DIA and Eastern Market where it's Flower Day. **When:** 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 18.

Where: 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. For more information call the DIA education department, (313) 833-4249.

Related Activities

Madonna University begins a six-week class focused on Chinese and Japanese art and gardens 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 10. For registration information call (313) 432-5400.

Origami - Don Shall returns to the Ann Arbor District Library to demonstrate paper folding projects for the entire family 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 13 in the multipurpose room at the main library, 343 South Fifth Avenue. The event is free. Registration required, call (313) 994-2345.

"Floating Pictures" continues through June 1 at the University of Michigan Museum of Art, 525 South State Street in Ann Arbor, call (313) 764-0395. The exhibition features Ukiyo-e Japanese woodblock prints. Eighteenth century Japanese woodblock artists profoundly impacted the compositional thinking of Impressionists such as Manet and Degas.

ing sun prints from the day's flower purchases.

This is the third year for the joint event by the DIA and Eastern Market Merchants Association. According to Edward Podorsek, Founders Society members' acquisition coordinator, 100,000 to 125,000 people will visit Eastern Market on Flower Day. The purpose of the DIA tent is to spread awareness about the museum and what it offers.

"We decided to take two historical institutions within five minutes of each other and bring them together," said Podorsek. "Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer is graciously loaning the buses and drivers. The day is an outreach for the museum which is the fifth largest in the nation."

A lecture by UM-Dearborn art history professor Susan Erickson on the DIA's recently acquired Money Tree (25-220 A.D.), "You Can Take It with You: Han Dynasty Money Trees," takes place 2 p.m. in the DIA Lecture Hall with sign-language interpretation.

Money Trees were found in the tombs of western China where their presence insured the needs of the dead would be met in the heavenly realm. Very few Money Trees survive intact today because of their age and fine open work bronze designs. Only two complete trees are known to exist in the People's Republic of China. The DIA's Money Tree, from historical, stylistic and scientific analysis, has been determined to be a composite of five Eastern Han Dynasty trees, with some restoration.

The daylong program concludes with storyteller Barbara Schutz-Gruber at 3:30 p.m. in the DIA's Chinese Gallery. Schutz-Gruber tells the tale of Lao Lao of Dragon Mountain, an old woman who was an expert at creating Chinese paper-cut designs.

'Goddess' works at being a diva

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

See "Master Class" review inside

"I'm not a diva. I'm a hardworking actress and mother."

Faye Dunaway was comparing herself to the late opera diva Maria Callas whom she portrays in Terrence McNally's "Master Class" at the Fisher Theatre.

But the word diva is derived from the word for "goddess" and certainly judging by the media foot traffic, enough to wear holes through the Townsend Hotel's plush carpeting, Dunaway is a Hollywood goddess staying briefly in Birmingham.

The other implied meanings for "diva" - temperamental, demanding, difficult - were nowhere in evidence. The goddess was warm, vivacious and generous with her time in one interview after another, a professional just doing her job.

Long, elegant, dressed in a light brown pantsuit and silk blouse, Dunaway at 56, her face still defined by those classic high cheekbones, belies the 30-plus years of movie stardom that took off with a percussive explosion of bullets in 1967's landmark "Bonnie and Clyde."

She is in the middle of a yearlong tour of McNally's Tony Award-winning play, for which she has purchased film rights. In it she plays Callas at the end of her career in 1971, her magnificent voice gone, teaching master classes in singing at the Julliard Music School in New York.

"This play is about what it takes - what she did, she changed an art form,"

Dunaway said, leaning forward on the couch in a suite set up for the one-on-one interviews. Frequently she would rise and gesture, emphasizing the points she was making with sweeping hand gestures.

"Also what it takes to do what any of us does - attention to detail, working through disappointments, which we all have, which she certainly had with her relationship with Onassis."

The play is one of the few bonafide non-musical hits on Broadway and one of the few non-musical touring productions. Dunaway attributes it to a growing interest in opera, especially since Tom Hanks' swooning interpretation of a Callas aria in "Philadelphia."

Dunaway, like Callas, has a "reputation" for being demanding and exacting. She has thrown herself thoroughly into understanding the late singer and



Legendary role: Academy Award-winner Faye Dunaway stars as Maria Callas in Master Class.

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ART SHOW

Heart Strings: Elbert Weber won third place in watercolor for this portrait of Mullova, one of his favorite violinists.



Colorful exhibit has lots of class

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

The Visual Arts Association of Livonia has annually showcased the best art produced by students enrolled in its classes since the 1970s. This year, works by 31 artists reflect the types of mediums taught in a vibrantly colored exhibit of painting, pastel, colored pencil, collage, and mixed media at Livonia City Hall.

Madonna University art professor Doug Semivan, who judged the competition, accepted 78 works from 97 entries, and awarded 19 honors and a total of \$400 in prizes.

"Thinking back to the early 1980s, it was a smaller show with a lot more oils," said Audrey Harkins, an exhibitor in VAAL

shows since 1981.

"There weren't that many watercolor classes back then," explained Billie Thompson, VAAL's education program director. "Now, we offer several."

Thompson estimates that 75 to 80 percent of the works showcased in VAAL's Spring Art Exhibit were done in watercolor. Many of paintings resulted from classes in the medium with teachers Edee Joppich and Donna Vogelheim.

Thompson is a longtime advocate of art education. The Livonia resident began taking classes in Farmington School's adult education program more than 20 years ago. Watercolor classes with Farmington Hills

Spring Art Exhibit

What: The Visual Arts Association of Livonia presents its annual spring exhibition of art works. Free admission.

When: May 2-30. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Where: Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, east of Farmington Road.

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FINE ARTS

University Musical Society series tickets on sale now

The University Musical Society has announced its 1997/98 season featuring 62 performances by 45 artists in seven Ann Arbor venues. The 1997/98 season is the Musical Society's 119th season of concert presentations, making it one of the oldest performing arts organizations in the country.

Series tickets, which range in price from \$30 to \$465, are on sale now until Aug. 1 at the University Musical Society box office, Burton Memorial Tower, 230 South Ingalls, Ann Arbor. Box office hours are 10 a.m. to 6

p.m. Monday through Friday, until 1 p.m. Saturday. Call (313) 764-2538.

University Musical Society subscribers save up to 20 percent off the individual ticket price when purchasing a package of concerts and also enjoy a variety of special privileges including discounts at Ann Arbor restaurants and music stores. All subscribers who purchase series tickets on or before Monday, June 30 will be eligible for a drawing for up to \$500 worth of concert tickets, dinners and parking vouchers.

The 1997/98 season features 62 performances in 15 series including such series as the Choral Union and Chamber Arts; relatively new favorites like Jazz Directions, Moving Truths Dance, Divine Expressions (choral music), Family, African American Stories, the Song Recital series, and several new series consisting of the first year of a popular three-year series called Beethoven and Contemporary, which features the complete piano sonatas and string quartets of Beethoven interspersed with the music of

contemporary American composers.

In addition to the concerts on the 15 series, the University Musical Society will present two special performances, which are currently available to subscribers only. The first features violinist Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg performing Tchaikovsky's "Violin Concerto" with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Christoph Eschenbach Friday, Sept. 26 in Hill Auditorium. The second, a program called "Marsalis/Stravinsky" features a world premiere by Wyn-

ton Marsalis, scored for the same instrumentation as Stravinsky's "L'histoire du Soldat," which will also be performed on the program. The "Marsalis/Stravinsky" concert takes place Friday, April 24 in Rackham Auditorium. Subscribers are limited to four tickets for the Chicago Symphony/Salerno-Sonnenberg concert, and two tickets to the "Marsalis/Stravinsky" concert.

Following up on the growth of the University Musical Society education and audience development program, the Society will again present an array of educa-

tional activities and artist residencies including the popular Performance-Related Educational Presentations, the Master of Arts interview program, post-performance meet-the-artist opportunities and five youth performances for students of all ages in the Ann Arbor Public Schools and throughout Michigan.

Teachers are encouraged to call the University Musical Society education department to be added to the youth performance mailing list, (313) 764-9187.

ART BEAT

Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send news leads to Linda Ann Chomin, Arts & Leisure reporter, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

CHORAL CONNECTION
Choral Connection will sing and dance 12:10 p.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 6 at the Ann Arbor District Library, 343 South Fifth Avenue.

The concert is part of the library's musical series "Downtown Sounds" The group will perform show tunes, jazz, and popular songs from the 1920s and later.

Admission is free. Listeners are welcome to bring their own lunches. Coffee and tea are provided. Call (313) 994-8513.

MADONNA UNIVERSITY BRINGS BRAHMS TO CAMPUS

Madonna University in Livonia will hold a piano and violin music recital 7:30 p.m. Thurs-

day, May 8 in Kresge Hall on campus.

Admission is free, but donations to the music scholarship fund will be accepted. The recital will feature works from Handel, Schubert, Chausson, and Brahms.

Linette Popoff-Parks, associate professor in the music department at Madonna University, will perform on the piano with violinist Velda Kelly of Farmington. Kelly is a member of the Michigan Opera Theatre orchestra and the Lakeland Trio.

Madonna University is at 36600 Schoolcraft and Levan. For more information call (313) 432-5709.

NOONTIME CONCERT

The Livonia Arts Commission and Livonia Civic Center Library present a free concert 12:15 p.m. Thursday, May 15 in the library, 32777 Five Mile Road.

The Clarion Woodwind Trio, featuring oboe, clarinet and bas-

soon, will perform selections from baroque to modern.

Art exhibits on the library's second floor are open to the public before and after concerts. For more information call 421-7338.

CALL FOR PERFORMERS

Groups or individuals who would like to perform at the Ann Arbor Art Fairs should send a tape, compact disc or video, and pertinent support material to the Michigan Guild by May 15.

The Ann Arbor Street Art Fair, Michigan Guild of Artists and Artisans, and the State Street Area Art Fair, sponsors of the events collectively known as the Ann Arbor Art Fairs, will have eight performing areas at the 1997 art fairs. These areas include acoustical and amplified performing areas. This year's fair is July 16-19 and attracts up to 500,000 visitors to Ann Arbor over the four days.

For support materials include contact name and phone number, address, three sentence

description of performers, times or days performers cannot perform, and number of times preferred to perform at the fair.

For consideration write Joe Tiboni, c/o Michigan Guild of Artists and Artisans, 118 North Fourth Avenue, Ann Arbor MI 48104.

OPENING RECEPTION

Historic Trinity Church will host its 11th annual Ecclesiastical Art Exhibit May 16 to June 1. An invitational, the exhibit runs 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, and before and after church events.

An opening reception and awards presentation will be held 7 p.m. Friday, May 16. The public is invited. Admission is free.

Sergio De Giusti of Redford; Kris Azelis Lamb, West Bloomfield, and Michelle McArthur, Lake Orion are among the exhibiting sculptors and painters.

The exhibit features many of

America's best ecclesiastical artists which the Trinity Arts Committee has invited back. Mediums include painting, sculpture, wood carving, print making, pottery, fiber art, stained glass, and photography. Most of the pieces displayed will also be for sale. Juror for this year's exhibit is Marion Jackson, chairman of the art and art history department at Wayne State University.

"We want to revive the historical role of the church as a patron of the arts," said pastor Rev. David Eberhard. "Religious art has gotten a bad rap in our modern, secularized society. There are still many fine artists working in relative obscurity who do exciting work in ecclesiastical themes that cannot get their work shown in any public galleries. This is the art we want to bring to Detroit, to Historic Trinity."

As the inspiration for the Trinity Arts program, Historic Trini-

ty's pier and clerestory gothic sanctuary will be open for viewing throughout the exhibit.

Historic Trinity is at 1345 Gratiot Avenue between Russell and I-375 near Detroit's Eastern Market. For more information call the church office at (313) 567-3100.

SUMMER SCHOOL

Young musicians can perform with a professional string orchestra during Schoolcraft College's Summer Music School. The school, which is for older elementary through high school students, is divided into two week sessions. July 14-25 features solo piano and piano duets instruction. July 28 to Aug. 8, the focus is on chamber music and piano concerto performance with the live orchestra.

The cost is \$245 for a two-week term. For information or to schedule an audition time, contact Donald Morelock, (313) 462-4400, ext. 5218.

Artists and fans flock to Birmingham May 10-11 for art fair

By FRANK PROVENZANO
STAFF WRITER

Maybe this year, the white flakes fluttering through the air at the Birmingham Art Fair actually will be dogwood blossoms instead of frozen precipitation. Then again, this is Michigan where predicting the weather rates up there with picking winning Lotto numbers.

Despite Michigan's temperamental climate, the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association will deliver their annual outdoor art fair May 10-11. In the tradition of the U.S. Postal Service and P.T. Barnum, the show will go on regardless of rain, snow, sleet - and hopefully, amid sunshine.

Poised at the brink of the summer art fair season, the Birmingham Art Fair is a popular barometer to signal the begin-

ning of warm breezes, sticky humidity, and extended daylight. This year's event also marks the initial step in building a sprawling art fair that may consume the entire downtown area within the next few years. If all goes well, sponsors predict the Birmingham Art Fair could soon develop into a smaller version of that other mid-July art fair in a college town to the west.

Now in its 16 year, the art fair that began in a BBAA classroom and moved outdoors to Shain Park in the early 1980s is undergoing unprecedented expansion. Apparently, the broad focus goes beyond just adding more artists to the quality art fair, rated among the top 200 in the country by "Sunshine Artist." In the future, sponsors anticipate that the two-day art fair will serve as a magnet for art collectors and

shoppers alike.

This year's event with a range of 245 artists is the first major outdoor art fair in the region. To make room for more than one-third additional artists booths from last year, the fair will

expand from Shain Park, and also be located along Woodward Avenue, north of Maple. Sixty-five artist booths along Woodward will be overseen by volunteers from the Birmingham Bloomfield Chamber of Com-

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Sluggo: Kirk Gibson thrilled Tiger fans with his late game heroics.

Kirk Gibson hits another home run

"Bottom of the Ninth," By Kirk Gibson with Lynn Henning (\$35, Sleeping Bear Press)

BY MEGAN SWOYER
SPECIAL WRITER

It was Kirk Gibson-mania at the media preview of the former Tiger's latest big hit, his new book "Bottom of the Ninth." Dozens of Gibson fans, Spartans, baseball greats, media celebs, Gibson family members and more turned out at Detroit's Rattlesnake Club in late April (just a pop fly from Gibby's Grosse Pointe home) to congratulate the big hitter (and former Waterford High star athlete) on his beautiful, picture-filled book.

Baseball greats (Alan Trammell, Sparky Anderson, Tommy Lasorda), media celebs (WJR radio's Ken Calvert, Paul W. Smith and producer Mike Shiels; Michigan Living editor Ron Garbinski; celebrated photographer Carl Sams) turned out to shake the hand of one of the Tiger's biggest hitters, especially in the ninth inning, thus the name of Gibson's story.

Following a short thank-you speech from Gibson about the many people who helped with the colorful, over-sized, coffee-table book (written with sportswriter Lynn Henning and published by Brian Lewis' Chelsea-based Sleeping Bear Press) and who inspired him (his family, including his parents, sisters and wife JoAnn and three sons and a daughter; his coaches, etc.) the lights dimmed for

the showing of a big-screen video of Gibson's greatest moments. Attendees got goosebumps as they watched the replay of one of baseball's greatest championship moments when he knocked the ball out the ballpark in the 1984 World Series game.

"Bottom of the Ninth" covers everything from his birth, his days growing up in Waterford, until his last at-bat against the Texas Rangers.

"I struck out. I said to myself at the moment I went down, 'You were humbled coming in, you're humbled going out. Perfect!'"

The giant of baseball, who came into the world at "ten pounds, one ounce, and was just under two feet in length," reflects on some poignant times in his 160-page memoir. His rocky relationship with the media is addressed and even at the book party, Gibson still asks for forgiveness.

"I was a jerk, I know that," the still-in-great-shape Tiger told the attendees. He also told the crowd how he always refused to accept defeat, even in his darkest hours.

"It's more than a sports story," he said about the book. In fact, Gibson told Michigan Living editor Ron Garbinski that he hopes children will find some inspiration thumping through its pages. It was Gibson who, although lightly recruited following high school, used his discipline and work standards to create "story-book finishes."

Every kid can learn from that.

Mystery recalls early Tiger baseball



VICTORIA DIAZ

"Hunting a Detroit Tiger," by Troy Soos (Kensington, \$18.95, 346 pp.)

No, this is not one of those "books of humor." Neither is it an anthology from the pages of "Field & Stream." And,

though baseball figures in it considerably, it's not really a baseball book, either.

This rather oddly titled volume is a plain, simple, old-fashioned whodunit. In the beginning, a killing occurs; then, provided with clues (and red herrings) along the way, we as readers get the chance to figure out who did the killing.

Sound like fun? It is — mostly.

The time is 1920, the scene is Detroit, and Mickey Rawlings is a scrappy utility infielder for the Tigers. (Some readers may already know Rawlings from Soos' previous mysteries, "Murder at Fenway Park," "Murder at Ebbets Field," and "Murder at Wrigley Field.") Just returned from the "Great War," he is struggling to make his mark among teammates like Ty Cobb and Dutch Leonard, when suddenly he's wrongly accused of killing an ex-player suspected of

union organizing. Oddly, the cops insist that Rawlings acted in self-defense. But the ballplayer knows he didn't shoot anybody under any circumstances at the IWW meeting hall that night.

So, what's an All-American guy to do but track down the real killer in order to set things straight? In the meantime, Mickey's in hot water with his teammates, team owners and union activists — plus he's in love, and the Tigers are in the cellar.

The book draws a bead on this time and place like few other mystery novels — in fact, it's simply a gem in this department. A faint whiff of industrial smoke and machine oil seems to rise from these pages, along with the scent of a greasy spoon or two, and the redolence of the locker rooms at Michigan and Trumbull.

Rawlings lives in a grungy little walk-up, above a hat shop on Grand River. He makes his living at that "jewel of a ballpark," Navin Field. Prohibition has just kicked in, and when he orders a Stroh's, he gets a bottle of pop. The Feds are accusing Detroit's finest of taking bootleggers' bribes, while Mayor James Couzens contends the police are pure as the driven snow. When Rawlings hops a cab, it's a black Model T Ford (as is almost every

other car in the city). A new worsted suit sets him back 50 dollars. For his favorite three-egg breakfast (with pancakes on the side) at a place called Kelsey's, he has to shell out 15 cents.

Countless workers are on strike everywhere, and Washington is claiming that unionists are about to attempt a takeover of the entire country.

Soos' eclectic collection of players makes a winning team — although some sparkle more than others. Whether trying to get on the good side of the mean-spirited Ty Cobb, gazing down the wrong end of a sawed-off shotgun, or sharing an ice cream cone with the love of his life, he has a kind of subtle, unpretentious charm that creeps up on you. He and spirited sweetheart/sidekick Margie Turner make a can't-miss detecting duo. (Margie, definitely a '90s woman living in the '20s, is a former movie actress, now wrestling lions and alligators as part of her vaudeville act, and marching for suffrage despite a limp obtained when she fell from a camel while making a film.)

Also adding to the mystery is the black-suited, Moxie-swilling radical, Karl Landfors, "one of those serious guys who probably skipped childhood. His aging process has been further acceler-

ated by three years on the front lines ... as a war correspondent and ... ambulance driver."

A blackslapping-backstabbing union buster named Hub Donner plays a particularly meaty role. Mighty proud of all those scars and bullet wounds crisscrossing his scalp (and obtained "on the job"), he's a devoted careerist when it comes to folks like "Mr. Ford" and the penny-pinching Navin. He's an especially unnerving villain, since he's got brains to go along with a lot of his Erich von Stroheimish brawn.

Solutions, explanations and wrapups at the mystery's conclusion turn a bit tiresome and tedious, making things feel like a pitcher's battle mired in too many innings. Some readers may find themselves wishing Soos had ended his otherwise-gripping story not just more quickly, but with more finesse.

Overall, though, the author's strong sense of place, along with his colorful team of players make up for the occasional problems with pacing. Add a filigreed plot, plus Soos' intriguing knack for interweaving historical fact with fiction, and real-life characters with his own fictitious creations, and you've come up with a winning combination.

Victoria Diaz is a Livonia freelance writer.

Priest shares 'Joey's' story to give parents hope

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Joseph Dellarratta who died in a car accident three years ago this July, was the kind of kid that would make some parents want to tear their hair out. He was a handsome, talented musician who struggled through school and drug addiction, yet enjoyed a close relationship with God.

Joey's story is one of hope and faith, inspiring no matter what your religion.

"Joey was a beautiful person. He had a lot of friends," said the Rev. Joseph F. Girzone who writes about their bittersweet, lifelong relationship in "Joey: The True Story of One Boy's Relationship with God," (Doubleday, copyright 1997, \$18.95).

Girzone wrote "Joey" to inspire young people, and to help their parents. "So many people are profoundly affected, they see themselves in Joey," said Girzone. "It gives them hope. It has touched people I didn't expect — people who don't have children."

Joey was named after Girzone who met the family while he was a priest at Our Lady of Mount

Caramel Church in Schenectady, N.Y. Richard's parents Pete and Angie lived two doors from the rectory. They became like a second family to him.

Joey's death at age 25 was a shock. He was off drugs, and getting his life back on track. His car accident happened on the way home from performing with a band at a wedding. "The state troopers estimated that the car was not going fast, but Joe must have seen a deer crossing the highway because the car swerved sharply to the right as if trying to avoid hitting something, then went off the road and hit a tree," writes Girzone. "Joe was killed immediately."

Girzone hopes Joey's story will comfort parents "who are really worried about their kids," and young peopl struggling through adolescence and young adulthood.

"Be willing to listen and be there for your child," said Girzone. "Be a friend to your kid, not a disciplinarian. Respect differences, don't be rigid."

Although he was close to God, life was not easy for Joey. He failed a lot, but never quit trying. "Joey expressed a real,

beautiful love for Jesus at a young age," said Girzone. "But he was not a holy kid, he could be a holy terror at times. It was nothing mean or nasty, he was a playful guy. Once he was in the principal's office and took all the detention slips; he just walked away with them."

Joey excelled in music, but struggled with other subjects making only passing grades. After graduating from high school, he was one of two trumpet players accepted into the Juliard School of Music in New York City, and earned first chair in the New York City Youth Orchestra.

Things started to change for the worse at the end of his sophomore year. Joey didn't turn in a paper for one of his classes, and was asked to take a year off. He applied to the Manhattan School of Music and was accepted. When he was exposed to drugs and alcohol he slipped into addiction, went to a rehab center and returned to school.

Joey's parents recognized his talent, and introduced him to other musicians who helped nurture his talent. Joey was lucky. "A lot of young people hate

themselves and have high ideals," said Girzone. "They make mistakes and give up hope. I hope the book helps young people who are struggling try to stay close to God."

Girzone, who has taught school, also wants educators to learn something from Joey's story.

"Schools have to wake up," said Girzone. "Kids have talent, but not all of them are college bound, and academically gifted. A lot of gifts and talents are undeveloped. Some kids are not prepared to do anything after graduating from high school. These young people aren't being appreciated. They're angry, there's no place for them in society."

Toward the end of his life Joey was closer than ever to God. "I couldn't help but feel he had a mystical experience," said Girzone. "He saw God in everything."

Joseph F. Girzone retired from active priesthood in 1981 for health reasons. He then started writing and is the author of "What Is God?," "Joshua and the City," and "Never Alone: A Personal Way to God."

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New airliner: British Airways has inaugurated new non-stop service between Detroit and London on the innovative new Boeing 777.

NEW AIRLINER

British Airways has inaugurated a non-stop service between Detroit and London with the Detroit debut of the innovative Boeing 777. The new airliner will shave two hours from the previous service, which stopped in Montreal. The 777 boasts a First Class cabin with 14 fully-flat "flying beds" and 56 of the cradle seats. The 777 can fly 8,225 miles without refueling. The non-stop service, BA 96, will depart Monday through Saturday from Detroit Metro Airport at 7:25 p.m. and will arrive at London Heathrow Airport at 7:30 a.m. the following morning. The return flight, BA 97, departs London at 12:45 p.m. and arrives in Detroit at 3:45 p.m. the same afternoon. On Sunday only, BA 1096 departs Detroit at 10:55 p.m. and arrives in London at 11 a.m. The Sunday westbound flight BA 1097 departs London at 10:50 a.m. and arrives in Detroit at 1:50 p.m. For information, call 1-800-AIRWAYS.

SWING DANCE WEEKEND

American swing dance champions Bob and Beverly Budzynski from Grand Blanc will coordinate a Swing Dance Package, May 9-11, at the Terrace Inn in Bay View, adjacent to Petoskey on Little Traverse Bay. The weekend includes two nights lodging, dancing and hors d'oeuvres on Friday; dance workshops on Saturday, a Northern Michigan buffet dinner on Saturday evening followed by a dance

and breakfast each morning. All for \$230 a couple. Also at the Terrace, Northern Michigan Quilters Getaway/workshop, May 16-21 featuring nationally renowned quilters. Costs range from \$340-\$390. For information or reservations, call 1-800-530-9898 or (616)347-2410.

BUDGET MOTEL DIRECTORY

Pilot Books' "The 1997/1998 Directory of Budget Motels" is out. This is a guide to 2,200 good-quality, low-cost motels all

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GALLERY FEATURES MASTERS

The Saper Galleries, 433 Albert Ave., East Lansing, are presenting "Picasso and Rembrandt - a Meeting of the Masters" opening today and running through July 6. The Saper Galleries has acquired three dozen Picasso and Rembrandt original

etchings and lithographs which illustrate the important relationship between the two artists. Picasso, especially in his later years, often made references to the Dutch master in his works. The gallery is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursdays and 1-4 p.m. the first Sunday of each month.

TRAVEL TIP

Jean Long of West Bloomfield, a member of the Nomad's Solo group, suggests that you photo copy your important papers - passport, birth certificate, travel itinerary, medical papers - before you go on a trip. Take a copy with you tucked away in your luggage and leave a copy at home. She also had high praise for the Nomads, a group that arranges its own charter travel throughout the world.

More people finding their way to Dionne Warwick's San Jose

(NAPS) - Nearly 30 years ago, two songwriters and vocalist Dionne Warwick collaborated on a tune that sticks in people's heads even today - "Do You Know the Way to San Jose?"

The song, of course, has not changed during that time, but the city it describes has transformed dramatically. Then an agricultural-driven area with 360,000 residents, San Jose is now home to 850,000 and is considered "the Capital of Silicon Valley." The city's high-tech image has since shown many the way to San Jose.

"San Jose has become a significant business and convention destination," said Marian Holt McLain, president of the San Jose Convention & Visitors Bureau. "However, many leisure travelers still don't know what there is to do and see here."

\$1 billion redevelopment has brought new visitor attractions. There's a lot to do and see, in part, because the city has invest-

ed more than \$1 billion over the past decade to redevelop its downtown core. Today's San Jose has luxury hotels and gourmet restaurants, a popular convention center and arena, and acclaimed visual and performing arts (including ballet, symphony, opera, and musical and repertory theater).

San Jose also offers visitors professional sports (such as the NHL's San Jose Sharks), a trendy arts and entertainment area (the SoFA District), and attractions for children and adults (including wineries, theme parks, museums, high-tech exhibits, and historic sites).

It also offers visitors and residents 125 parks and gardens covering 3,000 acres.

The newest way to San Jose - http://www.sanjose.org

While one can always fly or drive to San Jose to check out the city, there's another way to explore this Silicon Valley

metropolis - the information superhighway. The city has its own Web site, "Interact San Jose," at www.sanjose.org. The site allows browsers to book hotel rooms, search a vast database of scheduled events, find general visitor information and much more. Alas, it does not yet belt out "Do You Know the Way..."

Actually, McLain says she would rather play another song on the city's Web page. "I'd like to hear a sequel - this one telling people how to get here!" she said.

The San Jose Convention & Visitors Bureau will also tell people how to get to San Jose. They're currently offering packages starting at \$59 per person/double occupancy, which includes a hotel room, dinner, and tickets to an event or local attraction. Travelers interested in more information can call toll-free 1-888-SAN JOSE.

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TRAVEL

Teacher leads others to multi-faceted Africa

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

When Earna Kassa first stepped off a plane in Africa she was overcome with emotion.

"It was like I'm here. I wanted to holler 'Africa, Africa I'm here,'" she said.

Since that 1980 trip, Kassa of Southfield has been back to Africa 28 times and has led groups of others in discovering the diversity and cultural richness of the continent.

Kassa remembers when she was a child and her father brought home a National Geographic with an article about Africa. She told him then that she would travel there some day. While going to college at Shaw and the University of Michigan, she met African students and the urge to go was contained only by her lack of funds.

Over the years she has been to Senegal, Gambia, the Ivory Coast, Benin, Liberia, Burkina-Faso, Mali, Togo, Egypt, South Africa, Namibia, Kenya and Ethiopia. Each has its special appeal.

As an African-American and a third grade teacher at Detroit's Fairbanks Elementary, Kassa appreciates Ghana and Senegal for their historical importance in understanding the slave trade.

"The saddest experience was going to Ghana at El Mina Castle in Cape Coast. There's a reenactment of how they had captured slaves," Kassa said. "It's really unimaginable, hard to think what it was like hundreds of years ago. Taken away from what you had been used to all your life."

She said at a small slave house in Senegal she tried lifting a ball and chain and felt a burning sen-

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sation and couldn't lift it.

On the other hand the Ivory Coast offers more touristy pleasures. Kassa said she enjoys its semitropical climate, palm trees and beautiful homes. South Africa's Capetown area is notable for its scenic beauty, which Kassa calls "breathtaking."

"It's easy to see why the indigenous Africans and the Afrikaners were fighting so hard for this land," she said.

Since 1993 Kassa has operated her own travel company specializing in travel to Africa. She makes all the air and land arrangements. She leads adults on trips to different African



Sunday spectacular: A traditional African dance in a colorful Dakar setting.

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countries. But she also arranges for student exchange programs that allow children to live and go to school in Africa for a month.

"They are not to be tourists but to be part of a house and blend into a family," Kassa said.

The children are usually placed in upper middle class African homes and attend the top schools in the area. Usually the African homes are better than the homes from which the children come, many with house servants and chauffeurs.

Africa offers a wide range of lifestyles. Kassa said in the Ivory Coast there are many large, well-decorated houses in fashionable suburban like settings. But she has also experienced the other Africa.

"I've experienced meeting people who are very poor. People in huts without plumbing and electricity. I've experienced a wide range of experiences over the last 17 years," she said.

But, she said, she avoids political hot spots. She said she would be uncomfortable in a place with a potential for danger and wouldn't subject her clients to that.

Before each trip, Kassa provides an in-service for her travelers. She explains the customs of each country, the currency, the trade restrictions, the food and the living conditions. She said she often has Africans or those who have been to Africa give talks.

Kassa's Southfield home has many beautiful pieces of African art, some of them purchased through another fine African art - bartering. Kassa said she had collected lots of blue jeans over the years and has found that many African artists and craftsmen are willing to barter for the denims.

Kassa's love for the art works

is evident in the way she displays them throughout her house.

"It's an extension of who we are to have interest in art. I love the art and usually it has meaning," she said.

The art works include ceremonial and healing masks, richly carved stools, fine stone sculptures, colorful tapestries and clothing, decorated staffs and baskets.

Another popular image of Africa is the safari. Kassa has led trips to Kenya and Namibia to see animals closeup. She said it's fascinating to ride a 4x4 and see giraffes and elephants face-to-face. She said it's important that people understand that they must be careful "when invading the animals' domain."

Safaris and sightseeing are not the primary reason that many black Americans travel to Africa. Most want to find their roots in the manner of Alex Haley. But Kassa has never been able to trace her own African roots.

She said she thinks of herself as pan-African though she has been told by many that she resembles members of a large west African tribe. She said she once saw a man in west Africa who was almost a twin of her father.

She said the conditions under which most Africans were brought to America make it nearly impossible to definitely trace back one's roots, though most black Americans are descended from west Africans.

The cost of a trip to Africa for adults arranged through Kassa range from \$1,450 per person (including hotels, air, some meals and excursions) to as much as \$4,000 to \$5,000 for a safari. The student exchange programs cost about \$1,350.

Kassa said many students hold fund-raisers to help pay for



City life: Not all Africa is jungles and deserts. Here people run to catch a bus in Abidjan, Ivory Coast, one of many modern African cities.

the trips. She said she has taken only Detroit school children but that she would like to open the program to students from throughout Michigan.

"If you go there with an open

mind, you'll have wonderful experiences," she said.

Anyone interested in travel to Africa can call Kassa at 810-557-6701.

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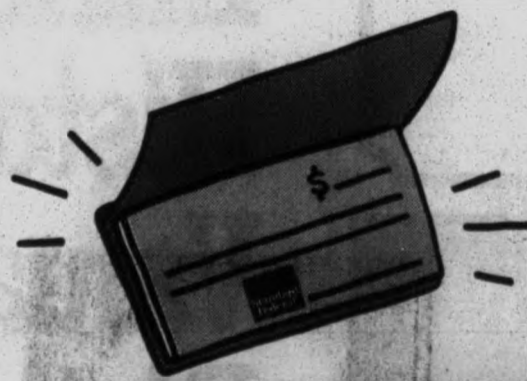
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RECREATION

NATURE NOTES



TIM NOWICKI

On warm early spring days about four or five years ago, honeybees would emerge from their hives and feed on the powder or dust from the cracked corn in the bird feeders at the nature center. This was probably their only source of food since not many flowers were blooming so early in the season. Honeybees have not been coming to the corn dust because

there are not many wild honeybees around these days. A few years ago their populations were infected with mites. One mite infects larva, the other infects the breathing tubes. Both have severely affected the populations of our popular pollinator.

But before the Europeans introduced the Italian honeybee for its wax producing qualities, honey production and mead for making an alcoholic drink, there were 3,500 species of native bees in North America. There were also other insect pollinators instrumental in propagation.

The other day I stopped at a willow tree that was flowering. I saw several small flies, a horsefly, a wasp and some gray colored bees that were probably mining bees. They were all collecting pollen and in the process spreading pollen as they moved from flower to flower.

Flies are actually one of the earliest pollinators in spring. They are attracted to our earliest spring wildflower the skunk cabbage because it produces an odor of rotting flesh. As the fly investigates the source of the smell it is also inadvertently collecting pollen that it will take to the next skunk cabbage it investigates.

Some of the mining bees that excavate brooding tunnels in the soil are active very early in spring and are important pollinators of early blooming trees like red maple and willow.

Fruit production may not be quite as high because honeybees are scarce, but these lesser known bees and other pollinators will be the ones to insure that most trees and flowers are still pollinated.

Tim Nowicki is a naturalist at Independence Oaks Park in Oakland County. He lives in Livonia.



TAMMIE GRAVER/STAFF ARTIST

A STORY WITH A MOREL

HOW TO FIND A MUSHROOM

BY CASEY HANS STAFF WRITER

For outdoor enthusiasts, May brings walks in the woods to seek wildflowers — and occasional sightings of the often-elusive morel mushroom.

Area naturalists and others experts warn that those who hunt for mushrooms should take extra care and inform themselves before heading out on the trail.

Many experts suggest that first-timers work with an experienced mushroomer or take a field class or seminar as a starting point.

At the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens in Ann Arbor, edible plant and mushroom specialist Ellen Elliott Weatherbee said because of this year's cold spring, the morel season is really just beginning. It takes an adequate amount of rain, then warm weather, for them to appear. She's planning a Memorial Day "Morel Foray" on U-M property in the Upper Peninsula, and the gardens on Dixboro Road also host a fall mushroom class.

"The main thing to stress is that there are false morels," she explained. "Slice them in half lengthwise — if they're not hollow, they're not true morels."

She said, with any mushrooms, people should "cut them clean and try not to wash them" which can cause them to go bad faster. "Make sure they're really fresh," she added.

Weatherbee stresses that, although some eat the so-called "false morels," that can be a dangerous practice. "It's a cumulative poison," she said. "You may be able to eat them for a while, but the toxins build up. It's not a good one to fool around with."

She said she is always happy to look at mushrooms for those

who have been hunting, if they are unsure. She can be reached at (313) 998-7061.

Farmington Hills naturalist Joe Derek enjoys the occasional hunt for mushrooms — an art which has been around for decades. "The cautions have always been: Go with somebody who knows," he said. "It only takes one" bad mushroom to cause a problem.

He also warns would-be mushroomers not to rely on photographs, which can be deceiving, and to be aware of any sensitivities. "Some people are allergic to mushrooms in general," he added.

There are several varieties of morel mushrooms, including an early, dark version and several others which come up as the season progresses. Experts agree that they can be found in and around old abandoned apple

orchards, in old elm forests, and "wherever there's been rotting wood and wood chips," Derek added.

Northern Michigan is famous for its morel hunting, not because it is the only place to find them, but because there is such a proliferation of state land on which to hunt.

Joe Breidenstein, who is active with the 37-year-old Boyne City Morel Festival (this year from May 15-18) and who hosts "Morels & More" weekends throughout the spring at Springbrook Hills, explains what to look for.

"It's really hard to confuse it," he said. "The cap (or head) is connected to the stem from the peak of the mushroom right on down. And it has a hollow stem. It's all one fruit."

A "false morel" or "skirt cap" has a traditional mushroom head

connected at the top of the stem. "You can pick the top off," he said. "The stem is not hollow — the substance is cottony." Breidenstein said any mushroom has a touch of toxicity. "Any morel — or mushroom — should be cooked," he added.

Breidenstein said that mushroom hunters must watch out — as do any hunters — about trespassing onto private property. "You can get into trouble here," he said. "You've got a real (morel) hunter and he doesn't want you on his land, he'll let you know."

Although those who hunt the morel have their own ways of going about it, there are others who believe that people should leave well enough alone.

That includes Livonia resident Bill Craig of the Holiday Nature Preserve Association, a nine-year-old naturalist group which specializes in the Holiday Nature Preserve area, part of the Wayne County parks system which straddles Canton and Westland just south of Koppernick Road.

"People get this idea that mushroom hunting is a cool thing," Craig said. "We don't endorse picking mushrooms (at Holiday) because it's a nature preserve."

He advocates that if people do hunt for mushrooms, that they do it responsibly. "They might be on private property," he added.

Derek said that mushrooms can be found throughout this area, including in Farmington Hills, although that city frowns on visitors taking anything out of its large Heritage Park on Farmington Road — including mushrooms.

"I just tell people to go to state land," he said. "I keep it at that — that way you don't get into trouble."

ON THE RUN



MARYBETH DILLON

John Rogucki lived to be only 54, but he touched more souls than most do in a much longer lifetime.

That was evident 30 minutes before the talented runner's memorial service April 26, when already his many friends, admirers and family were parking on the grass because the lot was overflowing at Hamburg's Bell-Borek Funeral Home.

Rogucki had barely finished building a showplace of a home in Pinckney when he developed a brain tumor. He died months later on April 17.

The roster of names paying their respects read like a Who's Who in Running, and at General Motors, where Rogucki was a senior engineer technician specializing in computer circuits.

Rogucki ranked among the top grand masters (runners 50-and-over) in the nation. Twenty times, he ran marathons in under three hours; including 15 in a row. His best was 2:46, achieved at the Twin Cities Marathon after turning 50.

He excelled at the 10K as well, clocking a 36:28 at the Toledo Blade at the age of 52. U.S. Track & Field's masters long distance running chairperson, Rogucki qualified for and ran the Boston Marathon nine times, with a personal best of 2:52.

He was respected not only for his running achievements, but for what he gave others. Officiating at the service, Pastor Ann Jarema said she married John and his girlfriend Joanne Russell in a private ceremony two months ago.

"The love they shared was so strong you could feel it," she said.

GM's Scott Badenoch said that shortly after he became Rogucki's boss, they met for an hour to get acquainted.

"After about 10 minutes, I realized that John was sizing me up — not as a boss, but as a runner," said Badenoch, a motor racing champion. "In any honest calling, there is an aristocracy of people who become champions because they cross through some barrier. You runners call it the wall; at Indy it's the tunnel at 130 mph. There's a satisfaction — and an expansion of love for the world and the people in it — that you don't experience until you go through it. There's a perceptual wall each of us has to go through. John helped many of us go through that. John had a charisma and a presence; John was a champion."

Masters standout Nina Bovio, who met Rogucki at the 1991 Boston Marathon, nursed Rogucki in his last weeks.

"John taught me a lot about courage, tenacity and holding on forever," she said.

Bill Hill, Whitmore Lake race director who worked, played and ran with Rogucki, was among those coached by him. "His secrets were nothing but hard work: run more miles (preferably on hills and in heat and humidity); lose weight; and do speedwork," said Hill.

Hill recalled how happy he was to finally break 40 minutes in a 10K; one of Rogucki's "standards." "I didn't break it by much, and John informed me that the course could have been short. John had his standards," said Hill.

Nationally-ranked master Wally Herrala said one of John's qualities was to bring people together.

Those who ran the Great Lakes Relay on Rogucki's "Roadkill" team knew that well.

Laurel Park, running phenom and a Roadkill veteran, recalled that Rogucki "put the team before his own personal glory. He was so proud of that team, and so committed to that team."

Contributions for "On the Run" are welcome. Mail them to M.B. Dillon at the Plymouth Observer, 794 S. Main, Plymouth 48170, or fax them to (313)469-4224.

TEN PIN ALLEY



AL HARRISON

Several years ago there was a story in this column about a 92-year-old bowler, Harry Greenlee, who was actively bowling in the "Senior Wing Dingers" league at Country Lanes in Farmington. It was a sort of "feel good" article, for there was a saga of a man who found his lifetime mate, Helen, back home in Indiana. The trials and triumphs he recorded over the years made a truly remarkable story. It was also a love story, as these two people fell in love and stayed in love all through the years.

That they took up the sport of bowling is really incidental, but that is the key to the tale, for although Helen can no longer bowl, she comes along to cheer for Harry and enjoy watching him on the lanes.

It would not be noteworthy to write this same

love story again, except that Harry Greenlee just celebrated his 95th birthday.

The family had a nice little party, and where else but at Country Lanes so everyone could also go bowling afterward. So there were four generations of Greenlees on the lanes at once; Harry, his son-in-law, grandson and three great grandchildren. The Senior Wing Dingers bowl on Wednesday afternoon and our friend, Harry also bowls in a Monday seniors league.

Another super senior is Clara Knight who also bowls in the same two leagues. She turned 95 last August and is still going strong. The Monday league is called "Oldies but Goodies," and this is not intended to offend anyone, so please smile as you read on.

In their recent election of officers, one member stood up and announced, "I nominate so-and-so."

Dan Ottman of Troy added more laurels to his illustrious record as he captured the latest Budweiser Michigan Majors title at Parkway Lanes

in Trenton. Ottman and three rookies, Chris Marshall of Lansing, Brian Wallacek of University Center and Troy Stashi of Jackson were TV finalists along with Carey Bock of Bay City.

As Dan Ottman came up striking with the first 10 in a row, he easily defeated Bock 279-192. The suspense was only whether Ottman would go all the way and collect a bonus \$1,000 for a 300 game. A stubborn 10-pin stopped him in the 10th frame.

He then went on to beat back Marshall with a 237-225 victory which earned him his third MMBA title and a check for \$2,500.

Other locals who cashed were Dick Beattie (sixth); Aaron Staples of Westland (ninth); Vernon Peterson (16th); Larry Walker (19th) and Rick Elermann (37th) both of Garden City and Larry Franz of Redford (38th).

For information on the MMBA monthly tournaments, call Ken Charrette at (810) 775-2414.

NEW HOMES

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The Meadows phase opens at Stony Creek

There's plenty of product from which buyers can select in the Meadows at Stony Creek Ridge, a platted residential community in Rochester.

Four builders have bought lots and constructed models in the initial phase of the 260-acre development off Dequindre between 24 and 25 Mile roads.

Nineteen floor plans encompassing all styles - ranch, story-and-a-half and colonial - are available. Builders also will entertain modifications.

Base prices start at about \$250,000 and range upward to about \$280,000. A monthly fee of \$350 will be charged to maintain a clubhouse, outdoor pool, tennis court and tot lot on the site.

"We're getting a wide range of business," said Mike Valenti of Valenti & Co. "We've got families with young children going up to retirees."

Major draws? "The location, rolling hills, actual physical layout of the sub and the Rochester community," said Joseph M. LoChirco of LoChirco Custom Homes. "People have a central downtown area where they can shop, eat and walk around."

"You see the clubhouse, tennis courts, beautiful landscaping," said Vince Miletello of L&M Homes. "People like to be close to downtown Rochester. It's safety. The location is nice on the border between Oakland and Macomb."

"You're close to Stony Creek (Metro Park) ... easy access to expressways," Valenti added.

"Even though there's multiple builders, all the designs complement each other," said Sheryl Anderson, sales director for MJC Legacy. "We have strict architectural controls."

All the builders include similar elements as part of their stan-



Standard price package - fireplace, range and dishwasher, two-car garage, first-floor laundry, separate tub and shower in the master suite, and basement.

Exterior materials are brick and wood siding.

LoChirco offers four plans ranging from a 2,400-square-foot colonial with three bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths for \$259,900 to a colonial of 3,000 square feet with four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths for \$279,900.

The model, priced at about \$315,000 with upgrades, features a library, living room, dining room, kitchen/nook with island, desk and walk-in pantry and family room with sloped ceiling.

A unique design feature places a second set of stairs to the basement right from the garage.

All four bedrooms are upstairs, as is an optional bonus loft that can be used as an office, media room or, in this case, billiards room. The master with pan ceiling has a walk-in closet and wall closet. A second bath also is upstairs.

Valenti presents five plans.

They range from \$259,900 for a colonial of 2,610 square feet with four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths to \$286,900 for a 3,150-square-foot colonial with four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths.



Recreational offerings: Residents can enjoy an outdoor pool, clubhouse with exercise center, tennis court, tot lot and decorative watercourse at Stony Creek Ridge.

The model includes a dining room, library, great room with two-story ceiling, kitchen/nook with island and a large walk-in closet off the garage and laundry.

The upstairs master with cathedral ceiling has a pair of walk-in closets and a dual sink vanity. Three other bedrooms and a second full bath also are up.

Price of the model with upgrades is about \$320,000.

L&M Homes also offers five plans, ranging from \$248,900 for a 2,300-square-foot colonial with four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths to \$272,900 for a colonial of 2,800

square feet or a story-and-a-half of 2,650 square feet, each with four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths.

The model contains a first-floor master suite, great room with sloped ceiling, den, dining room, wrap-around butler's pantry and kitchen/nook with island.

Three bedrooms and a full bath are upstairs.

The model with extras carries a price of about \$300,000.

MJC Legacy also provides five plans.

They start at \$263,900 for a story-and-a-half of 2,200 square feet with three bedrooms and 2-

1/2 baths and rise to \$279,900 for a two story of 2,900 or 3,000 square feet, each with four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths.

The model features a living room, dining room, family room with sloped ceiling, library off the family room and kitchen/nook with island.

Four bedrooms, including the master with cathedral ceiling and walk-in closet, are upstairs.

Price of the model with upgrades and landscaping is about \$360,000.

The Meadows at Stony Creek Ridge is serviced by city water and sewers. It will have side-

walks and is within the Rochester school boundaries.

The property tax rate currently is \$34.26 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation, half of market value. That means the owners of a \$270,000 house there would pay about \$4,625 the first year.

MJC Legacy, (810) 650-1992, and Valenti & Co, (810) 608-2900, models are open noon to 6 p.m. daily. L&M Homes, (810) 608-2861, and LoChirco Homes, (810) 739-5474, are open 1-6 p.m. daily.

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Residential triumphs are in the details



STEVEN SIVAK

Every architectural project has the opportunity to explore a different set of details from every other project, and each project almost needs a series of specialized details in order to give it that custom quality.

I realize that most projects are repeats of earlier projects, but even these projects could benefit immensely from some sort of customization of details. These details come from the fundamen-

tal themes that a particular project expresses. From these larger general themes come the smaller scale details that, in effect, relate all of the way back to the project's beginnings. Thus, the details address ideas similar to those addressed by the project as a whole.

One of the best examples of how this could be conceived is found in a series of projects that was assigned at the Architectural Association in the mid 1980s, which is one of the United Kingdom's premier architectural schools. In this series of assignments, each student began by designing a piece of furniture. Then the next assignment had the students design a room in which the piece of furniture

made sense. Then each student designed the building in which the room was situated.

The final step was to design the city in which the building itself made sense. Done properly, there is a rational series of relationships that ties each step together in both directions, i.e. from small scale to large scale and from large scale to small scale. The details - of which a piece of furniture can be considered - are related.

Obviously, if the details of a project are to make sense, the project must have details. This topic makes more and more sense as a project becomes more and more detailed. This is easily visible in a period piece - say, for example, an arts and crafts project where the doors should

match the stylistic requirements of the period, as opposed to being flush doors, which are anything but arts and crafts.

Less obvious are the abstract modern projects whose themes may not be as established or as common as the historical ones. Such themes may be about a certain shape, color, structural investigation or layering of solid and void or, for that matter, any of the nearly endless possible themes that a good piece of modern architecture might be about.

One of the reasons I am so intrigued by contemporary modern architecture lies in the way in which it can be interpreted. By establishing a series of rules, a "style" can be made. By making the details consistent with the larger theme(s), there might be a

chance that a readable language of architecture can be created. Arts and crafts architects had a series of tricks and details that made sense within the confines of the style - I, too, can make details that make sense within my own quirky architecture.

As a client, I would look for a pattern that is consistent from application to application without being too boring. The absence of details probably will result in the project feeling like a large painted cardboard box. Details need to be drawn, otherwise there will not be any.

By themselves, materials can be beautiful. However, when detailed and made to perform certain tasks (such as stopping and starting and intersecting

other materials), materials become even more beautiful. It is through the details that materials take on greater beauty than they have by themselves.

Encourage your architect or builder to let the details fly - you will be glad that you did. Do not forget what Mies Van Der Rohe said: "God is in the details."

I wonder if that means that a project without details is unholy?

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Representatives of about a dozen builders are expected to be on hand to present information about current projects.

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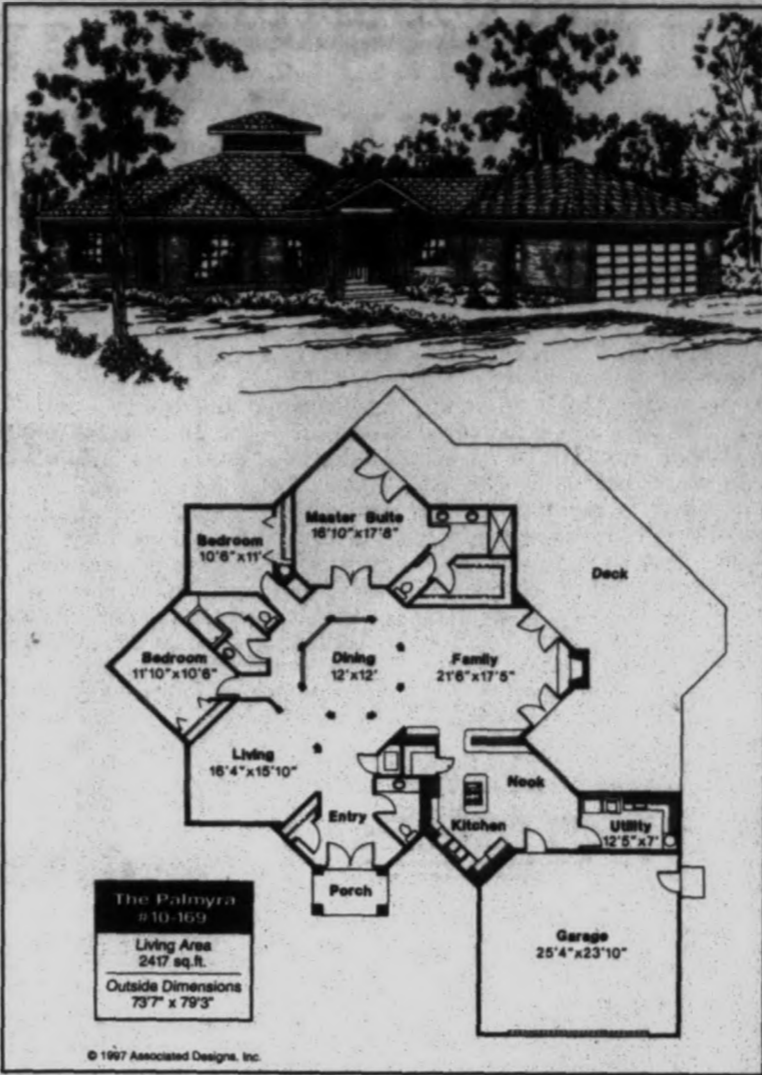
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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Walking tips

Are you ready to get in shape? If so, then the Oakwood Healthcare Physical Therapy Centers want to offer walking tips that can be helpful and fun for you.

Dave Labroff, athletic trainer, of Oakwood Healthcare System Physical Therapy Center, said, "Any healthy person can start walking for 15-30 minutes every other day for a conservative exercise program. Furthermore, having good quality shoes is a very important way to prevent injuries and provide comfort."

He also recommends seeing a physician before beginning any new exercise program.

Health benefits of walking are that it:

- helps your cardiovascular system;
- decreases your appetite;
- increases your energy level and metabolism;
- helps your respiratory system;
- allows the body to heal better as increased oxygen-rich and nutrient-rich blood is delivered to injured areas.

Other helpful hints:

- Grass is the best surface to walk on because it provides less impact to the foot than concrete or asphalt.
- On a very hot or humid days you should walk in the early morning or evening hours.
- On very cold days, it's better to walk in a controlled environment like a mall.
- Ankle weights are not recommended. By increasing resistance and load they can actually hurt you more than help you.
- Hand-free weights, like dumbbells, use more energy to burn more calories and fat, but they are not recommended for beginners.
- Walking with others, especially veteran walkers, provides the psychological teamwork benefits that may help you maintain consistency.
- Vary your walking route occasionally can help prevent boredom with your routine.
- It is important to check your heart rate for an efficient way to monitor your exercise intensity, or level of exertion.

Anxiety disorders

Everyone experiences anxiety at some time in life. Feelings of nervousness, trouble sleeping and irritability can be brought on by life's challenges. But more than 28 million Americans experience anxiety that goes beyond the normal jitters. These individuals suffer from an anxiety disorder, caused by abnormal functioning of the neurotransmitters in the brain. Anxiety disorders frequently run in families and are more common in women than men.

Dr. Manuel Tancer, M.D., a psychiatrist at The Detroit Medical Center, said, "Anxiety disorders are a major health care problem in the United States, and they can cause tremendous suffering to individuals and families. What's particularly hopeful, however, is that these disorders are very treatable."

Some anxiety disorders involve worry about events that have not occurred - and probably never will. Other anxiety disorders are linked to specific events, such as public speaking.

When left untreated, anxiety disorders can become severe and can lead to panic attacks or phobias. Panic attacks are frequent bouts - six or seven times a month - of nervousness or impending doom. A phobia is a constant, intense fear of a specific object, activity or situation.

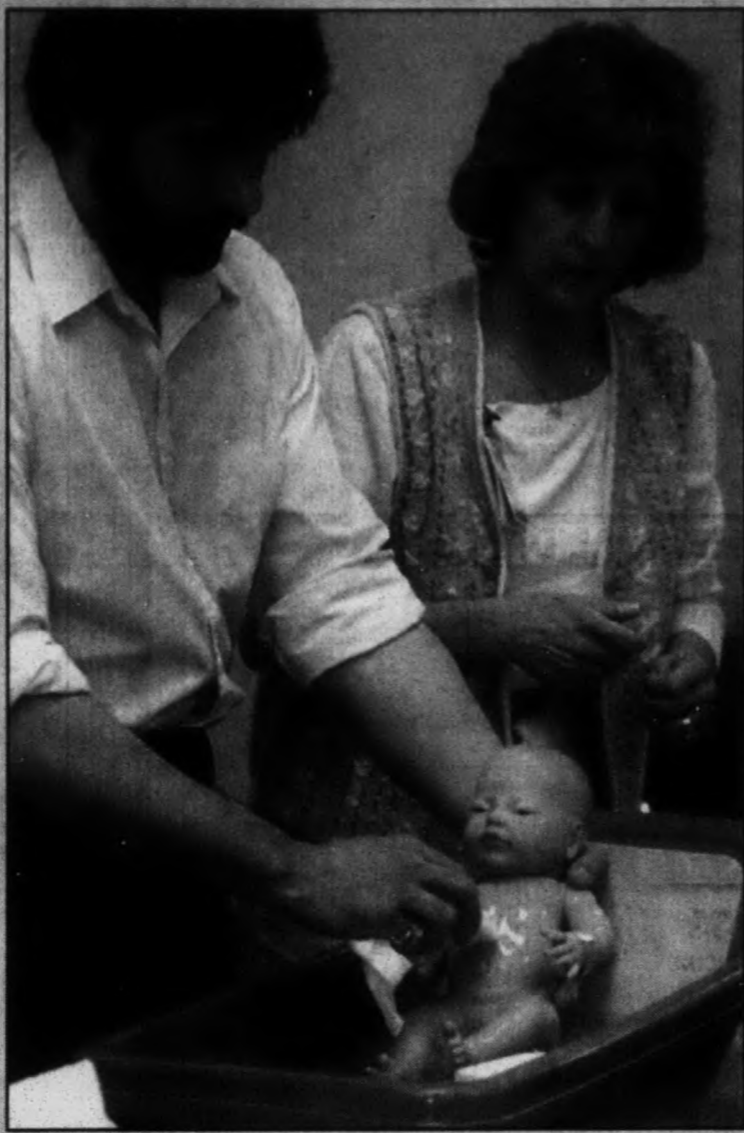
Obsessive-compulsive disorder, or OCD, is another form of an anxiety disorder. OCD involves rituals or repeated behaviors. An individual with an obsessive-compulsive disorder may look in the mirror for hours at a time or shampoo her hair many times a day.

Dr. David Rosenberg, M.D., a psychiatrist at The Detroit Medical Center and Wayne State University, specializes in treating patients with OCD, particularly those between 15 and 25 years of age. "It is vital that we provide effective treatments for OCD. Of course, to provide treatment, we must know who has the condition."

Wednesday, May 7, is National Anxiety Disorder Screening Day. University Psychiatric Centers, part of The Detroit Medical Center and WSU, will provide free anxiety disorder screenings 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., including at the University Psychiatric Center-Livonia, 16832 Newburgh, Livonia, (313) 464-4220.

Participants will complete a self-inventory analysis and meet with a mental health professional to review the results and find out more about anxiety disorders. Screening is available for children, adolescents and adults.

For more information, call (313) 577-7792. Screenings will also be offered at the Center for Behavior and Medicine in Canton, Pioneer Counseling Services in Livonia and St. Mary Hospital in Livonia.



Bath time: Mary Lou Anolick, an RN at St. Mary's Marian Women's Center, helps Ron Muffler of Livonia with demonstrating bathing of a newborn baby. This was part of the class of men who are expecting their first child. Mary Lou's husband, Dave, has volunteered his time to help teach the class.

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SPECIAL WRITER

Joe Sparks of Livonia is among a growing number of fathers taking parenting classes to learn how to care for their new baby and to understand emotional changes happening to the mother. "I want to be a good father and to be a good father you have to learn things," said Sparks, who will be a first-time dad at the end of May.

"After going through the birthing class, it's obvious that she got the raw end of the deal as far as that goes," Sparks said. "If there's something I can learn from bathing to understanding the different cries and some of the other practical things that I can help my wife out with I want to do that."

Sparks, who recently attended "Just for Dads and Beyond," taught by David Anolick at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia, is among the growing ranks of men seeking out practical tips about everything from feeding and taking a baby's temperature to nurturing skills that will affect their children for a lifetime. In the last six months, more couples have been signing up for the "Newborn Care" class offered by Garden City Hospital, according to teacher Shirley Breil.

"Often it is because the dads want to know how to take care of babies. They haven't been around a lot of babies and this gives them an idea what to expect when they take the baby home," she said.

It's important for the mother and father to understand what each other are feeling about the changes in the house, according to Judy Beyersdorf, Botsford Hospital childbirth educator. "We encourage moms to get out during the first weeks after the baby is born and let dads assume the sole responsibility of the baby," she said. "Often times with the mothers and babies bonding the father can feel left out."

Sometimes the mother can feel isolated after nights of sleep deprivation and lack of communication with the father. If the father stays alone with the baby, even for a short time, he might begin to bond with his child and understand what the mother is experiencing. In the classes, dads have similar questions as do moms.

Breil suggests they go through a list that includes diaper changing and feeding. "It's hard to reassure them sometimes that once they get the baby home they will know what to do and that they will know how to care for the baby. In a short time, the things they thought would be so difficult they will be expert at and they will know about their own baby."

Different experiences
Beyersdorf reminds parents that crying is the

only way babies have to communicate. Men usually come to the class with different experiences and specific fears. They probably didn't play with baby dolls as much as their wives did and likely didn't babysit too many infants. Even simple things like picking the baby up is foreign.

"Men just normally have so much strength in their hands and arms that they are afraid they won't hold the baby right or that they will drop it," she added. "As soon as they have the first ones they are experts with the second."

They often feel stressed, because they worry about being the sole provider for the infant. "As old-fashioned as that may sound, they think of themselves in that capacity and they worry about that, because a lot of men have the same concerns."

Anolick hears similar conversations during his classes. Parents feel that financial strain even when both are working. "The financial burden is substantial, especially with both parents working, the child care costs are rather expensive," said Anolick, who encourages his students to talk about traditional and contemporary attitudes about fatherhood.

"We're trying to offer practical advice and ideas for them to meet their own challenges of fatherhood," said Anolick, the father of Mary, 5, and Allison, 3. Most men don't get a lot of support from family and friends, because they talk to each other about some of things they go through.

"You can go to a party and the women will talk about babies for hours and men don't do that and there's a lot of things to be benefited by sharing experiences," said Anolick, adding that nothing matures a man like becoming an involved, caring father.

There are a lot of lifestyle changes to consider when a couple adds a baby to the family. "Simple things like dining out becomes a trying experience when the children are younger, or even things like traveling," he said. "When it's just the wife and husband you can get up and go just about anytime. When the children are there it becomes a much more scheduled experience."

Nesting instinct
Before the baby comes, the father should consider that women go through a nesting instinct, getting the house set up just the way they want it. "The father may not agree with certain things, but should respect that instinct," Anolick said adding that a couple expecting a first child shouldn't take on major lifestyle changes, like finding a new job or moving.

Classes are filled with fathers trying to learn how to be a better parent to older children, too.

Bringing UP Baby

NEW DADS EAGER TO TRY

More and more fathers are becoming single parents in charge of children than in the past, according to Doris Wilcox, who teaches "Active Parenting Today," offered by Garden City Hospital. They're learning how to nurture their offspring and the best ways to deal with those touchy situations that mom usually dealt with in the past, like putting children to bed without a fight.

Wilcox suggests telling them there is a new household plan that includes a specific routine: When the timer goes off, for instance, the children should have their pajamas on and when it goes off the second time teeth should be brushed and they should be in bed waiting for a book to be read. If they don't meet the expectations, parents might say they won't be read to that night, or that the bedtime will be earlier the next day, because obviously they need more time.

Other fathers ask how they can get their kids to stop fighting. "Many times they are just looking for attention and it's a good idea for the parent not to get involved with the confrontation," Wilcox said. Giving logical consequences for bad behavior really has a profound effect, she said, explaining that a child should be told what is expected and if those expectations aren't met what will happen.

Parents have to follow through on what they promised to do or the child won't believe them next time. "I really like this series, because the feedback is that these things really work," she said. "And they're actually surprised. I was surprised when I started using them with my children."

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Diaper duty: Reynaldo Reyes of Canton (foreground) and Joe Sparks of Livonia practice changing diapers on baby dolls during a class at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia.

It's important for fathers to understand what a profound effect they have on their children, both socially and emotionally, Breil said. "There's a saying: 'Children learn by watching how their father treats their mother,'" she said.

Sparks added that he and his wife have been reading books about parenting, but once the baby comes he doesn't expect to have a lot of spare time. "I know you need to be saturated now," he said. "I guess this is proactive parenting. I'm learning skills to help my wife and help my baby."

Strokes often offer early warning signs

If you miss the warning signs of a brain attack, you may be putting your senses, speech and memory in danger in a matter of minutes. Brain attacks, commonly known as strokes, affect different people in different ways. When a brain attack occurs, severe injuries in mental and bodily functions - even death - can result.

Knowing the warning signs of stroke and seeking immediate medical treatment if you notice any signals are critical in avoiding the No. 3 killer in the United States.

A brain attack occurs when the blood supply to the brain is cut off. Both brain attack and heart attack are diseases of the circulatory system caused by rupturing or blocking of arteries. During a brain attack, the brain is starved for oxygen and brain cells begin to die within minutes. That

is why immediate medical attention is crucial. The warning signs associated with stroke are:

- Sudden weakness or numbness of the face, arm or leg on one side of the body;
- Sudden dimness or loss of vision, particularly in one eye;
- Loss of speech, or trouble talking or understanding speech;
- Sudden, severe headaches with no apparent cause;
- Unexplained dizziness, unsteadiness or sudden falls, especially along with any of the previous symptoms.

If you experience one or more of the warning signs of brain attack, get medical help immediately. Early intervention can minimize brain injury, and preventive care may reduce the risk

of stroke, according to the American Heart Association.

About 10 percent of brain attacks are preceded by "temporary strokes." These can occur days, weeks or even months before a major stroke.

Temporary strokes, also known as transient ischemic attacks or TIAs, result when a blood clot temporarily clogs an artery and part of the brain doesn't get the supply of blood it needs. The symptoms are like those of a full-fledged brain attack. They occur rapidly and last a relatively short time, usually from a few minutes to several hours.

For more information on brain attack prevention or to contact a Stroke Club, call the American Heart Association at 1-800-AHA-USA-1. May is Stroke Awareness Month.

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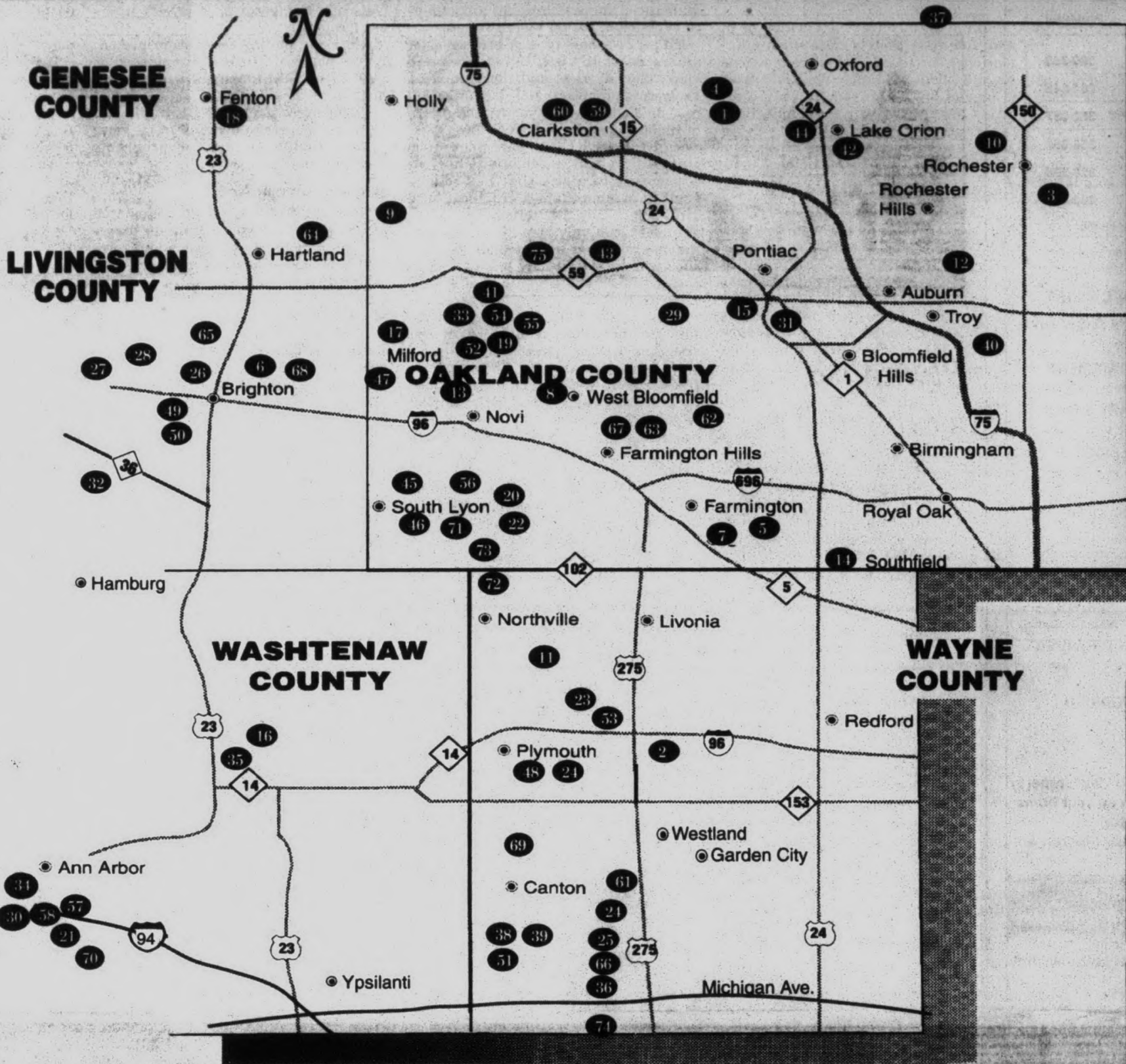
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\$340,000

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From \$300,000

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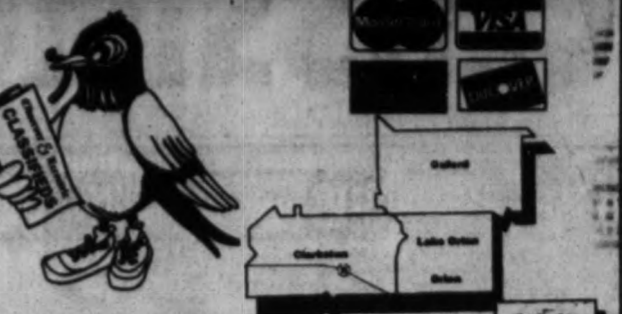
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Major truck repair center looking for experienced full time trailer mechanic.

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Wanted General
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Plymouth/Canton area seeking the right person for an excellent opportunity.

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Full-time position with excellent benefits. Must be able to deal with people & pets.

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For large Farmington Hills apartment community.

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Minimum 3 years experience. Minimum 3 years experience.

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Oakland Community College is currently seeking applications for the position of Research Assistant.

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Large Farmington Hills apartment community seeks an organized individual with sales abilities.

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For a portable restroom company. Must have good driving record.

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Full & part time. Experience preferred. Flexible hours, excellent pay.

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PHARMACY TECHNICIANS
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Wanted General
SMILING PERSONNEL SERVICES
PRODUCTION LINE WORKERS
Water bottle supplier, PolyChn. 12000 S. W. Ave., Livonia.

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PRODUCTION ORDER COORDINATOR
Tier 1 automotive supplier moving its distribution center to Novi seeks Production Order Coordinator.

Wanted General
SMILING PERSONNEL SERVICES
PRODUCTION SUPERVISOR
Livonia OEM supplier is seeking a production supervisor for its first shift.

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WESTSIDE retail company has a purchasing position with 3-4 years purchasing experience.

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For well established local electrical contractor. Will train qualified person.

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World wide leader in honing machines seeks production clerk.

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- Monitor access points
- Respond to emergencies

Wanted General
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Wanted General
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GUARDSMARK, INC.
Guardsmark, Inc. has immediate full/part time positions available in Farmington Hills, Livonia & Plymouth.

Wanted General
SENIOR CITIZEN AIDE/DRIVER
Canton Township is accepting applications for the position of Senior Citizen Aide/Driver. Approximately 20 hrs. per week.

Wanted General
SENIOR MAIL STOP ASSISTANT
Immediate openings for mail stop duties include a variety of mail stop or stock functions including:
- Receiving, sorting, and distributing mail
- Operating mail sorting equipment
- Moving equipment as necessary

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SAMES ELECTROSTATIC
A DIVISION OF BINKS MANUFACTURING
Automotive Service Group
Has immediate openings for the following position:

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Needed for service at well established company...

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Electro-Mechanical Technician
Mechanical Technicians

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TRUCK DRIVER/GRAND TRUCKS
Wholesale distributor needs persons for order filling and shipping on the road...

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WAREHOUSE OPPORTUNITIES
Wholesale distributor needs persons for order filling and shipping on the road...

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ACCOUNTANT/GPA for Farmington Hills CPA, 1 year computer & CPA office experience required.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
Looking for a new member for our accounting team. Must be experienced. Good pay and benefits.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Part-time for 4 hours per week, Mon thru Fri. Phone & computer skills (Word) and bookkeeping experience helpful.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Permanent Position
\$25,000. Service charge paid by company. Excellent benefits.

500 Help Wanted General

SHIPPING & RECEIVING
For small stamping plant, packing small parts, with some delivery. Must have good driving record.

500 Help Wanted General

TELLER
Credit Union Family Service Center/United Way/Community Foundation of East Lansing.

500 Help Wanted General

TRUCK DRIVER
Plymouth based metal stamping plant seeks an associate to drive state and pickup trucks locally.

500 Help Wanted General

WAREHOUSE PERSONNEL
Needed in a reputable, expanding retail furniture store. Must be reliable and responsible.

500 Help Wanted General

WAREHOUSE POSITIONS
Order Filers & Stock Personnel
Needed for Farmington Hills, MI & part-time available. Some heavy lifting.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ACCOUNTING MANAGER
Performance Enterprises Inc. of Warren has an immediate opening for an internal full time accounting manager.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE/RECEIVABLE
Several immediate positions available for individuals at excellent career opportunity.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
For fast paced concrete products distributor. Must have experience with computerized accounting system.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Work with creative professionals in the client services department of international agency.

500 Help Wanted General

SHIPPING & RECEIVING
Clerk needed in Farmington Hills. Must be experienced, able to lift over 50 lbs.

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ACCOUNTING
Paechwood Inn is looking for someone to work in our accounting department in our current time.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
A high volume, fast paced, wholesale distributor is seeking an individual with 2+ years of accounts receivable experience.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
National Home Tapes & Cassette Company seeks professional individual with experience in all clerical aspects.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
Westside food company. Skills needed: 10-key, data entry, and collections.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Part-time flexible hours for crisis intervention in Wayne & Oakland Counties.

500 Help Wanted General

SHOP HELPER
Deburring/shipping. Dependable. Overtime & benefits. Apply: Pack Machine Tool, Inc.

500 Help Wanted General

PRE-SCHOOL TEACHER & TODDLER TEACHER
Needed full-time for Bloomfield preschool. Call (810) 464-5770.

500 Help Wanted General

TIRES/BALANCERS & PREP
Warehouse, Bellevue area. Days. Apply 9-11am & 1pm-3pm.

500 Help Wanted General

WELDER
Welder experience in aluminum or steel mig welding. Benefits. Mon-Fri.

500 Help Wanted General

WELDER/FITTERS
Aluminator company looking for experienced Welder/Fitters. Must read blueprints.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ACCOUNTING
Temp to Perm: Accounts Receivable Supervisor, downstate wholesaler. 4 yr. exp. req'd.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
Local west side suburban shopping mall seeks accounts receivable clerk. Responsibilities to include receivable/collections.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

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Part-time flexible hours for crisis intervention in Wayne & Oakland Counties.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Southfield Market Research Company seeking administrative assistant/typist with WordPerfect 6.0 and 7.0.

500 Help Wanted General

STOCK & DISPLAY
Help wanted, full & part time positions for retail store. Good benefits and training.

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TECHNICAL RESEARCH
A leading edge computer research company needs individuals for full & part time Technical Research Development.

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Columbia Brick Company
17471 174th Ave. Ste 165
Livonia, MI 48152

500 Help Wanted General

WAREHOUSE
Immediate opportunities for dependable persons to advance Plymouth, Romulus and Dearborn locations.

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WAREHOUSE DRIVER
Cera-Mex, Southfield ceramic and related products. We are looking for a driver with good driving record.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
Part time 20 hours, minimum 2 yrs. experience with computerized payroll system. Good communication & data entry skills.

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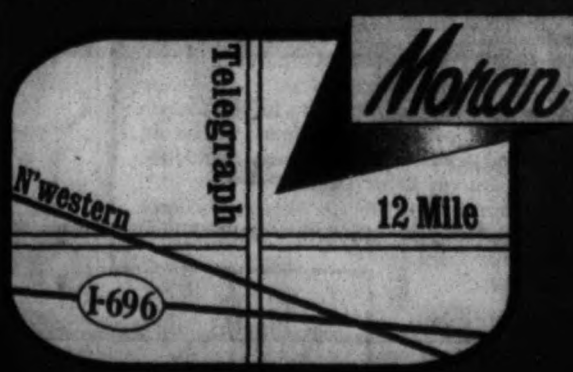
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Mirage subcompact delivers safety, value



By Anne Fracassa
Avanti NewsFeatures

The conversion van jutted into my lane so fast I didn't have time to react. I had been clipping along at about 70 — the speed limit just outside the airport — when all I could do was slam on the brakes.

The 1997 Mitsubishi Mirage yawed right, I corrected it and held on to the steering wheel tight until I came to a stop — off the freeway and into the ditch. Hyperventilating from the scare, a young guy in a dark Camaro stopped to see if I was OK.

After I had calmed down and stopped shaking, he took a quick walk around the car, told me it was all there, then said, "That was some driving."

You bet. I can thank the training I got at two Skip Barber schools I had attended several years back when Mitsubishi introduced a few of its new models. I had thought back then that all I'd learned about crash avoidance, keeping a car under control during a skid and everything else they taught us in the day-long session wouldn't be remembered when I really needed it.

But in an instant, it all came back and kept me — and the Mirage — from harm. Hours later, when the shoulder pain kicked in, I was still shaken.

This Mirage coupe LS is a cute little number. It's nimble, it's quick and it's fun to drive. This is an all-new Mirage, by the way. Outside and in, it's been redesigned and re-engineered. The Mirage can be bought as a coupe or sedan and in two trim levels: DE and LS.

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it — it's much more comfy. This Mirage is a strong car. It's quiet (both the engine and road noise is absolutely minimum), it's comfortable and it's roomy enough for four adults.

I had the rare opportunity drive both the automatic transmission and the 5-speed manual transmission of the Mirage and I have to say, both are easy to drive. The 5-speed will give you a bit more versatility and a lot of fun opportunities to be creative. The automatic isn't sluggish on take-offs and performs well on the highway.

As I found out first-hand, the Mirage is outfitted with all the safety features you would want, including dual front air bags, side-guard door beams, collapsible bumpers and a stiffer body structure that provides better protection during a crash.

Subcompacts are supposed to be, well, dull. The subcompact segment itself is actually pretty ordinary ... full of get-you-there cars.

Not so with Mirage, which is a real cutie. It offers more comfort, more room, more amenities than you'd ever expect in the subcompact market. The best part is the price.

The Mirage LS sedans I drove were based at \$13,210 and \$13,830. Even with

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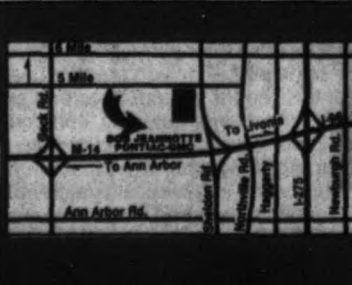
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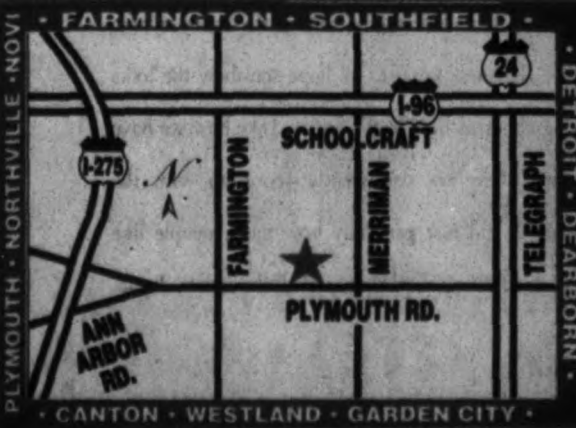
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