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THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY

Informative: The Plymouth City Commission will meet at 7 p.m. Monday evening at Plymouth City Hall located at 201 S. Main Street.

TUESDAY

Tune in: Join the PCAC Music-in-the-Park series at Kellogg Park to hear the musical sounds of "Steve Taylor" of the VuDu Hippies, beginning at noon.

Business: The Plymouth Township Trustees will meet at 7:30 p.m. tonight on the corner of Ann Arbor and Mill roads in the Plymouth Township Hall.

THURSDAY

Meet the candidates: The Plymouth Republican Club invites you to meet Gerald H. Law and K.C. Mueller, State Representative candidates for the 20th House District, on Thursday, July 23, at 7 p.m. at Schoolcraft College (McDowell Center). Meet both candidates, have questions answered and decide for yourself who's name should be placed on the November ballot. Schoolcraft College is located at Haggerty Road, north of Six Mile.

Local band: The Plymouth Community Band will perform from 8-9:30 p.m. in Kellogg Park, downtown Plymouth. Bring a blanket and have a good time.

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Proposed bond to fund new court



Voters will be asked to help fund the construction of a new courthouse in Plymouth. The 35th District Court Authority is expected to determine the amount of the bond issue — only preliminary figures currently exist.

The five communities which support 35th District Court in Plymouth will soon be asked to help pay a multi-million dollar bond issue to build a new courthouse.

The exact amount of the bond issue has yet to be determined by the 35th District Court Authority, although a financial advisor has given the group preliminary figures. The court authority comprises representatives from the five communities the court serves,

including the cities of Plymouth and Northville and the townships of Plymouth, Canton and Northville.

"Taxpayers would not pay the bonds off with an increase in taxes," said Kerry Erdman, court administrator. "The money would come from excess court revenue which is given back to each community."

Most of the communities put the excess revenues into their general

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35th District Court Bond Issue Payments by Community

If the 35th District Court Authority asks for a bond issue, all 5 communities which the court serves will help pay the bill. A financial advisor says currently the authority would need a \$4,875,000 bond to cover costs of construction of a new courthouse. It's only a preliminary figure and could be changed.

* Note: Figures for the bond are preliminary

Source: Kerry Erdman, 35th District Court Administrator

Community	Caseload percentage	Cost of bond issue to municipality over a 20-year period*	Annual revenues from each municipality (based on one million dollars of excess revenues before the fire)
Canton Township	47.15%	\$2,298,562	\$471,500
Northville	5.1%	\$248,625	\$51,000
Northville Township	12.11%	\$590,363	\$121,100
Plymouth	10.3%	\$502,125	\$103,000
Plymouth Township	25.34%	\$1,235,325	\$253,400

Living science



Under the microscope: Eleven-year-old Jonathan Sandberg (front) and 7-year-old Eric Brzezinski look at a hermit crab while visiting the Living Science office's in Plymouth. (Above) Living Science employee Courtney Lind lifts a Nurse Shark out of the tank so that marine biology campers (l-r) Patrick Nolan, Eric Brzezinski and Jonathan Sandberg can get a closer look.

Law's plate full producing legislature

To answer his opponent's charge that he's lost touch with his district, Gerald Law produces a stack of bills he's sponsored in recent years to benefit district residents.

"When I go to Lansing, I work for my communities and produce legislation," said the Republican 20th District House member.

After serving 12 years in the House, Law is seeking a final two-year term in the Legislature. He is opposed by K.C. Mueller, a Plymouth Township trustee and local Realtor.

Law ranks second in the House in introducing legislation since 1995. In his current term, through May, he's introduced 39 bills. Six so far have passed.

A territory-based insurance rating

bill he sponsored limited use by insurance companies of territories which drove up auto insurance rates. A pain management bill he sponsored made pain killing drugs more readily available to patients that needed them.

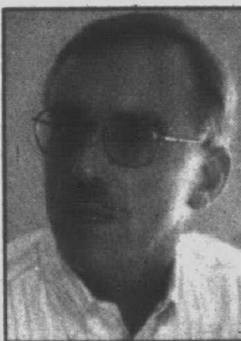
With a dispute ongoing over the performance of the Plymouth-Canton schools computer voting system in a 1997 election, Law has introduced legislation that would require voters to be better instructed on how to use new voting technologies.

He said that when the Plymouth city police bought two small electric vehicles for downtown patrol, the state wouldn't register them and required police to wear safety helmets. "The police were really going bananas about wearing big helmets during festival

time," Law said. He sponsored a bill to allow police to operate the vehicles without helmets.

Asked why he's seeking reelection, Law said, "Producing legislation that has an affect on people is difficult."

"There are issues, hot topics coming back. Electric deregulation has to be



Law

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Canton builder faces charges in Plymouth

As seven dissatisfied customers sat in 35th District Court on Friday, Canton builder Roy Mason pleaded not guilty to charges of failing to take out permits before he began building two decks in Plymouth Township.

Some of Mason's customers claim he collected down payments and then disappeared without finishing the work. Several have filed suit against the builder.

"I haven't seen him until today when I saw him in court," said John Bowler of Northville.

Bowler said he paid Mason \$2,400 on April 1 to build a deck on his Northville home. The deck was to be completed by May 15, according to the contract.

Northville police are investigating but have not filed charges.

Canton police are investigating several reports of fraud but have not filed charges.

Detectives for both departments were unavailable for comment.

"If they can't bring fraud charges against this guy, then the police should just go out of business," said Ed Stempien, who claimed Mason accepted \$1,000 but never finished a brick walkway at Stempien's Canton home.

Mason never returned to get his

Mueller focuses on education, roads

Public education and equity in school funding are two top issues cited by state House candidate K.C. Mueller.

Mueller, a Plymouth Township trustee, adds that she and her fellow board members have had little contact with Gerald Law, whom she is challenging in the Republican primary Aug. 4.

Mueller said local government and business officials worked to get needed traffic signals near growing industrial parks at Beck and Halyard without Law's help.

Mueller said she called Law in Lansing to determine why guard towers

were being built at a prison site on the township limit. "If the guards don't feel safe, there's a reason. It's overcrowded," she said. "We have been pleading, 'Don't concentrate it right here.'"

To help better maintain roads, Mueller suggests that some western Wayne County communities "could form a regional group and pool resources and share equipment. We really know better. We should have the input, and have control of funds."

Poor planning for setting aside road money has cost the state, she said. "We used to have the No. 1 roads in the country."

Mueller supports school performance standards in English, math, science and computers to encourage basic skills for college. She also seeks to expand college tax credits to make college



Mueller

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Old Village happening

An Old Village-Wide garage and sidewalk sale happens from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1 at residences and businesses in Old Village.

A walking map of participating homes and businesses will be available. Residents and businesses that want to participate should call Jan at the Brew Ha Ha at 354-9432 for a registration kit.

Golf outing

The Plymouth Figure Skating Club presents its second annual golf outing Aug. 28 at the Golden Fox course at Fox Hills Country Club.

A shotgun start is at 1 p.m. Price is \$150 per golfer. A buffet lunch is at 11 a.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Hole-in-one prizes include four cars donated by Lincoln-Mercury, \$10,000 cash, color TV and a set of golf clubs.

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Closest to the pin on one par 3 will get to drive a Jaguar for a week. Also, 150 prizes and gifts will be raffled. Proceeds will benefit the Plymouth Figure Skating Club, including the Plymouth Gems on Ice Precision Teams, which will travel to Alabama and Florida this winter for national competition.

For more information, call Bob Rzepecki at 420-2885 or 420-0462.

Live music downtown

The "Entertainment on Us" downtown music series continues Friday with Robert Bugar performing rock from 7-9 p.m. at Ann Arbor Trail and Forest.

The series is sponsored by the Downtown Develop-

ment Authority.

"Music in the Park" at noon Wednesday in Kellogg Park continues with Steve Taylor of the VuDu Hippies.

Top volunteer

Mike Kolb of Hines Park Lincoln-Mercury has been named Volunteer of the Year by the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce.

Kolb has served the chamber as president, executive board member, chairman of the Ann Arbor Road Committee and as co-chairman of the annual auction.

He's also chaired the auction sponsorship committee and has brought in more sponsors. Kolb researched and developed the chamber's Web page and is working to provide members access to the World Wide Web.

Recreation director comments don't reflect policy, say city commissioners

Some recent comments from the city recreation director don't reflect city recreation policy, city commissioners said Monday.

With the township recreation tax vote looming Aug. 4, some city commissioners said they were angered about printed comments from Recreation Director Tom Willette.

They said speculation that the city recreation program would be dismantled doesn't portray their view of how the city may operate its recreation policy, should voters reject the township tax.

Then again, some city commissioners did speculate earlier this year that the city recreation department could be dismantled if the township doesn't contribute toward a joint program.

But that was then. At a special meeting Monday, commissioners agreed to have Mayor Don Dismuke write a letter to the community on their behalf. The letter tries to set out commission policy, in contrast to the recreation director's comments:

"As a city department head, Mr. Willette does not speak for the city of Plymouth on policy previously established by the city commission," the letter states.

"If the township voters decide not to fund community recreation at this time, the city commission remains committed to the importance of recreation services for city residents," the letter continues.

"The city will continue to provide the best city recreation program possible within the resources available to the city for that purpose," Dismuke continues.

The controversy comes just 19 days before township residents will be asked to vote for a half-mill tax for recreation. That levy would match the city's half-mill levy from the general fund to pay for recreation. The recreation program would be expanded if the tax passes, say those proposing a communitywide recreation program.

Commissioners said the timing of Willette's comments could hurt the chances of the tax passing. Commissioners Dave McDonald and Colleen Pobur said they'd heard from friends in the township, who read the comments and said they could cause voters to reject the tax proposal.

"I was furious. The director's responsibility is to implement policy, not create it," McDonald

said. Commissioners said they didn't like the suggestion that the city recreation department could be dismantled if voters reject the township tax.

"It creates the impression we're not committed to recreation. What appeared was incorrect," Dismuke said.

Commissioners asked City Manager Steve Walters if he had since talked with the recreation director. Walters said he had a three-hour meeting with Willette and told city department heads at a Monday staff meeting that their job is not to set policy.

"I want him disciplined," McDonald said.

City commissioners said they were also displeased that Willette recently sent them research on skateboard parks. The commission this spring agreed not to proceed with plans for a skateboard park in the city.

While they said they generally appreciated information from department heads, McDonald asked, "Is he sending us a message? That's not on my radar screen."

Willette declined comment Tuesday.

Hoax

Assault rumors are unfounded

Plymouth Township police say reports of women being attacked and sexually assaulted in the vicinity of M-14 and Sheldon Road have thus far proven unfounded.

Detective Sgt. Jim Jarvis said he's received calls from residents and other police departments about the alleged attacks. However, Jarvis believes it's a hoax.

"It started with someone spreading an e-mail message at Parke-Davis in Ann Arbor, and has spread throughout the Ann Arbor, Plymouth and Canton communities," said Jarvis. "I've even received calls from police officials in Dearborn, Redford, Northville and the

I've investigated the facts of the e-mail and haven't been able to substantiate it.

Sgt. Jim Jarvis
—Plymouth Township police

state police concerning the alleged attacks."

According to the e-mail, someone has been deliberately running women off the road in the area of M-14 and Sheldon Roads. The man blocks the driver's side door with his sport utility vehicle, smashes the passenger side window, then drags the women out of their vehicles, reportedly beat-

ing and raping them. The e-mail notes at least seven women have been attacked and left in the woods in similar attacks.

While the note also claims the police have been keeping reports of the incidents from the public, Jarvis said he can't find any evidence to support the e-mail message.

"I've investigated the facts of the e-mail and haven't been able to substantiate it," said Jarvis.

Anyone with information concerning this type of incident can call Plymouth Township police at 453-3869.

Court

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fund. Since the court burned down last year, the communities have not been receiving any of the excess revenues.

Some of the future revenues could be funneled back to the court to pay construction costs, which could lower the bond issue. The bond issue could increase if there are additional costs as architects finish plans for the new three-story courthouse.

Preliminary figures from Robert Bendzinski of Bendzinski

& Co., a municipal finance advisor, indicate the courthouse will cost \$7,675,000. Subtracting insurance claims totaling \$2.8 million brings the bond issue to \$4,875,000 to be paid over 20 years.

The cost to each community will depend on the municipality's caseload percentage. Canton Township has the lion's share of the caseload at 47.15 percent, and the highest share of the bond issue payment at \$2,298,562. Canton also receives

the biggest share of the excess court revenues. Based on approximately \$1 million dollars a year, Canton received just over \$470,000 annually in excess revenues before the fire.

Plymouth Township has the second-highest caseload of the five communities at 25.34 percent, which calculates to \$1,235,325 of the bond issue.

Plymouth accounts for 10.3 percent of the caseload at 35th District Court, meaning it would be responsible for \$502,125 of the bond issue.

The 35th District Court Authority is hoping to have plans for the three-story structure completed by the architect in August.

"The architects met several times with the employees, and our staff has given some tremendous contributions to the outlay of the planned courthouse," said Erdman. "They've helped design much of the office space, showing how we can best utilize the work area."

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The Plymouth District Library Board will hold its REGULAR meeting Tuesday, July 21, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. at 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.
The Plymouth District Library will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon seven (7) days notice to the Plymouth District Library. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Plymouth District Library by writing or calling the following:
Barbara Kraft, Library Secretary
Plymouth District Library
223 S. Main Street
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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD MEETING
DATE OF MEETING: Wednesday, July 22, 1998
TIME OF MEETING: 7:30 P.M.
PLACE OF MEETING: 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, in the Meeting Room located in the east wing of Plymouth Township Hall
PURPOSE OF MEETING: Election of Officers and authorizing modification of the Plymouth Building Investors loan.
This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976, as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA 41.72a (2) (S) and the American With Disabilities Act (ADA).
The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting or public hearing upon notice to Plymouth Township.
Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact Plymouth Township by writing or calling the following: Plymouth Township Supervisor's Office, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Telephone Number (313) 453-3840 x 201.
THE PUBLIC IS INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND ALL BOARD MEETINGS.
MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC
Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth
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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
By-Law Nos. 0164.1: Regular Meetings - Time, Place and Notification
Regular meetings of the Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, shall be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month (except on the fourth Tuesday in December) at 7:00 p.m. at the following location (except as agreed herein) unless otherwise directed by a majority vote of the members:
E.J. McClendon Educational Center
454 South Harvey Street
Plymouth, Michigan 48170
It is agreed by the Board to hold fourth Tuesday meetings at school sites and start at 7:00 p.m. whenever appropriate and possible. No further notice of such meetings shall be given to the members.
By-Law No. 0164.2 Special Meetings - Time, Place, and Notification
Special meetings of the Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, may be called by the President of the Board, or any two members thereof, by serving on the other members a written notice of the day, time, and place of such special meetings, or by a majority vote of the Board.
Service of the notice shall be by:
1. Delivering the notices to the members personally at least twenty-four (24) hours before such meeting is to take place, or
2. Leaving the notice at the member's residence with a person of the household at least twenty-four (24) hours before such meeting is to take place, or
3. Depositing the notice in a government mail receptacle enclosed in a sealed envelope plainly addressed to such member at his/her last known address at least forty-eight (48) hours before such meeting is to take place.
Services as above described may be made by a member of the Board or any employee of the Board.
PUBLIC NOTICE of each special meeting and of each rescheduled regular or special meeting shall be given by posting a copy of the NOTICE on the message board by the front entrance to the E. J. McClendon Educational center, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, Michigan, at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time of the meeting.
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Merits of millage discussed at forum

The first public forum Thursday on three proposed Plymouth Township tax increases drew 18 residents with questions.

"You want to double our taxes at one fell swoop — It's way out of line," commented Dorothy Clark early in the program. Gary Silverman said all the increased building and rise in property taxes should provide plenty of money. "There's something funny there," he said.

But by the end of the program, all applauded township officials who showed up for the meeting and answered questions.

Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy opened the program by reviewing what the three Aug. 4 ballot proposals will provide, if passed.

Public forums are also scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, July 23, and Tuesday, July 28, at Plymouth Township Hall at Ann Arbor Road and Mill.

Voters are asked to consider:

- 3 mills for police, fire and communications. Approval will allow for two dispatchers on duty around the clock and the initial hiring of four police officers and three firefighters. Within two to four years, four more police officers

and three firefighters would be added.

- 0.5 mill for recreation, to allow for the creation of a community recreation board to oversee facility and program improvements.

- 0.75 mill to convert the \$62 Western Townships Utilities Authorities fee now on water bills to a tax, which is tax deductible.

McCarthy said the township board is committed to removing the \$132 trash collection charge and instead pay for trash collection from the general fund, if the issues pass.

So for a resident with a \$200,000 home, passage of all three taxes would mean a tax increase of \$230 annually.

Of the removal of the garbage fee from current bills, one resident said, "You're not legally obligated." McCarthy responded that the township board has pledged to remove the fee.

Some asked that if passage of the tax issues would allow construction of a new township hall. That's because \$1.9 million from the general fund now used to supplement the police millage and other services could now

remain in that fund.

McCarthy said a first concern would be replacing Fire Station No. 1, which is part of the township office complex at Ann Arbor Road and Mill Road.

She said that since the county mandated creation of an adjacent right turn lane, emergency vehicles "have to sit there unable to respond until traffic can get out of the way."

One audience member suggested a new traffic signal could take care of the problem. Treasurer Ron Edwards says the signal now there, activated red when an emergency run is ready to begin, is often ignored by drivers.

McCarthy said township officials have already identified 18 land parcels big enough to handle a new township hall. "It is not the intent of the board to run out and build a new township hall," she said. "We have not identified a site."

Clerk Marilyn Massengill said recent rains caused three water leaks in the former Friendly Restaurant building which serves as the clerk's office.

"Why don't you repair them?" Clark asked.

"We've repaired and repaired and repaired them," Massengill said.

Clark told McCarthy she did not favor the YMCA running recreation. McCarthy responded that if the recreation millage passes, a joint township-city board will oversee recreation, and hire management which may or may not be YMCA.

McCarthy said the police-fire-communications tax is needed to offset money the general fund will soon lose. While a building boom provided \$1.6 million in fees last year, she said it has peaked and will fall off in a couple of years.

Jerry Trumpka and Tom Kalis said the building boom has created many new taxpayers - and their new taxes must also provide some significant money.

But McCarthy and Edwards said the portion of Plymouth Township taxes paid by those new residents is not comparable to the money generated by the building fee boom.

They had no estimate on how much new property taxes provide to the township.

Five vie for vacant seats on library board

The Plymouth Library Board will have several new members as only one of four incumbents has filed petitions with the Wayne County clerk's office to run in the Nov. 3 general election.

Of the four incumbents, only Kimberly Hickey will be seeking her second 4-year term. Sheryl Khoury recently moved from Plymouth, and is ineligible to return to the board. James Jabara and Mary Mackie did not seek re-

election.

The four others vying for the four board seats include Joanne Bellaire, Karl Dalal, Michelle Haselhunn and Steven Barnaby.

The 4-year, non-partisan terms become effective Jan. 1, 1999. Library board meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month.

The Dunning-Hough Library in downtown Plymouth is funded by a 1.9-mill property tax levied districtwide.

Mental health bill approved

Community Mental Health Service Programs should still be able to carry over 5 percent of its state funding, according to Sen. Robert Geake (R-Northville).

The Michigan Senate recently approved a bill, sponsored by Geake, repealing a provision in the state law that terminated CMHSP's ability to carry-over funding starting March 29, 1999.

"Senate Bill 1170 does not change current policy, it only

makes sure that the policy will continue," Geake said. "What has worked in the past will continue to work in the future, and that's the bottom line."

The bill protects CMHSP programs from having to spend money on unneeded items at the end of the fiscal year in order to keep state money. The legislation aims at retaining financial flexibility for CMHSP's without an extra burden to taxpayers.

District case may go back to court

COURT BATTLE

Depending on how Plymouth resident Jerry Vorva and his attorney Stephen Boak decide to appeal another court ruling in favor of the Plymouth-Canton schools, it could take one or two years before the district gets a final ruling from the state courts on whether it can spend \$79.6 million for new school buildings, computers and buses.

And if that isn't long enough, don't count out the possibility Vorva could take the issue to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Boak says it will probably take him until the July 31st appeal deadline, but he will be seeking another court ruling in Jerry Vorva's suit against the Plymouth-Canton school district's \$79.6 million bond issue.

"I haven't determined if we'll be asking for a rehearing in the Court of Appeals, or go directly to the Michigan Supreme Court asking them to hear the case," said Boak.

Last week the Court of Appeals ruled in favor of the school district, saying it did nothing wrong

while conducting the March 1997 school bond election.

However, Vorva still believes that with 716 spoiled ballots on new touch-screen voting machines, those voters were denied their fundamental right to vote. So he continues to challenge the final results.

"There has to be a determination whether there are issues brought before the Appeals Court they didn't decide or consider," noted Boak. "If there is something to be gained by asking them to reconsider, we'll go that route. If not, we'll go to the state Supreme Court."

If Boak decides to go back to the Court of Appeals and loses again, he would still have the option of going to the Michigan Supreme Court. Court officials say it's taking at least 10 months for the Supreme Court to decide if it will even hear a case.

Boak said there's always the thought of the U.S. Supreme Court if all fails in Michigan.

"Going to the highest court in the land is a possibility," said Boak. "There are some constitutional issues involved in this case, most notably the fundamental right to vote. That's one of the cornerstones of our nation."

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done." Law said some other upcoming key issues include a revisiting of the telecommunications act, road funding and the likelihood that for-profit hospitals will seek to locate in Michigan.

While hospitals now provide indigent care, under a for-profit facility, "Will any of that exist anymore?" he asked.

Law sponsored a bill to help small businesses seeking information on new employees. Liability concerns had in practice hampered efforts to get information on new employees. The legislation allows information from the personnel file to be passed along.

Plymouth-Canton schools backers have lamented that Proposal A has limited their per-pupil aid compared to neighboring districts. Law has proposed a bill to allow an additional 3-mill levy, if local voters and voters county-wide approve in separate elections.

"Some want to reopen the (Proposal A) formula. This is not happening," Law said, noting overwhelming voter support of the proposal. He said that under provisions allowed under state law, "This is the only way they might have some flexibility."

Law recently announced the securing of \$21 million to rebuild Ann Arbor Road beginning in two years.

On general road funding, "I don't think we've done a good job with the weights of trucks," Law

said, adding the diesel fuel tax should rise. "We should stay on the program we're currently on," he said, adding the state should push for better guarantees from contractors.

In campaign literature, the incumbent lists endorsements since 1995 as Michigan Legislator of the Year by the Michigan Hospice Organization, Michigan Farm Bureau, Michigan Humane Society, Michigan Veterinary Medical Association, Michigan Association of Marriage and Family Therapy, Michigan Council of the Society of Human Resource Managers and Head Pain Association of Michigan.

His endorsements include the 13th Congressional District Republican Committee, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Right to Life of Michigan, Michigan Association of Realtors, Small Business Association of Michigan and Michigan Retailers Association.

He has received the Guardian of Business Award from the national Federation of Independent Businesses.



Law

Multi-million dollar road project expected to improve corridor's facade

■ 'We'll have to call upon all our best efforts to get people involved. It's got to be a community-wide decision.'

James Anulewicz
—Twp. public service director

opment now match on both sides of the road, and that suggests more unified-looking future development.

The new Ann Arbor Road zoning category establishes more landscaping, screened parking and smaller signs, to make the corridor appear less garish and more classy.

Anulewicz said the road rebuilding could provide an opportunity to remove power poles and get power lines underground.

Plymouth City Manager Steve Walters agreed. "I think Jim's probably right. Because when you're excavating the street it's easier putting lines underground."

While planners at one point kicked around the idea of putting a boulevard along the roadway, Anulewicz said, "I think the boulevard concept was pretty much squashed. It would probably be a tough thing to do."

Walters said road work could inspire business owners to spruce up their establishments. "It's likely to encourage improvements on the private sector side," he said.

Anulewicz said some concept options for improvements along the road could be presented to the public and business owners: "This is what the corridor could look like - What are your thoughts? Will it help, hurt, or hinder, or not?"

Anulewicz said much of the work so far to discuss changes in the corridor have involved the business community. He said more public input would be sought. "We'll have to call upon all our best efforts to get people involved. It's got to be a community-wide decision," he said.

And while there's more than a year before the road reconstruction happens, Anulewicz said, "It does ring the bell that now is the time to start to move forward. It gives you opportunities to do things."

The first phase of the road reconstruction involves the section from Baywood west of Sheldon to Newburgh Road. The second phase will involve the west section of Ann Arbor Road. The reconstruction is to occur over a three-to-four-year period.

PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY'S POPULAR PICKS

Editor's note: Every week the Plymouth District Library staff provides the Observer with their lists of "Best Sellers" based on the number of requests for titles by library patrons. The books are available by placing a request with the library 453-0750.

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- The Kions and I
Danielle Steel
- I Know This Much Is True
Wally Lamb
- Summer Sisters
Judy Blume
- Bridget Jane's Diary
Helen Fielding
- Unspeakeable
Sandra Brown

NON-FICTION

- Ship of Gold in the Deep Blue Sea
Gary Kinder
- We are Our Mother's Daughters
Cokie Roberts
- Phillis at the Hedgerow
Steven Gaisler
- Tuesdays with Morrie
Mitch Albom
- A Monk Swimming
Malachy McCourt

PARENT'S CHOICE JUVENILE NON-FICTION

- There was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly
Simms Taback
- If You Give a Moose a Muffin
Laura Joffe Numeroff
- Guess How Much I Love You
Sam McBratney
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Day in court: Roy Mason of Canton is scheduled for a pre-trial August 6 in Plymouth's 35th District court for permit violations in Plymouth Township.



wheelbarrow or tools, according to Stempien. Others in court Friday included Adonna Wright of Canton, who said she paid \$12,313 for two decks at her mother's house and her own home. After the arraignment, Mason declined comment. Earlier in the week he told the Observer, "I understand a lot of people are angry with me. I'm very, very behind. I'm not denying that." Scott Brooks of Brooks Tile Design

in Canton said he has worked with Mason for several years and never had a problem with his workmanship. "It's a matter of biting off more than he can chew," he said. "You're never going to please everybody, and my guess is there's an unfair ratio of unhappy to happy. People are just too lawsuit-happy nowadays." Brooks said he's been in business for seven years. He also said he's never had a lawsuit filed against him. Five small claim suits are pending in 35th District Court against Mason for unfinished work. There also have been seven complaints filed with the Department of Consumer and Industry Services. One was closed without disciplinary

action taken by the board. The Observer requested the information under the Freedom of Information Act. Further details were exempt under the FOIA, according to Paula Mitchell, Freedom of Information Coordinator for the Office of Commercial Services. A list of 12 dissatisfied customers has been gathered by Stempien. The list alleges that \$37,888 has been collected by Mason for construction work that was never completed. A pre-trial hearing is set for Aug. 6 before 35th District Court Judge Ron Lowe for the Plymouth Township permit violations. Conviction of the misdemeanor charge can result in a \$500 fine, 90 days in jail or both.

MILITARY NEWS

To submit your military announcement, send the material printed or typewritten to: Plymouth-Canton Observer, 794 S. Main St., Plymouth, Mich. 48170.

ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL
Army Pfc. Michael D. Sawchuk, son of Donald M. and Rose V. Sawchuk of Canton, has been decorated with the Army Achievement Medal. Sawchuk is an assistant machine gunner with the 75th Ranger Regiment at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

The private is a 1993 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School.

GRADUATED
Marine Pfc. Timothy L. Murphy, son of Frances K. Lourie of Canton, recently graduated from the Unit Diary Clerk's course at Personnel Administration School, Marine Corps Service Support Schools, Camp Lejeune, N.C. Murphy learned to prepare personnel information for input into the computer-based system. He also studied procedures used for unit-level recording of pay

and allowances. He joined the Marine Corps in November 1997.

PROMOTIONS
Robert F. Mooney, son of Sandra L. Donlon of Canton was promoted to Marine sergeant while serving with the Marine Corps Security Force Company, London, England.

The 1993 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School joined the Marine Corps in September 1993.

TRAINING
Airman Ryan S. Dahlman, son of Robert and Robin Dahlman of Canton, completed the Navy Aviation Electricians Mate school in Pensacola, Fla. Dahlman finished second in his class and received a letter of recognition for his hard work. He is stationed in Jacksonville, Fla., where he will continue his schooling and specialize in helicopters.

Portables deemed not fit for students

When he talks about the need for a new high school, Plymouth-Canton schools Superintendent Chuck Little often cites the fact that portable classrooms at Centennial Educational Park are in poor condition.

■ 'These portables are literally worn out.'

Chuck Little
—Superintendent

A case in point occurred recently when the district attempted to renovate one of the portables. "We submitted plans to the state fire inspector to rebuild the roof and do some other work," said Little. "It wasn't approved, and we had to tear it down. The building was loaded with water, which probably explains why the roof was sagging."

ventilation. However we need the space. As long as they remain safe we'll hold classes in them."

Little said the other 12 portables will be inspected before classes begin.

While the bond issue for a new high school remains tied up in court, the buildings will need to hold up longer than they are projected to last. "The portables at the high schools are over 30 years old and were purchased second-hand by the school district more than 24 years ago," said Little. "These portables are literally worn out. It costs more to maintain them than it would have cost to build rooms in the first place."

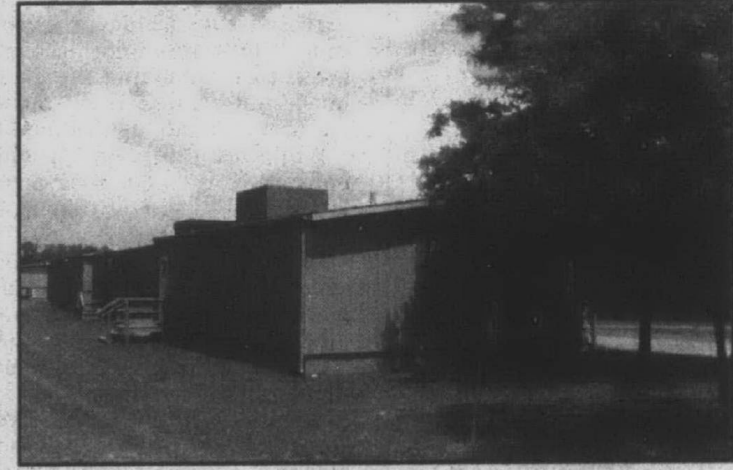
"This was the worst one, but the rest aren't much better," noted Little. "Right now they all appear to be serviceable."

Little invites anyone in the community who has doubts about the need for additional space to visit the high schools.

If they need to be renovated, another inspection will have to be made by the state fire marshal's office.

"Anyone in the community ought to go visit the portable classrooms, especially while classes are being held, and see the urgency of why we need to have new school buildings," said Little.

"These portables are not fit for our students," added Little. "They don't have plumbing, or adequate heating and



Needing repair: Portable classrooms in district.

PLYMOUTH-CANTON SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for the purchase of waste receptacle liners and/or bathroom tissue. Specifications and bid forms can be obtained by contacting John Birchler, E.J. McClendon Educational Center, 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth, MI. Bids are due on or before 10:00 a.m., Friday, July 31, 1998. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept any or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
ELIZABETH M. GIVENS, Secretary

Publish: July 12 and July 19, 1998



CITY OF PLYMOUTH 201 S. MAIN STREET PLYMOUTH, MI 48170 (734) 453-1234 X222

NOTICE JULY BOARD OF REVIEW TUESDAY, JULY 21, 1998 12:30 P.M. TO 2:00 P.M.

The July Board of Review will convene in the Conference Room located on the 2nd floor of City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, on Tuesday, July 21, 1998 at 12:30 P.M. The Board will review the following appeals: Homestead, Hardship, Clerical Errors and Mutual Mistake of Fact. No appointments are necessary. All appellants will be sent a letter by first class mail indicating the decision of the Board of Review.

MARK A. CHRISTIANSEN
City Assessor

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LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF PLYMOUTH

PRIMARY ELECTION ON AUGUST 4, 1998

Notice is hereby given that a PRIMARY ELECTION will be held in the City of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan, on TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 1998, from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., for the purpose of electing candidates for the following offices:

- GOVERNOR
- REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS (13th Dist.)
- STATE SENATE (9th Dist.)
- STATE REPRESENTATIVE (20th Dist.)
- COUNTY EXECUTIVE
- COUNTY COMMISSIONER (10th Dist.)
- DELEGATES TO COUNTY CONVENTION
- 2 JUDGES OF THE CIRCUIT COURT - 3rd Judicial Circuit, Regular Terms, Non-Incumbent Positions
- 2 JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS - 1st District, Regular Terms, Incumbent Positions
- PROPOSITION "J" - Jail Millage Renewal Proposal
- PROPOSITION "A" - Wayne County Proposal

Applications for absentee ballots may be requested from the City of Plymouth, Office of the Clerk, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, telephone number 453-1234 X234.

Absentee ballots will be handed to qualified absentee voters in person at the City Clerk's Offices from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., on Saturday, August 1st, 1998. On Monday, August 3rd, absentee voters shall receive their ballots and vote them in the Clerk's Office until 4:30 p.m.

All City polling locations are handicapped accessible.

Polling places in the City of Plymouth are as follows:

- PRECINCT 1, 2, 4 CULTURAL CENTER, 525 FARMER STREET
- PRECINCT 3 CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL, 650 W. CHURCH ST.

Please take note that the City Precinct Locations may NOT coincide with your school precinct locations.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC
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	July 28, 1998	10:00 AM, Community Room
Mission Health Building 37595 W. 7 Mile Road	July 23, 1998	10:00 AM, Room A
	July 30, 1998	10:00 AM, Room A

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McPhail versus McNamara

Challenger criticizes county executive

'Mac' cites jobs, economy as successes

Sharon McPhail says County Executive Edward McNamara's management of the Wayne County Youth Home — and resulting U.S. Department of Justice investigation in 1994 — angered her enough to challenge McNamara in the Democratic primary election.

While it was the youth home that first fueled McPhail's desire, conditions of other county facilities and infrastructures have pushed her through her campaign as well.

"Wayne County is home to the worst roads, the worst airports and the worst morgue," McPhail said.

McPhail added: "Ed's a nice guy, but he's not here. He's leaving it to people who just are not getting the job done."

McPhail, 49, hopes voters will place their faith in her on Aug. 4 in the primary election when the Detroit resident faces off against Edward McNamara in the county executive race. Detroit resident Wallace Serylo is also listed on the Democratic ticket, while Herb Scott of Canton Township will run against Edward Romanowski of Detroit on the Republican ticket.

The primary winners from



'Wayne County is home to the worst roads, the worst airports and the worst morgue.'

Sharon McPhail
—county executive candidate

paign, she ran the warrants division in the Wayne County Prosecutor's office.

The youth home is just one example of McNamara's mismanagement, McPhail says:

■ McPhail believes there isn't enough competition between the airlines at the airport. She says competition was gutted with the control Northwest has over the expansion.

"(Wayne County) transferred the governmental functions to Northwest. Now, they are cleaning the airport and in charge of security," McPhail said. "People need protection, from qualified law enforcement personnel."

■ McPhail also said contracts are not competitively bid.

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Edward McNamara has some business to finish.

That's why the Wayne County executive and Livonia resident is running again to serve a fourth four-year term, particularly to oversee the expansion of Wayne County's Detroit Metropolitan Airport and the two sports stadia.

"We just have so much going on," McNamara said. "I think about Denver (airport) turning into a \$4 billion project, and it isn't functioning that well."

"I'd like to be there, and if it's screwed up, I guess it's my fault. We have a great deal going on."

Livonia's own

McNamara, 71, has served as Wayne County executive since 1986.

McNamara grew up in Detroit, graduated from Redford High School, and attended the University of Detroit where he received a degree in philosophy in 1959.

McNamara joined the Navy at 17. He also worked briefly in an auto plant, then at Michigan Bell for 25 years as a service engineer, sales manager, super-



'That airport is the best job generator we have ever seen.'

Edward McNamara
—county executive

"The airport represents 61,000 jobs, and it will add at least 10,000 jobs. That airport is the best job generator we have ever seen." Those jobs range from airport staff, airline personnel and service industries, including fast-food eateries.

He also points to other accomplishments:

■ Wayne County added 233 new business locations. Wayne County had more businesses build or expand than any other county in the state, according to Site Selection magazine.

■ McNamara also points to the new stadiums as a \$485 million project, coordinated between Wayne County, the city of Detroit, the state of Michigan and the Detroit Lions and Tigers. The project will create 5,000 jobs and have a \$200 million economic impact.

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visor of field operations and manager of customer relations. He served on the Livonia City Council in the 1960s for eight years. McNamara was elected mayor of Livonia in 1970 and served for 16 years until he was elected county executive in 1986.

Accomplishments

McNamara proudly points to Wayne County's economic revival, touting Wayne County's unemployment rate of 3.7 percent.

Register now at S'craft

Registration is in progress for fall semester at Schoolcraft College as classes officially begin Thursday, Aug. 27.

This fall marks the beginning of several new offerings:

■ The mathematics department will begin offering some introductory classes entirely on computers using interactive, instructional software, listed in the schedule as CBM (computer-based math) in a redesigned computer classroom.

■ The first students in the Schoolcraft Scholars honors program will begin their studies, incorporating community-based experiences.

■ For the first time, selected language classes will be offered via interactive television.

Schoolcraft offers a variety of ways to register, including phone-in, mail-in and walk-in. Registration forms are available in the fall schedules or through the Office of Admissions. New students must meet with a counselor before registering.

Schoolcraft College offers 65 career programs with specific job-related skills, ranging from accounting to welding. More than 50 transfer programs prepare students to go on to a four-year university. For information, call (734) 462-4426.

Knollenberg aims at lawsuits, Kyoto Protocol

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg has planted two fishhooks for the Clinton administration in an innocent-sounding funding bill for the Environmental Protection Agency.

Rather than write separate laws, Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield Hills, won Appropriations Committee amendments to the funding bill to:

■ Block the president's executive orders implementing the 1997 Kyoto protocol on world energy consumption.

■ Halt EPA suits over "environmental justice" under the Civil Rights Act.

"The Kyoto protocol was a set of binding targets to cut energy consumption 30 percent," said Knollenberg in his 11th Congressional District office in Farmington Hills. "It would affect autos, farmers, utilities — \$2,500 costs per family per year."

"Before the Kyoto accord was reached, the Senate voted 95-0 to tell the administration 1) do not exempt the developing nations and 2) do not do anything that will harm the U.S.

economy.

"They wimped. They signed an accord that was exactly the opposite, exempting China, Brazil, Indonesia, Mexico — 40 percent of the world's population."

"Well, it's not signed because the president won't sign it and won't even send it to the Senate (for ratification). In the meantime, he's trying to implement it bit by bit by executive order."

The House Appropriations Committee backed Knollenberg's amendment June 25 on roughly a party-line vote, Republicans for, Democrats against.

The Kyoto Protocol was endorsed by the Clinton administration and 167 other countries last Dec. 11 in Kyoto, Japan. Ratification deadline is 1999. It is designed to address the reported effects of global warming.

The funding bill — which also covers the Veterans Administration and the Department of Housing and Urban Development — is due on the House floor in mid-July.

A second Knollenberg amendment blocks EPA from moving further on "interim guidance"

rules designed to tie anti-pollution efforts to allegations of racial injustice.

"EPA created a solution looking for a problem; they're trying to build a bridge where there is no river," Knollenberg said. "They suggest that minorities were being adversely affected by being located in communities where there was a pollution-type problem."

"Their own data showed just the opposite — more whites and upper middle-income people were affected."

Added his chief of staff, Paul Welday: "EPA gave grants to special interest groups so they could file complaints (of racial injustice under title VI of the Civil Rights Act)."

Knollenberg said his amendment applies to everything except 15 cases EPA already has filed. "It says, 'Stop what you're doing. Don't file any more complaints.' They admit they made mistakes."

He noted that Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer, The Environmental Council of the States, the National Association of Counties, the National Association of

Black County Officials, 14 states attorneys general, and the U.S. Conference of Mayors also have objected to EPA's racial action.

Those groups fear EPA actions may stymie redevelopment of "brownfields" — abandoned industrial sites in older cities.

Area businesses fear EPA's rules will force them to jump through more hoops in order to get EPA permits for such things as an asphalt plant in Belleville,

landfill gas processing in Canton, storage tanks everywhere, a paint shop in Flat Rock, paint manufacturing and auto fiber glass operations in Westland, even hospital boilers in Pontiac.

John Cronin, a Brownstown Township trustee, said during an April meeting of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments: "It's a typical Clinton tactic: Use an executive order to thwart the will of Congress."

Engler creates scholarships

As Michigan approaches a shortage of skilled workers, Gov. John Engler has created the Governor's Career Scholarships to encourage students to pursue careers in high tech fields for which they do not necessarily need a four-year degree.

The scholarships will be awarded beginning in the fall 1998 semester, and the deadline for applying is Friday, Aug. 7.

Students enrolling in computer-aided drafting, computer graphics technology, computer information systems or micro-

computer software technology at Schoolcraft are eligible for the scholarship.

Students must apply now for the fall semester. Scholarship applications are available in the Office of Financial Aid. Candidates who have filled out applications must make an appointment with a counselor to discuss their academic program by calling (734) 462-4424. For more information, call the Office of Financial Aid at (734) 462-4433. Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia.

CLARIFICATION

In a story that ran July 2, the Observer printed an incorrect phone number for the hotline of Victims of Reverse Discrimination in Public Employment. The correct number is (313) 222-0336.



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McNamara said. More than 3,500 displaced workers have been trained and placed in new jobs and community block grants have put \$36 million in public investment into 30 communities.

Airport will improve

McNamara readily admits the airport has its problems. A recent survey ranked it the worst in the United States.

The facility was built in 1954, and needs a facelift, McNamara admits. Some \$5 million will be spent to redo 109 bathrooms by the end of the year.

The expansion will be completed by the end of 2001, McNamara said, and include 44 moving walkways, 125,000 square feet of retail space, and 30,000 square feet of luggage handling space.

McNamara responds

McNamara disputed McPhail's charges of giving control of the airport to Northwest Airlines, that he doesn't competitively bid contracts and has county appointees who "do nothing" and drive taxpayer-subsidized vehicles. She also criticized his administration of the youth home, citing a Justice Department investigation of the facility in 1994.

On McPhail's charge that McNamara eliminated qualified bidders through the bid procedure: "That's baloney. You try to limit the contracts to qualified people." The contracts also must be approved by the 15-member county commission, which reviews the contracts during committee meetings.

On Northwest Airlines' control of Metro Airport, McNamara said Wayne County owns a "piece of land, the building and offices." With airport security, McNamara also said he has a "problem" in giving something as crucial as security to a contract-

McNamara does not believe Wayne County's taxes are too high for the services the county delivers.

ed private company. "Every one of these gates have a sworn deputy sheriff," he said.

McNamara said the new juvenile detention facility is slated to open in November and will focus on housing juveniles, yet the county will continue its programs designed to keep students out of trouble.

Since the investigation, the state of Michigan has re-licensed the youth home. McNamara said the new facility will open in November and plans new and expanded programs aimed at youths.

"We had a problem with the feds, because the old facility was a school. They felt the school was inadequate."

"Our youth home only holds preadjudicated kids," McNamara said. McNamara wants to expand a diversion program used for adults to juveniles, but he said he is having difficulty with UAW employees who pressured a state lawmaker to hold up the revision.

McNamara also defended his appointed employees. "Most of them work very hard," McNamara said.

Ballot proposals

McNamara "absolutely" supports the 1/3-mill transportation ballot proposal for the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation.

McNamara believes the county jail — also on the ballot for 0.95 mill renewal — is part of the reason why crime is down 12 percent.

He also supports the so-called

Supermajority ballot proposal, but had no idea that it would carry the racial overtones that it has on the county commission.

"The city of Detroit pays less property tax than Dearborn and Livonia combined," McNamara said. "The suburban mayors have a point."

McNamara was asked why the juvenile detention facility was not completed until this year, scheduled to open in November.

"We take a bad rap for that," McNamara said. McNamara said Wayne County decided to put money into programs aimed at youths.

Wayne County took non-violent adult prisoners and created a diversion program for them. "Our jail population is down because of diversion. Guys are getting GEDs. We felt this thing was so successful, we wanted to do this thing with kids."

But McNamara blames UAW employees who blocked legislation. "Sixty-three percent of kids in the system end up in Jackson Prison. Engler called for 5,200 new jail beds. We will bankrupt this state, we will bankrupt this county, if we keep building jail beds."

Defends tax base

McNamara does not believe Wayne County's taxes are too high for the services the county delivers.

"In the state of Michigan, we're one of the lowest with the number of employees per 1,000," McNamara said. "We probably have half the indigents in Wayne County. We have a larger prosecutor's office. We have three major jails and 4,000 beds that need to be supervised."

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pointing to Torre & Bruglio's contracts to plant flowers and landscape. Torre & Bruglio are contributors to McNamara's campaign. McPhail believes McNamara's administration eliminated qualified bidders in an arbitrary fashion through contract extensions in letters of understanding and the process of reviewing requests for proposals.

McPhail said she will remove the "laying around, do-nothing" county officials. McPhail said 274 county employees drive Broncos "all over the county." She said she could cut that number in half.

In 1994 a U.S. Justice Department investigation found roaches, worms and rocks in food and inappropriate staff behavior at the Wayne County Juvenile Detention Facility. Problems began before McNamara, but also continued under his watch, McPhail said.

The new facility also hasn't been built, although the millage has been in place for 10 years.

McPhail highlights plans

"I don't like where we're spending our money," McPhail said. It was a "big thing" to take on a 12-year incumbent, McPhail said.

McPhail also wants to expand after-school programs for children using some of the \$600 million in block grants Wayne County receives. "Nothing prevents juvenile delinquency than

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to have kids have something to read," McPhail said.

She also said county spending increases because the county bypasses competitive bid processes. She would like to see contracts extended to Wayne County companies and county residents who pay taxes and employ residents.

The administration also needs to be a "strong challenge" to Gov. John Engler over road money. McPhail promised to conduct a national search for key departments, such as the airports.

McPhail promises to start a citizen oversight panel, and a records room for residents to examine public records. "I think it's important to have people at all processes and levels," McPhail said.

Ballot proposals

McPhail supports the SMART millage proposal.

Wayne County also needs a bus system "that works," McPhail said, but she didn't know if Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson would be open to a merger between

Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation and Detroit Department of Transportation.

"We have to pass the transportation millage," McPhail said. McPhail said the metropolitan Detroit area actually needs a light rail system.

McPhail called the Supermajority ballot proposal "an election year ploy to divide people." "I'm not going to be involved in that," McPhail said.

McPhail said she grew up in Cambridge, Mass. When she moved to Detroit, it was "like a time warp."

"The (racial) polarization is incredible. It's very difficult to deal with," McPhail said she can work with suburban communities, if elected.

"I could care less what color you are, or what religion you are. You are a citizen of Wayne County and you're not getting anything (in county services). They didn't care if Bill Lucas was black, they don't care if I am."

McPhail also was encouraged with poll numbers, showing that McNamara is not the overwhelming favorite and that 46 percent of Wayne County voters were still undecided.

McNamara received 34 percent backing and she has 23 percent support, McPhail said.

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by Herbert M. Gardner, D.D.S.

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CHEERS FOR BEER



CHEF JOSEPH STYKE

Pair wheat beer with cold, savory soup, noodles

I'm still giving the grill a workout, but lately I've been making some nice cold stuff to go along with my favorite summer beer, wheat beer from Bavaria - Privatbrauerei G. Schneider and Shon.

The Schneiders acquired the brewery in the 1850s in Kelheim. The brewery had been making wheat beer since 1607 by royal decree from the Prince of Bavaria.

Malted wheat makes up 60 percent of the grist, Hallertau-Hersbrucker hops are used and the same yeast is used to ferment and prime in the bottle, hence, the cloudiness and layers of yeast in the bottom of the bottle. This beer has a huge head, mild fruitiness going to classic wheat beer spiciness, light body, well carbonated, with a tart finish.

For those who would like a bigger beer they make a Weizen Doppelbock called Aventinus. It's a big beer made with wheat, pale, crystal and dark malts that has a very big head, a deep rich color, malt, chocolate, fruit and spice on the nose, a medium full body and a clovish finish with a respectable 7.5 percent A.B.V.

American microbrews

I am not really a fan of American micro wheat beer, but there are two I really like - Pyramid Hefeweizen from Kalma, Wash., and the wheat beer from Kings Brewery in Pontiac.

Try to make it to the Michigan Brewers Guild Summer Festival at Greenmead in Livonia on Saturday, July 25. It should be a lot of fun. Hopefully, I will be there, and if you see me walking around, feel free to stop me and say hi, or ask a question.

On to food. Here are two nice cold dishes that pair up great with wheat beers. A chilled fruit soup and Oriental noodles with sweet hot sauce.

CHILLED FRUIT IN SPICE BROTH

- 1 vanilla bean, cut in half lengthwise
- 1 1/4-inch thick slice of fresh ginger
- 1 star anise, crushed
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 quart water
- 1/2 cup fresh orange juice
- 1/2 cup cranberry juice
- 1 cup of berries - your choice of blueberries, raspberries, strawberries, blackberries, thimbleberries, gooseberries, marionberries, or red currants. If you can find them, use them.

Combine the vanilla bean, ginger, star anise, cinnamon, sugar, water, and orange juice in a 4-quart pot with a tight fitting lid. Bring the temperature up to 170°F and hold for 15 minutes.

Remove from heat and let cool to room temperature. Strain through a fine mesh strainer. Reserve vanilla bean.

Scrape the seeds from the inside of the bean halves and stir into broth. Add fruit and chill in the refrigerator for 2

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What's your perfect picnic?

A wicker basket filled with delectable deli or carry-out treats, and a bottle of wine? or an ice filled cooler containing pop, beer, fried chicken and salads? Please send us your favorite picnic menus, recipes and suggestions for best places to picnic in metro Detroit by Wednesday, Aug. 6. Be sure to include a daytime telephone number.

We'll feature your ideas and recipes in Taste on Sunday, Aug. 16. Send recipes, menus and suggestions for consideration to Taste editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia, MI or e-mail, kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

HEAD TO HEAD

Ferment event yields top hops

Michigan has one of the largest contingents of homebrewers in the country. On Saturday, July 25, homebrewers and microbrewers will gather at Greenmead Historical Park 1-6 p.m. to celebrate this growing industry, and showcase Michigan products during the Michigan Brewers Guild Summer Festival.

"In the last few years, over four dozen craft beer establishments have opened to serve a fresh locally produced beer to Michigan residents and visitors," said Rex Halfpenny, an award-winning homebrewer, editor and publisher of the Michigan Beer Guide, a monthly newsletter, and executive director of the Michigan Brewers Guild. "The festival is a unique opportunity to try outstanding beers produced in Michigan."

The Michigan Brewers Guild Summer Festival will showcase the beer and food of guild members. The Michigan Brewers Guild is a non-profit trade member organization dedicated to the promotion of Michigan brewed beer and consumer education. Twenty-seven microbreweries and brewpubs will be represented at the festival with over 100 different beers.

Greenmead is a 92-acre national historic landmark operated by the City of Livonia. "It seemed like a good fit," said Halfpenny. "There's been a revival of craft beers not seen since the turn of the century."

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- **Pontiac Brewing Tribe**, Pontiac - Meets second Tuesday of each month at King Brewing Company; Craig Spicer (248) 625-6093 or kegg@usa.pipeline.com

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Festival Information

What: The Festival will showcase the beer and food of Michigan Brewers Guild members. The Michigan Brewers Guild is a non-profit trade member organization dedicated to the promotion of Michigan brewed beer and consumer education. Event proceeds benefit the Michigan Brewers Guild.

When: 1-6 p.m. Saturday, July 25.
Where: Greenmead Historical Park, Newburgh at Eight Mile Road, Livonia.

Admission: Tickets are \$25 per person, available at the door, and all 33 Michigan Brewers Guild Breweries, Merchant's Fine Wine locations, and Greenmead. Call Rex Halfpenny (248) 628-6584, or Merchant's Fine Wine (248) 546-7770 for more information, or <http://www.michiganbeerguide.com> on the web. Non-drinking, designated drivers will be admitted at no charge.

Mark your calendar:

- July 27-Aug. 7 - Michigan State Fair Homebrew Competition entries accepted, AHA sanctioned. Best of Show judged on Aug. 29 at the fair. Sponsored by the Ann Arbor and FORD Homebrew Clubs. Call Stephen Klump (313) 207-7570 before 8 p.m. for information.
- Nov. 6-7 - The Ninth Annual Taste of Great Lakes Homebrew Conference in Frankenmuth, Beer Feast, Speakers, Microbrew & Specialty Beer Tasting, Homebrew Competition and more. Call 1-(800)-FUN-TOWN for information.

Dievole dedicated to preserving a heritage

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD
SPECIAL WRITERS

Agriculture is the heart of grapegrowing and wine-making. That's too often forgotten. Dievole in Tuscany's Chianti Classico region may be the best reminder. Dievole (translated as valley of the gods) is not just a story about wine. It is a documentation of people and vision.

In 1989, Dievole released its first wine since 1090. That's not a misprint! In between, nine centuries of sharecropping 16 parcels of land by outmoded methods, failed. The new vision, first conceived in 1979 by

Dievole's founder Mario Schwenn, revitalized the land, the wine, its people and in the process, created a modern village dedicated to preserving a heritage.

Let's put Dievole in perspective. Within Italy, Tuscany is a region of about a half million acres. The Chianti zone as a whole is about 50,000 acres with its heartland, Chianti Classico, about 14,000 acres. Within this lies the 200 acres known as Dievole and its two-square-mile private estate near Siena. It is one of the larger estates among the 970 in Chianti Classico.

Liquid geography

To 32-year-old owner Mario Schwenn's way of thinking, memorable wine is as much a map as a taste - a place where man, plant and planet meet. To him, it's a kind of liquid geography. Dievole, he says, is a "biological arena of 16 different microclimates, each with its own somewhere-ness," not just a 200-acre parcel of land.

Sixteen unique vineyards have been created from the 16 different microclimates. Wine derived from each is different, even though they are all Chianti Classico. But in some wines, by blending the uniqueness, Dievole can indeed make a whole greater than the sum of its parts.

But this is where the people of Dievole make their

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Harvest celebration: Dievole vineyards celebrates the harvest in the heart of Italy's Chianti Classico zone.

Wine Picks

- **Pick of the Pack:** 1995 Geyser Peak Reserve Alexandre \$28 gets highest marks for its quality to price ratio. Many Bordeaux-style blends from this vintage are twice the price and more.
- **More delicious cabernets:** 1995 Charles Krug Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley \$15; 1995 Dry Creek Vineyard Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon \$30; and 1995 Iron Horse Cabernet Sauvignon \$26.
- **Rose is a great summer refresher:** 1997 Iron Horse Rosato di Sangiovese, Alexander Valley \$15 and 1997 Preston "Le Petit Fau" \$12 are among the tops.
- **Drink what they do in Paris bistros during summer, ample and harmonious Beaujolais!** The price doesn't get much better than this for flavorful reds. Try these 1997s from Georges Dubouef: Beaujolais-Villages \$7; Juliénas \$10 or Morgon \$10. From Maison Louis Jadot, 1997 Beaujolais Villages is also yummy at \$9.

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Festival attendees will be able to visit historic buildings, and interact with volunteers to learn more about Livonia's past. A special beer tent will feature Michigan microbrewed beer, food, beer-related exhibits and demonstrations.

"It's a family event," said Halfpenny. "Children can still enjoy an afternoon at Greenmead."

Tickets are \$25. Non-drinking designated drivers will be admitted at no charge. Tickets will only be sold to those 21 and older, and includes a commemorative cup, and punch-card for up to 42 three-ounce tastings.

Food produced by Michigan Brewers Guild members including bratwurst sandwiches, ribs, hot dogs and other pub grub will be sold at nominal charge. Acoustic, roaming musicians will

provide low key entertainment. "This will be an exciting event for all Michigan residents and a great opportunity to try the best beer brewed in Michigan," said Halfpenny. "Never before have this many Michigan Breweries been brought together in one forum."

If you're interested in homebrewing, you might want to visit a place like Brew & Grow in Livonia that sells homebrewing supplies, and talk to owner Scott Day.

"It's a real easy, fun hobby. If you enjoy drinking good beer, it's a great way to expand on that."

Brewing beer at home is not real expensive. You can get started for \$65 to \$165, said Day. That includes equipment, ingredients, and a book. The

equipment is reusable. The ingredients such as malt, hops and yeast cost \$25 to \$35 per batch.

"There's about four to five hours of labor involved," said Day. "It takes one month to make. A five gallon batch yields two cases of beer."

Often people get interested in brewing their own beer after visiting a microbrewery. "They get familiar with more styles of beer. Homebrewing allows more diversity," said Day. "People are realizing that beer can actually taste good and get interested in how easy it is to make."

Joining a club is another way to learn more about homebrewing, and representatives of local clubs will be at the festival.

"It's the camaraderie of having a hobby in common," said Half-

penny explaining the advantages of belonging to a club. He is a member of the Pontiac Brewing Tribe. "It's an opportunity to learn from each other, and a venue to further your education and make better beer."

Competitions are not about being the best, but making better beer, and the Pontiac Brewing Tribe homebrew club is hosting an American Homebrewers Association sanctioned homebrew competition "Brew-Wow" in conjunction with the festival.

The first round judging took place July 18 after the Observer & Eccentric Newspaper went to press, at King Brewing Company in Pontiac.

Best of Show judging will take place at the Michigan Brewers Guild Summer Festival at 4 p.m.

Craig Spicer, president of the Pontiac Brewing Tribe said the response to the Brew-Wow has been great. "We've gotten entries from California, Washington State, and Texas," he said.

Beer is sometimes associated with rowdiness, but this isn't about that. "Treat it as a tasting festival," said Spicer. "It's an opportunity to experience beers you've never tried - stout, porters, pale ales, they all carry a lot of history. The food products at the festival should be really good too. The brewers know what foods go well with beer."

Spicer enjoys cooking. "We do a lot of canning, and make our own cheese and bread," he said. "My buddy started brewing beer, and I got interested," he said.

Pontiac Brewing Tribe members come from all walks of life. "We have doctors, lawyers, garbage men, and computer technicians," he said. Of the membership, 85 percent are men, 15 percent women.

"Beer just being a more of man sort of thing," he said. "We're not sexist. Women are welcome. A lot of the men bring their wives to the meetings."

"I think beer has been boring for years," said Halfpenny. "I think that's why women didn't like it. Now that beer is becoming more interesting, because of its wine-like aroma and flavor complexities, I think we'll see more women get involved in the industry. My wife hated beer, but she's developed a taste for microbrewed beer."

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hours. Serve in chilled bowls. Serves 6.

COLD NOODLES WITH SWEET HOT SAUCE

- 1 pound Lo Mein or Soba Noodles
- 2 tablespoons plus 2 tablespoons sesame oil
- 2 tablespoons minced ginger
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 6 tablespoons cider vinegar
- 1/4 cup brown sugar (not packed)
- 1/2 cup molasses
- 2 tablespoons dry sherry
- 1/2 cup Lite Soy Sauce
- 1 or 2 minced red or green hot chili peppers
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 2 1/2 tablespoons cold water
- 1 red bell pepper, julienne
- 1 orange bell pepper, julienne
- 1/2 small red onion, julienne
- 3 green onions, cut diagonally
- 1 handful of bean sprouts
- 4 ounces sliced mushrooms (your call on what kind)
- 1 carrot sliced into thin coin size pieces

In a stock pot bring lightly salt-

ed water to a boil and add noodles. Cook according to package directions. Drain and rinse with cold water to cool. Drain well. Add 2 tablespoons sesame oil to noodles and toss in a bowl to coat and set aside.

In a 1-quart saucepan add 2 tablespoons sesame oil and heat over a medium flame. Add the ginger and garlic and cook until light brown (don't burn, it!) Add soy sauce, vinegar, sherry, molasses, brown sugar and chili peppers. Turn down heat, and simmer for 5 minutes.

Mix cornstarch and water well and whisk into sauce to thicken. Remove from heat and chill. Add vegetables to noodles and toss well. Add one cup of sauce and toss well again and serve. You will have leftover sauce, but it's great on chicken or pork chops on the grill. Serves 4.

Chef Joseph Styke is sous chef at the Water Club Seafood Grill in Plymouth, and an award-winning home brewer. Look for his column on the last Sunday of the month in Taste. We made an exception this month to coincide with the Michigan Brewers Guild Summer Festival.

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impact. Each of Dievole's 16 estate vineyards is tended by its own master-vintner whom Schwenn calls "tutors." Wine emanating from these vineyards reflects the soul of a man and marvelously is not self-expressionism at any cost. Ego is put aside and old vines are nursed, given the dictates of nature in a given vintage.

"The work of a good vintner is the result of observation," Schwenn noted philosophically. "The wine is a summation of his thoughts. He must know what questions to ask and the options opened up by possible answers. At Dievole, we do not make a wine, we raise it."

Chianti Classico

To begin to experience Dievole, head straight for the Chianti Classico. The 1995 at \$13.50 is a good introduction, hallmarked by berry aromas and brown spice notes. The 1994 Chianti Classico Riserva \$19.50 is all of the above, just bigger and better and well worth the extra cost.

The bar is raised with 1995 Broccato \$25.50 which is 100 percent sangiovese. Sangiovese is Italy's most planted red vari-

ety at more than 10 percent of all Italian vineyards. Today, there is an increased interest, not only in Tuscany, but in California to understand the large number of clonal variations and which one grows best on a given site. Because of this, Dievole's Broccato is a work in progress, but its evolution has been phenomenal.

Today's so-called Super Tuscan wines are often blended with high percentages of cabernet sauvignon overshadowing the fruit generosity of sangiovese. This supposedly, puts some meat on the bones of sangiovese. Shortly, with the appearance of wines like Dievole Broccato, a sangiovese with meat, the new generation of Super Tuscan will be the best 100 percent sangiovese ever made.

Wines like Broccato are only born in vineyards with strict growing practices and low yields. Ripe, healthy fruit is hand har-

vested then scrupulously vinified by the gentlest methods.

The fabulous 1994 Dievole Rinascimento \$15 is not only well priced, but a great wine with ripe plum aromas and layers of generous complexity. It honors the vineyard "tutors." The faces on the label are the those of the real people tending the vineyards - the people that create the greatness of Dievole.

And this story is one you can experience first hand. Dievole

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Blueberry yogurt frozen pops cool dessert

AP - Each serving of Blueberry Yogurt Frozen Pops contains just 3 grams of fat and 292 calories. The pops are made with unflavored gelatin, plain nonfat yogurt, pureed blueberries and banana-orange frozen juice concentrate.

- 1 cup pureed blueberries
- 1/2 cup banana-orange frozen juice concentrate or pineapple frozen juice concentrate

Sprinkle gelatin over water. Let stand for 5 minutes to soften.

In a saucepan, combine honey with gelatin mixture and heat to a boil, stirring to dissolve gelatin. Remove from heat and cool. Whisk in the lemon juice and the half & half cream.

In a bowl, whisk together the yogurt and the gelatin-cream mixture. Divide the mixture into two equal portions.

Stir the pureed blueberries into

one-half of the yogurt cream mixture. Follow by mixing one-half of the juice concentrate into the blueberry mixture and one-half to the remaining yogurt cream mixture.

Fill one-half of a 4-ounce mold with the blueberry mixture. Pour yogurt cream mixture layer on top of the blueberry mixture to within 1/4-inch of the rim of the cup. Insert a plastic drinking straw or wooden stick for a handle. Repeat. Freeze until firm. If necessary, dip each cup into warm water to loosen from mold. Makes 8 pops.

Nutrition facts per serving: 292 calories, 10.7 calories from fat. Recipe from: Northwest Blueberries

BLUEBERRY YOGURT FROZEN POPS

- 1 tablespoon unflavored gelatin
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/3rd cup honey
- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 1 cup half & half cream
- 3/4 cup plain nonfat yogurt

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Discover new ways of 'Cooking with Beer'

Lucy Saunders calls her cookbook "Cooking With Beer: Tempting Recipes and Creative Ideas for Matching Beer & Food" (Time-Life Books; November 1996; \$12.95/paperback) a map to be used to "explore the combined flavors of beer and food."



Saunders introduces readers to beer — where it came from; how it has evolved; and how beers, from basic lagers to exotic microwbrews, are made, and characterized.

Saunders addresses when beer is best used as an ingredient, and when it should be relegated to the "accompaniment" role.

From "Snacks and Starters" to "After Dinner" Saunders offers a variety of recipes that are sure to whet your appetite. There are also suggestions for beer-tasting menus, tips for handling and

serving the perfect brew, a vocabulary for talking about taste and a concise guide to beer styles and brands. A detailed index helps readers find what they want quickly and easily.

Here are some recipes to try. "Beer may be used to replace the fat in certain dishes," Saunders writes, "and this is a good example. Artichoke hearts and Parmesan cheese are bound not by mayonnaise and eggs, but by beer, bread crumbs and egg white for a much less caloric version of this popular baked dip."

ARTICHOKE AND CHEESE DIP

- 1 3/4 pounds artichoke hearts (2 - 14-ounce cans, drained, or equal quantity frozen and thawed)
- 1 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 tablespoon minced lemon zest
- 1 tablespoon cracked black pepper
- Several drops hot pepper sauce
- 8 ounces light cream cheese (neufchatel)
- 1 egg white
- 1/2 cup plain bread crumbs

Preheat oven to 350°F. Blend all the ingredients in a food processor fitted with a metal blade. Scrape the mixture into a 2-quart baking dish and bake for 30 minutes, or until browned and bubbly at the edges.

Serve with carrot and celery sticks, chips made from torn green cabbage leaves, or slices of bell pepper or toasted rye or pumpernickel bread. Yield: 4 cups dips for 12 people. Pair with Belgian Golden Ale or Belgian Wit.

"The marinade for this simple steak recipe calls for roasted garlic, which tastes caramelized and sweeter than raw cloves, and thus mellows the bitterness of the beer," writes Saunders.

"The quickest way to roast a handful of garlic cloves is to rub unpeeled cloves with a bit of oil and bake at 300°F. in a toaster oven for 10-15 minutes, stirring once or twice to prevent scorching on one side.

"Or, roast several whole heads of garlic at once, then separate the roasted cloves and double wrap them in plastic wrap and foil. They will keep in the freezer for several weeks."

PAN-SEARED STEAK WITH BOCK BEER MUSHROOM SAUCE

- 1/4 cup bock beer (for marinade)
- 1/3 cup olive oil
- 5 cloves roasted garlic
- 3 pounds flank steak
- 1/4 pound oyster mushrooms
- 1/4 pound portabello mushrooms
- 1/4 pound shiitake mushrooms
- 1 tablespoon olive oil (for sauté)
- 2 tablespoons finely minced onion
- Salt to taste
- 6 ounces bock beer
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme

Dash hot pepper sauce
Blend the 1/4 cup beer, the 1/3 cup olive oil, and the roasted garlic in a blender. Place in a gallon-sized zip-seal bag with the flank steak, and refrigerate at least one hour, or overnight to marinate.

Wash and slice the mushrooms very thin (this can be done in a few seconds, using the 2 mm slicing blade of a food processor and the wide feed tube).

Rub a heavy, non-stick 10-inch saucapan with the 1 tablespoon of olive oil. Place over very low heat and gently sauté the mushrooms, sprinkling with onion and a bit of salt. Stir constantly to prevent sticking, and sauté until the mushrooms are almost dehydrated

and crisp.
Stir in the 6 ounces of bock and the thyme and let simmer; the mushrooms will absorb the beer and return to tenderness.

While the sauce simmers, pan-sear the marinated steak in a heavy skillet over high heat; a rare steak requires 8-10 minutes per side, while a well-done steak requires 15 minutes per side. Let the steak rest before carving; slice thin, across the grain.

Season the mushroom sauce to taste with salt and pepper sauce and serve a spoonful over each thinly sliced portion of steak. Serves 6. Pair with Maibock or Well-Hopped Bock.

Try ful, an Egyptian dish for everyday

BY DANA JACOBI
SPECIAL WRITER

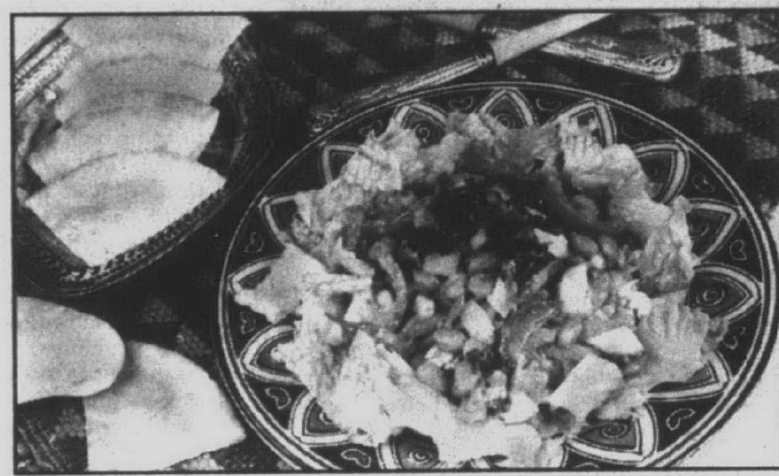
Every neighborhood has its local charms. When I first moved to the Upper East Side of Manhattan, I was enchanted to discover an Egyptian restaurant. The food was impeccably fresh, the prices modest, and Mustafa, the owner, most gracious.

From my trips to Greek and other Mediterranean restaurants I recognized almost all of the dishes on the menu, like stuffed grape leaves and various kabobs. When I bravely tried ful medames, one that was not familiar, it was love at first bite.

This humble dish, sometimes simply called ful, is eaten throughout Egypt. It is made by mixing partly mashed beans with olive oil, lemon juice, parsley, and sometimes, the creamy sesame paste called tahini. Egyptians say you eat ful for breakfast if you are rich, for lunch if you are of modest means, and for dinner if you are poor. For me, it is a perfect example of peasant food that is fit for a feast anytime.

Ful is both the name of the dish and of the type of fava beans used to make it. These round, brown beans have a definite skin and a soft interior. When I asked Mustafa about cooking dried ful from scratch, he suggested using canned beans sold at most Middle Eastern food stores because the dried beans take hours to cook.

One summer I had a craving for ful while vacationing in a beautiful and somewhat remote part of Massachusetts. Experimenting with the different types of canned beans available at the local market, I discovered that pinto beans worked nicely. Since pinto beans have more flavor than ful, I made Ful Eskandarani, in the style of Alexandria, as opposed to Ful Medames, which is popular in Cairo. Combining beans, chopped onion, diced tomato and cucumber, and served on shredded



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Meatless meal: Pinto Bean Ful is a satisfying no cook meal for hot summer nights.

romaine lettuce, this ful is a lighter dish, using less olive oil than other versions.
Try ful as a meatless main dish, as part of a Mediterranean platter of light dishes called mezze, or simply stuffed into a pita as a convenient brown bag lunch.

PINTO BEAN FUL

- 3-4 romaine lettuce leaves, cut crosswise into 1/2-inch strips, about 1 cup
- 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil
- 1/3 cup chopped onion
- 2 cups cooked pinto beans or one (15-ounce) can, drained and rinsed
- 1 medium tomato, seeded and diced
- 1/3 cup diced seedless cucumber, not peeled
- 1 tablespoon chopped Italian parsley
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- Salt and freshly ground pep-

per to taste
4 pieces warm pita bread
Arrange the lettuce to cover a serving plate and set aside.

In a medium, non-stick skillet, heat the oil over medium-high heat. Sauté the onion until slightly soft, about 4 minutes.

Add the beans, mashing about half of them coarsely with a fork. Add the tomato, cucumber and parsley. Mix until some of the mashed beans are creamy, and the mixture is warmed through, but not hot. Remove from heat.

Mix in the lemon juice. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Spread the beans over the lettuce and serve immediately. Pass the warmed pita bread separately.

Each of the 4 servings contains 328 calories and 5 grams of fat.

Written for the American Institute of Cancer Research by Dana Jacobi, author of "The Best of Claypot Cooking," and "The Natural Kitchen: SOY!"

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MEDICAL BRIEFS

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In preparation for the new school year, St. Mary Hospital is offering two Infant and Child Immunization Clinics from 5:30 to 8 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 17 and 24. Cost is \$5 per child no matter how many immunizations are given. Health care professionals from St. Mary Hospital will administer the vaccine. All state-required immunizations will be administered pending availability of serum, including hepatitis B and H. Influenza type B, for children under age 18. Please bring all available immunization records with you. No registration is required. Children need 12 to 16 doses of different vaccines before their second birthday to be protected from serious childhood diseases. These shots can be administered in about five visits to a health clinic or private physician. Call (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650 mm

Menopause Support

Women, learn to live fuller lives during your mid-life years. The Marian Women's Menopause Support Group will meet 7-9 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 5 at St. Mary Hospital in the West Addition Conference Room B. The group provides in-depth information, education and emotional support. Exercise specialist Patricia Haney of the hospital's Cardiovascular Services will be Wednesday's guest speaker. There is no charge to attend but registration is required. Call (734) 655-1100 or (800) 494-1615.

Child I.D. clinic

St. Mary Hospital is sponsoring a free Child Identification and Teddy Bear Clinic on Saturday, August 8, from noon to 4 p.m. at Wonderland Mall, at Plymouth and Middlebelt in Livonia. Staff members from St. Mary Hospital will obtain height and weight on each child. Photos will be taken, and a Livonia Police Department officer will fingerprint each child. Children are invited to bring their "injured" stuffed animals to be cared for by St. Mary staff members. Call St. Mary Hospital's Community Outreach Department at (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650.

Grief support

Angela Hospice July grief support groups will meet Tuesday, July 28 at 1 and 6:30 p.m. All groups are free-of-charge and open to the community. For more information call (734) 464-7810. Angela Hospice is located at 14100 Newburgh Road in Livonia.

Prostate cancer

CNN reporter Bob Novak, a prostate cancer survivor, will be the keynote speaker for the International Prostate Cancer Symposium for the Patient on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 1-2, in the Power Center on the campus of the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Alternative and conventional treatments will be discussed. Topics include diet and nutrition, sexual issues, women's issues, using the Internet to get prostate cancer data and gene therapy.

To register, call (800) 835-7633.

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COMPUTER VISION SYNDROME

Doctors warn against future eyestrain epidemic

Eyestrain, blurred vision, headaches and tense muscles are universal complaints among workers who put in long hours in front of computer screens. Although many computer users, and their employers, figure these annoying discomforts are just something to put up with as part of the job, one million new patients each year are seeking professional help for computer-related eye problems according to the American Optometric Association.

Eye doctors, alarmed by the steady stream of new patients, see the potential for an eyestrain epidemic in the 21st century if the problem is not addressed by U.S. businesses.

Computer-related vision and eye problems, known as Computer Vision Syndrome (CVS), are already reaching crisis proportions in the workplace.

A study conducted by the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health indicated that 88 percent of the people who work at computers for more than three hours a day suffer from symptoms of eyestrain. And the number of CVS sufferers seeking help is on the rise, growing from 10 million in 1992 to 15 million in 1995. American companies and employees now spend close to \$2 billion each year to diagnose and treat CVS, according to the American Optometric Association.

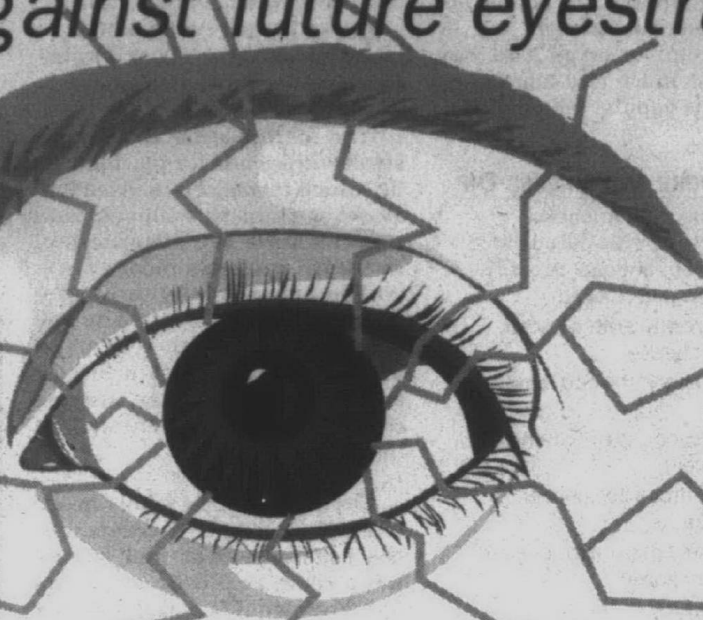
Since more people are using computers, it's no wonder that a Harris Poll found that computer-related eyestrain is the number one office-related health complaint in the United States. And CVS will continue to increase as people increase their dependence on computers, on-line services and the Internet.

By the year 2000 nearly 75 percent of all U.S. employees will be in front of a computer screen for several hours every day according to the Journal of Behavioral Optometry. Then, of course, many of them will log in a few more hours in front of their computers at home every evening, thereby heightening their chances of visual problems as well as sore necks and shoulders.

Employees at greatest risk for CVS use computers intensively for two or more hours on a daily basis. They are the engineers, stock brokers, administrative assistants, editors, accountants, graphic artists, software developers, architects, telemarketers, customer service representatives — the valuable business and professional people whose productivity and good health are so crucial to a company's bottom line.

Beyond the issue of keeping those employees comfortable and happy, addressing computer-related vision and eye problems makes economic sense. Far from a few minor irritations, the symptoms of CVS are severe enough to cause fatigue and stress, increase error rates and time spent taking breaks away from the computer, add to employee dissatisfaction with the job, absenteeism, and become potential health insurance and disability issues.

The adverse effect of CVS has been documented with examinations of computer users' visual performance. A study cited in the Journal of the American Optometric Association found that in the presence of very little visual degradation, such as glare on a monitor, employees show an efficiency decline of 4 percent to 19 percent in accomplishing



standard tasks. Translating that percentage into dollars, just a 4 percent improvement in efficiency of an employee earning \$30,000 per year would be worth \$1,200. Consider the costs for employees at much higher pay scales.

Providing optimum conditions for computer users impacts health costs, too. To understand the potential for CVS to become a financial burden to American businesses, consider its similarities to carpal tunnel syndrome. Carpal tunnel syndrome now costs over \$8 billion in medical bills and lost work days annually. If CVS-related conditions begin to qualify for medical treatment under guidelines similar to those used for carpal tunnel syndrome, employee health and disability costs could easily escalate.

For years, ergonomics designers have studied how to adapt computers to the human anatomy to make computing as comfortable as possible. As a result, ergonomic keyboards and mice, tilting computer screens, wrist supports and other devices to relieve physical stress have become the norm. Yet even though it's well-known that reading a computer display is not the same as reading a printed page, human factors engineers have failed to successfully address the eye problems of computer users.

What can be done to help computer users who suffer from CVS?

Assorted remedies such as anti-glare screens, special glasses, visors, eye drops specifically for computer users, restructured workspaces, and ergonomic furniture help in the short term. There are even new software programs that advise users when to take breaks. But according to experts in various fields — optometrists and medical professionals, computer manufacturers, ergonomic consultants and lighting designers — a primary factor in computer-related eye problems is improper lighting and a primary solution in alleviating CVS is good light distribution.

Good light distribution is accomplished when all of the objects in the field of view have approximately equal brightness. Typically, that is not the case in standard office settings. Most office lighting, which was designed for working on paper on a flat, horizontal desk surface, is about twice as bright as it should be for computer work.

The constant, bright lighting and glare from overhead fluorescent lighting produces washout, veiling reflections and an uncomfortable brightness ratio.

— **Washout**, or uniform glare is the ambient light that falls across the computer screen. Light washes over the entire screen and lightens it, robbing the image of sharp contrast. For example, black objects or letters become dark gray and closer in color value to the lighter objects or backgrounds on a screen. The eye must work harder to see the characters on the monitor.

— **Veiling Reflections** are objects that can be seen on the screen in addition to the screen image. Examples are reflected documents, the user's clothing and silhouette, furniture, objects hanging on the wall, and lighting fixtures. Initially this multiple image is not a problem, but after two or more hours, it becomes very tiring as the eye is always filtering out the reflected image from the screen image.

— **Brightness Ratio** is the difference in the overall brightness of the computer screen compared to the brightness of the surrounding surfaces in the workstation. When there are marked differences in brightness, the eye is forced to constantly adapt, causing strain and fatigue.

Parabolic fixtures which direct fluorescent light downward over an employee's work area, indirect lighting techniques which focus lighting upward, screen filters, wall and window coverings — anything that addresses good lighting distribution — will help to reduce the symptoms of CVS.

Some CVS specialists advise unscrewing a light bulb or two to achieve lower light levels, but then what does the computer user do when more light is required to read a report or check through a paper file?

One of the most effective and practical remedies to the lighting environment problems is to give computer users individual control of their own overhead fluorescent lighting.

It is now possible to adjust fluorescent lighting with a hand-held remote control. With the remote, the employee can adjust the fluorescent lighting to his or her personal comfort level for various tasks at different times of the day — dimmer for computer work, brighter for reading or paper work.

Each employee can fit the lighting to his or her own needs without affecting the lighting of employees in adjoining workstations. Each person sets his or her own lighting level depending on his or her own visual requirements and tasks. This economical, individualized fluorescent lighting control system — PerSONNA from Lutron Electronics Co., Inc. — is a small investment to alleviate a problem that affects employees' physical and mental well-being on a daily basis.

If not addressed, Computer Vision Syndrome will continue to raise healthcare costs and deteriorate worker satisfaction and productivity. The symptoms of CVS can be remedied. Individual lighting control puts the remedy in the computer user's hand. It not only creates a visual environment that is conducive to work, it also minimizes liability and health-related expenses and saves energy as light levels are reduced.

For more information on PerSONNA, the individual fluorescent lighting control, please call the Lutron Hotline: 800-523-9466 or visit Lutron's Web site at www.lutron.com

Cancer Society launches 'Tell-A-Friend' campaign

The American Cancer Society, Great Lakes Division is launching a statewide education campaign designed to reach women in Michigan and Indiana with potentially lifesaving breast cancer early detection information.

The program, called "Tell-A-Friend Tuesday," will take place on October 6, 1998 when an anticipated 20,000 volunteers will each make phone calls to at least 5 friends and family members encouraging them to get their annual mammograms in accordance with American Cancer Society breast cancer screening guidelines.

More than 100,000 women will be reached with important breast health information in a single 24-hour period, making this the largest initiative of its kind ever conducted.

According to G. Marie Swanson, Ph.D., MPH, and American Cancer Society board member, this year's "Tell-A-Friend Tuesday" effort is being expanded from last year's pilot project held in Michigan that reached roughly 7,500 women.

"We're taking the success of last year's program and expanding it dramatically — into Indiana and other states — because it worked so well and has great potential to reach large numbers of women with breast health information," said Dr. Swanson.

The "Tell-A-Friend Tuesday" program is based on research that shows

that roughly 25 percent of all women who get mammograms do so because a friend encouraged them.

"Ninety-seven percent of women survive breast cancer when it is detected early," says Dr. Swanson, adding, "Screening — combining a physical examination of the breast with a mammogram — is an essential component of reducing morbidity and mortality from breast cancer. We need to take advantage of the fact that women listen to other women when it comes to getting screened."

The American Cancer Society is now recruiting women (and men) to serve as callers. "It's a really simple concept," says Dr. Swanson, "and it is the perfect project for any woman or man who wants to become active in the fight against breast cancer and be part of the cancer solution." American Cancer Society guidelines call for annual mammography, annual clinical exam and monthly breast self-exam for all women age 40 and older.

Statistics show that compliance to American Cancer Society breast cancer screening guidelines in Indiana and Michigan is nowhere near where it needs to be. In Indiana, 61 percent of women age 50 and older were receiving annual mammograms in 1994. In Michigan, 65.2 percent of age-qualified women received mammograms in 1996.

"This clearly shows there is room for improvement," says Dr. Swanson. "We

must get more women receiving regular screening."

The American Cancer Society, with the help of "Tell-A-Friend Tuesday" and other programs, hopes to see the number of women age 40 and older receiving mammograms in Michigan and Indiana increase by at least 800,000 by the year 2000. "This won't come easy, which is why 'Tell-A-Friend Tuesday' offers such a good opportunity. Everyone can get involved. This

Red Cross worried about low blood supply here

The Southeastern Michigan community remains in a state of emergency, as blood supply levels continue to decline across the nation. "The reality of this situation is as quickly as we collect blood, it is tested and then distributed to hospitals," according to Greg Vasse, chief executive officer. "We are continually encouraging first time and repeat donors to 'Bring a Buddy,' roll up their sleeves and be part of a life-saving experience — donate blood." The American Red Cross doesn't need blood, people do. Since late June, blood donations have been down sharply. A response from the community at large can help alleviate the shortage. To

means businesses and the media, as well, can join in the program and create the largest single-day breast cancer education program ever," says Dr. Swanson.

The American Cancer Society provides the information and caller kits to all participants. More information can be obtained by calling any local American Cancer Society office, or 800-ACS-2345.

donate blood, call 800-GIVE-LIFE. Appeals for donations are issued often during the summer months and holidays, due to summer vacations and school closings. This summer, however, additional contributing factors are the heat wave in the Midwest and the high demand for blood in Florida, where devastating fires have made it impossible to collect blood in many parts of the state. Blood cannot be manufactured. Volunteer blood donors are the only source for blood. Please make and keep a blood donation appointment, call 800-GIVE-LIFE, today.

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TUE, JULY 21

LOSS OF A LOVED ONE
Anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one is encouraged to participate in GranCare's free support group the third Tuesday of every month from 6:30-8 p.m. at GranCare, 38935 Ann Arbor Road, Livonia. Call, (734) 432-6565 ext. 115.

WED, JULY 22

SAFE SITTER CLASS
The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital will offer a Safe Sitter Class for young people ages 11-13 July 22 and Friday, July 24 from 8:30 to 3 p.m. Safe Sitter is a medically-accurate instruction series that teaches boys and girls aged 11-13 how to handle emergencies when caring for young children. Cost \$40 per student; registration required. Call (734) 655-1100 or (800) 494-1615.

ADULT CPR
Learn about the risk factors, signs and symptoms of heart attack, airway obstruction relief and CPR techniques. Cost \$15. Free to authorized Head Start and Oakwood Healthcare Plan members. Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center - Wayne from 6-9:30 p.m. Call (800) 543-WELL.

THUR, JULY 23

COOKING DEMO
Berried treasures - fresh berry desserts. Classes begin at 7 p.m. Sponsored by Botsford General Hospital. Pre-registration and \$6 fee. Information, call (248) 477-6100.

TOPS CLUB
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Road north of Joy in Livonia. For more information please call Elsie at (734) 522-5444.

TUE, JULY 28

CHILD BIRTH EDUCATION
A six-week course beginning at 6 p.m. providing information on pregnancy, labor and delivery, newborn care and postpartum care. Weekend classes and two session refresher class are also available. Register early in pregnancy by calling Garden City Hospital, 458-4330.

FIBROMYALGIA, NUTRITION
Dr. Martin Tamler specialist in fibromyalgia will present: The Role of Nutrition in Proper Health Maintenance. Tuesday, July 28 from 7-9 p.m. at the Livonia Civic Center Library auditorium (32777 Five Mile Road - south side). There is no charge and you do not need to register.

WED, JULY 29

BREASTFEEDING CLASS
A Breastfeeding Class is scheduled from 7-9 p.m. for expectant mothers between the seventh and eighth month of pregnancy. Cost is \$20. Pre-registration required. Call (734) 655-1100 or (800) 494-1615.

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT
St. Mary Hospital will offer a course on Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers from 7-10 p.m. in the St. Mary Hospital Auditorium. This refresher course includes one and two-person rescue of the adult victim, one-person rescue of the child and infant during a cardiac emergency. Course fee, \$25 per person. Call St. Mary Hospital (734) 655-8940.

THUR, JULY 30

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FRI, JULY 31

PROSTATE CANCER SYMPOSIUM
The First International Prostate Cancer Symposium for patients will be held July 31 through August 2 at the Power Center in Ann Arbor. Participants will hear a keynote address by prostate cancer survivor Bob Novak of CNN. Medical experts will offer objective and unbiased medical information on alternative and conventional therapies. Space is limited. Register by calling (800) 835-7633.

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UNIQUE CAMPS
Two special camps will be hosted by Angela Hospice pediatric program, My Nest is Best, in August. Camp Lakota will be a day camp Aug. 1-7 from 9-3 p.m. each day at Madonna University. Children ages 7-10 who are dealing with death of a loved one are invited to attend. Activities include arts/crafts and hiking. Cost \$25 per child; \$35 per family. Explorer Camp in the woods of Camp Tamarack, near Holly, will run from Aug. 21-23. Explorer Camp is unique because it works with the entire family and campers spend time getting to know each other, sharing experiences about their loss and participating in fun, healing activities. An \$80 fee covers all costs for the family to attend the weekend camp. Call Leslie Feret at (734) 464-7810 for more information.

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TOPS CLUB
TOPS Club, Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets every Monday from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at St. Timothy Presbyterian Church, 16700 Newburgh in Livonia. For more information please call Marilyn at (734) 464-2844.

FIGURINE MEETINGS
Meets every Monday (ongoing) at St. Paul Presbyterian Church (5 Mile, one block west of Inkster). Club for men and women who need to take off a few pounds or a lot. Call Doris Knolberg, (422-7595 for more information).

HEART PALS
Support offered for cardiac

patients and or significant others which will meet at 7 p.m. Discussion, education and camaraderie are the focus. Call 458-4330, Garden City Hospital.

TUE, AUG 4, 6

SAFE SITTER CLASS
The Marian Women's Center will offer a Safe Sitter Class for people ages 11-13 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Thursday, August 6 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Safe Sitter is a medically-accurate instruction series that teaches boys and girls aged 11-13 how to handle emergencies when caring for young children. Cost, \$40 per student. Call (734) 655-1100 or (800) 494-1615.

WED, AUG 5

PATHWAYS TO PARENTING
Offers the opportunity for new mothers to network, share concerns and gain information. Free. Aug. 5 program: 'Reading to your Baby.' Meetings held monthly from 12:30-2 p.m.. Call Botsford at (248) 477-6100.

MENOPAUSE SUPPORT GROUP
The Marian Women's Center Menopause Support Group will meet on from 7-9 p.m. at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia in the West Addition Conference Room B. The guest speaker is Patricia Haney, Exercise Specialist, Cardiovascular Services, St. Mary Hospital. There is no charge to attend the meeting but registration is required.

CANCER SUPPORT
"Focus On Living," a self-help group for cancer patients and their families, meets the first Wednesday of each month at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, August 5, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the St. Mary Hospital Auditorium. Call (734) 655-8940 or toll free 1 (800) 494-1650.

CHILD & INFANT CPR
Offered monthly at 7 p.m. at Garden City Hospital approved by the American Heart Association. Infant/child resuscitation and obstructed airway techniques are taught in three hour class. Call 458-4330 to register.

each month at 2:30-7 p.m. Guest speakers and open discussion provide information and support at Garden City Hospital.

THUR, AUG. 6

MY BODY, MYSELF WORKSHOP
Two-hour workshop for women only. Thursday, Aug. 6 at 7 p.m. Preregistration and \$50.00 fee. Information: call Botsford at (248) 477-6100.

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JUST FOR DADS CLASS
St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer a class for new and expectant fathers, "Just for Dads... Childbirth and Beyond," from 7 to 9 p.m. in West Addition B. This two-hour class helps fathers understand feelings and changes associated with the birthing process, how to become an active participant in childbirth, and the new role of fatherhood. Cost, \$15 per person and registration is required. Call (734) 655-1100 or (800) 494-1615.

SAT, AUG. 8

CHILD ID/BEAR CLINIC
St. Mary Hospital is sponsoring a free Child Identification and Teddy Bear Clinic on Saturday, August 8, from noon to 4 p.m. at Wonderland Mall, at Plymouth and Middlebelt in Livonia. Staff members from St. Mary Hospital will obtain height and weight on each child. Photos will be taken, and a Livonia Police Department officer will fingerprint each child. Children are invited to bring their "injured" stuffed animals to be cared for by St. Mary staff members. Call (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650.

TUE, AUG. 11

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT
Meetings provide mutual aid and support as well as affording the opportunity to share problems/concerns. Meet at 7 p.m. in Classroom #1 of Garden City

Hospital Medical Office Building. Call 458-4330 for information.

MOTHER POSTPARTUM SUPPORT
The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital will offer a Mother-Baby Support Group from 10-11 a.m. Mothers and their babies are invited to attend this free support group that provides information and emotional support for new moms. Call (734) 655-1100.

BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP
St. Mary Hospital's Marian Women's Center offers a Breast Cancer Support Group that is a free, self-help/education group that provides women the opportunity to share experiences and discuss subjects of mutual concern relating to breast cancer. The support group meets the second Tuesday of each month from 7-8:30 p.m. in West Addition B. Pre-registration is required. Call (734) 655-1100.

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT
St. Mary Hospital will offer a course on Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers from 7-10 p.m. on Saturday in the Auditorium. Fee, \$25. Register at (734) 655-8940.

WED, AUG 12

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP
Join other adults with diabetes and family members to ask questions and share problems at the St. Mary Hospital Diabetes Support Group meeting from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Hospital Auditorium near the Five Mile entrance. There is no charge to attend the meeting and registration is not required.

THUR, AUG 13

CANCER SUPPORT
A self-help group designed to bring together persons living with cancer. A nurse facilitator provides opportunities for all to share their mutual concerns. Group meets in the Medical Office Building and is free of charge. Call 458-3311.

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Coverage of Web sex story is reprehensible



MIKE WENDLAND

The porn pushers and sex exploiters have suckered the nation's media into hyping an XXX-rated adult Web site that promises to show two California teenagers lose their virginity ... live... on the Internet.

Tasteless people will do anything for attention. And the saddest thing is ... an equally tasteless audience is out there eagerly awaiting. The Web site (NO ... I won't give out the address) was so jammed with people anxious to see and hear more that site promoters are gleefully reporting they'll have to add more servers when the actual "event" happens in the next three weeks.

It's no secret, of course, that the Internet has plenty of junk sites. But this new site is so sleazy that it sets a new low for the Internet. Yet the mainstream media keeps giving the site millions of dollars in free publicity.

And therein, I submit, is a much larger story. Is this site typical of the Internet? Or, is it and all the accompanying attention it's getting another indication of a mainstream media totally out of touch with the Internet's ... and society's ... norm?

The story of the teen sex site is being bantered all over the world, on TV and in newspapers. All the news accounts seem to treat it as a real story, attributing it to a Los Angeles lawyer who claims the 18-year-old teenagers, identified only as Mike and Diane, want to show the act of making love is "beautiful."

"Act" is a very accurate word here. It's all a sham, a publicity stunt for a network of sex sites. The creator of the site said he wasn't yet selling ads on the page but hoped that he'd get some attention and maybe some clients for his Web design business. The more traffic his business gets, the more subscriptions he'll eventually be able to sell.

Since faces of the two people shown on the site are blocked out, and since their real or complete names are not used, we're left to trust the word of a pornographer that this is for real.

Right. The two alleged teenagers may be porn models for all we know.

The actual "act" is not going to happen for weeks ... giving the site managers time to lure online voyeurs with serial-type accounts that purport to follow the "teens" as they prepare for their encounter with AIDS counseling, buying condoms and the like.

I find myself amazed and depressed. Not at the way the porn pushers exploit sex on the Internet. They're in it only to make a buck. And they're just taking advantage of gullible people. What amazes and depresses me, however, is those gullible people are my colleagues in the mainstream media.

Most newspapers and TV reports covered this story as if it were real. Scanning the papers, there was precious little skepticism. On the Internet, though, it was another story. A much more accurate story. Newsgroups postings quickly exposed

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the site's connection to a condom company. Other posts showed how someone had forged e-mail and flooded some of the online chat rooms with purported "protests" about the site.

But the posts, which appeared to be signed from the Christian Coalition, were fakes, or what "Netizens" call "trolls," deceptive messages that are used to create a "buzz," or controversy, that make it look like someone was trying to shut the site down.

The Internet community was quick to pounce on this outrageous teen sex site and raise serious questions about its credibility. But the old media pretty much reported on it as if it were for real and yet another example of how the Internet is a mess. This teen sex site is NOT typical of the Internet.

The Internet is like a city. Most of it is safe and livable. But there are bad parts of town, dangerous and dirty streets populated by pretty despicable people. It is up to the decent people to do all they can to shed light on those dark streets. But at the very least, if they can't clean them up, they can avoid them. For if nobody travels them, then the exploiters have no one to exploit.

For new media, the "city" is still being built, still expanding. To be sure, tough freedom of speech issues and debates over Internet censorship are to be waged. As zoning laws regulate a city's neighborhoods and development, cyberspace will similarly evolve.

But for the vast majority of people offended by the teenage sex site and the shameless hype that accompanies it, the best way to deal with it is ... simply ignore it. That, I submit, is what really is happening. For no matter how the "old media" reports on the "new media," no matter how they hype this site as if it's the hottest thing in cyberspace, the majority of those who regularly use the Internet are no more interested in the teenage sex site than the majority of people are interested in the Jerry Springer Show.

Yes, the sex site will get a couple of million hits. That's a lot. But with 62 million Americans regularly using the Internet, it's clear that the twisted are very much in the minority and that part of town is not reflective of the whole "city."

Mike Wendland covers the Internet for NBC-TV Newschannel stations across the country and can be seen locally on WDIV-TV4, Detroit. His "PC Talk" radio show airs Saturday and Sunday afternoons on WXYT-Radio AM1270. His latest book "The Complete No Geek Speak Guide to the Internet" is available in book stores or through his Web site at <http://www.pcmike.com>

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Lisa Bradshaw

Account supervisor

Lisa Bradshaw of Plymouth has joined D'Arcy Masius Benton & Bowles/Detroit as an account supervisor for events marketing for Cadillac. She resides in Plymouth with her husband Mark.

Tennyson adds staff

Tennyson Chevrolet of Livonia recently welcomed Richard Mathes as their newly appointed salesman. His responsibilities include new and used car sales and leasing, where he uses his talent to ensure customer service and satisfaction. Mathes has had many years of experience working in dealerships and is excited to be part of the Ten-



Lori Eldridge

nyson family.

Designers named

Lori Eldridge has been promoted from computer artist to senior graphic designer at Eisbrenner Public Relations, according to Ray Eisbrenner, firm president. Eldridge designs brochures, slides, overheads, newsletters, on-screen presentations and trade show graphics for a variety of the firm's automotive and service clients. She resides in Livonia.

Recent shareholder

Kevin N. Summers of the Haisch and Boyda, P.C., law firm has become a shareholder. Summers and his family reside in Livonia. The firm maintains its offices in Southfield.

Organizational change

Anil Selby of Canton has been named the new director of customer attainment and retention at Valassis Communications, Inc. of Livonia. He joined the company in May of 1998 from Dialogue Marketing, where he was vice president of sales. His marketing experience will be an asset to the retail services area

BUSINESS DATEBOOK

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TUE, JULY 21

CAREER WOMEN

The National Association of Career Women, West Suburban Chapter will host their monthly networking meeting from 11:45 a.m. at Ernesto's Restaurant in Plymouth. Camille Procassini will be the guest speaker and discuss using intuition in the workplace. She is a clairvoyant and certified hypnotherapist and teacher of intuition development and dream interpretation at Schoolcraft College. Call Judi (734) 453-7272 ext. 223 for more information.

WED, JULY 22

BUSINESS NETWORK INT.

The regular meeting of BNI, 7-8:30 a.m., at Laurel Park Chapter, Richards Restaurant, Plymouth Road and Newburgh. Call (734) 397-9939.

FRI, JULY 24

BUSINESS NETWORK INT.

The regular meeting of the Livonia Chapter of BNI, 7-8:30 a.m., will meet at Senate Koney Island, on Plymouth Road, near Stark. Call (734) 397-9939.

TUE, AUG 4

WOMEN BUSINESS OWNERS

The Women Business Owners of Southeast Michigan will feature

"Women's Business Solutions Roundtable." This will be an opportunity discuss current topics relating to women in business. 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the cafe on the first floor of the 777 Building on Eisenhower at State Street in Ann Arbor. Call (734) 332-9300, JoAnne Barron or visit Web site at www.wobo.org

TUE, SEPT 1

WOMEN BUSINESS OWNERS

The Women Business Owners of Southeast Michigan will feature Mary Valerie in a program titled, "From Aching Back - to Healthy Back." She owns Body Works Fitness and Massage Therapy Center in Ann Arbor. 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the cafe on the first floor of the 777 Building on Eisenhower at State Street in Ann Arbor. Call (734) 332-9300.



Ernie Harwell

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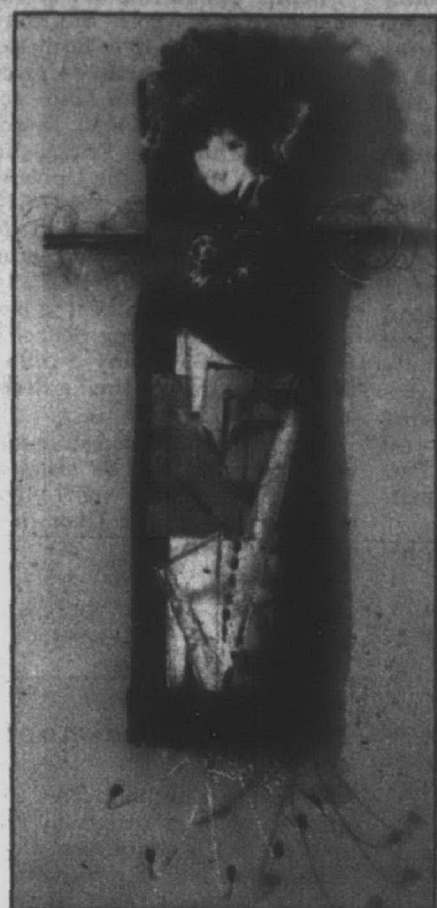
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Off the wall: Barb Gibson exhibits her art dolls in the Novi Art Festival Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 15-16.

Fairs track art trends

Every year I look forward to covering the Ann Arbor Art Fairs as a way to gauge trends and movements in the art world.

This year, pottery and glass artists seemed to be everywhere because artists realize homeowners want to personalize their surroundings. Booths of whimsical art dolls seem to be breeding in all three of the fairs. There were also more print makers offering everything from intaglio to silk-screens in the fairs which ran Wednesday-Saturday, July 15-18.

Buyers seem to be tiring of abstracts so fewer are being created. Artists are replacing non-subjective themes with more people and animals — dogs, cats, horses and birds. We do love our pets — and our cars.

Tom Hale's classic car paintings never fail to attract admirers. Though the Farmington Hills artist will undoubtedly sell a larger volume of the acrylics at the Meadow Brook Hall Concours d' Elegance Invitational Art Exhibition 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2, at Oakland University in Rochester. A preview of the art works in the invitational remain on exhibit through July 30 at the Somerset Collection in Troy, and the Chrysler Corp. Technology Center in Auburn Hills. The Invitational Artists Preview and Reception takes place 6-9 p.m. Friday, July 31, at the Tech Center. The black tie art auction and reception takes place 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, on the Meadow Brook Hall lawn. For information, call (248) 370-3140.

Guide to upcoming fairs

Many of the artists in Ann Arbor exhibit in art fairs full time. There are still a number of summer and fall shows so if you missed the Ann Arbor Street Art Fair, State Street Area Art Fair and Summer Art Fair this summer, read on.

Plymouth painter Tom LeGault arrived in Ann Arbor exhausted from painting his way through Art in the Park in Plymouth July 11-12. He was planning in Ann Arbor to pace the on-site painting he does at art fairs. LeGault will do 30 shows this summer and fall. That's a grueling schedule. LeGault runs and works out to stay in shape.

"I'm looking forward to after Ann Arbor," LeGault said at the Summer Art Fair on July 15. "It signals the end of the hot shows for me. My best sellers in Plymouth were traditional lighthouse scenes. In Ann Arbor it probably will be boating themes because even if customers aren't headed for the cabin they're wishing they were there."

LeGault takes his paints, brushes, traditional northern Michigan landscapes, and impressionistic works to the Northfield Hills Art on the Lake 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23, at Long Lake Road between Crooks and Coolidge in Troy, (248) 641-9070. He will also be at the Romeo Peach Fest 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday-Monday, Sept. 5-7, Crosswell School grounds.

Please see **FAIRS, C2**



Monet Inspired: (Left) S. Kay Young's photograph of the wildflower paintings; planted along the I-275 and I-96 interchange in Livonia, is part of an exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Arts. (Below) The wildflower paintings at three metro Detroit freeway exchanges create a micro-environment where bees pollinate flowers in the circle of life.

Photographer captures beauty of live paintings



Wildflower Paintings

WHAT: An exhibit of photographs featuring wildflowers plantings alongside metro Detroit expressways last summer. Sponsored by Chrysler-Plymouth Superstores, the wildflower paintings were inspired by French Impressionist Claude Monet's gardens in Giverny, France.

WHEN: Through Sunday, Aug. 2. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, and until 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday.

WHERE: Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave. For information, call (313) 833-7900.

ADMISSION: Free with recommended museum admission of \$4 adults, \$1 students/children. Founders Society members free.

Motorists stuck in bumper-to-bumper traffic along three metro Detroit freeway exchanges, including the I-275 and I-96 interchange in Livonia, will have something of beauty to calm their frazzled nerves this summer — wildflower paintings.

Just as S. Kay Young enjoyed photographing the living art last summer, this year's colorful landscape will brighten travel for an estimated 1.5 million motorists daily thanks to Chrysler-Plymouth Superstores, sponsors of the project.

Ann Arbor landscape architects Johnson, Johnson & Roy designed the wildflower paintings to continually change, most significantly in July, late August and mid-October, so

motorists never tire of the scene. Expect a more spectacular show of color this summer because perennials planted last year will bloom for the first time.

If you'd rather steer clear of the traffic jams, but still want to enjoy the wildflower paintings, the Detroit Institute of Arts has a photography exhibit of last year's display of 20 different species of wildflowers, annuals and perennials, at the nine sites covering nearly five acres.

Every Sunday from the end of May to the first week in October, Young, a founding member of Woodland Indians Trading Center and Gallery in Redford Township, rose before

Please see **LIVE, C2**

Sea coast sparkles in oil paintings

The magical shorelines of Maine, Vermont and Massachusetts come to life in an exhibit of oil paintings by Arthur Parquette through Thursday, July 30, in the lobby of Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, at Five Mile and Farmington Roads. The show is sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission.

Parquette's paintings romanticize the trawlers, tug boats and wooden lobster traps found on the East Coast. The 84-

year old Livonia resident began vacationing there more than 25 years ago. Fishing boats in Gloucester, a Vermont scene, the surf at Otter Cove, and harbor scenes appeal to anyone cherishing a moment of tranquility.

Boat enthusiasts will love the show. Sure to be favorites even with land sailors are the slate gray and dark blue paintings titled "Gloucester #1" and

Please see **COAST, C2**



Gloucester fishing boats: Arthur Parquette exhibits East Coast shoreline paintings in a one man show sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission.

MUSIC

Art Garfunkel walks on, remembers past fondly



Art Garfunkel

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

The Voice is a high, light tenor. It's not a rock voice, no rough edges, no blue notes. It's a choir boy's voice, warm, comforting, a bridge over troubled water.

Art Garfunkel has been honing that voice for more than 30 years, often in the service of preserving the legacy of his partnership with his boyhood friend Paul Simon and the songs they made world famous.

When Garfunkel performs Thursday at Meadow Brook Music Festival about half the program will be Paul Simon songs.

"If I do 20 tunes about 8 or 9 tunes are Simon & Garfunkel," he said by phone from his New York City home. "I would like to get it down lower to show I don't lean on

WHO: Art Garfunkel

WHERE: Meadow Brook Music Festival

WHEN: 8 p.m. Thursday, July 23.

TICKETS: \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. At the Palace and Pine Knob box offices and by calling (248) 645-6666.

the past, but then I think — well I've got to do 'Scarborough Fair,' I've got to do 'Cecilia,' and 'Bridge Over Troubled Water.'"

But over the years since the famous duo officially parted company in 1970, Garfunkel has had some hits of his own including Jimmy Webb's "All I Know," "A Heart in New York," and the theme song for "Water-ship Down," "Bright Eyes." And he also enjoys singing the songs of other contempo-

raries such as Randy Newman and his friend James Taylor.

He is currently in the middle of a European-American tour. He said the European phase went well.

"The show I do, what with all the hits and all that has started to move into a satisfying flow. We do 'Cecilia' in the middle and my wife (Kim Cermak Garfunkel) and I take it really up tempo," he said.

But this devotion to the Simon & Garfunkel legacy is deceiving. Garfunkel is not an "oldies" act. His voice is nearly as pure and sweet as it has ever been. He travels with a backup band of top performers (Eric Weissberg, Warren Bernhardt).

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175 Crosswell, one block west of Van Dyke between 31 and 32 Mile in Romeo, and the Plymouth Community Arts Council's Artists and Craftsmen Show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 12-13, on the corner of Main and Church streets, (734) 416-4ART. The event is held during Plymouth's annual Fall Festival.

Wall art

Barb Gibson was helping son Alan watch his booth of abstract wall sculptures and vases at the Summer Art Fair in Ann Arbor. Alan is coloring the works with brown and yellow this year.

"These are to go into more traditional homes," said Alan.

Barb, a longtime city artist recently redirected her attention to art dolls which she'll exhibit in the fourth annual Novi Art Festival 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 15-16 at the

Novi Civic Center. Since last year, the dolls have grown longer arms and "short hair that sticks out all over." Barb dresses them in bright colors and antique fabrics so they're real eye-catchers when hung on the wall.

Alan also exhibits work in Novi Aug. 15-16 and at the Sugarloaf Art Fair in Novi in October. The Gibsons have been doing the Ann Arbor Summer Art Fair for more than 20 years. The Livonia artists agree, the three Ann Arbor fairs featuring 1,100 artists are in a class all by themselves.

"It's the size," said Barb, "and we like it because it's a home show."

Raku vessels

It was still early Wednesday morning when customers were purchasing Ed Risak's raku vessels in the State Street Area Art Fair. The Birmingham Groves

High School graduate will exhibit the jewel tone and white crackle works at Art on the Green's Labor Day show Monday, Sept. 7 on the Franklin Village Green, west of Franklin Road between 13 and 14 Mile, (248) 626-6514.

Risak began exhibiting in Ann Arbor in the early 1970s. His vessels range from white crackle raku to tea pots colored with "copper flash," a glaze he formulated several years ago. Risak sells his work in 50 galleries around the world.

"The white crackle is traditional Japanese raku," said Risak. "I developed the other while going to grad school at Northern Michigan University."

If you missed Risak in Ann Arbor in July and Birmingham in May, the Franklin show is your last chance. Risak will only do 10 shows this year.

Custom portraits

Patricia Bombach, a special education paraprofessional for Livonia Public Schools, was in the Summer Art Fair with her pet and people portraits. The Northville artist had a one-woman show earlier this year at Frameworks in Plymouth.

Bombach's next stop is the Plymouth Community Artists and Craftsmen Show Sept. 12-13. Bombach displayed a new collage featuring different breeds of dogs in Ann Arbor. She hopes to illustrate to prospective buyers that multiple dogs can be placed in the same pastel.

Folk art

George Landino brought his whimsical boxes and sculptures to the Summer Art Fair. The West Bloomfield folk artist will be at Art on the Green in Franklin on Labor Day Sept. 7, and in Birmingham for Art in

the Park Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 12-13 in Shain Park (north of Merrill, east of Bates) to benefit Common Ground, (248) 456-8150.

Wood boxes with animals perched on top, dog and cat lapel pins, and small wood sculptures boasting themes from baseball to cowboys were hot sellers in Ann Arbor. Landino is waiting to unveil his new small sculpture statements in Birmingham and Franklin. One of works is titled "New York."

"It's everything you see in New York - King Kong, people being robbed and taxi cabs," said Landino with his usual sense of humor. "I'll also have people themes and ones that are take-offs on artists - Picasso talking to one of his abstracts, and another on Salvador Dali's 'Persistence of Time' with the melting clock."

Landino's hottest sellers this

year are his kissing figures. Maybe this signals a return of the '60s love generation. Landino thinks that wouldn't be such a bad thing.

Other upcoming art shows include Art & Apples Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 12-13 in Rochester Municipal Park (north of University/Walton between Main and Ludlow), (248) 851-4110; Detroit Festival of the Arts Friday-Sunday, Sept. 18-20 in the University Cultural Center, (313) 577-5088; the Old Village Craft Show, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 3-4 in Plymouth, and Arts Harvest (a benefit for New Morning School in Plymouth) Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 7-8 at the Northville Recreation Center.

If you have an interesting idea for a story involving the visual or performing arts, call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145.

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And, most importantly, his life has been a free-form celebration of doing what you want to do. He's been a poet, an actor for distinguished directors and, in recent years, a walker.

In 1984, Garfunkel got the unusual idea to walk across America, which he did in 40 installments over a 12 year period.

"I did it for exercise," he says piously. "I don't want to get pretentious on you."

He said New York can be claustrophobic and confining, hard for a singer to get the exercise he needs.

"I love to walk. A singer needs to sing with the clouds around. I'm a romantic," he said. "I want to increase my lung power. So I put on my Sony Walkman, think about what I want to record. It fits a singer's reality."

Typically, Garfunkel walked for eight days at a stretch, about 100 miles.

He discovered the beauty of America first hand.

"West Virginia was beautiful Americana. And the strip of Missouri, you have a map, no one ever thinks about Missouri, but that's gorgeous American heartland. I crossed the Mississippi at Hanibal, Mark Twain's hometown. And the narrow stretch of Idaho in the mountains. Those three are my favorites," he said.

In April of 1996 he celebrated completion of his walk with a concert, appropriately, at Ellis Island's Registry Hall, where

Garfunkel's Jewish ancestors had arrived from Rumania. The concert is commemorated in his live album "Across America."

"I'm walking Europe. I've already started in Ireland in May. It was great, I started writing about my trip, writing this long poem," he said.

He plans to march through Europe over the next eight years on his way to Istanbul.

Story

The story of Simon & Garfunkel is well chronicled. The boyhood friends from Queens first recorded as Tom & Jerry and had a minor hit with "Hey Schoolgirl." Years later, while Garfunkel pursued his education with an art history degree from Columbia and then a master's degree in architecture, the duo surfaced again as folk singers. While they were in Europe strumming acoustic guitars, an enterprising producer added an electric guitar track to "Sounds of Silence" and the friends were called back to promote their No. 1 hit record. Many more followed.

"If you asked what my hobby was, I'd say I'm a singer," he said. "In college I picked architecture. I thought I'd be an architect. But I dropped out when I realized it wasn't the answer to what I wanted to be. So I got together with my best friend Paul and we practiced and developed enough to get a recording contract and have a hit

record and that's been my life."

Their first influence was the Everly Brothers, masters of close harmony.

"Paul was influenced by Elvis, but I wasn't. Enrico Caruso. Bing Crosby. He was the great singer for ease," Garfunkel said. "I was smitten by that and try to do that in all my records. Later on I got to love singers who could raise goosebumps like Roy Hamilton on 'Ebb Tide,' you hear a lot of that in 'Bridge Over Troubled Water.'"

Sam Cooke, Johnny Mathis, Billie Holiday and a jazz group called the HiLos all contributed to that special voice that Paul Simon said drew a crowd of girls to Garfunkel's bar mitzvah and helped win the duo its place in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

They broke up in 1970 but reunited for a memorable 1981 Central Park concert that drew 1 million people and a subsequent tour. Garfunkel said he didn't know what the future would be, but he hoped that it might include more singing with his "oldest and dearest friend."

Garfunkel has also published a book of poems, "Still Waters," that was well received, and recorded a Grammy-nominated album of children's songs, "Songs from a Parent to a Child." In the fall he will appear at Art Garfunkel moose in the PBS cartoon series, "Arthur."

Clearly, Garfunkel's proudest achievement was the birth of his son James in 1990.

"He loves his mom and dad and he found he has a good pitch, natural pitch, like me. Actually, singing is something we all can do but we learn to tighten up," Garfunkel said.

But singing has never been easier for anyone than it is for Art Garfunkel.

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"Gloucester #2." Any minute, you almost expect an old salt to cast a line over the side.

"Fishing boats, of course, are standard equipment for the sea port of Gloucester," said Parquette.

Photographs taken by Parquette during his time on the East Coast provide the essential elements of the paintings but little else.

"Photos are the easiest way to bring home memories," said Parquette. "These aren't exactly like the paintings. The photos are notes."

All 41 of the paintings were created within the last year. Most were finished in time for his one-man show in November at the Scarab Club in Detroit. Parquette joined the Scarab Club in 1946 because he wanted to belong to an art club. He jokes, they never really talked much about painting and drawing. They were too busy discussing women. All kidding aside, Parquette stresses the importance of the club which has served as a gathering place for artists such as Marcel Duchamp, Diego Rivera, Norman Rockwell, Zoltan Sepeshy, Sarkis Sarkisian, and Marshall Fredericks since its founding in 1910.

Although Parquette painted since high school and in spurts on and off again over the years, he became serious about capturing life in oils only after retiring from Ford Motor Co. in 1974. He is basically self-taught except for classes taken at the Art Institute of Chicago.

Forever sailing

Recently Parquette was commissioned to create one of his ship paintings for the Wiscasset Motor Lodge in Maine. It seems Parquette had returned to Wiscasset, a small town of about 3,600 residents, for the past 27 years to sketch and photograph the scenery in Wiscasset. He returned last year only to find two of the ships which had become a Wiscasset landmark of sorts were removed after deteriorating. Saddened by their demise, Parquette painted the two ships "Hesper" and "Luther Little." The original painting was sold to his cousin in Chicago after the exhibition at the Scarab Club. The harbor scene with the old, rotting boats was a favorite of Parquette's. It's also missed by the Wiscasset Motor Lodge's owners who hired Parquette to recreate the two boats to forever sail the seas.

Artists-of-the-month shows


In addition to the Livonia City Hall show of paintings by Parquette, the Livonia Arts Commission presents a variety of media ranging from fiber to wood at its venues in July.

Michigan Surface Design

Michigan Surface Design spotlights its members surface decorated wall hangings, wearable art, and home accessories through Thursday, July 30, in the Fine Arts Gallery on the second floor of the Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road.

Next door to the fiber exhibit in two circular showcases, the Livonia Woodcarvers Club exhibit a small selection of the wildlife, animal and figures to be found at their annual show featuring more than 100 carvers Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 1-2 at Eddie Edgar Sports Arena in Livonia. The woodcarving show at the library continues through July 30. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Livonia City Hall hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday.

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July 17, 1998 - Schunk, Star, Dryden
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July 24, 1998 - Robert Bugar
Recorded or in live performance, Rob Bugar is a voice one will not soon forget. His "Robert Plant" style has recently landed him a studio call to provide vocal tracks for the hit TV show, "XENA-The Warrior Princess".

July 31, 1998 - Michele Ramo/Heidi Hepler & Friends
Sponsored by Johnson Controls
Master guitarist Michele Ramo teams up with wife, (and former Miss Michigan), Heidi Hepler for an irresistible combo of voice and guitar, along with guest soloists. Located in Kellogg Park 6:45-9:45 p.m.

August 7, 1998 - Ferry Hughes & Larry Nazero
Sponsored by Backyard Birds
George Benson calls Ferry Hughes, "the best jazz guitarist in the country", and we agree!! - Larry Nazero - From Stan Kenton to Marvin Gaye to Music Director for Mackinac's Grand Hotel. This veteran Alto Sax player is a treasure to jazz lovers. 6:45 p.m. - 9:45 p.m.

August 14, 1998 - Robert Noll/Blues Mission
Sponsored by Sideways
Fasten your seatbelts!! Main Street may be called Blues Avenue after this one. Rockinest' show of the season. Located at Ann Arbor Trail & Forest 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

August 21, 1998 - Pamela Ransford, with singing guest Ursula Walker/Buddy Budson Trio
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down to record last year's live roadside paintings. The photography exhibit of the flowers and nature nurtured in the Livonia area, and at the I-94 and I-696 and I-96 and I-75 exchanges, continues on exhibit through Sunday, Aug. 2, at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

"I wanted only morning light and to avoid traffic," said Young

during a tour of the exhibit. "After the photographs were enlarged they became somewhat painterly. They took on their own spirit. Some almost look pointillist and the way light shines around this flower, it's almost surreal."

Young spent hours observing the micro-environments and waiting for the right moment to photograph the dragonfly, monarch butterfly and spider perched on purple bachelor buttons and yellow coreopsis. She used Fuji film in a Mamiya RB 67 and a Nikon F4. Corporate Color in Grand Rapids developed and printed the images.

"It was fascinating to watch," said Young, who studied photography at Center for Creative Studies, College of Art and Design in Detroit. "I really looked forward to my Sunday mornings. I learned to have a lot of patience."

Several of the photographs remind Young of her Cherokee heritage and Pow Wow dancers including the swaying tall grasses in "Grass Dancers." "Fancy Dancer," a red poppy moving in the wind looks like a Pow Wow dancer with her shawl.

"A garden is never still," said Young, who grew up in Royal Oak and graduated from Dondero High School. "There's a lot of movement. You can't photograph wind, but wind is a large part of the garden because it carries seed."

"Relations" spotlights a bug perched on the red and yellow Indian paint brush photographed at one of the Livonia sites.

ART BEAT

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LIVONIA ARTIST EXHIBITS

Jack Olds displays art works July 22 to Sept. 18 in the Michi-

"It is our belief that we're all related to the bugs, the earth, the wind, the flowers," said Young. "I could feel the ground hogs working the earth beneath me as I photographed the wildflower paintings."

Young focuses closely on a spider and its web in "Grandmother Spider." The blurred background spotlights this wondrous creation of nature.

"Cherokee believe grandmother spider wove the web that created the universe and in her web she snagged up all the stars," said Young.

Pamphlets of the exact locations of the living wildflower paintings are available at the Detroit Institute of Arts and Chrysler-Plymouth dealerships including Fox Hills in Plymouth; Snethkamp Chrysler-Plymouth, Redford; Livonia Chrysler-Plymouth; Birmingham Chrysler-Plymouth, Troy, and at the superstores in Bloomfield Hills, Southfield and Rochester Hills.

The 39 independent dealerships comprising the Chrysler-Plymouth Superstores initiated the wildflower gardens project as a way to expand their local community involvement to a regional level. The project produced a number of benefits from giving aesthetic pleasure to motorists to showcasing the works of a local photographer.

The Detroit Institute of Arts became involved through Maurice Parrish, Detroit Institute of Arts interim director, who was instrumental in bringing the exhibit to the museum and supports community projects.

The show is part of the Ann Arbor Art Center's Off-Site Exhibitions on Location Program. For information, call Off-Site coordinator Amanda Miller at (734) 994-8004, ext. 122.

ARTS FEST

ARTS & CRAFTS 2nd annual arts Michigan artists Saturday, July 25 (810) 629-2121

1998 WOODWORKERS The Livonia Woodworkers annual show, 11 Saturday, Aug. 1, 40 categories. \$9,000. Also Michigan Carving Championships for families; (734) Sports Arena, 3 Farmington Road

CALL ART

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Dancers 16 year Auditions by beginning at 21 TROY COMMUNITY Seeks a chorus son beginning rehearsals 7:30 should send the requirements to 165, Troy, MI 4

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MAKING CONTACT: Please submit items for publication to Frank Provenzano, The Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009 or fax (248) 644-1314

ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVALS

ARTS & CRAFTS IN HOLLY
2nd annual arts & crafts show featuring Michigan artists. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, July 25, downtown Holly; (810) 629-2119.

1998 WOOD CARVERS SHOW
The Livonia Wood Carvers present their annual show, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 1-2. Wood carvings in 40 categories. Prices from \$5 to \$9,000. Also Michigan Chainsaw Carving Championships. Tickets: \$1; \$2 for families; (734) 421-8310. Edgar Sports Arena, 33814 Lyndon at Farmington Road, Livonia.

CALL FOR ARTISTS/AUDITIONS

CALL FOR ARTISTS
"100 Creative Hands: Festival of Arts," presented by the Ladies of Gold and the Search for Life, a nonprofit organization dedicated to educating and recruiting potential bone marrow donors. Festival held Oct. 24-25 at Focus: HOPE Conference Center, 1400 Oakman Blvd., Detroit. Interested artists send a self-addressed stamped business envelope to: "100 Creative Hands," Festival of Arts, P.O. Box 37890 Oak Park, MI 48237. Deadline: Sept. 1, 1998.

CRAFTERS WANTED
Long Meadow School is looking for new crafters to join craft show, held in mid October. For an application, (248) 651-6964 or (248) 375-0652. And crafters are also sought for a juried exhibit at Detroit's official 297th birthday party, Saturday, July 25. For info, (313) 833-1405.

FINE ARTISTS INSPIRED BY HIGH-TECH

"The Polk Competition: Art & Technology," the second annual juried art competition held for Michigan artists. Ten cash awards totaling \$23,000. Entry information available at Preston Burke Gallery, 37606 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills; (248) 488-0200.

MAGICIANS FOR MICH REN FEST

Open audition for magicians to perform at the Michigan Renaissance Festival. Performance dates August 15-16. Auditions held 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, July 28, Illusions, 326 W. Fourth Street, Royal Oak; (800) 601-4848.

MICHIGAN THEATRE & DANCE TROUPE

Open auditions through August. Dancers 16 years old and older. Auditions by appointment on Saturdays beginning at 2 p.m.; (248) 552-5001.

TROY COMMUNITY CHORUS

Seeks a chorus director for its new season beginning in September. Candidates must be available for Tuesday evening rehearsals 7:30-9:30 p.m. Candidates should send their resume and salary requirements to the chorus, P.O. Box 165, Troy, MI 48099. (248) 879-0138.

BENEFIT

ART WORKS FOR LIFE
Midwest AIDS Prevention Project sponsors a live and silent auction featuring nearly 100 pieces of original works by area artists. 6:30-10:30 p.m. Saturday, August 8, Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lake Shore Road, Grosse Pointe Shores. Tickets: \$40; (248) 545-1435.

CAMPS

BOTSFORD BALLET
Two-week seminar in Russian ballet. Dancers from age 7 and up. 9 a.m.-noon, Monday-Thursday, July 20-23, and 9 a.m.-noon, Monday-Thursday, July 27-30. Tuition: \$150. Information, (313) 282-0470.

BROADWAY CAMP '98

Two one-week sessions beginning July 27, taught by Rohn Seykell. Students must be 12 or older. Camp features programs in vocal technique, improvisation, acting in singing, character work and auditions. Tuition: \$200. Camp will be held at Dancer's Workshop, St. Clair Shores. Register 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, July 21. For information, (810) 412-2076.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

"Confetti Camp," a multicultural camp based on learning about the arts and traditions of various cultures. varied ethnic backgrounds. Camp runs Tuesday, July 28-Friday, August 14. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

JINGLE BEL, INC.

Summer Stock Camp: ages 7-12 - Aug. 3-7, 10-13; ages 11-15 - July 27-30. Short Circuit Mini-Camp: ages 3-7 - July 27-30, Aug. 3-7, 10-13. Art camp: ages 3-12 - July 27, Aug. 3 & 10. Also music and art lessons. For information, (248) 375-9027.

MICHIGAN DANCE EXPRESS SUMMER CAMP

Dance classes combined with traditional camping experiences for dancers ages 8-16. Five-day overnight dance camp held at Camp Copneconic, Fenton. Camp runs Sunday, July 26-Thursday, July 30. Information, (734) 394-0409, or (313) 562-1203.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

Summer theater, music and visual arts classes. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Mondays-Fridays. 24350 Southfield Road. To register and for information on times of camps.



Painter of note: Recent paintings by Lester Johnson, including "Three Graces," are on exhibit through Saturday, Aug. 15 at David Klein Gallery, 163 Townsend, Birmingham, (248) 433-3700.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER
Summer classes, including watercolor, collage, weaving, bead stringing, photography and stained glass. 117 W. Liberty, downtown Ann Arbor; (313) 994-8004, ext. 113.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER

Summer classes include drawing, painting, floral still life. Formerly known as the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER OF PONTIAC

Summer classes, including drawing, sculpture and painting. Children's classes include drawing and cartooning, painting, mask-making, arts and crafts and printmaking. Teen and adult classes include beaded jewelry, ceramics, photography, Chinese brush painting and blues guitar. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER MUSIC WORKSHOP

Jazz lecture/workshop followed by a performance by Detroit's legendary trumpet player Marcus Belgrave. Workshop will be held 4-6 p.m. Thursday, July 30. Donations accepted. Performance: 6-7:30 p.m. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

D & M STUDIO'S SUMMER ART CAMP

This year's theme, "North to Alaska." Explore Alaskan Territory through drawings, paintings, paper mache, ceramics and more. Camp runs through Aug. 14. All classes at Once Upon an Easel, 8691 N. Lilley Road, Canton; (734) 453-3710.

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE

"Learning at the Opera House," summer workshop classes in modern dance for teens and adults (intermediate level), 6-8 p.m., July 21-23; classes: \$36. For information, (313) 965-3544.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

"The Pleasure of Painting," demonstration and instruction by Sandra Levin. 12:30 & 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays beginning Sept. 8. Second session begins Nov. 3. Most registers by Aug. 31. Fee for five-week class: \$50. 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-7641.

KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES

Advanced and professional classical ballet program. 9:30 a.m. Monday-Friday; intermediate level Tuesday, Thursday & Fridays at 11:30 a.m. 5526 W. Drake, West Bloomfield; (248) 932-8699.

LONGACRE HOUSE - ART CLASSES

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

MACOMB CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Drama workshop for youth, July 19-24; piano workshop, July 26-31; choir workshop, Aug. 2-8. For information, (810) 286-2017.

MARCIA CLEMENT ART STUDIO

Summer art classes for children, Monday-Wednesday. Classes include drawing, acrylic painting, arts/crafts. 4417 S. Commerce Road, Commerce Township; (248) 360-1216.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Summer classes, July 20-August 21 for children from 4 years old. Pastels class - 1-4 p.m., July 21-Aug. 18; fee: \$40. Watercolor Workshop - 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Fridays, July 24-Aug. 14; fee: \$67. 407 Pine Street, downtown Rochester; (248) 651-4110.

PAINTING IN THE PARK

Drawing and painting every Saturday beginning at noon. Meet at Heritage Park, Spicer House Visitor Center, on Farmington Road, just north of 10 Mile Road; Farmington Hills; (248) 661-5291.

PEWABIC POTTERY

Summer classes and workshops. Class size limited to 12 students. Classes include tile making, basic ceramics, hand building, sculpture portraiture, wheel throwing, ceramics for parent and adult. Fees vary. 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit; (313) 822-0954.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

"Summer Stuff for Kids" ages 4-14. June-August - workshops in drawing, ceramics, cartooning, crafts, photography, tie-dye. Adult classes in batik, drawing, garden stepping stones, yoga. Tai Chi. 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth; (734) 416-4AART.

U-M DEARBORN

Non-credit studio art classes and workshops over 14 weeks through July. Instructors include Susan Kell, Electra Stamelos, Donna Vogelheim, Grace Serra, Kitty Green, Mary Stephenson. For more information, (734) 593-5058. 4901 Evergreen Road, 1165 AB, Dearborn.

CLASSICAL

SUMMER SYMPHONY CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

The Plymouth Community Arts Council presents a chamber concert 4 p.m. Sunday, July 19 at the Joanne Winkelman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth. Tickets: \$12, general; \$10, students/seniors. Information, (734) 416-4AART.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"Women of the Calabash," a program of African, Caribbean and Black America music using a variety of exotic instruments, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 25. Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 576-5111 or (248) 645-6666.

DSO AT MEADOW BROOK

"The Great Grieg Concerto," 8 p.m. Friday, July 31, featuring conductor Neeme Jarvi and pianist Sergei Babayan. "Bravol Beethoven" 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1; and "Summer's Fantastique!" 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2. Tickets: \$13-\$45. Meadow Brook Outdoor Theatre, Oakland University campus, Rochester; (313) 576-5111 or (248) 645-6666.

EXHIBIT

INTERN'L AUTOS

20th annual Meadow Brook Hall Concours d'Elegance 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Sunday, August 2, featuring over 250 historic and vintage automobiles from around the world. Meadow Brook Hall grounds, Oakland University campus, Rochester. Tickets: \$20, adults; \$10, ages 13-17; free, children under 12; (248) 370-3140.

LECTURE/SEMINARS

AVANT-GARDE VIDEO SERIES

The glitz of the 1980s art world is the subject of the video, "Six Painters of the 1980s: A New Spirit in Painting." Critic Donald Kuspit discuss work of Sandro Chia, David Salle, Julian Schnabel, Georg Baselitz and others. 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 28, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

MICH. OPERA THEATRE

"Learning at the Opera House '98," a summer enrichment series, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday, through Aug. 2. Features lectures, workshops, performances and demonstrations. Opera House, Madison Avenue at Broadway, one block east of Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 874-7237.

LUNCHEON CONCERT

SOUTHFIELD CITY CENTRE PLAZA

11:10 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursdays through Aug. 27, a variety of musical bands perform at plaza one block west of the Southfield Civic Center. For information, (248) 424-9022.

MUSEUM (ON-GOING)

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

July 25 - "Juke Joint: Detroit's Black Bottom & Paradise Valley," a recreation of southern country nightclub life by artist Willie Little. Through October 18. 315 E. Warren Avenue, Detroit; (313) 494-5800.

U-M MUSEUM OF ART

Through Aug. 9 - "Traditions in Clay: Chinese Ceramics from the Permanent Collection"; through Aug. 31 - "African Arts: Objects of Power, Knowledge and Mediation"; through Aug. 31 - "American Visions: 19th-century American Paintings"; through Sept. 2 - "Jim Dow: The National League Stadiums," a photography exhibit. 525 S. State Street, Ann Arbor; (764) 0395.

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

Through Aug. 16 - "A Loaded Brush: Recent Paintings by Nancy Brett"; through Aug. 16 - "Bound & Gagged: The Sculptural Book"; through Sept. 6 - "Cranbrook Intimate Space: Photography by Gene Meadows." 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 645-3314.

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Through Aug. 16 - "The Scent of Glamour," a collection of perfume bottles and atomizers; through Sept. 30 - "A Community Between Two Worlds: Arab Americans in Greater Detroit," produced by the Michigan State University Museum and the Arab Community Center for Economic & Social Services. 5401 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-7934.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Through Sept. 6 - "Japanese Resist-Dyed Textiles: Yuzen and Shibori," an exhibit of Japanese textiles. Hours: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesdays-Fridays; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. weekends. 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-7900.

OUTDOOR CONCERTS

MUSIC UNDER THE STARS

Livonia Parks & Rec. & Livonia Arts Commission present summer concerts every Thursday through August - 7:30 p.m., July 23, Motor City Brass Band; 7:30 p.m., July 30, "Banjoes of Michigan." Civic Center Park, Five Mile Road, east of Farmington Road; (734) 464-2741.

NARDIN PARK METHODIST CHURCH

Every Wednesday through August 19, summer music series starting at 8 p.m. July 22 - "The Silver Strings Dulcimer Society"; July 29 - Fiddlers Philharmonic; August 5 - Clarinetist David Bennett; August 12 - Chautauqua Express; August 19 - "An Evening with Irving Berlin." 29887 W. Eleven Mile Road, just west of Middlebelt Road, Farmington Hills.

SUMMER CARILLON RECITAL SERIES

Presented by Christ Church Cranbrook: July 19 - Rich Giszczak plays kids songs; July 26 - Anna Maria Reverte, a carillonneur from Barcelona, in a program of Spanish music. 470 Church Road, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 644-5210.

SUMMER MUSIC IN SOUTHFIELD

Music of Handel, Andrew Lloyd Webber, Dixieland and Disney performed by The Motor City Brass Band, 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 29, Burgh Historical Park gazebo, northeast corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road. For information, (248) 424-9022.

SUMMER SYMPHONY IN PLYMOUTH

A volunteer regional orchestra with members from local community. Program features works by Haydn, Wagner. 4 p.m. Sunday, July 19, Joanne Winkelman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth. Tickets: \$12; \$10, seniors/students; (734) 416-4AART.

VOLUNTEERS

MUSEUM DOCENTS

Volunteers to conduct school tours for grades 3-1, special pre-school tours and tours to the general public and adult groups. Volunteers receive extensive training, including one-and-a-half days of class per week from September-June. For information, (313) 833-9178.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENINGS)

NETWORK

July 31 - "trans," an exhibit that investigates changes beyond boundaries by fiber artists. 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 334-3911.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

BBAC
Through July 20 - "Terry Lee Dill Site Specific Sculpture Installation" in the Robinson Gallery, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

Through July 24 - "The Art of Prenzetta Riley-Beckford, 24350 Southfield Road; (248) 424-9022.

PEWABIC POTTERY

Through July 25 - Works by Charles Timm-Ballard, John Goodheart and Rebecca C. Harvey. 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit; (313) 822-0954.

URBAN BREAK

Through July 25 - "Space Magic" by Harlan Lovestone. 10020 Joseph Campau, Hamtramck; (313) 872-1210.

WEARLEY STUDIO GALLERY

Through July 25 - "Toying Memory," approximated objects. 1719 W. 14 Mile Road, Royal Oak; (248) 549-3016.

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER

Through July 26 - "Through the Eyes of a Child: Artists Respond to Children's Work." 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor; (734) 994-8004.

CHRISTIE'S GALLERY

Through July 30 - Figurative paintings of George Graveldeinger. 34649 S. Woodward Avenue, Birmingham; (248) 594-5803.

G.R. N'NAMDI GALLERY

Through July 30 - "Prints by Jacob Lawrence." 161 Townsend, Birmingham.

HILL GALLERY

Through July 30 - "Book Works" by Donald Lipski. 407 W. Brown Street, Birmingham; (248) 540-9288.

BBAC

Through July 31 - "Portrait of Hope," a photo essay, featuring local photographers Glenn Triest, John Sobczak and others. Photos document the people behind Lighthouse of Oakland County. 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

BOOK BEAT

Through July 31 - "The works of Paul O. Zelinsky, award-winning children's book illustrator. 26010 Greenfield, Oak Park; (248) 968-1190.

BORDERS BOOKS

Through July 31 - "Circle of Light," the photography of Marji Silk. Artist reception Friday, July 10. 34300 Woodward Avenue, Birmingham; (248) 544-1203.

CRAIG GALLERY

Through July 31 - "The work of Peter Gilleran, professor emeritus at Wayne State. 801 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale; (248) 549-5367.

ELAINE JACOB GALLERY

Through July 31 - "Posters and Photographs Brought Home from the Spanish Civil War by American Volunteers." 480 W. Hancock, Detroit; (313) 993-7813.

GALLERY FUNCTION ART

Through July 31 - "The Forest," works by Robert Bery. Artist reception 7 p.m. Friday, July 10. 21 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 333-0333.

GALLERY NIKKO

Through July 31 - Ceramics by Goyer-Bonneau, paper albums by Jenni Bick, wood bowls by John Berglund and jewelry by Celia Landman. 470 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 647-0680.

HILBERRY GALLERY

Through July 31 - New works by Susanna Coffey and Richard Lewis. 555 S. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 642-8250.

LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY

Through July 31 - "Sun Strokes: Impressions/Foreign and Domestic," landscapes and other insights into the culture of southern climes. Through July 31. 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 334-6716.

LIVONIA CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY

Through July 31 - Livonia Woodcarvers annual exhibit, and fiber art by Michigan Surface Design Association. 32777 Five Mile Road, east of Farmington Road; (734) 421-7238.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Through July 31 - "Visual Conversations," paintings by Tanya Hastings, and one-of-a-kind books by Teresa Shields. Also on exhibit, "Extraordinary Ordinary," sculpture and installation art by Victoria Fuller. 407 Pine Street, Rochester; (248) 651-4110.

PLYMOUTH COMM ARTS COUNCIL

Through July 31 - "The Secret Garden," floral x-ray photography by Albert G. Richards. 774 N. Sheldon at Junction, Plymouth; (734) 416-4278.

URBAN BREAK

Through July 31 - "Space Magic" by Harlan Lovestone. 10020 Joseph Campau, Hamtramck; (313) 872-1210.

SWANN GALLERY

Through Aug. 9 - "Small Works Show." 1250 Library Street, Detroit; (313) 965-4826.

SURFACE DESIGN ASSOCIATION

Through Aug. 13 - Textiles & mixed media. Oakland County Galleria, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac; (248) 858-0415.

COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY

Through Aug. 14 - "B.F.A. Thesis" of Wayne State University art students. WSU campus. 150 Community Arts Bldg., Detroit; (313) 577-2423.

LEMBERG GALLERY

Through Aug. 14 - "Summer Selections," works by Chuck Close, Elisworth Kelly, Sol LeWitt, Stephen Magsig, Jennifer Reeves, Robert Schefman, Kiki Smith and others. 538 N. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 642-6623.

DAVID KLEIN GALLERY

Through Aug. 15 - New paintings by William Glen Crooks and recent paintings by Lester Johnson. 163 Townsend, Birmingham; (248) 433-3700.

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY

Through Aug. 15 - New paintings by Winifred Godfrey and new sculpture by Chris Berti. Opening reception 6 p.m. Friday, July 10. 107 Townsend, Birmingham; (248) 642-3909.

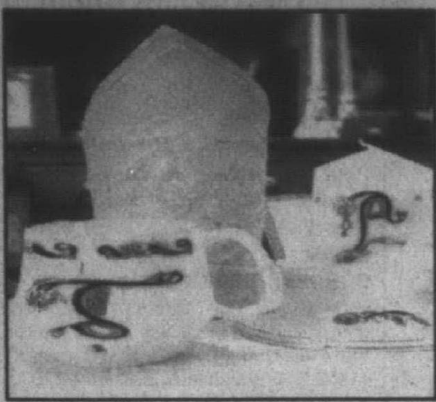
JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN MUSEUM/GALLERY

Through Aug. 23 - "Peace Through Humor: Visions of Peace From The Hands of Children." Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-7641.

MOORE'S GALLERY

Through Aug. 15 - "The Young African Experience," a selection of stone sculptures, clay figurines and wood carvings by apprentice artists of southern Africa. (248) 647-4662.

On



Irish tea: It's teatime at The Celtic Shamrock.

Old and new share space in Farmington

SHOPPING CENTERED



DONNA MULCAHY

Good things come in small packages, the saying goes, and that holds true for downtown Farmington. It's smaller than the other downtowns we've featured so far, but I like the fact that it's compact.

You can see just about everything in three hours or so, without feeling rushed. And it's virtually impossible to get lost there, because everything is laid out along Grand River and Farmington Road. I also like the way the city has combined the old with the new. You can stroll through the shops in the older buildings that line Grand River - including those in the venerable old Village Mall building, which once housed Farmington State Bank, on the southeast corner of Grand River and Farmington Road.

And when you're done, you can walk to the big strip mall that's located behind and partially hidden by these older buildings. The strip mall is located on the east side of Farmington, south of Grand River, and it includes a **Bon Ton Shoppe** (one of my favorite Hallmark gift stores).

Here are just some of the many other things I like about downtown Farmington:

- **The Celtic Shamrock** Irish import shop, located at 33335 Grand River Ave. on the first floor of the Village Mall, by the building's front entrance. I'm part Irish and my husband is 100 percent Irish, so I'm drawn to this shop like a step-dancer to a "Riverdance" show. Some of the things you'll find here include: Irish jewelry, china, crystal, T-shirts, sweatshirts, sweaters, hats, books, bake mixes, mouse pads with witty Irish sayings, and artwork. I bought a picture that says, "There is reason to believe that some people can marry an Irish person and still go on to lead a normal and productive life." My husband said he was offended. He'll get over it. Hours are 12-8 p.m. Monday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, closed Sunday. For more information, call toll-free (888) 672-7238, or visit the shop's Web site at www.celticshamrock.com.

- **Village Hidden Treasures**, located in the basement of the Village Mall, beneath Village Clippers salon. (There's no elevator. You can access the gift shop via stairs inside the mall's front entrance and by stairs that are located in the Village Clippers salon.) This shop is larger than you might first suspect and I like it for its selection of collectible and out-of-the-ordinary gift items. Collectible dolls it carries include: Barbies (and accessories), Ty plush animals (including Beanie Babies and accessories), Gene glamour dolls by Ashton Drake, Betty Boop, Muffy Vanderbear, Boyds Bears, Gund plush animals, Classic Pooh, Gotz Play Dolls and more. Other things it carries include: baby items, jewelry, ceramics, candles, glassware, custom garden stones, Limited Edition Angels and more. For more information, call (248) 477-3388.

- **Farmington Bakery**, located at 33250 Grand River, on the north side of Grand River, east of Farmington. It's the perfect place to stop for a treat when walking around downtown Farmington. If you're really nice, you'll bring home some cookies, muffins, bread or cake for your family, too. Phone (248) 442-2360.

Next week: Franklin Village.



In the dough: Becky Burns and Jeff Pavlik show off fresh loaves from the ovens at their new enterprise: the Farmington Bakery.

Sidewalk Stroll

Farmington fills a niche for families

BY MEGAN SWOYER
SPECIAL WRITER

Becky Burns and her husband, Jeff Pavlik, can't wait to move to the Farmington area. "I love this town, the small downtown atmosphere," says Burns, who with her husband recently purchased the Farmington Bakery and plans to move closer to the bakery soon. "At the bakery, we see the same people every day. You get to know them," she says. Adds Stephanie Rose, an employee at Cowley's Old Village Inn in Farmington, "this is a community where everything is here."

Strolling along the busy main streets of Farmington on a summer's evening, it's easy to see that this town could change its name to "Familyton." The community of 10,000 rolls out the welcome mat to moms, dads, kids and fun seekers of all ages. Honored twice at the Keep Michigan Beautiful Annual Awards Conference, the tidy downtown oozes with charming Victorian architecture and small-town character and is pretty much isolated from the surrounding Pier 1's and Dress Barns of the world. Like its pretty flower pots that line the main thoroughfares in the heart of the city, Farmington's perennial flow of activity offers a bouquet of shopping and dining options. Kitschy craft shops thrive across from an old-time movie house (no 6,000-seat, state-of-the-art theaters here), while a below-street-level coffee shop shakes it up with hot java and cool concoctions, and a bookstore specializing in new and used books provides just the right sanctuary for a quick browse before or after your ice cream cone.

This honest-to-goodness downtown provides a wonderful backdrop to a calendar full of city events, including everything from evening concerts and annual fishing derbies (the upper branch of the Rouge River meanders through the area) to a bustling weekend farmer's market.

Enviorns

Downtown Farmington is situated in the heart of south Oakland County and is surrounded by Farmington Hills to the north, Livonia to the south, Southfield to the east and Novi to the west. To get there from points east, take 696 west to Orchard Lake Road. Go south to Grand River Avenue. Make a right-hand turn and you will soon be in the heart of downtown Farmington, which is located where Grand River Avenue and Farmington Road intersect.

Besides the shopping district, Farmington boasts several parks (Shiawassee, Drake and Masonic, to name a few) and peaceful havens that invite weary

shoppers to take five. If you're in town on a Wednesday or Sunday afternoon, be sure to stop at the **Farmington Historical Museum** (33805 Grand River Ave., open Wednesdays and the first Sunday of the month from 1-5 p.m.) for a history lesson on Farmington's beginnings in the 1820s. Museum chairman Dick Carvell will tell you everything from how Farmington got its name (early settlers brought the name with them from upstate New York) to which Michigan governor lived there and donated his home to the city (hint: he was governor from 1905-1911).

On the Corner

At the intersection of Grand River Avenue and Farmington Road lies a huge old building that is now called the Village Mall and is filled with numerous small shops. At **Deb's Crafts** (33335 Grand River Ave.), you'll find country collectibles, a few antique teddy bears, Beanie Babies, candles, gourmet food and more. Like stained glass? You can find all the makings of this colorful art at **This 'N' That** (23612 Grand River Ave.). **Kitchen Creations** (33305 Grand River Ave.) specializes in cake and candy supplies.

The prettiest lace collection fills **Victorian Lace** (33335 Grand River Ave.), along with angel-themed collectibles. Sports lovers flock to the **Sports Image** (33317 Grand River Ave.), especially Red Wings fans. You'll find everything from Red Wing logoed T-shirts and golf shirts to dog leashes and



Queen for a day: Glorious gowns at Suzanne's Bridal.

collars graced with the catchy icemen logo. **The Yellow Durban** (33317 Grand River Ave.) draws those who love bell bottoms, incense and everything about the '60s.

Cross-stitch of just about everything imaginable fills the front window at **The Rocking Horse**, (33305 Grand River) while at the **Art Alcove** (33305 Grand River Ave.), art lovers can find paintings for their home.

Into Irish stuff? Duck your head into **The Celtic Shamrock** (33335 Grand River Ave.), which specializes in Irish imports. Across the street is the **Civic Theatre** (33332 Grand River), a classic old theater that shows films for \$2 and \$2.50. At **Books Abound** (33336 Grand River), you'll find new and used books.

Unusual dresses and other wardrobe necessities draw shoppers to **Clothes Encounters** (33306 Grand River Ave.). Those into beads and arm bands should spend a few minutes at **Bead Bohemia** (33334 Grand River Ave.). Shoe choices abound at the **Village Shoe Inn** (33204 Grand River Ave.). Children enjoy the art of creating plaster figurines at **Fun with Plaster** (33405 Grand River Ave.).

Go East, Shoppers

On the east side of downtown Farmington is the 55,000-square-foot Village Commons mall. Be sure to stop here if you like Thai or Italian food. At **Marco's** (32758 Grand River Ave.), white linen tablecloths, an outdoor dining area and piles of pasta dishes greet guests. Chicken, steak, sole and scampi dishes also prevail (not open on Sundays). The wonderful world of Thailand comes alive through its spicy flavors at the **Thai Kitchen** (32734 Grand River).

Warren's Village Store (32742 Grand River Ave.) peddles everything from Yankee jar candles "in great supply" to sundresses, furniture, wreaths, body lotions and other decorative items. Home decor items also take center stage at **Baker Street** (32720 Grand River Ave.), where shoppers can order draperies, bed spreads, carpet and rugs. Furniture and design services also are available.

Across the street from the Village Commons is Saturday's most popular gathering spot. From 9 a.m.-2 p.m., folks from all over the area flock to the popular **Farmer's Market**. Spot the white gazebo and you'll know you're in the right place.

Also part of the mall mix is the city's original downtown mall called the **Downtown Center** on Farmington Road. A highlight is the family-owned **Bon Ton Shoppe** (23320 Farmington Road), a treasure trove of decorative items.

News of special events for shoppers is included in this calendar. Send information to: **Malls & Mainstreets**, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; or fax (248) 644-1314. Deadline: Wednesday 5 p.m. for publication on Sunday.

MONDAY, JULY 20

ANALYZING GILLY

The Mother/Daughter Book Club at Borders Book Shop discusses *The Great Gilly Hopkins* at 7 p.m. The group provides a wonderful opportunity for mothers and daughters to share ideas together and with others.

Borders Book Shop, 31150 Southfield Road, Birmingham. (248) 644-1515.

ART OF COURAGE

The Somerset Collection hosts an exclusive exhibit titled "Survivors In Search of a Voice: The Art of

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Courage, a tribute to breast cancer patients. The show features a mix of media, from photography to painting and textiles, that reveals the real face of breast cancer. Continues through July 26.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22

CHUCKLES AND GIGGLES

Livonia Mall hosts "Rosco the Clown" as part of its Kids Summer Activities program. 1 p.m. at the stage near Crowley's. Free of charge, no registration required.

Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt roads. (248) 476-1160.

THURSDAY, JULY 23

TRUNK SHOW

View the 1998 fall collection by Carolina Herrera at Neiman Marcus. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Couture Salon. Continues July 24.

Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection, Troy. (248) 643-3300.

SUNDAY, JULY 26

GET FIT

Local fitness dynamo Bari Beckett presents her four-part video series that shows you how to live your dreams, achieve your goals and get fit, all at the same time. Each tape highlights such topics as nutrition, cardiovascular training, stretching and diet supplementation. 3 p.m.

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TRAVEL

L.A.'s Getty Museum is great place to view art, city

BY JUDITH DONER BERNE
SPECIAL WRITER

For some months, we had planned a trip to California around two major themes: taking a couple of days to drive with our San Francisco-based daughter south on U.S. 1 to Los Angeles, and, once in L.A., visiting the new Getty Center.

But a week before we got hit with a double whammy.

Our daughter called to report that El Nino had washed out the most scenic part of Route 1 - south of Carmel to San Simeon.

And the New York Times served warning that at the Getty - "the hottest cultural attraction in the nation" - restrooms were few and far between. In fact, according to the Times, just two of the nine sets of restrooms are in the museum proper.

Next week I will detail our derailed drive along the coast. Meanwhile, let me assure you that with a little planning "getting to the Getty" and "going at the Getty" both can be handily accomplished.

Ads run in the Los Angeles papers urging residents to "... look ahead, plan ahead, call ahead ..." and visit the Getty a little later. Yes, they admittedly have been overwhelmed by the number of visitors flooding their gates since the high-profile complex opened in December.

Parking reservations are a necessity. They are your only guarantee of getting into the museum proper. But our experience was that if you go on a

What: The Getty Center
Where: Los Angeles
Museum hours: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday; 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday; and 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday and Friday. Closed Mondays and major holidays.
Admission: Free, but may be denied to those without a parking pass when more than 5,000 visitors are on site.
Parking: By reservation only, \$5 charge.
Information: (310) 440-7300

weekday and arrive well ahead of the museum's 11 a.m. opening - by either car, bus or bike (there are bike racks) - you won't encounter lines at the tram, which whisks you to the hilltop site, or be turned away at the museum.

Once on top, you are overwhelmed by the site itself, from which on a clear day you can get breath-taking views of the Pacific Ocean, the San Gabriel Mountains and the Los Angeles street-scapes.

We, in fact, had a parking reservation for 9 a.m. The early hour allowed us to zero in on a rest room, which - as we were warned - was small and tucked into an out of the way spot. But once you know where it is, you just factor it into your museum-going (pun intended!).

Also, if you are planning to eat at the Getty Center restaurant,

you should make a reservation as soon as you arrive. Even if you choose to eat at any of the numerous carts offering drinks and light refreshments, stop into the restaurant to see the intriguing artwork which spans several walls by L.A. collagist Alexis Smith. Entitled "Taste," it explores images associated with the word "taste" and its definitions - from culinary to aesthetic.

An important part of our Getty experience was that 9-10 a.m. hour we spent in the 134,000-square-foot Central Garden, the site-specific work of artist Robert Irwin. My husband, daughter and I were the only visitors, along with a couple of gardeners. In the quiet of the morning, the gurgling sound of water, as it streamed downward along a mosaic-tiled river-bed toward the heart of the garden, where it cascaded over a stone waterfall and into an azalea pool, seemed as important to this three-acre garden as its more than 500 varieties of plants and trees.

And we were completely dazzled as the six low-slung Getty Center buildings, designed by American architect Richard Meier and constructed of 1.2 million square feet of beige-colored, cleft-cut, Italian travertine stone, caught the bright morning sunlight. I don't know of another city where the light is such an incredible factor. If you leave even the smallest smidgen of space between your draperies, the resulting razor-thin ray of sunlight will light up your entire hotel room.

The use of that light is key both to the outside architecture and the inside design of the Getty Center. Travertine panels cover not only the retaining walls and bases of all buildings, but also serve as paving stones for the arrival plaza and museum courtyard, as well as on indoor walls in transitional spaces between galleries.

Sky lights and other glass elements allow the California sunshine to light the interiors. The



Sky high: The Getty Museum sits on a hill overlooking Los Angeles.

JOHN STEPHENS

galleries on the museum's upper level are all naturally lit, using computer-assisted louvers and shades to adjust the intensity and quality of light.

Ah yes, the museum itself. We found it one of the most enjoyable settings to look at art we had ever experienced. Made up of five interconnected two-story pavilions, you have the opportunity to move through a series of intimate galleries, and just at the moment that you need a break, you can step out onto an exterior courtyard and drink in the world below.

Major collections of paintings and decorative arts take up most of the permanent exhibition space. The paintings are displayed on walls of muted color, rather than the usual museum white. And each decorative arts gallery resembles an actual

room, with the walls lined in rich fabrics appropriate to the furnishings.

The Getty Center is renowned for its photography collection, so we were disappointed that those galleries were closed the day we were there. Considering the value of the collection, we were surprised that just three galleries were devoted to photography. By comparison, 20 galleries display paintings, 16 show decorative arts and five are committed to sculpture. We left the sculpture for a future visit.

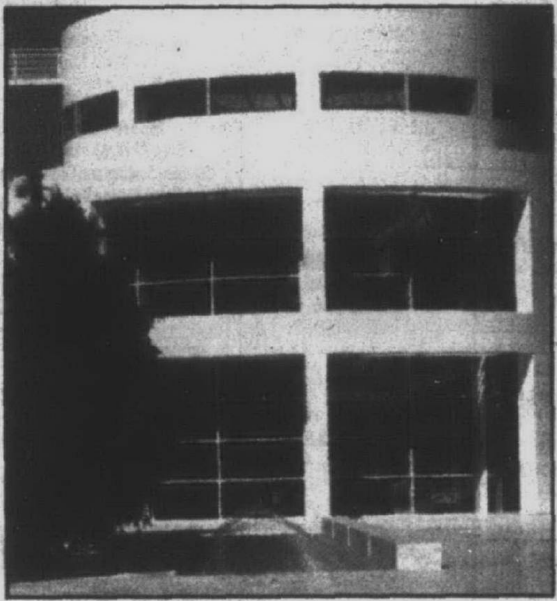
The adjacent Getty Research Institute for the History of Art and the Humanities has a small space for rotating exhibits, including photography. We were enchanted by the current exhibi-

tion of photographs taken by Europeans working in the Ottoman Empire. From July 28 to Oct. 25, the space will be devoted to the photography of three artists whose work examines the Alameda Corridor, an area south of downtown Los Angeles.

It's been 15 years since I spent any time in Los Angeles. I had no real desire to go back until the Getty opened. It's ample reason to return.

Judith Doner Berne, a West Bloomfield resident, is former managing editor of the Eccentric Newspapers. Now that she has time to travel, she is a frequent contributor to this section.

Entrance rotunda: This view is from the museum's courtyard.



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3-D Archery Shoot

The second-annual Redford Shoot For Our Youth 3-D archery shoot will be held 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 25 at Capitol Park in Redford.

The event is hosted by the Ted Nugent United Sportsmen of America Area "A" members, The Sports Authority and Timber Wolf Tavern.

Course fee is \$8 (an additional \$4 for Ted Nugent United Sportsmen of America state championship).

Proceeds go to Ted Nugent Kamp for Kids and D.A.R.E.

Call Bryan Boyadjian at (313) 937-1218, Andy Surowiec, (313) 538-1966 or Randy Collick, (810) 231-3843 for more information.

Making like Bandits

The Wayne Bandits Sandy Koufax (14-under) baseball team won a tournament the weekend of July 10-12 to earn a berth to the AAU World Series, held either in Concord, N.C. or Orlando, Fla.

They went undefeated, defeating the Ann Arbor Black Sox, Huron Braves and Dearborn Heights Astros.

The team includes Seth Baldwin, will Massey, Ricky Verville and Ryan Ybarra of Westland, David Cicotte, Tommy Collop, Greg Laws, Aaron Lindon, George Rodriguez, Marc Townsend, Tommy Tyler and Adam Zimmerman of Wayne; Marco DiMichele of Garden City; and Brandon Lightle of Livonia.

The team manager is Bill Grove. His assistants are Tim Lightle, Mike Massey and Rick Verville.

The Bandits' overall record is now 23-10.

If you are interested in donating to help the Bandits cover costs to go to the World Series or want information on any of the age groups that Bandit Baseball offers, please call (313) 595-6643.

Winning wheelchair athlete

Walter Runchey of Garden City won a bronze medal in table tennis competing for the Ann Arbor VA Wheelchair Team at the 18th National Veterans Wheelchair Games in Pittsburgh, Pa.

The Ann Arbor team returned home with 39 medals - 17 gold, nine silver and 13 bronze - in 58 events they entered.

The Ann Arbor team, made up of men and women in Michigan and northern Ohio, has competed in the Games since they began in 1981.

3-on-3 champs

A team comprised of boys from Westland and Canton won the Under-15 Competitive Division at the 3-on-3 Soccer Shootout July 11-12 at Birmingham Groves.

The team, which has qualified for the regional tournament in Indianapolis in August, included Jason Emrich and Corey Dahn of Westland and Doug Radcliffe and Evan Malone of Canton.

Emrich, Dahn and Radcliffe are members of the Michigan United-Copa Little Caesars Premier League team and Malone is a member of the Canton Hornets.

PCJBL champs

The Blue Jays completed a perfect season in the Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League's Girls Junior League (11-13 years old) by sweeping the Phillies in a best-of-three-games championship series, 16-11 and 21-11. The Jays were American League winners with a 13-0 record; the Phillies won the National League with a 9-4 mark.

Members of the Blue Jays are Alana Abdal, Jaclyn Brandt, Jessica Brandt, Amy Cave, Nina Cimino, Melissa Franz, Kim Gula, Heather Jones, Chloe Kind, Hillary Kind, Lauren McGinnis, Megan Palmer, Michelle Roelofs, Shannon Stott and Kelly Vanston. Team coaches are John Palmer, Tom Roelofs and Jeff Kind.

Coach needed

Detroit Catholic Central needs a freshman boys soccer coach for the upcoming fall season. Call athletic director Bob Santello at (313) 534-2798 or fax him at (313) 534-7110 if interested.

Cards an ace

Brian Hayes, 9, of Livonia, made a hole in one using a pitching wedge on the 11th hole at Oasis Golf Course on Thursday, July 16.

Many happy returns?

Former Salem star hopes to jump-start Starzz

Remember your 10-year high school reunion?

How hard you worked to look your best. And why? Because you were so looking forward to it.

Dena Head had a 10-year reunion of sorts last Friday, when the team she plays for in the WNBA - the Utah Starzz - paid a visit to the Palace of Auburn Hills, to take on Detroit's first-year team, the Shock.

But there was no celebration. Not for the Starzz, anyway, nor for Head.

"I haven't played in this area since I was in high school," Head, a 1988 Plymouth Salem HS graduate, said after her current team fell to the Shock for the second time in five days, 79-67. "It's always good coming home."

Maybe so, but her demeanor wasn't too convincing. She hardly looked happy, although she played well enough. Coming off the bench, Head finished with six points (2-of-5 from the floor, 2-for-2 from the line), three steals and two assists while playing both point and shooting guard.

"It's always nice seeing your friends and family," she continued, then added, "but for us, this is just another game."

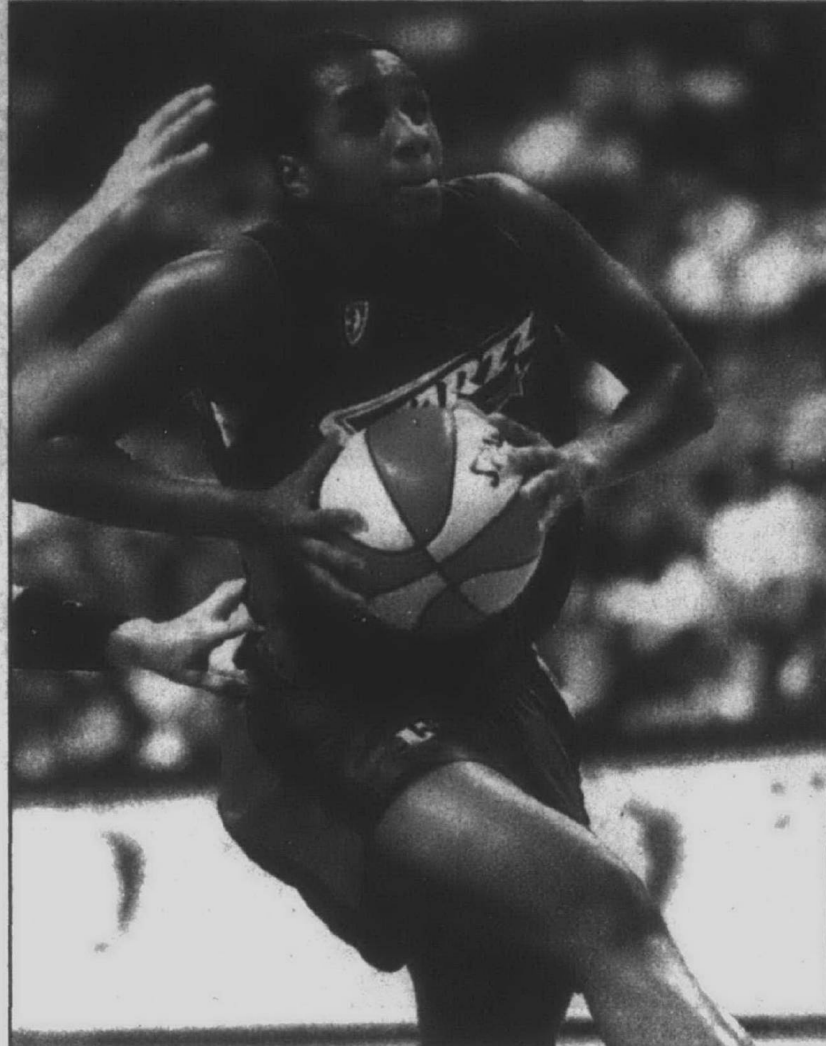
And the Starzz have had a tough time finding wins. With Friday's loss, they are just 4-12 - the worst record in the WNBA's Western Division. The bad news doesn't end there, either.

"It's been kind of tough," Head admitted. "Especially since we've lost eight or nine games by less than 10 points. Last year when we lost, it was by a lot more."

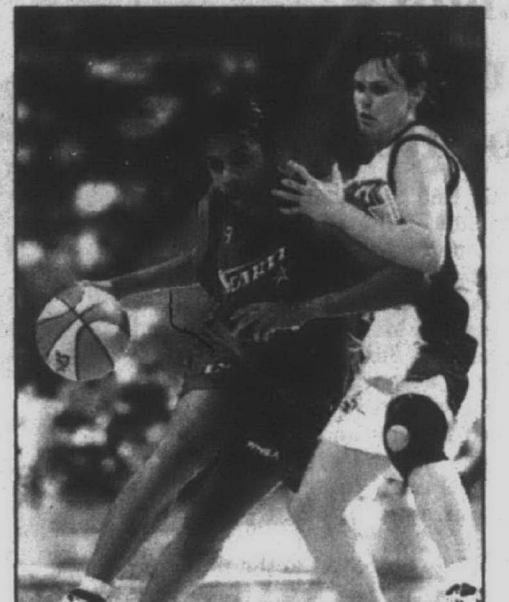
Bigger, and better, things were anticipated this season after the Starzz drafted Margo Nydek with the first choice in this season's draft. The 7-foot-2 Nydek, from Poland, is the tallest player in the league - by six inches.

But the results haven't changed appreciably. And there are differing opinions as to why.

Head won't offer any. But it's apparent Utah coach Denise Taylor wants to



Within sight: Salem graduate Dena Head had a basket in mind (left) as she drove to the hoop Friday against the Shock. This one didn't fall, but Head did well enough, scoring six points and defending well against Detroit guards Korie Hlede and Sandy Brondello (below right).



run her offense through Dydek, to try to take full advantage of her size.

"Well," Head replied, after some hesitation, "the post player has to touch the ball. That's what the coach wants, an inside-out (offense). But you've got to take what the defense gives you."

It's apparent that Taylor and Head are not completely in tune with each other. Which is probably why Head started the first eight games this sea-

son, but has been coming off the bench the last eight. Her playing time is down to 15 minutes a game; she played 18 against the Shock.

And it would be difficult, even for Taylor, to argue with Head's performance. Two plays in particular stood out:

• Two minutes after entering the game in the first half, with Utah down a point, the Shock got possession and

started a 3-on-1 fast break, with Head the lone defender. But Head anticipated a pass from Cindy Brown, stepping in and making the steal to thwart a sure Shock basket;

• Then, with 13:31 remaining in the second half and the Starzz really struggling, particularly on offense (Detroit outscored them 16-2 in the first 6:30 of the half), Head anticipated again, pick-

Please see HEAD, D3

In-line hockey attracts all ages

In-line hockey has become a popular summer pastime for youngsters and it's arguably safer than some famous water sports.

For instance, Livonian Scott Macdonald, 8, lost a tooth last summer and it didn't happen while playing for his 10-under in-line hockey team on the tennis courts behind the Livonia Family Y.

Macdonald was tubing on a lake when one of his front teeth fell out and another was knocked loose after a wave bounced his mouth into the tube.

"I said 'Are you OK?' And he said 'Yeah, but I lost my tooth in the water and now I can't leave it under my pillow,'" laughed his father, Dave Macdonald, who has another son, Danny, 9, also playing in-line hockey for a team called the Sharks.

The younger Macdonald is either a tough guy or, like his dad, a future businessman.

Losing a tooth isn't a concern for youngsters while playing organized in-line hockey, what with all the head gear they're required to wear.

The most troubling element playing outdoors in the summer is the heat, leaving tubers with an argument that their's is the sport of choice.

But avid in-line youth hockey players, who must wear a helmet and cage, elbow pads, gloves, knee and shin pads, and chest protector if they're playing goaltender, probably figure there's plenty of time to head for the beach.

Want to talk about popularity?

The sport's getting so big it can be played year-round at indoor venues, and in the fall, spring and summer outdoors.

New equipment, including the



Flawless in net: Samantha Scott of the Livonia Leopards keeps the puck out of the net in a recent coed game played at the Novi SoccerZone.

Where to play?

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SoccerZone, (248) 374-0500.
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DekHockey, Inc., (313) 397-8900.
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skates, can cost as much as \$300. Used equipment, which can be purchased at some sporting goods stores, can cut the cost in half.

Entry fees for most leagues cost less than \$100 per season per player, making the sport considerably less expensive than ice hockey.

A water-filled ball that hardly bounces or a puck resembling the one

used in ice hockey, but not as hard, is typically used in in-line hockey.

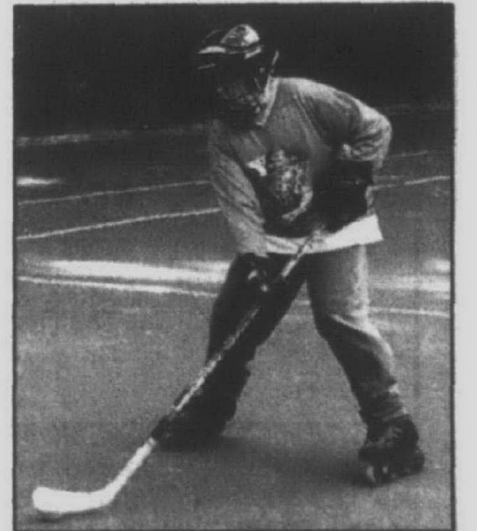
In-line hockey rules are similar to those in ice hockey, although no checking is allowed and there's no offsides or icing. Players 18 and over aren't required to wear face cages.

Attracting all ages

The sport has even become popular among the older set. At DekHockey, Inc., on Michigan Ave. in Canton, there are leagues for players 30-over and even a league for couples.

"We play every other Sunday so in case there is a big argument, you have another week to make up," said co-owner Amy Mueller, half joking.

In-line hockey and Dekhockey - hockey played on tennis shoes instead of ice skates or in-line skates - is played seven nights a week 5:30 p.m. to midnight for all age groups at the Canton rink.



Practice makes perfect: Matt Diebel, who plays for a team at the Livonia Y, works on his stickhandling during practice.

Please see IN-LINE, D6

Travel, Lumberjacks neck and neck

ADRAY METRO BASEBALL ASSOCIATION STANDINGS (Through July 18)	
Adray Division: 1. Adray Kings, 16-5-0, 32; 2. Warren Reds, 16-5-0, 32 points; 3. Windsor Stars, 12-9-1, 25; 4. Windsor Selects, 5-18-1, 11.	
Livonia Collegiate Division: 1. Livonia D.C.I., 11-7-1, 22; 2. Michigan Rams, 10-10-2, 22; 3. Hines Park Lincoln Mercury, 7-10-0; 4. Livonia Adray, 3-18-1, 7.	
RECENT RESULTS	
July 13: Warren Reds 3, Adray Kings 2; Adray Kings 8, Warren Reds 6.	
July 18: Adray Kings 6, Livonia D.C.I. 3; Michigan Lake Area Rams 8, Windsor Stars	

Rams, Stars tie

The Michigan Rams and Windsor Stars tied an Adray Metro Baseball Association game on Wednesday, 8-8, at Livonia's Ford Field.

The game was called after seven innings due to the maximum time limit.

Dave Wampler (Livonia Franklin/University of Detroit) went 5 1/3 innings with relief help from Tom Willeher for the Rams.

The Rams led 5-2 before allowing the Stars to score six runs in

the sixth and falling behind 8-5. The Rams scored three in the bottom of the seventh to tie the score.

Kevin Prader was 2-4 with three RBI, including two in the seventh. Aaron Lawson was 2-4 with two runs scored. Joe Seestadt went 3-3 with two runs scored and two RBI.

Eric Pierce was 1-2 with a run scored and an RBI. Lance Siegwald 2-4 with an RBI.

Matt Pike was 1-5 with an RBI.

Eight's enough for Red Sox

The Red Sox won the Bronco Division of the Redford Township Junior Athletic Association despite fielding only eight players in the championship game against the Mariners.

The Red Sox had only seven players at game time but the Mariners were good sports enough to wait an extra 15 minutes to let the eighth player show. Games can't be started without at least eight players aside.

The Red Sox want to thank the Mariners' coaches Chuck Hughes and Jim Hanlon for their sportsmanship and consideration.

On Friday, the Red Sox players, coaches and their families attended the Detroit Tigers game against the Boston Red Sox at Tiger Stadium. Team members wore their jerseys but we figure they cheered for the



Happy days: The Redford Township Red Sox won their league.

Tigers. During the game, the Red Sox team name was flashed on the scoreboard.

Members of the Red Sox include Ricky Higgins, Justin Ikewood, Jeremy Novak, Andy

Livonia Travel's 15-year-old baseball team defeated Fenton 18-6 on Thursday to move its record to 16-2 in the Little Caesars Open Division.

The Livonia Lumberjacks are the only team that can catch Travel, carrying a 14-2 record with two games remaining. Travel, 26-6 overall, plays in an American Amateur Baseball Congress district the weekend of July 24.

Livonia pounded out 16 hits, scoring nine runs in the third and six in the fourth.

Joe Ruggiero went 4-for-4 with six RBI and Brad Buckler 3-3 with two RBI and scored four times.

Brent Scheffler, Joe Meier and Chris Grabowski had two hits each.

On Tuesday, Travel rallied from eight runs down to eat Trenton 15-11. Trenton scored eight runs in the bottom of the first and led 11-3 after five innings.

Buckler picked up the win in relief, allowing no hits over the

last three innings.

Travel scored six runs in the sixth and six in the seventh as Trenton pitchers walked nine batters in the last two innings.

Golem went 2-4 with four RBI. Mike Moore and Ruggiero added two hits each and Meier singled in two runs with a key hit in the seventh.

Buckler helped his cause with a solo homer.

On Monday, July 13, Travel beat Plymouth Canton, 9-3 as Ruggiero struck out nine and allowed five hits in six innings. It was Ruggiero's second win over Canton in a week, beating them 3-1 previously.

Pete Pinto was the hitting star with four singles in four trips. Golem went 2-4 with four RBI.

Two days earlier, Buckler, who earned the win, and Scheffler combined on a seven-hit shutout in a 6-0 win over Belleville.

Buckler pitched the first five innings.

Travel collected five of its seven hits in the first inning, leading to five runs. Brian

Campbell, Meier and Moore had key hits.

Lumberjacks 10, Annapolis 0: The Livonia Lumberjacks improved to 8-4-2 in the Little Caesars Travel League, running their winning streak to 10 games with a 10-0 five-inning mercy victory Wednesday over Dearborn Annapolis at Livonia's Bicentennial Park.

Joe Tackett and Brad Bescoe (Livonia Churchill) shared the pitching duties and Rickey Strain (Livonia Churchill) led with three hits and three RBI and Tim Greenleaf (Churchill) added three RBI.

The Lumberjacks had broken a tie for first place on Thursday with a 3-1 win over the Windsor Titans at Livonia's Ford Field.

Mike Wilk (Farmington/Detroit Catholic Central) started for the Lumberjacks, scattering three hits with seven strikeouts throwing to batterymate Jeff Potts (Livonia/CC).

"This game had a little bit of everything," coach Jim Moss said.

The game featured stolen bases, sacrifice bunts, a pick-off sacrifice fly, sterling defense by centerfielder Brian Williams (CC) and a clutch two-out single by Greenleaf in the fifth inning to drive in the winning run.

"We had to alter our lineup somewhat, playing without Dave Moss (CC) and Tom Alberty (CC)," Moss said. "This is just a case of two good ball teams squaring off for first place and our guys were determined that they would prevail. There is just no quit in this group."

Infielders Steve Bauer (CC), Joe Tackett (Ann Arbor Huron), Bescoe and Greenleaf (Churchill) contributed defensively, Moss said.

The outfield was anchored by Williams in centerfield with Strain in left and Mark Gursky (CC) in right supported Wilk's sterling performance with key plays all night.

The Lumberjacks are now 22-4 overall with two games remaining on the league schedule.

Concealed Security wins 2 of 3

The Concealed Security 11-year-old travel baseball team won two games on Thursday before losing one on Friday to fall into the loser's bracket of the 12-year-old American Amateur Baseball Congress district at Stepping Stone Field in Farmington.

That's nothing to be ashamed of, being the only 11-year-old team in the field, coach Lou Pirronello said.

"The kids are playing their hearts out and that's all that matters," he said. "The team is playing very well considering this is an 11-year-old team."

Novi handed Concealed a 3-0 loss as Mark Sorenson pitched a four-hitter, striking out three for the winning team.

Chris Rusin of Canton suffered the pitching defeat, losing only for the second time against 11 wins. The three runs he allowed were unearned and he scattered six hits and two walks with three strikeouts.

Andrew Stafford led Concealed with two hits.

Corey Sargent and Jeff Richard

made diving catches in the outfield for Concealed.

Concealed won a pair of games on Thursday, 8-6 over Hartland and 3-0 over the Detroit Cobras.

Sargent was the winning pitcher against the Cobras, pitching a complete-game three hitter with 11 strikeouts and three walks. Richard had two hits, including a solo home run, and Matt Rodeghier, Ryan Shay (Garden City) and Stafford also collected two hits.

Concealed scored three runs in the seventh inning in the first game, allowing relief pitcher Alan Hagedon (Westland) to pick up the victory. He moved to 6-0 on the mound, allowing one run on two hits and two walks with two strikeouts over 3 2/3 innings.

Phillip Mabey (Livonia) was the starting pitcher and also seeing time on the mound were Eric Vojtkofsky (Wayne) and Eric Drieselmann (Garden City). Drieselmann was perfect in one inning.

Shay had a two run single to lead the offense. Scott Szpryka had an

RBI single in the seventh. Vojtkofsky laid down a suicide squeeze bunt to score a run in the seventh and the other run came home that inning by Hagedon's sacrifice fly.

World Series bound

Concealed earned an automatic berth in the Continental Amateur Baseball Association World Series in Tarkio, Mo. by beating Novi in a best two out of three qualifier July 12 and 13.

The World Series begins July 30 and ends Aug. 10.

Concealed beat Novi 10-3 on July 12 and came back a day later to win 19-4.

Mabey was the pitching winner on July 12, allowing three hits and walking seven with 12 strikeouts. Hagedon, Richard and Drieselmann had two hits each. Drieselmann drove in two runs.

Concealed exploded for 25 hits the next day, led by three batters with four hits each: Rodeghier, Richard and Szpryka. Rodeghier had two RBI, Richard, whp had two doubles, and Szpryka drove in four runs each.

Shay was 3-3 with an RBI and Drieselmann 8-6 with an RBI. Rusin and Sargent had two hits and two RBI each.

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Huskies tie Lakers, 5-5

In a showdown between the top two teams in the Metro Summer Hockey League's Bakes Conference, the Lakers overcame an early deficit to take a one-goal lead into the final period, but the Huskies got the equalizer to manage a 5-5 tie Wednesday at the Plymouth Ice Arena.

The outcome means nothing changes: The Lakers remain atop the Bakes with a 6-0-2 record, one point ahead of the second-place Huskies (6-1-1).

The Huskies had the early advantage, with a goal by Jim Tudor (from Canton) less than two minutes into the second period giving them a 3-1 lead. But the Lakers' one-two scoring punch of Brian Jardine and Eric Doleah (Farmington Hills) turned that around quickly, Jardine — who had scored midway through the first period — adding two more goals in the second, with Doleah also scoring twice in the second. Each had an assist as well.

The 5-4 Laker lead didn't hold up, however. The Huskies' Jesse Hubenschmidt (Redford) scored the game's only third-period goal, his second marker of the game, with 9:14 left; Tony Guzzo assisted, his second of the game. Guzzo also scored a goal. The Huskies' other marker came from Sean Kass, who had an assist, too.

Nick Jardine added four assists for the Lakers.

Ryan Davis was in goal for the Huskies; Shawn Miller and Lanny Jardine divided time in the net for the Lakers.

Wildcats 11, Wolverines 10: A second-period rally fueled first by Jack McCoy (Farmington Hills), then by Troy Taylor, got the Wildcats started, and Ron Lowrie's two third-period goals made it pay off for the Wildcats Thursday at Plymouth.

McCoy helped the 'Cats (4-5) overcome a 3-0 Wolverine lead after one period, scoring his team's first three goals of the second period. A goal by Bill Trainor (Canton) — he had two goals and three assists in the game — kept the Wolves in front, 4-3.

But then Taylor got hot, scoring the Wildcats next three goals. Together with goals notched by Kyle McNeillance (Livonia) and Shaun Davis, the 'Cats finished with an 8-4 scoring advantage in the second period. Jay Vancik accounted for two of the Wolves' goals in the period.

Lowrie's second goal of the third period, with 6:53 left, proved to be the game-winner, pushing the 'Cats lead to 11-9. Trainor's second marker of the game, with seven seconds left, closed the gap for the Wolves but

didn't eliminate it.

David Wallace added a goal and two assists for the Wildcats. McCoy and McNeillance also had three assists apiece in the game, and Taylor had two.

For the Wolves (2-6), Dave Street added two goals, with Dennis Schimmelpfenneg (Canton), Dan Trainor (Plymouth), Wes Blevins (Westland) and Jim Wheaton (Plymouth) getting one goal apiece. Dan Trainor and Brent Bessey (Canton) contributed two assists each.

Chuck Schervisch was in goal for the 'Cats. Joe Sorrentino and John Trainor (Canton) played in the net for the Wolves.

Broncos 17, Falcons 2: Matt Langley poured in four goals and three assists to lead the Broncos past the Falcons Thursday at Plymouth.

Darrin Silvester and Corey Almas each added three goals for the Broncos (3-5-1), with Almas netting three assists and Silvester one. Josh Shuryan got two goals and two assists, and Nick Smyth chipped in with two goals and an assist. Frank Bourbonais, Dwight Helminen and Eric Heltunen each added a goal, with Helminen netting five assists.

Eric Evans had a goal and an assist for the Falcons (2-6), and John Sharp scored a goal.

METRO SUMMER HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS (Through July 18)			
Team	W	L	T Pts.
Eagle Division			
Bulldogs	7	1	0 14
Broncos	3	5	1 7
Falcons	2	6	0 4
Spartans	1	7	0 2
Snake Division			
Lakers	6	0	2 14
Huskies	6	1	1 13
Wildcats	4	5	0 8
Wolverines	2	6	0 4

LEADING SCORERS			
Name (team)	G	A	Pts.
Kevin Swider (Bulldogs)	12	31	43
Tony Guzzo (Huskies)	16	16	32
Ben Blackwood (Bulldogs)	15	14	29
Eric Doleah (Lakers)	17	10	27
Corey Swider (Bulldogs)	12	15	27
Troy Taylor (Wildcats)	11	15	26
Jack McCoy (Wildcats)	10	15	25
K. McNeillance (Wildcats)	10	15	25
Darrin Silvester (Broncos)	9	14	23
J. Hubenschmidt (Huskies)	13	9	22
Ian Crookford (Bulldogs)	12	10	22

LEADING GOALTENDERS			
Name (team)	GA	AVG.	
Lanny Jardine (Lakers)	9	3.59	
Shawn Miller (Lakers)	25	4.55	
Bob Harrison (Bulldogs)	22	4.93	
Ryan Davis (Huskies)	25	5.69	
Art Baker (Broncos)	20	5.70	
J.J. Weeks (Bulldogs)	23	6.51	
Casey Osting (Falcons)	22	7.43	

Kevin Brady (Livonia) and Art Baker split time in goal for the Broncos. Matt Wierzbza was in the net for the Falcons.

Lasers shock Mold, 1-0, gain split

The Livonia Lasers handed the Motor City Mold their first loss of the Incredible Girls Fast-Pitch League season in the second game of a double-header Tuesday at Plymouth Canton.

The Lasers' beat the Mold 1-0 as winning pitcher Tara Muchow tossed a no-hitter with eight strikeouts in a game called after five innings due to the 1 hour, 20 minute time limit. Muchow pitched out of trouble often, overcoming eight walks.

The Mold, 15-1 in league play, won the first game 8-1.

The split left the Lasers with an 11-4-1 record.

The lone Lasers' run in the nightcap came against relief pitcher Jenny Fisher in the fifth. Kelly Young walked, advanced on an infield single by Tera Morrill and scored on Lindsey Emmett's grounder to second

base. Lori Stewart started for the Mold, allowing no hits and one walk with four strikeouts through three innings.

The Mold scored eight runs with the help of 10 walks issued by the Lasers' losing pitcher Emmett, who allowed only one hit. Fisher was the winning pitcher, allowing two hits and five walks with four strikeouts through four innings.

Emmett collected the two Lasers' hits.

Fisher had the lone Mold hit.

Knights 11-9, Diamonds 0-0: The Knights combined near flawless pitching and timely hitting to sweep an Incredible Girls Fast-pitch League double-header on Tuesday against the Farmington Diamonds, 11-0 and 9-0.

Adrienne Doyle threw a one-hitter with nine strikeouts and zero walks to win the first game, which ended after five innings due to the 10-run mercy rule.

The Knights had nine hits, led by Christine Fones with two hits and five RBI. Doyle helped her cause with two hits and an RBI and Carly George also contributed two hits.

The Knights collected only three hits in the nightcap but they made the most of them in recording a second-consecutive shutout. Kelly Stahley had a two-run single to lead the charge.

Pitcher Meghan Misiak threw a no-hitter over four innings, walking four with nine strikeouts.

Lasers 11-10, Diamonds 3-1: The Livonia Lasers improved their record to 13-4-1 by sweeping a doubleheader Thursday from the Farmington Hills Diamonds at Livonia Franklin.

Tara Muchow pitched a pair of one-hitters, striking out a total of 17 batters in the two games and issuing six walks.

Rachel Bramlett and Sara Knopsnider had two hits and two RBI apiece to pace the Lasers, who overcame six errors in the first game. Muchow helped her cause with an RBI double.

Livonia's Kelly Young went 4-for-4 and scored two runs in the nightcap. Muchow and Liz Cochran had two hits apiece.

Jamie Linden and Muchow had one double and two RBI each. Jeanette Bertrand also drove in a run with a double.

Knights 12-7, Majestics 1-2: The Knights kept on rolling with a double-header sweep Thursday against the Farmington Hills Majestics.

A no-hitter over six innings by Knights pitcher Meghan Misiak highlighted the 7-2 win in Game 2. She struck out eight and walked five.

Danielle Bushey was 2-3 with three RBI and Kelly Stahley had a hit and two RBI.

Adrienne Doyle threw a two-hitter with no walks and nine strikeouts in earning the pitching decision in the first game which ended after a five-inning mercy.

Ann Senne, Crystal Tomczyk and Carly George had two hits each. George had a two-run double and Tomczyk delivered two RBI.

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ing off Korie Hiede's inbounds pass and taking it the length of the court for a layup.

Head remained in the game for the next 5:35, during which the Starzz got as close as seven but were still trailing by nine. They did manage to narrow the gap to six (66-60) with 2:38 remaining, but never got any closer.

And Head never returned. "She played a decent game," was Taylor's somewhat reluctant estimate of Head's performance.

"She was in the starting lineup early in the season, then we began starting Chantel (Tremiere). But Dena's been consistent the last few games. She ran the offense well (tonight)."

Not well enough to win back her starting position, however. Head was averaging just 3.3 points, 1.8 rebounds, 1.7 assists and 1.4 steals a game entering Friday's contest.

Friday's loss was difficult on her, but as she maintained, there's no time to dwell on it.

Detroit was just the first stop in an 11-day, four-game road trip.

When asked where the next stop is, Head answered, "Washington." But teammate Fran Harris had a different answer, one that certainly reflected the feelings of a struggling, frustrated team: "To hell, if we don't get it together."

No, not a real happy return.

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There are two errors in our "Buys of Summer" insert in this paper. The orange banner on page 3 should read, "Save a ton on summer fun...Up to 75% off our entire camping department." The statement on page 4 about entertainment centers should read, "Up to 75% off all entertainment centers." We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused our customers.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

GOLF RESULTS
Adam Wilson and Erik Krueger, both heading into their senior years at Plymouth Salem HS, warmed up for the season with solid showings at the Michigan PGA Maxfli Championship, July 15-16 at Bedford Valley Golf Course, near Battle Creek. Wilson shot a 79-80 for a 159 total. Krueger fired a 75-91 for a 166 score.

SALEM SOCCER
Plymouth Salem soccer coach Ed McCarthy has nine optional conditioning sessions scheduled every Monday, Wednesday and Friday beginning this Monday and continuing through Friday, Aug. 7.

The first six sessions — on July 20, 22, 24, 27, 29 and 31 — will be from 5-7 p.m. behind Salem HS. The Aug. 3 session will be from 4:30-5:30 p.m., and the Aug. 5 and Aug. 7 sessions will be from 5-6 p.m. All three will be on the school's track.

Players should bring soccer cleats, shin guards, water and a ball to all sessions behind Salem HS. Running shoes should be worn to the sessions on the track.

Official tryouts for the team will be from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Aug. 10-13 for the varsity, and from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Aug. 10-13 for the junior varsity. Unless specifically chosen, freshmen and sophomores will tryout with the junior varsity, and juniors and seniors will tryout with the varsity. All athletes must have a physical on file with the school prior to tryouts.

The first official varsity practice day will be Aug. 14, with a double-session (8-11 a.m. and 2-5 p.m.). For further information, call coach McCarthy at (248) 960-2268.

The Gold finished with a 4-2 record, losing to Georgia, 54-50, in the semifinal game. Georgia went on to win two consecutive games against Alabama for the tournament championship.

The Gold opened play the first day with a 72-38 win over No. 19 seed South Dakota and a 62-42 win over No. 25 seed Kentucky.

The next day, the Gold beat the No. 1 seed, Blue, the other Michigan entry, 56-53.

Alabama handed the Gold their first loss, 44-42, sending them into the loser's bracket where they met Georgia.

Uhlinger averaged about six points and a team-high seven assists per game. His high point total was 12 against Georgia.

FALCON 5K FUN RUN
The Falcon 5K Fun Run, sponsored by the Dearborn Divine Child Alumni Association, will be held Saturday, Aug. 15 at the corner of Silvery Lane and Wilson in Dearborn.

Registration is from 7 to 8:30 a.m. A one mile fun run starts at 8:45 a.m. and the 5K race starts at 9:10 a.m.

Entry fee is \$14 before Aug. 5 and \$17 on race day.

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The Stanley Cup will visit Mulligan's Golf Center in Auburn Hills from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, July 19.

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ELIZABETH GIVENS, Secretary
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HAPPY, SINCERE, ACTIVE Fun-loving, petite SF, 54, blonde, seeks intelligent male, 50-55, N/S, social drinker, who's a participant in life and all the fun it has to offer. enjoys music, travel, arts, outdoors, walking, biking, etc. #2414

MEN AT WORK? Beautiful SF, blonde/blue, building a fine future, needs an attractive SM construction blade, 30-42, to help finish the plans. He'll be worth the call. #2620

DOCTOR WANTED Very pretty SWF, mental health care technician, youthful, 48, 55', slightly overweight, blonde/blue, seeks attractive SWM, doctor, 40-50, for companionship. Try me. #2633

SUGAR AND SPICE Cute, classy DF, 40ish, 52', medium build, very passionate and romantic, seeks SWM, 38+, N/S, attractive, smart, fun, no games, guy who's available for an intense LTR. #2793

SEEKING SOULMATE Fit, attractive, DWF, 42, enjoys outdoors, taking walks, movies, Seeking DWM, 48, who is sensitive, caring, outgoing, physically fit, attractive, humorous, for friendship, possible LTR. #2797

A GREAT BEGINNING Tall, attractive, SF, enjoys movies, football, music and traveling. Seeking WDM, over 45, for a great beginning. Will answer all calls. #2892

PRETTY NATURE LOVER SWF, 45, 57', 127lbs, studying alternative medicine, enjoys hiking, woods walking, singing, nature, health, laughing, speaking truth, I'm spunky, unique, loving. Seeking N/S, soul connection SWM, 48-55. #2709

SPECIAL Inside and out BDF, 46, 54', seeks intelligent, kind, real, strong yet gentle SBWM, 40-60. Do you believe all things are possible? #2720

LET'S MEET FOR COFFEE Young 62-year-old WF, Farmington Hills area, seeks companionship/relationship of a man of same age group. Loves animals, long walks/hikes, driving inland, movies, and shows. Who's like to meet for coffee conversation. #2711

WILL YOU MAKE ME LAUGH? Do you have a sense of humor? Do you like to travel, dogs, antiquities, arts? DFW, 48, Designer, who's classy and easy, nice to have fun, seeks extraordinary, average guy to explore the future. #2759

HONEST AND SINCERE DWF, 33, 55', blonde/blue, has variety of interests, enjoys hiking, traveling and dining out. Seeks warm, caring SWM, 35-45, with sense of humor for relationship and possible LTR. #2606

BEAUTIFUL, BLUE EYES SWF, 28, enjoys music, dancing, romance, seeks SWM, lady bear type, 27-32, for LTR only, serious replies please. #2790

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT Active, outgoing SWF, 35, 55, 115lbs, N/S, college-educated, financially/emotionally secure, likes movies, staying in shape, dining out, seeks SWM, 32-42, N/S, similar qualities/interests, for LTR. #2141

LET'S HAVE FUN Attractive, affectionate DWF, 28, 52', blonde/blue, enjoys simple things, movies, tips up north, and romantic evenings, Seeking friendly, secure SWDM, 28-35, N/S, who likes kids, for friendship, possible relationship. #2226

CHANGE MY MIND Petite DWF, 33, brunette, mother of two, seeks honest, sincere, fun-loving, responsible guy, who isn't afraid of a challenge. #2929

STYLISH & DIVORCED Capacious, vibrant SWF, leggy blonde, enjoys seminars, sports, car events, the outdoors. Seeking sensitive, goal-oriented, spiritual, athletic SWM, over 58, 6', N/S, for good times. LTR. #2881

WANT COMPANIONSHIP Employed SWF, 24, enjoys movies, dancing, outdoors activities, quiet evenings for two, Seeking SM, 28-36, with a romantic streak, similar tastes, for friendship and long-term relationship. Race unimportant. #2458

HEART OF GOLD Energetic, party, kind-hearted DWF, 43, 52', 125lbs, brown/brown, financially/emotionally secure, enjoys walking, tennis, cooking, dining out, movies, seeks SWPM, late 30s-50s, for best friend first. LTR. #2457

SUMMERTIME BLUES SWF, 54, brown/brown, petite to medium build, free-spirited, adventurous, seeks soulmate/outgoing, youthful guy, with a nice smile. #2511

ROSE SEEKS JACK Attractive SWF, 44, seeks attractive SWM, tall, honest, fun, loves animals, respects the fact that honesty is the best policy, for friendship first, possible relationship. #2612

WHERE DID YOUR CANDID GO? DWF, 42, 57', 150lbs, brunette/brown, enjoys horseback riding, cross-country, skiing, hiking, traveling, plays, concerts, seeks SWM, 35-45, N/S, 6', similar interests, for LTR. #2115

FOR LADY Trim, very attractive, fox lady/50s, 57', sparkling green eyes, enjoys up North, walking in the woods, and the simple things in life. Seeking spiritually minded DWM, 52, #2711

JUST LISTED Traditional litter charmer, with much potential, lots of character and very low maintenance, updated and in mint condition, 1940s era, hurry this one will not be on the market long. #2706

LOOKING FOR SIMILAR Degree DWF, 42, 58', student teacher, one daughter, seeks degree, professional/homemaker SWM, 42-55, who's fun, energetic, outgoing, sports, theater, adventure and to love life. Troy area. #2716

HEY, GUYS! Anybody out there looking for SWF, 53, attractive, open-minded, intelligent, humorous, who enjoys weekend getaways, good conversation, camping indoors and outdoors, and much more. #2791

SUNSETS & MOONLIGHT SWF, 44, 57', brown/hazel, N/S, enjoys sports, jazz, C&W, quiet times at home. Seeking romantic, honest, family-oriented SWDM, 38-54, 5'7", N/S. All calls will be answered. #2713

MOTORCYCLE Loves Harley man! Will be something! Romantic, passionate, brunette, mid-40s, works out regularly, looking for strong, alert type. North Oakland County. #2920

A-Z THIS IS ME Affectionate, bubbly, creative, down-to-earth, extroverted, forty-something, giving, hard-working, intelligent, joyful, kind, caring, religious, friendly, helpful, N/S, optimistic, pretty, quick-minded, romantic, spunky, thoughtful, understanding, versatile, witty, outgoing, youthful, zen. #2792

LOOKING FOR A SPECIAL GUY DWF, 43, 59', medium build, in Garden City, mother of two, smoker, social drinker, seeks tall, financially secure gentleman, 45-53, who lives surrounding area, to share an old-fashioned, romantic relationship. #2412

ATTRACTIVE DOCTOR SWF, 38, never married, worked hard, has time now for sincere relationship with similarly educated, honest and secure WM, 35-42. #28703

LOOKING FORWARD TO SUMMER Divorced mother of one, 30, very shy, blonde/brown, blue eyes, 57', 110lbs, enjoys dancing, older men, all water activities. Seeking caring, true romantic, sensitive, old-fashioned guy. #2644

LOVE WILL BOWL YOU OVER Catholic DWF, 37, N/S, enjoys bowling, sports, roller skating, Seeking SWF, 35-43, with similar interest. For friendship, possible LTR. #2916

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT Honest, average-looking, easygoing DWF, 52, young married, worked hard, smoker trying to quit, enjoys walks, talks, motorcycle, good food, value family and good friends. Seeking similar in a male. #2649

DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH Fit SWF, 52, 57', 120lbs, short dark/hazel N/S, no dependents, seeks fit SM with a nice smile, to walk, jog, bike, and cook with. #2834

BAM BAM SEEKS PEBBLES Attractive SWM, 51, 170lbs, loves all sports, roller skating, Seeking SWF, 35-43, with similar interest. For friendship, possible LTR. #2916

SINGLE IN DETROIT Honest, down-to-earth SWF, mid-30s, would like to meet special SWF, 25-45, for friendship, possible relationship. I like movies, concerts, special times together. #2917

DISCOURAGED ROMANTIC Open, honest DWM, 52, 5'8", 150lbs, enjoys walking, window shopping, holding hands, gardening. Seeking open-minded, honest, full-figured SWDF, 42-52, with minimal hang-ups, for LTR. Red hair a plus. #2920

SEEKS THIN MODEL TYPE Athletic, gorgeous, romantic SWM, dark hair, seeks beautiful, slender, open-minded, roller-skating, biking, outdoor fun, romance, maybe more if you have what it takes, call now. #2922

BEST FRIENDS FIRST DWM, 46, 61', 200lbs, enjoys warm weather, the water, concerts, sports, motorcycles. Seeking SWF, 30-45, for friendship, dating and possible LTR. #2851

SEEKING SOULMATE DCM, 38, 6', 200lb, short brown hair, seeks sweetheart, under 38, who has a heart to share, and would like a strong, confident man who wants to be sweet and tender. #2850

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SEEKING LOVE SWM, 33, 5'9", 180lbs, brown/brown, seeks a female, 25-32, to date and for possible LTR. #2853

HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU 46-year-old widowed WM, with kids, romantic, affectionate, trustworthy, good sense of humor. Seeking attractive, fit, WF, 35-40, to be soul mate, best friend, and more. #2896

READ THIS ONE! Very honest, fun DWM, 40, 5'9", 160lbs, blonde/brown, fun, handsome, very personally, enjoys working out, rollerblading, late night walks, quiet evenings at home. Seeking SWDF, 34+, medium build, similar interests, for trustworthy relationship. #2697

ESCAPE If you are somewhat active, like long walks, warm summer nights, are N/S, social or N/D, petite-medium build, 35, 45, you are the lady I'm looking for. Call me and escape. #2898

SLEEPLESS IN LAYONIA If you're still looking for an old-fashioned, affectionate, very caring, understanding 49 year-old who seeks a soulmate to share a lifetime of commitment and love, I'm here to share it all. #2700

FRIENDLY LOVE PARTNER Renaissance man SWM, 42, appreciates the arts, history, travel, current events, living well. Seeks lovely lady, to share with and celebrate life. #2702

CHOICE OR CHANCE? Classy, straight-forward SWM, 45, good life-style, yet unpretentious, seeks warm, sincere, quality woman. I'll bring out the best in you! #2704

ADVENTUROUS SWM, professional, 29, 5'10", 150lbs, considered good-looking, with dark hair and eyes, enjoys sporting events, traveling, conversation, working out, rollerblading, humor, and much more. Seeking an outgoing and fun woman. #2712

RHETT SEEKS SCARLET Let this DWM, 47, 5'11", bring out the animal in you. I am educated, courteous, successful, fun-loving, athletic, and home body, who wants to have fun and a life long partner. #2709

FILL A VACANCY SWM, mid-60s, 5'10", 170lbs, receding grey hairline, green eyes, enjoys good drinks, music, movies, concerts, soul dancing, travel, romance, getting away weekends. Seeking WF, 58-66, N/S, N/D, no dependents, possible LTR. #2712

BIG TENDRY BEAR SWM, 38, 5'10", brown/hazel, who's romantic, affectionate, witty, intelligent, loves travel, movies, theater, music and laughter. Seeking young, soulmate who loves to laugh. Race unimportant. #2780

LOOKING FOR NORMAL Handsome, clean-cut DWM, 38, 6'3", 215lbs, nice, normal, fun every day kind of guy, successful small business owner. Seeking lady who enjoys the outdoors, sports and travel. Leave me a message. #2767

I WORK AFTERNOONS Widowed WM, 40, 5'8", 170 lbs. fit, blond/green, N/S, N/D, exceptional qualities, enjoys outdoor adventures. She could be an attractive, intelligent, lady with a sweet disposition. Livonia area. #2714

NOT RICH, NOT POOR... ...but poor without special lady, 28-42, to light up my heart and life. The European male, 40, tall, dark and handsome enjoys all, and wants to share life experiences. #2717

I LOVE OLDER WOMEN! Handsome, romantic, athletic, confident, honest, clean-cut, Italian SWM, 25, 6', dark hair. Seeking attractive, slender, caring, athletic WF, 28-45, for heavenly friendship/relationship, that will keep you smiling forever. #2719

QUALITY GUY Honest, caring, understanding SWM, 29, 6'2", 180lbs, catholic, good sense of humor, enjoys baseball/soft ball, biking, reading, painting, music. Seeking slender SWCF, 23-32, tired of people who play mind games. #2720

ULTIMATE MAN Romantic, honest, extremely attractive, passionate, sophisticated, financially secure, active SWF, age unimportant. If you like being swept off your feet, give me a call. #2475

LAID-BACK LADY? Inactive underachiever? SWM, 40s, kind of cute, seeks SWF, to lounge around with, watch tv, order pizzas, etc., etc., and relax after a busy day. #2841

COUNTRY TO TUX Professional, attractive SWM, 49, 6', 185lbs, brown/blue, very fit, reader, sports enthusiast. Seeking very attractive, athletic, fun-loving, outgoing, lady. #2843

CONSERVATIVE PHYSICIAN Cuddly, successful professional, SM, 37, 5'8", 142lbs, definitely, enjoys reading, walking, cars, etc. seeks intelligent, attractive SWF, for a special relationship. #2632

SINCERE Honest, tall, slim, self-employed DWM, 53, 6'4", N/S, good physical condition, with sense of humor. Would like to meet a slender, attractive lady, 41-49, for companionship. Possible LTR. #2603

TRAVEL COMPANION WM, 37, 165lb, brown/blue, seeks SWF, 30-45, HW proportionate, for friendship first, possible relationship, may include traveling and many other interests. #2641

LET'S HAVE FUN This tall, affectionate, attractive SWM, 27, 6'4", 230lb, brown/blue, physically fit, new to area, enjoys cooking, physical, music, sports, and movies. Seeking compassionate, fun SWF, 21-40, for companionship, possibly more. #2799

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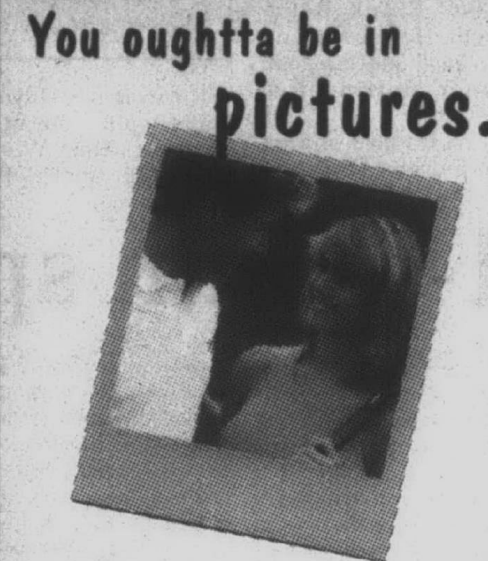
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LET'S ENJOY SUMMER DWF, 42, 55', blonde/hazel full-figured, fun, N/S, enjoys dancing, playing cards, movies, easy listening music. Seeking romantic, caring, honest SM, 40-46, for LTR. Livonia. #2915

IF I'M READY, ARE YOU? Can you relate to my dilemma? Attractive SWFF, seeks an open, honest, physically fit, intelligent SWM, 45-55, N/S, who lives and challenges. If this fits, let's start with friendship, explore the possibilities. #2918

HONEST AND LOVING Full-figured, hard-working, blue-collar DWF, 46, 53', traditional values, N/S, N/D, seeks same type of man to live, love, laugh and build a future with. #2919

TALL MAN SEEKS LONG LADY DWM, 65', brown/bln, no children, N/S, N/D, N/Drugs, likes kids, movies, dining out, working out. Seeking a tall woman, 35+, N/S, with similar interests, for possible LTR. Farmington Hills area. #2613

VERY PERSISTENT SBF, 37, 62', 215lb, is attractive, intelligent, financially/emotionally secure. Seeking SWF, 25+, 5'5", who is attractive, confident, secure, open-minded, and emotionally LTR-minded. #2915

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TRUE BLUE She's an outgoing, attractive SBCF, 45, 5'4", 135lbs., who enjoys personal growth, traveling, reading and is in search of a spiritual, educated SBCM, 40-53, with similar interests.

BASED ON GOD Interested in Bible study, this outgoing, attractive DWCF, 48, 5'3", brunette, also enjoys church, biking, dining out, movies, card games and more.

RESCUE MY HEART She's a SBF, 60, 5'6", who enjoys going to church, jazz concerts, dining out and is in search of a kind, gentle SM, 55-62, for friendship first.

SPECIAL Inside and out, SBF, 46, 5'4", looking for real SBF, 40-60, intelligent, kind, strong yet gentle, is sure of himself and God.

INTERESTED? SBF, 29, 5'6", looking to spend quality time and share a relationship with an employed, mature SBF, 25-35.

FAMILY-ORIENTED I'm a full-figured, 34, 5'1", SW mom of one, with blonde hair and green eyes. I enjoy animals, outdoor sports, horseback riding and country music.

DON'T MISS OUT A down-to-earth, professional, Catholic SW mom of one, 42, 5'7", with blonde hair, has a great sense of humor and she is searching for a tall, fit, handsome, professional SWM, 42-48, for a possible relationship.

CHARMING Here's a friendly DWM mom, 44, who wants to find a humorous N/S, non-drinker DWM of any age. She's 5'1" and enjoys art, music and the outdoors.

DESERVING She's an active, professional SWF, 38, 5'11", who enjoys music, art, church activities and is in search of a SWM, age unimportant, to share life with.

REACH FOR THE STARS Attractive, professional Catholic DWCF, 50, 5'9", looking for a retired SWJM, 50-70, 5'9" plus, who is outgoing and has a good sense of humor. I love dancing, walking in the parks and biking.

IS IT YOU? She's in search of a SWM, 42-50, for friendship first. She's a DWCF, 46, 5'2", who enjoys movies, dancing and concerts.

HIGH STANDARDS Say hello to this shy DW mom, 45, 5'8", seeking an old-fashioned, clean-cut, stable SWM, 45-52, who enjoys family-oriented fun.

TELL NO TALE She's a DBCF, 60, 5'6", who enjoys the theatre, Gospel music, walking and is in search of a gentle SM, 55-62, who is in search of Jesus.

SHARE LIFE WITH ME Pretty, petite, trim, DWCF, 57, 5'4", 118lbs., blonde hair, green eyes, enjoys soft music, dining out, dancing, the theatre and being outdoors, seeking a tall, handsome, romantic, fit SWCM, Ad# 5554.

SPECIAL REQUEST Here is a professional Catholic DWCF, 50, 5'8", who is seeking a Catholic SWM, 48-60, to spend quality time with. She loves walks on the beach, dining out and antiques. Ad# 3768.

SIMPLY PUT SWCF, 18, 5'4", 115lbs., long brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys playing violin, music, dancing, horseback riding and animals, in search of an attractive SWCM, 18-25, with a sense of humor.

HONESTY COUNTS She's an attractive SW mom, 49, 5'7", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys sports, traveling and quiet evenings, in search of a tall, athletic SWM, 49-56, for a long-term relationship.

BE KIND TO MY HEART Shy and reserved SWCF, 31, 5'6", full-figured, seeks an understanding, kind, dependable SWCM, 50's, to share moonlit walks, movies, traveling and meaningful conversation.

HAPPINESS COULD FOLLOW if you call this dark-haired WWWW, 57, 5'3". She is retired, outgoing and friendly. She enjoys movies, dining out, walking and traveling to warmer climates. She seeks a SWCM, 54-65. Ad# 2639.

THE TIME IS RIGHT She's a outgoing, hardworking SWF, 45, 5'10", whose interests are antiques, flea markets and picnics, in search of a SWM, 40-60, to get to know. Ad# 9652.

MAGIC IN THE AIR Here is a sincere, employed SB mom, 25, 5'4", who enjoys going to church, traveling and reading, in search of a hardworking, professional SM, 28-40, for companionship, possible long-term relationship. Ad# 9273.

LEAVE YOUR NAME A professional, educated SWCF, 45, enjoys reading, long walks, the theatre and dining out, is seeking a SWCM, with similar interests. Ad# 7646.

FAMILY-ORIENTED She is a quiet, reserved SW mom, 28, who enjoys picnics, long walks, coaching sports and is seeking an employed, caring SWM, who likes children. Ad# 8369.

SPECIAL REQUEST She's an outgoing, witty SBCF, 42, 5'6", who enjoys outdoor activities, walking and reading, in search of an honorable SM, 46-50, for companionship. Ad# 3154.

MAKE THE CONNECTION Youthful SWF, 38, 5'6", brown hair/eyes, is seeking a handsome, sincere, honest SWM, over 35, to share mutual interests and friendship. Ad# 2356.

ENERGIZED She's an outgoing DW mom, 42, 5'2", with red hair, brown eyes, who enjoys outdoor activities, rollerblading and quiet evenings, in search of a SWM, 37-49. Ad# 7623.

WITH HOPE Catholic SWF, 33, 5'7", is looking for a friendly, sincere, Catholic SWM, 28+, with a great sense of humor and similar interests. She's a Red Wings fan and animal lover. Her hobbies are biking, tennis and walks. Ad# 1211.

EASYGOING Protestant DWCF, 60, 5'8", with a great personality, enjoys dining out and dancing. She is seeking a tall WWWW, 65, with similar interests. Ad# 1305.

NEVER-MARRIED CATHOLIC Childless SWF, 37, 5'8", is a positive, sensitive, compassionate nature lover. She enjoys reading, good conversation and dancing and is looking for a Catholic SWM, 32-42. Ad# 1403.

REFLECTIVE AT TIMES Discover this flexible, DWCF, 52, 5'6". She is employed and has many interests such as the theatre, reading, art, music and walking. She's looking for a spiritual, DWM, 47+, with positive attitude. Ad# 8081.

MISSING YOU Are you looking for a bright Catholic DWCF, with a beautiful hair? She is 44, 5'1", with brown hair, who enjoys outdoors, dining out and walks in the park. She is looking for a Catholic SWM, 34-51, to share life. Ad# 3804.

FEEL AT EASE... She's a sweet, active, fun-loving SWF, 60, petite, who enjoys dancing, reading and the theatre, wishes to share interests and companionship with an easy-going SWM, 55-68. Ad# 9972.

LOOK NO FURTHER This Catholic DW mom of one, 26, 5'2", who is shy and reserved at first, enjoys dining out, walks, amusement parks and quiet evenings at home, is looking for a Catholic WM, 25-35, for a possible relationship. Ad# 6969.

MAYBE YOU & ME She's a shy, never-married SWF, 34, 5'7", who enjoys baseball games, the outdoors and movies, in search of a athletic SWM, 28-39, for friendship first. Ad# 4211.

WAITING TO HEAR FROM YOU I'm a Catholic DW mom, 37, 5'5", professionally employed, pretty and have a great sense of humor. I'm looking to meet a Catholic SWM, 35-44, who enjoys gardening, the theater, dining out and dancing. Ad# 6644.

MOVE QUICKLY SWCF, 56, 5'2", 122lbs., blonde hair, green eyes, seeking a SWCM, 50-60, who is respectful and appreciates a good woman. Ad# 6258.

MAKE THE CONNECTION SWF, 34, 5'6", full-figured, who is a blue-eyed blonde, enjoys a wide variety of interests, is searching a SWM, 35-45, who has a positive outlook in life. Ad# 3064.

SO HOW ARE YOU? Attractive, outgoing SWCF, 41, 5'7", a professional, enjoys outdoor activities, dining out, the theatre and more, seeks a SWCM, 30-45, who is serious about life. Ad# 5656.

GET TO KNOW ME Easygoing SWF, 45, 5'7", blonde hair, employed, enjoys being around family and friends, barbecues, working out, bowling and more, seeks a SWM, over 44. Ad# 1952.

WELL-EDUCATED Outgoing SWF, 62, 5'6", employed, enjoys singing, shopping, reading, traveling and flea markets, seeks an intelligent, active SWM, 55-65, who is a gentleman, for companionship. Ad# 2000.

PRINCE CHARMING Catholic DWCF, 51, 5'5", N/S, enjoys long walks, movies, antiques and travel, would like to meet a sincere, humorous DWM, 50-60, without children at home. Ad# 1106.

GOD COMES FIRST Outgoing WWWW, 44, 5'6", employed, enjoys traveling, walking, reading and exercising, seeks a SWJM, 44-58, who loves God, for friendship first. Ad# 7788.

THIS IS IT Outgoing and friendly SWC mom, 38, 5'0", enjoys dining out, movies, casinos, Bible study, seeks SWCM, 38-46, with similar interests. Ad# 1959.

MAKE A WISH FOR ME SWCF, 50, 5'7", brunette, enjoys church and long walks, seeks a SWM, 38+, with good communication skills, for friendship first. Ad# 7454.

ACTIVE LIFESTYLE Pleasant SWCF, 46, 5', participates in Christian activities, enjoys square dancing, listening to music, playing cards, boat races, singing, going to church and sports, seeking a SWCM, 43-53. Ad# 7328.

CIRCLE THIS AD Catholic, DWCF, 50, 5'1", outgoing, educated, enjoys sports, reading, traveling, gardening, seeks Catholic SWM, 46-54, with similar interests. Ad# 1895.

LOOKING FOR A FRIEND College-educated DBCF, 42, 5'5", easygoing, gentle, calm, enjoys Bible study, going to movies, learning new things, dining out and good conversation, seeks a SCM, 40-56, to share quiet times with. Ad# 8355.

VERY FRIENDLY Outgoing SWF, 22, 5'3", full-figured, brown hair/eyes, enjoys the outdoors and more, seeks an intelligent, down-to-earth SWM, 22-29, for friendship first. Ad# 1572.

TRUE & SINCERE Catholic DWCF, 44, professional, active in volunteer work, enjoys music, the theatre, concerts, fireside discussions, learning to golf and dining out, in search of a hospitable SWCM, 45-52. Ad# 8411.

BE REAL SBF, 45, 5'9", enjoys traveling, sports, movies and dining out, seeking an honest, sincere SBF, 40-55, without children, for friendship first. Ad# 1945.

CAREFREE SPIRIT WWWW, 55, 5'5", 130lbs., fun-loving, a good listener, enjoys traveling, biking and family, looking for a SWM, 55-65. Ad# 4321.

DEEP BELIEFS Attractive DWCF, 46, 5'5", 115lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, seeking a professional, emotionally secure, athletic, honest and optimistic SWCM, over 44, to share good times. Ad# 4646.

HOPELESS ROMANTIC Attractive DWCF, 40, 5'4", full-figured, outgoing, friendly, enjoys music, the arts, museums and movies, seeks a caring SWCM, 40-51, for possible relationship. Ad# 6788.

A MATCH MADE IN HEAVEN Bi-racial SCF, 30, 5'3", dark brown hair, enjoys concerts, movies, loves to browse in markets and interesting shops, in search of Born-Again SCF, under 42, for friendship first. Ad# 3722.

WISHING UPON A STAR SWF, 32, 5'8", outgoing, enjoys traveling, long walks, music, line dancing, movies and quiet nights at home, seeks a SWCM, 28-35, to share similar interests. Ad# 2732.

SPEND TIME TOGETHER Catholic SW mom, 24, 5'4", lives in Canton, enjoys volleyball, tennis, hockey, movies, playing cards, seeks SWM, 24-32, for friendship first. Ad# 8648.

THE SEARCH IS OVER Are you tired of being alone? Well let me keep you company. I'm a self-employed SW dad, 41, 5'11", who enjoys cooking, outdoor activities, and is in search of an attractive SWCF, 27-35, children welcome. Ad# 7002.

LOVING & CARING Stable DW dad, 39, 5'5", is looking for a trustworthy SF who cares more about the heart than money. He likes walks, some sports and togetherness. Ad# 8315.

RICH IN LOVE Understanding is what this tall SW dad of two desires. He is seeking friendship with a SWF, 30-43, who enjoys life. Ad# 9882.

THE SEAL OF EXCELLENCE He's an outgoing SWM, 32, 5'6", who enjoys hunting, fishing and bowling, in search of an attractive, petite, goal-oriented SWF, 24-36, who is not afraid to try new things. Ad# 1133.

NICE CHANGE OF PACE Professional, athletic SWM, 40, 6'1", looking for a petite, slender, attractive SWF, who is on the romantic side. Ad# 1625.

TELL BE ABOUT YOU Get together with this never-married, handsome, professional SWM, 35, who enjoys designing cars, outdoor activities, quality time with friends, golfing and is looking for an understanding, honest SWF. Ad# 1550.

DON'T PASS ME BY Understanding, employed Catholic SWM, 29, 6'2", 180lbs., with light brown hair and blue eyes, enjoys sports, biking, music and would like to meet an outgoing SWCF, 23-32, who has good values. Ad# 8868.

TRUE BLUE Adventurous Catholic SWM, 42, 6'1", hoping to meet a spontaneous, romantic and slender SWF, age unimportant, for friendship first. Ad# 2539.

FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT See a good movie with this handsome, outgoing DWM, 47, 5'11", with brown hair/eyes, who hopes to hear from a special SWF, 33-52, who is warm and compassionate. Ad# 8709.

THE BEST KEPT SECRET Open-minded, caring SWM, 22, 5'11", looking to share friendship and to develop a relationship with a SWF, under 25. Ad# 3323.

TAKE A LOOK Self-employed, shy and quiet, SWM, 30, 6'1", looking to share mutual interests, activities and friendship with a SWF, over 25, who enjoys swimming, sunsets and fun times. Ad# 3336.

ARE YOU THE ONE? A professional DWM, 51, 5'6", who is into honesty, spiritual and personal growth, good humor and fitness, is hoping to meet a petite SWF, under 5'4", 38-50, N/S, non-drinker, with the same beliefs. Ad# 6614.

I'M LOOKING SWM, 40, seeks a slender, athletic SWF, age unimportant, who enjoys golf, tennis, the outdoors, taking walks, the theatre and romantic times, to share a long-term relationship. Ad# 8025.

TO THE POINT This athletic SWM, 42, 6', enjoys working out and is seeking a slim DW Catholic F, of any age, to spend time with. Ad# 7287.

SMILE WITH ME I'm an outgoing Born-Again SWCM, 35, 6'3", who enjoys outdoor activities, sports, boating and am in search of a SCF, 24-40, for a possible relationship. Ad# 3061.

FAMILY-ORIENTED? This athletic, sincere, professional, fun-loving Catholic SWM, 43, 6'1", has a wide variety of interests, seeks a spontaneous, slender, attractive, romantic SWF, race and age unimportant. Ad# 2613.

MUTUAL RESPECT He's a catholic SWM, 30, 5'9", 180lbs., who is athletic, N/S, non-drinker, physically fit and shy at first, seeking a slender, attractive, N/S, SWF, 24-33, who likes the outdoors, motocross, mountain biking and basketball. Ad# 1239.

SMILE WITH ME I'm a SBF, 26, 6'2", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys playing basketball, movies and more, in search of a SWF, 21-29. Ad# 8222.

THE ANSWER IS HERE Professional, outgoing SBCM, 33, 6', 185lbs., never-married, enjoys music, concerts, dining out, the park and traveling. He is seeking a SCF, 21+, with similar interests. Ad# 8262.

EASY TO PLEASE He's an outgoing, friendly SBF, 25, an employed student, who likes barbecues, spending time with family and friends, outdoor sports and is looking to meet a sincere, honest SBF, for good times. Ad# 7000.

DEEP BELIEFS He's a trim, muscular, professional SWM, 26, who is involved in church activities. His hobbies are working around his home, riding his motorcycle, going to church and is looking for a SWF, 22-27, who likes a good conversation. Ad# 1234.

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LONG-TERM Take the time to listen to this SWCM, 40, 6'1", slim who is searching for a slender, athletic, attractive SWCF, who enjoys getaway weekends, playing golf and swimming. Ad# 5555.

OPPORTUNITY IS KNOCKING This outgoing Catholic SWM, 42, 6'1", enjoys outdoor activities and more. He is looking for a slender, professional, family-oriented SWCF, age unimportant, who has a passion for life. Ad# 7404.

FUN-LOVING Outgoing SWM, 22, 5'4", is a SWCF, 18-23, without children, for friendship. He loves amusement parks and movies. Give him a call! Ad# 1701.

PERFECT CHEMISTRY He's an outgoing SWM, 38, 6', who enjoys sports, music, dining out and the theatre, in search of a SWF, under 36, with similar interests. Ad# 6789.

GET TO KNOW ME Catholic DW dad, 54, 6'1", professional, enjoys spending time with his family, sports, walking, dining out and more, seeks a Catholic SWF, 47-54. Ad# 5206.

SENSE OF HUMOR Catholic SWM, 49, 5'11", 180lbs., black hair, blue eyes, enjoys dancing, reading and music, seeking SWCF, 30-45, with good morals. Ad# 1899.

CAN YOU RELATE? Catholic SWM, 42, 5'8", brown hair, blue eyes, educated, employed, outgoing, enjoys music, concerts, being with friends and family, seeks passionate, caring, SWF, 27-42. Ad# 4242.

SENSE OF HUMOR INCLUDED Energetic, professional DWCM, 52, 5'11", enjoys social activities, traveling to Las Vegas, antiques and dining out, looking to meet an honest, sincere SCF, who has similar interests, age unimportant. Ad# 9009.

WAITING FOR YOU Easygoing, romantic DWCF, 38, 6', a college graduate, employed, participates in Bible study, enjoys dining out, movies, spending time with friends and good conversation, seeks a SWCF, 30-38. Ad# 1825.

GET TO KNOW ME SWM, 52, 5'8", outgoing, active, enjoys dancing, movies, concerts, traveling, seeks slender, SF, under 51, for long-term relationship. Ad# 5094.

YOU COULD BE THE ONE Catholic DW dad, 39, 5'9", brown hair, hazel eyes, professional, outgoing, enjoys sports, camping, cooking, dancing, walking, being with his kids, romantic nights, seeks Catholic DWCF, 30-40, who has children. Ad# 5858.

TRY ME Shy SWCM, 25, 6'11", enjoys walking, dining out, music and movies, spending time with friends and more, looking for a SWCF, 24-26. Ad# 8585.

WESTLAND, GARDEN CITY Active SWM, 58, 5'8", N/S, enjoys family activities, Christian and country music and long leisurely drives, seeks a SWCF, who desires to be treated like a lady. Ad# 1200.

WIN ME OVER Handsome SWCM, 29, 5'9", blond hair, blue eyes, enjoys movies, concerts, playing pool, biking, dancing and dining out, seeks a sincere SWCF, 23-35. Ad# 8962.

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ARE WE COMPATIBLE? SWM, 34, 5'9", athletic, enjoys weight training, participating in sports and being outdoors, seeking a courageous, communicative SWF, 21-44, for a possible long-term relationship. Ad# 1013.

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HEAVEN IF YOU HEAR ME... Catholic, never-married SWM, 41, 6'1", seeks a SWF, age unimportant, for a relationship that will lead to marriage, children welcome. Ad# 1944.

ONLY HERE Talkative, definitive SWCM, 38, 6', with multiple interests, seeks slim, trim, fun-loving SWF, 29-44, to share activities and friendship. Ad# 1027.

ATHLETICALLY INCLINED Professional SWM, 40, enjoys dining out and dancing, music and movies, enjoying life and outdoor sports, seeks a romantic, articulate, sincere, fit SWF, age unimportant, children okay. Ad# 7972.

ONE OF THE FINEST SBF, 45, 6'2", enjoys concerts, movies and romantic dinner, would like to meet a loving, gentle SF, 25-45, who cares about herself. Ad# 8889.

FROM THE HEART Catholic SWM, 39, 5'10", 170lbs., N/S, honest, sincere and devoted, enjoys romantic dinners, dancing, sports and movies, seeking a SF, under 45, with similar interests. Ad# 5619.

ODYSSEY OF LOVE Protestant WWM, 48, 6', 195lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, affectionate, honest, likes traveling, good conversation, time with family and dining out, seeks an attractive, educated SCF, 35-52, N/S. Ad# 4747.

FOLLOW YOUR HEART Catholic DWM, 60, 5'11", 170lbs., grey hair, laid-back, friendly, self-employed, N/S, non-drinker, enjoys quiet evenings at home, golfing, dining out, seeks Catholic DWCF, without children at home. Ad# 2552.

YOUNG-AT-HEART Catholic DWM, 53, 5'10", brown hair, blue eyes, affectionate, monogamous, likes sports, movies, walking, dining out, seeks honest, caring Catholic SWF, under 53, with similar traits. Ad# 6572.

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HERE'S TO NEW BEGINNINGS SWM, 45, 5'11", 195lbs., blond hair, blue eyes, professional, college educated, physically fit, outgoing, enjoys music, movies, theatre, dining out, seeks SF, 38-51, with good sense of humor, down-to-earth. Ad# 3639.

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RECREATION

In-line Hockey from page D1

The facility at DekHockey is perhaps the most impressive outdoor one of its kind in metro Detroit, featuring a 160-foot by 80 foot surface and a plastic Sport Court that drains well when it rains, Mueller said. The walls look like those in the National Hockey League, minus advertisements.

At the Livonia Y, leagues are available for boys and girls ages 5-13. Practices are held five nights a week and on Saturdays games are played from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Those 8 a.m. starts give youngsters an idea of what their parents go through trying to get them up for school. Mom and dad would like a chance to sleep in on the weekend.

"They like the 10, 11 or 12 o'clock games because the 8 o'clock games they have to get up early," said Ross Valore, 10, of Redford, a member of the Kings.

"You're burning hot for 12 o'clock games, but at least you're awake," said Jeremy Phelps, 12, one of Valore's teammates.

Look out, soccer

This is the third year co-od outdoor in-line hockey leagues have been held at the Livonia Y and the growth has been considerable, according to Livonia Y youth sports director Chris Noland.

The first season of in-line hockey at the Livonia Y attracted only 23 players across all age groups. The number grew to 48 in the second year and 180 in 1996-97 before doubling this year.

Noland compares the popularity to soccer which is saying something since soccer has been king in Livonia for some time.

"It's tied with soccer and soccer is enormous," said Noland, who credits Red Wings mania for some of the growth. "It will probably take over soccer."

The Livonia Y court is much



Smooth operator: Ross Pashkot brings the ball up the court in a recent in-line hockey practice at the Livonia Y.

smaller than a regulation in-line hockey court, spanning 80 feet by 50 feet. This is the first year games are played on the shaded tennis court after previously being held on an unshaded parking lot. The parents couldn't stand the heat out there, and they weren't even wearing equipment.

"There was absolutely no shade out there, the heat was unbelievable," said Livonian Mark Whalen, whose son Nicholas, 8, plays for the Sharks. Noland estimates there are about 20 girls in the Livonia Y league. Girls don't just stand around and watch the boys play.

"On a couple of teams, girls are the best players, definitely," Noland said.

Other popular local in-line hockey venues can be found at Heritage Park in Farmington, at the Westland Y and at the SoccerZone on Grand River Ave. in

Novi.

First time league

This is the first year of in-line hockey in Farmington and organizer Bryan Farmer said there are 12 teams, four for players 13-under and eight for those 10-under.

The court surface is a little longer than that of the Livonia Y, measuring 110 feet in length by 55 feet wide.

The Farmington League plays 4-on-4 with a goalie, opposed to the 5-on-5 with a goalie.

Farmer said increased popularity of the sport has caused him to create a 16-under league in the fall to go with their two current age groups.

A water filled ball that barely bounces is used instead of a puck. Players seem to have no trouble with it, according to Farmer.

"You can throw it as hard as



Fancy stickwork: Frank Scarpace of the Westland Leopards stickhandles past Tony Ascenzo of the Novi Greyhounds in an in-line hockey league game at the Novi SoccerZone.

you want and it might bounce a quarter of an inch," Farmer said of the water-filled ball. "If you got hit in the stomach you may get a little stinger."

At SoccerZone, like DekHockey, Inc., a puck is used instead of a water-filled ball.

"It's easier to control, doesn't bounce as much," a SoccerZone's

in-line hockey representative said. "The game is more controlled with a puck than a ball."

The Heritage Park court is occupied even when no leagues are played, Farmer said.

"Where there's a rink they're going to go," Farmer said. "They just drop in any time they want."

Heritage Park will be the site

of both an accuracy shooting and fastest shot competition later this summer, Farmer said.

SoccerZone, open since last September, has open and house in-line hockey leagues (about 90 teams) for all age groups, 6-under to 18-over.

They have 40 men's teams in the summer league.

Outdoor Calendar

(To submit items for consideration in the Observer & Eccentric's Outdoor Calendar send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; fax information to (248) 644-1314 or send E-mail to bparker@oe.homecomm.net)

ARCHERY

BOWHUNTERS RENDEZVOUS

The Michigan Bow Hunters Rendezvous will be held July 25-26 at the Springfield Oaks Fairgrounds in Davisburg. The show offers seminars, shooting exhibitions, MUCC's live encounters show, Yoder's Big Game Exhibit, free archery shooting and instruction for the kids, a 3D course and much more. Admission is \$5 for both days and children 15 and under will be admitted free. Springfield Oaks is located on Andersonville Road, one mile south of Davisburg.

SAFARI 3D

Detroit Archers will hold a Safari 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday, July 25-26, on its walk-through course in West Bloomfield. Call 661-9610 for more information.

BROADHEAD LEAGUES

Broadhead leagues are forming and will begin the first week of August at the Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston. There will be evening leagues on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and a morning league on Wednesdays. Call 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR ARCHERS

A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

CLASSES/

CLINICS

WINGSHOOTING SCHOOL

Hunters Ridge Hunt Club in Oxford will host the Fieldsport Wingshooting School in three upcoming sessions. The first session will be held Saturday and Sunday, July 18-19, the second session will be offered Tuesday

and Wednesday, July 21-22, and the third session will be offered Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 12-13. Master gunfitter and certified instructor Bryan Bilinski, who is credited with bringing sporting clays to the United States, will lead the school, which will cover all aspects of proficient shooting. Call (616) 933-0767 (daytime) or (248) 637-2446 (evenings) for more information.

DNR OPEN HOUSE

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources will host a Public Listening and Outreach Open House, 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, July 28, at the Southgate Civic Center, 14700 Reaume Parkway, Southgate. The public is encouraged to attend and share their views and meet with DNR wildlife and fisheries biologists, foresters, conservation officers, and state park, recreation area and real estate division staff. For more information or to arrange for special accommodations call Denise Mogos at (734) 953-1528.

WATERFOWL CALLING

Michigan Duck Hunters Association and the Wayne Waterfowlers are offering a duck and goose calling class beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, at the Wayne Waterfowlers clubhouse in Brownstown Twp. Cost is \$10 per person. Call (734) 453-8315 or (313) 422-0583 for more information.

FLY TYING

Paint Creek Outfitters in Rochester offers a variety of fly tying classes for beginners and advanced tyers. Call (248) 650-0440 for more information or to make a reservation for an upcoming class.

HUNTER EDUCATION

Wayne County Sportsmen's Club will hold several hunter education classes in the upcoming months at its clubhouse and grounds in Romulus. These classes will be taught by certified instructors. Students must be present for both days of their respective class. All equipment will be provided. Classes will be offered Aug. 29-30, Oct. 3-4, Oct. 17-18 and Nov. 7-8. Cost is \$10.50 and includes lunch both days. To pre-register call (313) 941-9688.

CLUBS

SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the

appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Senior Citizen's Center in the Livonia Civic Center. Call Jim Kudej at (313) 591-0843 for more information.

FISHING BUDDYS

Fishing Buddys Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. The meetings are open to all anglers. Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

CLINTON VALLEY BASS

Clinton Valley Bass Anglers club is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome.) The club meets monthly at Gander Mountain in Waterford. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for more information.

BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863 for more information.

FISHING TOURNAMENTS

OAKLAND BASS MASTERS

Oakland Bass Masters will hold its fifth annual Tournament for Toys benefit bass tournament on Sunday, July 19, on Lake St. Clair. A portion of the proceeds from this two-man team tournament will benefit the pediatric patients at William Beaumont Hospital. Registration is \$75, and \$80 after July 15. Call (248) 542-5254 for more information.

MEETINGS

NRC

The monthly meeting of the

state Natural Resource Commission will be Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 12-13, at the Holiday Inn-Petoskey, 1444 US 131 S., Petoskey. Persons who wish to address the commission or persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation should contact Teresa Golden at (517) 373-2352 one week in advance.

SEASON/DATES

DEER

August 1 is the deadline to apply for an antlerless deer permit.

TURKEY

Aug. 1 is the deadline to apply for a fall twild turkey permit.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m. to dusk on Wednesdays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays and noon-dusk on Mondays and Tuesdays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Rd., which is three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills off M-24. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (248) 666-1020 for more information.

ORTONVILLE RECREATION

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 6779 Hadley Rd. Call (248) 693-6767 for more information.

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS

Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation

areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2433. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

FISHING IN THE PARKS

Learn the basics of fishing including how to bait a hook, basic knots, casting and fish ecology during this weekly program, which is offered Tuesday's at 6:30 p.m. through August 11 at Metamora-Hadley, Pontiac Lake and Island Lake.

WETLAND WILDLIFE

A nature hike in search of critters that inhabit the swamp, begins at 11 a.m. Saturday at Proud Lake.

HAVEN HILL HISTORY

Learn some of the natural and cultural history of the area during this naturalist-led hike, which begins at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Proud Lake.

SUMMER GRAIN HARVEST

Learn how harvesting was done before the age of modern machinery during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Saturday at Maybury.

BIRD HIKE

Learn to identify some of the area's birds during this naturalist-led hike, which begins at 8 a.m. Saturday, August 8 at Maybury. Participants should meet at the riding stable parking lot off Beck Road, 1/4-mile south of Eight Mile Rd.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

1998 PERMITS

The 1998 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

FRIDAY NIGHT CANOE

Help paddle the 34-foot Voyageur Canoe and learn some

local history during this program, which begins at 8 p.m. Friday at Stony Creek.

COUNTRY FAIR

A weekend of events featuring face painting, Rosco the Clown, kids contests, candle dipping and much more will be offered during this program, which will be held Saturday and Sunday at Kensington.

AMAZING ANIMALS

Ages six and older will learn about birds, snakes, frogs and bugs while they make a project and participate in an activity during this program, which begins at 11 a.m. Saturday at Stony Creek.

BIRDS OF PREY

An indoor slide presentation followed by a naturalist-led hike to learn about birds of prey, begins at 1 p.m. Saturday at Indian Springs.

BUCKHORN TAVERN

Walk the old farm lane to the site of Benjamin Crissman's pioneer trading post and learn a little history about the time when Michigan was still just a territory during this program, which begins at 6 p.m. Sunday at Stony Creek.

OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

FREE WOOD CHIPS

Free wood chips from the Oakland County Parks Christmas tree recycling program will be available on Saturday, July 25, at Orion Oaks at the Clarkston Road entrance. Individuals are asked to provide their own shovels and to load the chips by hand. No motorized equipment is allowed and no commercial haulers. Additional wood chip dates are scheduled for August 29, Sept. 26 and Oct. 31.

GARDEN TEA PARTY

Enjoy stories, crafts, herbal treats, garden tours, puppets and more during this program, which begins at 1:30 p.m. Sunday at Independence Oaks.

CAMPFIRE PRIMER

Learn the proper way to build a fire, how to enjoy and cook campfire treats and sing campfire songs during this program, which begins at 7 p.m. Saturday, July 25, at Independence Oaks.