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Political follies top city agenda

Ex-mayors storm city hall

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ward for the good of the city.
"During the time when I sat where you sat, when I was mayor, we certainly had our share of controversy," Bila told the commission. "... but during all that controversy ... we were never divisive towards each other, said hateful things to each other ... I would hope each of you would stop and rethink your positions ... and moderate your views ... and treat each other with decency and respect we all deserve."

Please see MAYORS, A4



City business was left hanging Monday as commissioners traded jabs and called for each other to resign. Afterwards, they met in closed session for two hours regarding the city manager's job performance.

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Political mudslinging and accusations of wrongdoing took center stage at Monday's Plymouth city commissioners' meeting.

Commissioners wiped everything off the regular meeting agenda to spend time accusing each other of playing pol-

itics and urging colleagues to resign from the board.

Afterward, the commission met for more than two hours in closed session to discuss the job performance of City Manager Steve Walters.

Rumors circulated all weekend the commission was going to fire Walters, despite earlier giving him 60 days to

Please see FOLLIES, A6

Bond victory lingers this week at Lowell

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"You could have lit up this entire building with smiles," said principal Roche LaVictor at Lowell Middle School.

LaVictor was speaking of reaction by staff and students on Monday, two days after voters in the Plymouth-Canton school district approved \$18.8 million in bonds for a new middle school to replace Lowell.

"This high will carry us through the next two years as we prepare to move into a new building," said LaVictor. "It's great the whole staff will continue to be together when we move."

With the bond victory, administra-

tion officials will continue with plans to be in a new middle school by the summer of 2000, the same time the lease for Lowell with the Livonia school district expires. Construction on the site, at Hanford and Canton Center roads in Canton Township, is expected to begin next spring.

Teachers at Lowell found out last school year they would stay together if voters approved construction of a new building. Many not only worked with the committee to pass the bond, but also worked with the architects, giving input into the design of the new school.

"It has really energized us to be able to be involved in the process," said LaVictor. "This project is pulling a lot of people together. It's been a great

Please see LOWELL, A6

Land search underway for new fire station

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
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It appears the star of the 1999 Plymouth Township budget could be a shiny new fire station.

Trustees and fire officials have already begun searching for sites along the Ann Arbor Road corridor to build a fire station and training center. The station, if built, would replace the main fire station at Mill Street and Ann Arbor Road.

It appears to be an arduous search, according to Plymouth Community Fire Chief Larry Groth.

"There's very few properties available," Groth said "We can't build the fire station until we have property."

Trustees took their first public peek at the budget in a special study session Saturday, Oct. 3.

Included in the budget draft is \$2.7 million in the Plymouth Community Fire Department budget, which trustees have tentatively agreed to put toward searching for real estate.

"Most of the (budget) increase is for the fire station, which may or may not survive the budget process," said Rosemary Harvey, finance director.

This means the 1999 budget, tentatively set at about \$13.4 million, could actually be much lower. So far the trustees have only indicated an inter-

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Neighbors aren't sold on best Little House Inn town

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
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Unmoved by opposition from a handful of residents, owners of the Little House Inn say they'll continue to maintain the status of their property despite attempts by some to have the city inhibit the conditions of the short-term

rental.
Following the appearance of an article in the Sept. 24 issue of the Plymouth Observer about two Plymouth couples renovating a home for short-term rentals, some neighboring residents voiced their concern regarding the nature of clients that would be staying overnight at the property as well as the implications it would have on their

property values.
Alicia Lesko, a homeowner on the same street as the Little House Inn, said she was uneasy about transient guests at the home and the increased traffic she saw driving past the property at 644 Jener St. since the story appeared in the newspaper.

Lesko said she was considering circulating a petition to present to the Ply-

mouth Planning Commission in hopes that an ordinance could be drafted to curb properties of this nature from establishing in Plymouth.

Lesko, fellow Jener Street neighbor Peggy Morelli and several additional residents appeared before the planning commission last week to share their

Please see HOUSE, A4

Rite Aid drives Daly out

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After nearly 35 years of memories for many baby boomers, Daly Drive-In at the corner of Ann Arbor Road and Main in Plymouth will be closing soon. A Rite Aid drug store is scheduled to be built in its place.

Owner Rita Grace said the paperwork "hasn't been signed yet, but I expect we'll be open until at least the end of this month."

On a 6-1 vote, the Plymouth planning commission approved the site plans from Rite Aid. The lone dissenting vote was cast by Douglas Miller, whose concern stemmed more from commission procedure than with Rite Aid.

"We knew there would be commercial use at that corner, however our concern was that it was attractive to look at," said Miller. "They've been very cooperative, and the building does justice to the community."

Commission chairman Lawrence Chute agrees that Rite Aid has been working hard to meet zoning ordinances.

Please see DALY, A4

Harley heaven



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURBCHMANN

Biker kids: Angie Miller, left, holds nephew Ethan Pepple, 5 months, who is joined by his cousins Guy Miller, 2 1/2, and Toria Miller, 5 1/2, at the third annual Plymouth Chili CookOff and Harley Davidson bike show Sunday. For more photos see page A16.

Crowned



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURBCHMANN

King and Queen: Plymouth Canton High School Homecoming Queen Wheatley Coleman and Homecoming King Sam Sicilia share the spotlight during halftime Friday.

Doggone It!

It's sad, but true. Daly Drive-In will no longer be part of Plymouth's landscape. The restaurant has been sold and plans are to raze the building for a Rite Aid Drug Store. Daly has stood at the corner of Main and Ann Arbor Road for nearly 35 years. With any long-standing establishment, it has a persona of its own with many fond memories. We'd like to hear about yours. If you'd like to reminisce about the good 'ol days of hot dogs, root beer and cruisin' and/or share any photographs you may have, call us at 459-2700 or e-mail us at volander@oe.homecomm.net



RESA no longer will run preschool program

BY MARIE CHESTNEY AND KIM MORTSON
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Next July, change will hit the Head Start programs run by the Plymouth-Canton, Livonia and Wayne-Westland school districts following the announcement that the federally funded preschool program will no longer be run by the umbrella agency - Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency.

Right now, however, school administrators don't know what that change will be, or what it means for the future of the federally funded preschool child care programs run in western Wayne County such as the program housed at Central Middle School in downtown Plymouth that serves approximately 120 students.

"Our speculation is that we'll be in place another year and that changes may come after

that," said Mary Uhl, fourth-year program director for the Plymouth-Canton Head Start program.

Change of leadership

RESA recently notified Plymouth-Canton and other Wayne County school districts that, after June 30, 1999, it will no longer be the umbrella agency for Head Start programs operated in the county.

For 20 years, RESA has gotten a grant from the federal government to administer the popular and successful child care program in Wayne County.

Head Start families meet certain income guidelines set by the federal government. The preschool child care program is designed to give the children of lower-income families a "head start" in life through nutritional, health and educational services provided by the program. The program requires family involve-

ment. "They're getting out of the business completely, and laying off a significant number of people, drivers, teachers, paraprofessionals," said Livonia Superintendent Ken Watson.

No layoffs are yet planned for Plymouth-Canton or Livonia's program, Uhl and Watson said.

Sally Vaughn, RESA associate superintendent for education and family services, said the decision to drop the program emerged from a committee of staff, parents and community members set up to see if RESA is the best agency to be running Wayne County's out-county Head Start program. "Their conclusion was 'no' and it came as a jolt," Vaughn said.

"We'll try to sustain Livonia's program," said Robert Dietiker, director of the department of student services. "I can't guarantee there will be a program after July 1, 1999. There are too

many questions to make that kind of guarantee."

Superintendent Watson is more optimistic that Livonia's Head Start program, as well as other area Head Start programs, will find a way to continue after July 1.

But there's a good chance they will be run by another umbrella agency, and not local school districts, he said.

And that concerns him.

"If it's run by someone else, they may not have the same quality standards we do," Watson said. "They won't be working for us, so we would no longer have control over the program."

Uhl said as a grantee the Head Start program at Central Middle School operates on a relatively "self-sufficient basis" by maintaining its own staffing, hiring and administrative needs. RESA therefore oversees only a portion of the operations such as program and financial auditing and

together follow guidelines established by both the school district and the national Headstart program.

"We won't know for a few months if we'll be able to continue operating under the charge of the school district or if another umbrella agency will come in and relieve RESA," said Uhl. "Then we may face being squeezed out of where we are right now at Central if it becomes a funding issue."

Livonia could wind up leasing space now used by its Head Start program at Perrinville to the new umbrella agency, said Watson.

RESA's participation in the program is unusual when compared to other Head Start programs nationwide. Most are not run by school districts, but by such nonprofit agencies as family service groups and the YMCA.

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districts in the country. "It makes it an odd fit," she said.

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TIRES, RIMS STOLEN

Sometime after 8 p.m. last Thursday, someone reportedly stole four tires worth \$1,850 and rims worth \$1,200 from a car parked at Bob Jeannotte Pontiac, 14855 Sheldon. The vehicle, a Pontiac Grand Prix, was found sitting on blocks. Entry was reportedly gained by cutting a hole into a steel fence around the dealership's perimeter. Police have no suspects.

CLARIFICATION

A story in the Sept. 24 edition of the Plymouth Observer should have said Plymouth Township's taxable value increased by \$112.8 million, which resulted in \$280,000 in revenue. The overall taxable value for Plymouth Township increased from \$1.09 billion to \$1.2 billion in 1998.

Land from page A1

est in budgeting funds for acquiring the land, not building a fire facility.

The 1999 tentative budget is up from \$9.5 million in 1998. Most of the increase is from the \$3.3 million fund balance. By the end of 1999, the fund balance is estimated to be a mere \$428.

However, it would be cheaper and make more sense to buy municipal bonds than to deplete the fund balance, said Edwards.

Fire Chief Larry Groth said the tentative plan is to build a 12,000-square-foot building that would house a fire station and training center. The training center would be used for training firefighters and could also be used as community meeting space, Groth said.

The township's other two fire stations are at Beck and North Territorial Roads and on Wilcox near Schoolcraft. The Beck Road facility was built in 1991 and the Wilcox facility was built in 1977.

The main reason the station, which was built in the 1940s, needs replacing is because of its location, not its age, Groth said. Apart from being located at a busy intersection, a turn lane located right in front of the facility complicates matters during emergencies, he said.

"Thank God we've never had an accident out there," Groth said.

In addition, the station was designed to house volunteer firefighters, not full-time ones, he said.

Another fire department subject that came up was whether or not the township will eventually provide its own emergency services completely rather than contract with Huron Valley Ambulance. Concern with HVA's promptness in responding to emergency situations was one of the main complaints.

"HVA is just not showing up when they should be showing up," said Groth. Only certain firefighters are certified to perform lifesaving services, meaning the strapped department has to turn to HVA to handle some emergencies.

Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy said an Advanced Life Support-type service would be a more efficient means of handling emergencies, but the issue needs to be studied further.

Treasurer Ron Edwards said sticking with HVA could boil down to a matter of life or death.

"If you want to play with lives, keep going with the same system," Edwards said of HVA.

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Jesus Martinez, M.D.

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Starkweather railroad repairs nearly complete

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM STAFF WRITER

Tempers were flaring this week in Plymouth's Old Village area as drivers along Starkweather were routed to other streets because of railroad crossing repairs.

Greg Ingrahm, roadmaster for CSX Railroad, said drivers have been none too happy with the crossing work. One irate driver gave him the finger as he was working on the crossing, he added.

Trains have a long history of angering Plymouth area drivers. Nearly everyone who drives through the town has been stopped at some time by a train. Then the cars pile up and the drivers begin fuming or, at times, cutting through the crossing bars.

The drivers aren't the only ones angry. Business owners in the Old Village area say the crossing work has been cutting into sales.

"(The work) has actually decreased our business," said Lori Toya, co-owner of Plymouth Fish Seafood Market & Restaurant, 578 Starkweather. The traffic rerouting has cut their

The next crossing to be repaired is Mill Street, which will be started within a couple of weeks. Each crossing costs \$25,000-\$30,000 to redo. The repairs should last six-eight years.

sales by 30 percent, she added.

CSX officials expected the work to be completed by Tuesday, but there were some delays with paving. Heavy rains were predicted Wednesday, which could delay the work even further.

Teri Zakrian, a bookkeeper at Station 885, said despite the restaurant's railroad theme, the trains can be downright annoying.

"I like the idea of the restaurant being on the tracks, but if you have to try to get through town, it's terrible," Zakrian said.

Ingrahm, who came to CSX from Union Pacific in Chicago

last February, said the company is only trying to make things run smoothly.

We're "just trying to make a difference," Ingrahm said. "The crossings are so heavily salted that the rails and plates disintegrate the crossings."

The first railroad crossing repair completed was the York Street crossing, which was completed about a month ago. It is one of the roughest in the area, according to Ingrahm.

The Starkweather crossing repair will involve installing new rubber, blocks, tracks, ties, rails and rock. Drivers should be able to travel the speed limit once the work is complete.

"My goal is to get all four crossings done before winter, but we probably will get three done because of budget restraints," Ingrahm said.

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Staff writer Tony Bruscatto contributed to this report.

In Trish's honor



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMAN

Memorial run: Above, Carol Donnelly and teacher Tom Williams with picture of Carol's daughter Trish Donnelly-Runnion, who died of breast cancer. The family photograph is at right. Williams was Donnelly-Runnion's cross country coach at the high school and later a mentor while she was a student-teacher at West Middle School. The memorial run is set for Saturday.



Memorial run to honor former cross country star

The second annual Trish Donnelly-Runnion Memorial Fund Run will be held Saturday, Oct. 11 at the Plymouth Canton Educational Park track.

Money raised will go towards Salem High School cross country scholarships and to breast cancer awareness programs at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ypsilanti.

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memory of his sister, tying it in with the Salem cross country team of which she was a member before graduating in 1986.

Registration for the one mile walk-run, plus the 5K and 10K runs, begins at 7:30 a. m. at the track. Thus far there are 250 mail-in registrations, equaling the total number of runners last year.

Bag leaves for township pickup

Plymouth Township residents should not rake their leaves into the street or roadway for disposal. Leaves in the township are not collected by a leaf-actor (vacuum system) and should be placed in paper yard bags or in containers clearly marked with a large "X" or "C."

Leaves in containers or paper yard bags should be placed curbside no earlier than 6 p.m. prior to your collection day or no later than 7 a.m. on your collection

day for pickup by the hauler as part of the compost collection program.

Plastic bags continue to be banned from Plymouth Township's compost program. Compost site operators have experienced increasing problems due to the slow biodegradable rate of plastic bags, which greatly reduces air. Yard waste should be placed separate from regular trash. Burning of leaves and yard waste is prohibited by

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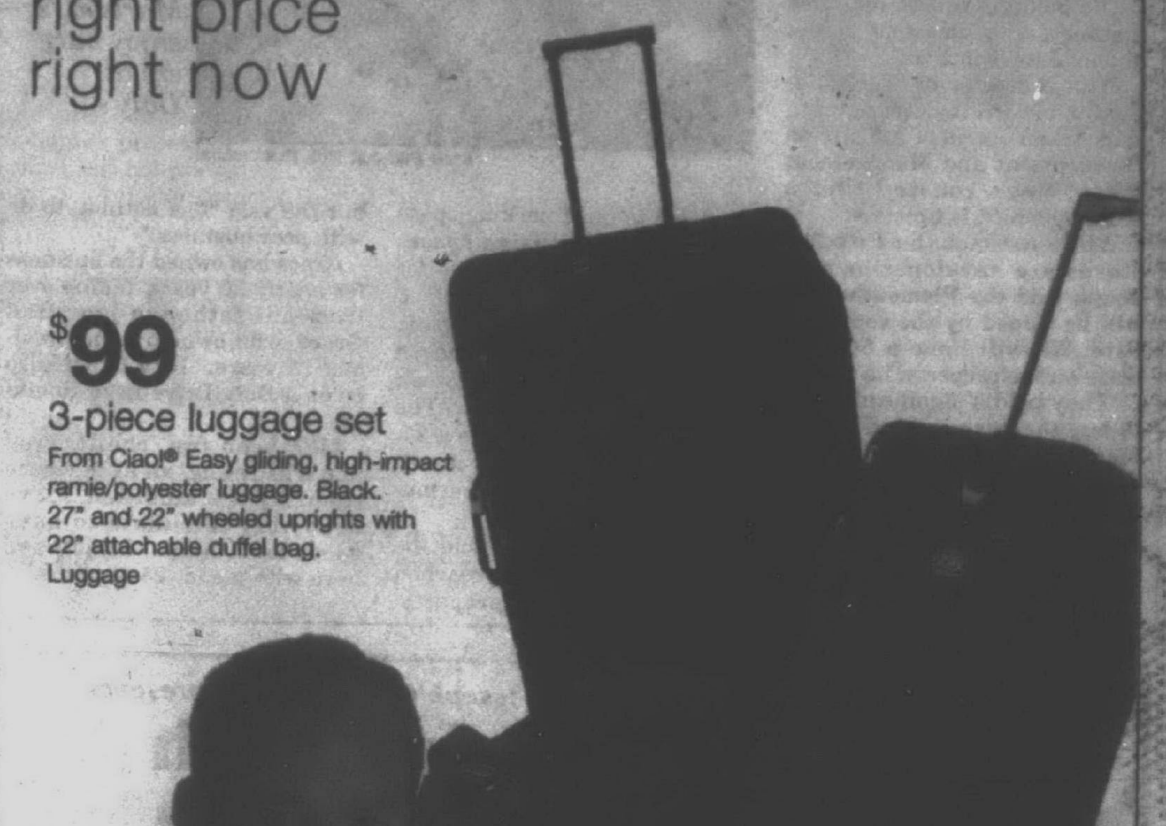
The compost collection program for Plymouth Township residents will run through Nov. 28 of this year. After that, yard waste will be collected with regular rubbish.

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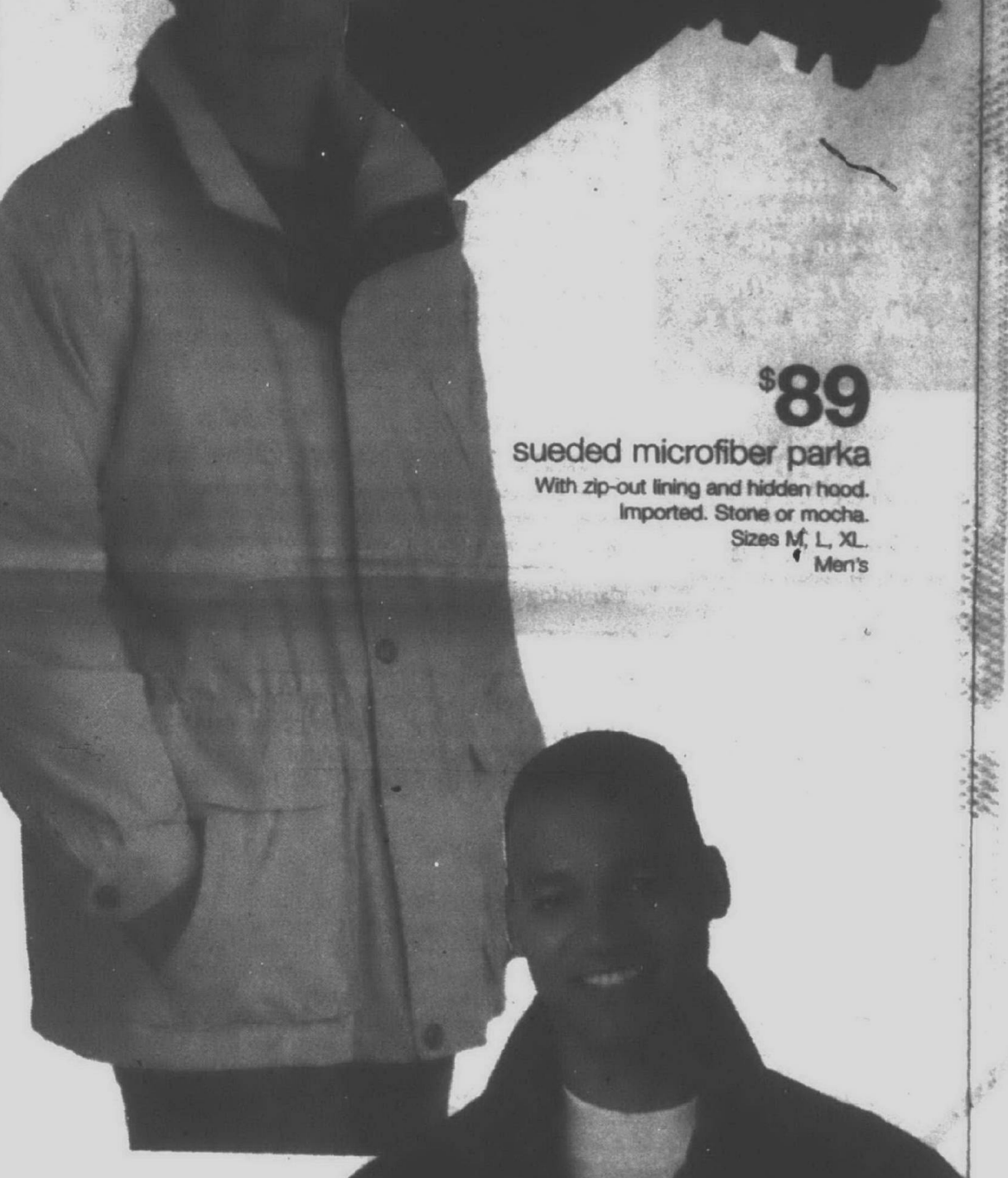
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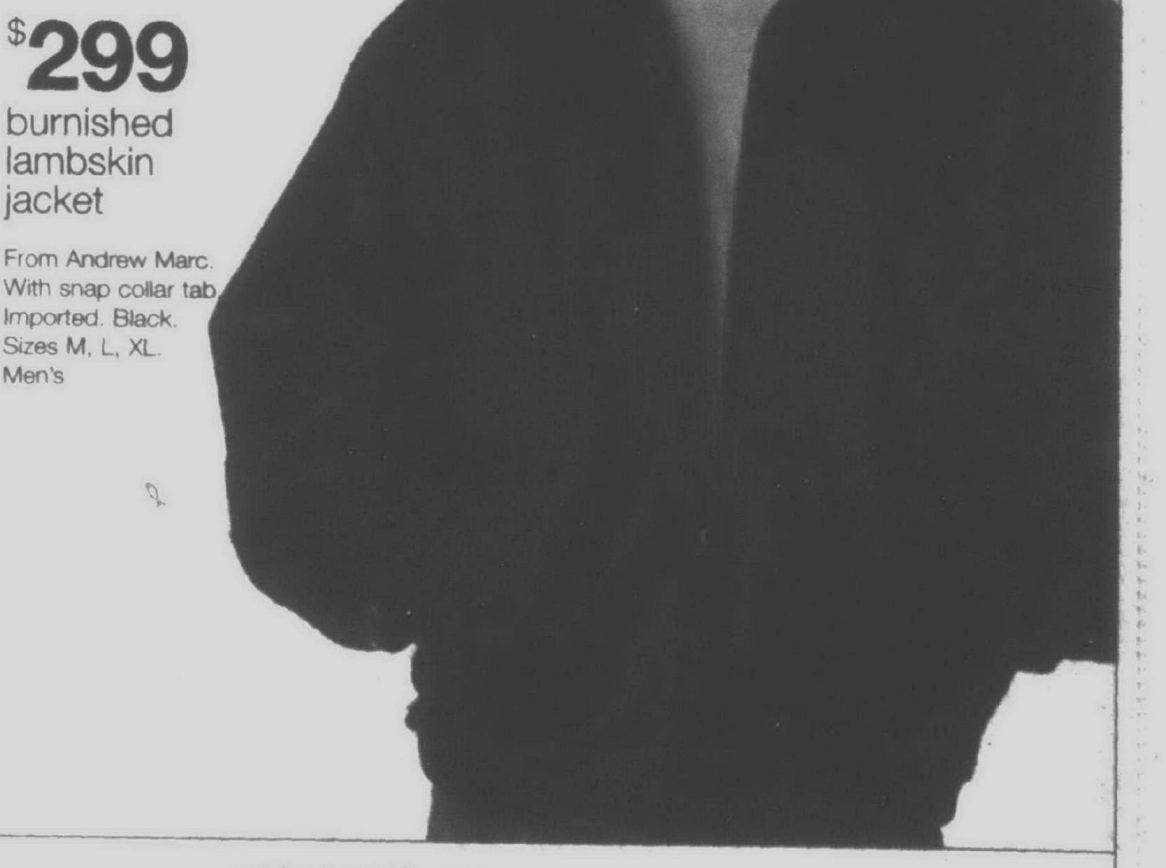
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"I think it's a fine-looking building," said Chute. "It harmoniously works with the architecture in Plymouth. They've accommodated some of our wishes, including putting a nice Welcome to Plymouth sign on the corner."

The building will be red-brick masonry, with limestone accent and oval-top windows.

"The character of this building fits in with the community," said Arkan Jonna of A.F. Jonna Development and Management Co. "We're constructing a building which is timeless."

While most of the Rite Aid stores are developer-owned, Jonna said the Plymouth store will be owned by the company. Rite Aid will have a 50-year lease on the property, he said.

"They paid a significant price to buy the business and for the lease to the property," added Jonna, who would not reveal those costs. "This is a major intersection. A good retailer would pay a lot to be on this corner."

City records show Rite Aid



Daly dining: Norm and Sue Campitelle, of Inkster, and their daughter Marissa, 2, enjoy burgers at Daly's.

was able to meet parking space requirements by using spaces at Cornwell Pool and Patio for \$150,000.

Jonna did say construction, which is scheduled to begin next spring, will cost between \$800,000 and \$1 million. The store is not expected to be a 24-hour business, however it will have a drive-through pharmacy.

This summer, Grace told the Observer she was approached by Rite Aid for the property,

but the sale "has nothing to do with poor business."

Grace has owned the business for nearly 20 years, taking over from her father-in-law, Bud Grace, who owned it the previous 15 years. Rita Grace also owns a Daly Drive-In in Romulus.

"It's been fun, challenging and frustrating, all at the same time," Grace admitted. "I've been very fortunate to have good, loyal help. Some have been with me for 25-30 years."

Mayors from page A1

Before the meeting, Miller praised Walters for the job he's done for a number of city commissions.

"This is the only commission that he's ever had this much difficulty with," said Miller. "It kind of makes me wonder. Is the problem with him, or is it with you?"

Commissioner Ron Loiselle, also a former mayor, has worked with Walters since 1991. He had the last words Monday after several commissioners read written statements.

"I find (Walters) to be a man of very high integrity and honesty," said Loiselle. "He brought this city from close to a deficit to now

we have a \$500,000 surplus." Meanwhile, workers at city hall are on pins and needles.

"It's pretty nerve-wracking these days around here," said one city employee who didn't want to be identified. "It would be nice to know that we're all on the same page."

House from page A1

concerns with members and inquire about the steps necessary to block other individuals from purchasing a home and renting it out for one or more nights.

Morelli told commission members she was angry that Jener Street residents were not made aware of the purpose of the property until after the article appeared - viewing their actions as "deceptive."

"I don't appreciate the unwanted traffic or the deceptive way this was brought about," said Morelli.

Limited options

Planning commission members heeded the residents' grievances, but were frank with the speakers as to their options.

"We're not really sure there is too much we can do with this particular incident," said one commission member. "We can't pass a law now that would impact what they're already doing. That's illegal and it's not fair to some. We're sort of stuck with this right now."

Diane and Chris Dimanin and Bill and Lynette Decker, owners of the Little House Inn, say they were "surprised" at the reaction of some residents. "I'm disappointed at the way some neighbors are perceiving it," said Diane Dimanin at the claims the home will attract undesirable behavior by overnight guests.

"What we were and are trying to do with this house is promote the good about Plymouth," said Dimanin.

In response to the residents'

concerns about undesirable lodgers, Decker said renters are required to pay a \$200 deposit and the entire balance of their bill prior to their stay. They also said that they prescreen as much as possible while still adhering to the guidelines of the Fair Housing Laws - preferring reservations are made in advance (at least five days) of overnight stays rather than renting to individuals who call at the last minute in an effort to weed out potential problem guests.

644 Jener St.

Purchased earlier this year by the foursome, the Dimanins and Deckers spent six weeks over the summer renovating, updating and decorating the 500-square-foot house that would attract renters looking for an alternative to hotel or bed and breakfast lodgings.

"We're targeting corporate clients who are sick of staying in a hotel, people who want to move to the Plymouth area and want to get a feel for living in a neighborhood downtown or individuals who come to the community for the many events and festivals we have here," said Dimanin.

This past weekend, Diane and Lynette say their first guests stayed - a set of parents and grandparents from Charlevoix in town visiting their children and grandchildren who live in Plymouth.

"Both were very supportive and encouraging," said Dimanin. "MaryAnn thought the idea was great and a convenient alterna-

tive to refer guests who need accommodations for more than seven days."

"Our intent isn't to do anything that would cause any problems to the neighborhood or the property," said Decker.

"We live here. We just want to give people an alternative and show them what a great place Plymouth is," added Dimanin.

Doing their homework

Decker said before they initiated the short-term rental of the Jener Street house and most recently following complaints from residents, she checked ordinances in the city of Plymouth and found nothing that would prohibit them from renting the house under terms that currently exist.

"I met with Jim Penn from the city (Plymouth building official) who said the city attorney looked into it and said he couldn't find any reason why we couldn't do this," said Decker.

Monday evening, both Morelli and Lesko appeared before the Plymouth City Commission to express their continued concerns about the rental property. Commission members said there was nothing that could be done to stop people from staying at the Little House Inn and that the owners would be grandfathered from any ordinance that was prepared from this point forward.

Ann Arbor's St. Joseph Mercy Hospital presents

Women's Health Series in Livonia

The following presentations are free and will be held at the Livonia Health Building, 37595 Seven Mile Rd. at Newburgh Rd.

Tues., Oct. 20 7-8:30 p.m.
Why Can't We Get Pregnant? Infertility Issues for Couples
 This free presentation will provide an overview of reproductive anatomy, infertility evaluation, including male factor infertility, current reproductive therapies and information to help couples understand the emotional and psychological issues surrounding infertility. Presented by Jonathan Ayers, MD, Reproductive Endocrinologist, and Teresa Gallagher, RN, BSN.

Thurs., Oct. 22 7-8:30 p.m.
Women and Heart Disease
 Heart disease is the leading killer of women over 40. This informal discussion will cover what's different about heart disease in women and will answer your questions on how you can live a more heart-healthy life. Presented by Cardiologist Barbara Kong, MD.

Pre-registration required. Please call: (734) 712-5400 or (800) 231-2211

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

NOTICE OF INTENTION OF ENTERING INTO LIMITED TAX-SUPPORTED CONTRACT OF LEASE AND OF RIGHT TO PETITION FOR REFERENDUM THEREON

TO THE TAXPAYERS AND ELECTORS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, MICHIGAN

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton has approved a Limited Tax Full Faith and Credit General Obligation Contract of Lease (the "Contract") with the Charter Township of Canton Building Authority pursuant to Act No. 31, Public Acts of Michigan 1948 (First Extra Session), as amended ("Act 31"). Such Contract provides, among other things, that the Building Authority will acquire, construct, furnish and equip an addition to the existing library building, construction additional parking and other site improvements, together with necessary and related appurtenances, as more fully described in design documentation on file with the Township (the "Project"), and WILL ISSUE ITS BONDS TO FINANCE THE ESTIMATED COST OF THE SAME FOR THE TOWNSHIP IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000,000. When issued in one or more series, the bonds will mature in not to exceed twenty (20) annual installments and will not bear interest at rates not exceeding the maximum rate permitted by law.

The Contract further provides that the Township will lease the facilities from the Building Authority and WILL PAY AS RENTAL TO THE BUILDING AUTHORITY ALL SUMS NECESSARY TO RETIRE THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS, TOGETHER WITH ALL COSTS OF OPERATING AND MAINTAINING THE FACILITIES AND ALL COSTS of the Building Authority in connections therewith, regardless of whether the facilities are completed or are untenable. The principal amount to be borrowed by the Building Authority will be indebtedness of the Township for purposes of the Township charter, statutory and constitutional debt limitations, and the principal amount, together with the Township's rental obligation for payment thereof, may be increased to cover increased costs of the facilities.

TOWNSHIP CONTRACT OBLIGATIONS

BY VIRTUE OF THE CONTRACT AND ACT 31, ALL OF THE TOWNSHIP'S REQUIRED PAYMENTS TO THE BUILDING AUTHORITY WILL BE LIMITED TAX FULL FAITH AND CREDIT GENERAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP PAYABLE FROM ANY AVAILABLE FUNDS OF THE TOWNSHIP, AND THE TOWNSHIP WILL BE REQUIRED TO LEVY AD VALOREM TAXES ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN ITS BOUNDARIES TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO MAKE THE PAYMENTS REQUIRED TO RETIRE THE BONDS AND INTEREST THEREON, OF OTHER FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE ARE NOT AVAILABLE. HOWEVER, THE OBLIGATION TO LEVY TAXES IS LIMITED BY APPLICABLE CONSTITUTIONAL, CHARTER AND STATUTORY TAX RATE LIMITATIONS.

THE CONTRACT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE WITHOUT VOTE OF THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP, AS PERMITTED BY LAW, UPON THE EXPIRATION OF 45 DAYS FOLLOWING THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE, UNLESS A PETITION REQUESTING AN ELECTION OF THE QUESTION OF WHETHER SUCH CONTRACT SHOULD BE EFFECTIVE, SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP, IS FILED WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK WITHIN SUCH PERIOD. If such petition is so filed, the Contract shall not be effective without an approving vote by a majority of electors of the Township voting on the question.

This Notice is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 8(b) of the Act 31, as amended. Further information concerning the details of the Contract, the facilities being financed and the matters set out in this Notice may be secured from the office of the Township Clerk. Copies of the Contract are on file in the office of the Township Clerk, 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan, for public inspection during regular business hours.

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Rivers mulls vote on impeachment inquiry

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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The U.S. House of Representatives is expected to vote today on whether the House should launch an impeachment inquiry of President Clinton.

U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers, D-Ann Arbor, said she hasn't decided how she will vote on an impeachment inquiry recommendation from the Republican-controlled House Judiciary Committee. Rivers, whose 13th District includes part of Livonia, Plymouth, Canton, Westland and

Garden City, first wants to read the Democrat's alternative proposal — which had not been completed by early Wednesday afternoon — and listen to the debate expected today on both proposals.

"I would like to see it handled expeditiously," Rivers said. "It has monopolized the attention of Congress for too long."

Rivers believed the Democrat's proposal would allow for a limited scope and limited time.

The Republican plan has no time limit on the inquiry and does not limit its focus to the possible charges recommended

by Starr. Starr dealt with Clinton's attempts to conceal his relationship with Monica Lewinsky.

Discussions and decisions surrounding Clinton's sex scandal were not partisan when the issue was first discussed a few weeks ago, Rivers said. Rivers supported the release of the entire Starr report, but opposed the release of videotape of Clinton's grand jury testimony.

"Unfortunately the last couple weeks have been partisan."

Debates surrounding both proposals are not expected to last long today. The Democrats' pro-

posal is expected to be introduced under a parliamentary maneuver, where House discussion is limited to one hour.

No matter what she decides, Rivers knows she will not please all her constituents.

"Even if I decided to vote for the impeachment inquiry to decide the issue, there absolutely no consensus with the public."

In a letter to about 1,000 constituents who contacted her office on the inquiry, Rivers said the inquiry process is "not exactly legal and not purely political." Several legal questions must be addressed.

"Did the president perjure himself, suborn perjury in others, and/or tamper with witnesses? These crimes have specific legal definitions which do not necessarily comport with the public's understanding of them and a determination must be made whether crimes were actually committed."

Rivers also said little guidance exists on "high crimes and misdemeanors" committed by presidents because "these types of proceedings are rare occurrences and history gives us scant assistance."

SC's 'Kids on Campus' named best in country

Schoolcraft College's Kids on Campus program received top honors as the best in the country in the community services category from the National Council for Continuing Education & Training.

"In naming Kids on Campus the NCCET Exemplary Program Award winner, committee chair Dyanne Lyon said, "We received top-notch applications, making the selection extremely competitive."

The program is offered through Schoolcraft's Continuing Education Services.

"We are delighted to receive this national honor," said Katrina VanderWoude, assistant dean of continuing education services. "Kids on Campus is a flagship program for the college and it gives the youth in our community the opportunity to have an on-campus experience at an early age."

The program enrolls between 1,600-1,700 children annually, including sessions during the week in the summer and eight consecutive Saturday sessions during both the fall and winter terms. It offers quality enrichment opportunities for children of all ages and talented and gifted classes.

"Kids on Campus opens new doors and exposes children to ideas they may not encounter until much later, such as a botany class or a Japanese language class for 5-year-olds," said Melissa Rensi, program coordinator.

"Our program has received tremendous interest and support from the community as a compliment to children's school experiences."

VanderWoude said the program will expand next summer to include a day camp, combining courses and enrichment activities. She will travel to Portland, Ore., to accept the award Oct. 27.

For information on the Kids on Campus program, call Rensi at (734) 462-4448.

Schoolcraft College is at 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile.

Karen Newman, Johnny Trudell will headline St. Mary event

There's still time to buy tickets to "Hollywood Nights" Thursday, Oct. 15, featuring Karen Newman and the Johnny Trudell Orchestra.

Guests will enjoy Newman's musical selections and dancing to the Trudell Orchestra.

Proceeds from Hollywood Nights, an annual benefit for St. Mary Hospital, go towards medical and health programs for the community.

The black tie option benefit will be at Laurel Manor, on Schoolcraft Road, in Livonia starting with a cocktail party at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. and dancing and entertainment at 8 p.m.

Gene Taylor of radio station Q95 will serve as honor toastmaster while Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey will handle the honorary chair duties.

David and Jan Brandon of Plymouth Township are the honorary co-chairs of the event.

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SAVE 25-50% On selected dresses for misses, petites and Parisian Woman. Reg. 69.99-160.00, sale 49.99-79.99. IN DRESSES.

SAVE 25-50% On casual collections and separates from Hot Cotton, Kiko, Marcware and more. Tops, skirts, pants and jumpers. Reg. 28.00-110.00, sale 14.00-52.50. IN MEN'S SPORTWEAR, DENIM.

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SAVE 25% On junior knits, wovens and sweaters from Absolutely by Creative Cotton, Knitworks, Jalate and more. Reg. 18.00-38.00, sale 13.50-28.50. IN JUMPS.

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39.99 Large selection of women's shoes and boots from Unisa, Calico, Candie's, Esprit and more. Reg. 49.00-65.00. IN SHOES.

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SAVE 40% On selected cotton/rayon sweaters from Woods & Grey. Reg. 65.00, sale 39.00. IN MEN'S. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA.

SAVE 25% On selected men's fall collection sportswear. Reg. 25.00-250.00, sale 18.75-187.50. IN MEN'S. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

31.99 Preswick & Moore cotton twill pants. Reg. 42.00. IN MEN'S. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

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29.99 Preswick & Moore patterned dress shirts. Reg. 55.00. IN MEN'S.

SAVE 25% On Calvin Klein underwear, loungewear and socks. Reg. 9.00-29.00, sale 6.75-21.75. IN MEN'S. SELECTION VARIES BY STORE. SALE ENDS OCTOBER 12.

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SAVE 30% On playwear and dresswear for infants, toddlers, girls and boys from Architect, U.R.I.T., Goodlad and more. Reg. 16.00-70.00, sale 11.20-49.00. IN CHILDREN'S. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

SAVE 40% On kids' denim from Levi's, Joe Boxer, Santa Fe, PK Blues and Duckhead. Reg. 14.00-34.00, sale 8.40-20.40. IN CHILDREN'S. AVAILABLE AT ALL STORES EXCEPT DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM.

Sale ends Monday, October 12



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Lowell from page A1

experience." Teachers at Lowell are thrilled with the prospect of moving into a brand new building. Not only because it's new, but because of continuity.

"With the overwhelming victory, the whole community said quality education is important. It makes me proud to live in Canton," said Julie Raven, who teaches seventh- and eighth-grade English. "A lot of us work together on lesson plans so all the kids are getting the same educational experience. I think it hurts the kids if you break up teams of teachers who work well together."

"It's huge that we're able to stay together," added Steve Roth, a math and science instructor. "We know each

'My little sister, Jocyne, is really excited about coming here next year because she knows then she'll be going to the new school. She just won't stop talking about it.'

Amanda Coots
Lowell eighth grader

other, trust each other, and have a good rapport with each other. It takes a while to get to know new people and how they work." Media specialist Lisa Hastiness said her job would be much more difficult trying to learn a new staff.

"For a media specialist to know what everybody is teaching at different times of the year and keeping current materials is important," she said. "It's a lot

of working together, and it takes a few years to get to know the staff and what they want."

Seventh-grade math teacher Vicki Maciag, who lives in Canton, believes voters were supportive because they knew not just the Lowell Middle School community would be affected.

"Everyone in my neighborhood who has kids was supportive, even though many knew their children wouldn't be going to the

new school," added Maciag. "They saw that turning down the bond would affect the entire district, and take away continuity of learning for everybody. All parents saw this would affect their schools, too."

Many students at Lowell, many of whom will not attend classes in the new building because of either redistricting or graduating to high school, were still happy with the bond vote.

"I think having a new school is a really good idea," said eighth-grader Amanda Coots of Plymouth. "My little sister, Jocyne, is really excited about coming here next year because she knows then she'll be going to this new school. She just won't stop talking about it."

Follies from page A1

improve his job performance before evaluating him for the 1997-98 fiscal year.

Three city commission members, Mayor Donald Dismuke, as well as Commissioners Dave McDonald and Colleen Pobur, came prepared with written statements chastising fellow board members.

"Over the past 11 months I have continued to witness vicious attacks leveled at and by several members of this body," said McDonald. "Although I have tried to stay above the fray, I have sinned at times as well ... I say to my colleagues, enough is enough, for the good of the city that I am sure we all love, please stop this scorched policy now! If you cannot let this go, please do the honorable thing and go yourself."

McDonald also blasted commissioners Dennis Shrewsbury and Stella Greene for comments relating to Walters' investigation of Dismuke's attempt to get the phone number and address of a female police department employee.

Dismuke also criticized

Shrewsbury and Greene for public statements concerning the mayor's situation with the female city employee.

Apology

"I apologize to no one for my actions in this matter other than to the employee involved for my misunderstanding that may have resulted. My actions were no more than friendly in nature ..." said Dismuke. "As mayor, I will certainly accept individual criticism on the decisions I make on the commission as well as criticism of my leadership. I will not, however, tolerate attacks on my integrity or devotion to my family."

"... Individual vendettas and political infighting have caused the commission to lose sight of its true role - to represent the people of the city of Plymouth. I for one am embarrassed to be a member of the commission as it stands today."

Commissioner Colleen Pobur then had her say, blaming partisan politics for many of the commission's problems. Pobur said when she was

elected to the commission, "I expected insightful discussion of city issues, respectful banter about complex questions, good-natured enjoyment of this wonderful city and even camaraderie. Instead, we have this cesspool of bad blood, backstabbing and unprofessional, uncivilized behavior."

"I, for one, have never let partisanship guide my voting or my feelings with colleagues ... I have to take my share of the responsibility for our sad state of affairs ... Because I've been so fed up with this unprofessional behavior I have seriously considered resigning from this commission. But to chicken out would not serve the needs of our citizens. I do however believe that it's appropriate for some of my fellow city commissioners to think very carefully about tendering their resignations if they can't get past the petty, childish personal vendettas and move on to doing the business of running this city."

Pobur also criticized Shrewsbury for his printed comments concerning the situation between the mayor and the female city employee.

Shrewsbury responded with one short statement.

"My conscience is clear. I did what I think is right."

Afterward, the commissioners filed into a closed executive session with Steve Walters to discuss his job performance. Two hours later they came back into open session, only to announce Walters' job performance will be discussed in another closed session on Oct. 12.

"I guess we're halfway there," Walters said after the session, refusing to say anything else about the discussion.

While none of the commissioners will speak on the record, there are indications there are four votes in favor of keeping Walters. They reportedly are Ron Loiselle, Joe Koch, Greene and Shrewsbury, all commissioners who have worked with Walters for a number of years.

Indications are Walters' biggest enemies are Pobur, McDonald and Dismuke, the three newest commissioners.

"I don't have a perception that I've done anything different before or after the election," said Walters. "There appears to be a different perception of what a city manager should be, than what I am doing."

Even Walters admits that he won't resign, unless there's a negotiated settlement, because then he will lose severance pay equal to half of his \$75,924 annual salary.

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PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC HEARING

The above named document for the Canton Community Development Block Grant Program is available for inspection at the Resource Development Division office, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, during regular office hours.

Comments will be accepted on the GPR/CAPERS for a period of 30 days, beginning October 8, 1998. The public hearing for the GPR will be November 18, 1998, at 3:00 p.m. in the Resource Development conference room, third floor, at the above address. Comments received during the public comment period will be forwarded to the Department of HUD and will become an addendum to the FY 1997 GPR/CAPERS.

Publish: October 8, 1998 **TERRY BENNETT, Clerk**

CANTON TOWNSHIP ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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Publish: October 8 and 22, 1998

CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, November 4, 1998 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

ANDRES REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 024 99 0007 000 FROM RR, RURAL RESIDENTIAL, TO R-1, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located on the west side of Ridge Road north of Warren Road.

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

Publish: October 8 and 22, 1998 **VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman**

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Publish: October 8 and 22, 1998 **VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman**

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BOARD PROCEEDINGS
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A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, September 29, 1998 at 1150 South Canton Center Road. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Motion by Burdziak, supported by Bennett, to move from an open session to a closed session at 6:00 P.M. for the purpose of discussion of sale/purchase of property. Motion carried.

Ayes: Bennett, Burdziak, LaJoy, Shefferly, Yack
Nays: None
Absent: Kirchgatter, McLaughlin

ROLL CALL - CLOSED SESSION

Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter (arrived at 6:25 P.M.), LaJoy, McLaughlin (arrived at 6:10 P.M.), Shefferly, Yack
Members Absent: None

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to return to an open session at 7:10 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

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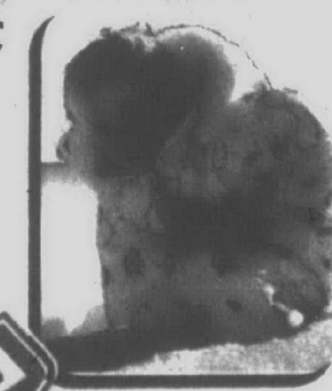
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CRAZY LIKE A FOX SKI SALE ENDS THIS SUNDAY

Road rage leads to death on I-275

BY LARRY O'CONNOR
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A battle over a lane of freeway led to the death of a 51-year-old West Bloomfield man on I-275 near 10 Mile in Farmington Hills.

Around 11:15 a.m. Tuesday, a black Mercury Sable LS traveling south on I-275 crossed the median and then was hit by a Chicago Beef Co. truck, killing the driver of the Sable. The driver of the Sable is identified as Terence Salisbury of West Bloomfield.

The driver of the beef truck suffered minor injuries and was taken to Botsford Hospital, Michigan State Police said.

Witnesses told police the Sable and a blue pick-up truck had changed lanes repeatedly on southbound I-275. The pick-up then clipped the Sable, causing the driver to lose control and cross the grassy median near the M-5/Grand River entrance.

"Evidently, they got into a cussing match jockeying for some type of lane position," said Michigan State Police Trooper Gregory Stevens.

"(Witnesses) said the two vehicles came in contact with another. His (the pick-up driv-

er's) statement was they had 'stabilized their positions' when contact was made. What you call 'stabilizing your position' I don't know."

The driver of an older model blue Chevy pick-up left the scene but returned an hour-and-a-half later at I-275 and Eight Mile. The Dayton, Ohio man, 30, was taken into custody.

He could face charges ranging from leaving the scene of an accident to murder, police said.

"He said he thought he may have been in an accident and was returning to the scene," Stevens said.

The accident snarled traffic on northbound and southbound I-275 and eastbound I-696 for five hours. Police closed northbound I-275 at Eight Mile until 4:30 p.m. while investigators examined the scene.

The driver of the meat truck told police he saw the Sable veering across the median and tried to brake. A 60-foot-long skid mark on the road led north to the crash, which sheared the front portion of the Sable and caused the meat truck to overturn.

Farmington Hills firefight-



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Tragedy: "Road rage" may have been involved in a fatal accident on northbound I-275 south of Ten Mile. A southbound pickup truck and Mercury Sable battled for the same lane. The vehicles clipped each other, the driver of the Mercury lost control and crossed the median, striking a truck. The driver of the Mercury was killed instantly.

ers were on the scene to prevent any explosions from leaking fuel.

Road rage takes numerous forms, and motorists are increasingly concerned, said a AAA of Michigan spokesman.

Drivers should allow plenty

of time to get to their destination, which alleviates the need to be in a hurry.

"What happens is when people are in a hurry, they do things aggressively," said Jerry Basch, manager of AAA Community Safety Services.

"They tailgate, they drive too fast in the passing lane... All these things irritate other drivers."

Motorists need to realize other drivers make mistakes and not to take it personally, Basch said.

If involved in a conflict, Basch suggests people should drive to a police station or a crowded place.

"Do not get suckered into a situation where you're confronted by a road rage driver," Basch said.

Church to host forum on Proposal B

Deanna Aikman, the 39-year-old leader of Deanna's Friends, the group based in Ann Arbor that is opposing Proposal B, will be a featured speaker at a symposium on assisted suicide at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 12, in St. Michael Church, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia.

Aikman was diagnosed last year with ALS, a terminal illness known commonly as Lou Gehrig's disease. She now uses a wheelchair. She has joined with

Ann Arbor physicians in forming Deanna's Friends to give talks explaining why they believe Proposal B is bad legislation.

Proposal B would legalize assisted suicide, and was put on the ballot by Merian's Friends. The group is named after Merian Frederick, who also had Lou Gehrig's disease and died with the assistance of Dr. Jack Kevorkian.

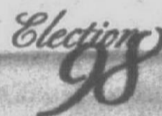
Speaking at this event will be radio talk show host Al Kresta of Catholic Radio in Detroit and Ann Arbor (WDEO and WCAR), U.S. Appeals Court Justice James Ryan, co-chairman of the Michigan Chapter of Catholic Campaign for America,

Dr. Catherine Dowling, an Ann Arbor physician who helped form Deanna's Friends, and the Rev. Alberto Bondy, pastor of St. Michael's Church.

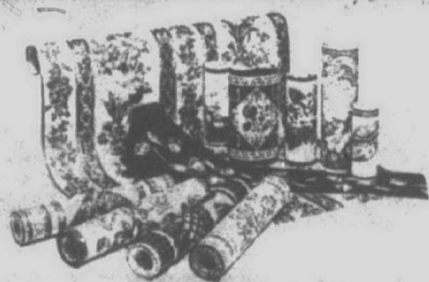
Speakers will explain the legal, medical and moral implications of Proposal B, the Nov. 3 ballot proposal that would legalize assisted suicide in Michigan.

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County parks to host Halloween fest for kids

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From 1-3 p.m. Wayne County will offer free games and activities including magicians, prizes and a candy hunt at 3 p.m. Hayrides will be available for 50 cents per person.

Parents are asked to register their children in advance for the festival by calling (734) 261-1990, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The dead-

line for registration is Monday, Oct. 19.

This year's festival will feature performances by ventriloquist Richard Paul and magical entertainer Chris Linn. From 1:30-2 p.m., Paul will delight children of all ages with side-kicks Headlee Lamar, the Talking Skull, and Wanda, the Absent-Minded Witch. From 2:15 to 2:45 p.m. Linn combines magic, comedy and audience participation.

The Hines Park-Nankin Mills Area is located on Hines Drive just east of Ann Arbor Trail in Westland. For information, call (734) 261-1990.

Commission extends auditor's term

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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In 1996, Wayne County voters approved a charter amendment giving the county's auditor general more auditing powers over county departments.

The county charter now requires the auditor general to audit the financial transactions of all county agencies once every two years, or as otherwise directed by the county commission.

On Oct. 1, county commissioners extended the current auditor general's appointment four years which will allow Brendan Dunleavy a chance to continue

expanding his office's auditing duties.

Dunleavy, a Plymouth Township resident, was supported by 12 commissioners present out of the 15, including all four western Wayne County commissioners - Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, Kathleen Husk, R-Redford, Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, and Bruce Patterson, R-Canton.

Prior to the extension, Brendan Dunleavy had two years left on his appointment. Now the extension takes him to 2004.

"I'm very pleased," Dunleavy said. "I believe it will help the office further its independence."

Dunleavy was evaluated by Commissioner William O'Neil, D-Allen Park. O'Neil also chairs the commission's Committee on Audit.

O'Neil called Dunleavy "one of the most innovative and creative auditor generals the county has ever had."

"With the approval of the county commission, he combined the current audit staff with outside audit contractors from KPMG Peat Marwick and Alan Young and Associates and is now coordinating more than 20 financial audits concurrently," O'Neil said. "Through this innovation the office will more than double

the number of audits completed in any given year since the office's inception."

Dunleavy also has reconfigured his office to accommodate 19 auditors.

"To complete his objective, he eliminated various vacant positions within the department and established various new positions to enable the office to hire more 'field auditors' and fewer administrators," O'Neil said.

McCotter also serves on the Committee on Audit. "Brendan's done a tremendous job," McCotter said. "The extension helps promote the independence of the office."

S'craft sponsors consumer conference

Consumers lose an estimated \$40 billion each year to fraudulent telemarketers, and more than half of the victims are people 50 years or older.

For a \$5 registration fee, older adults can arm themselves against senior-targeted crime by attending "Scams, Schemes and Swindles: A Consumer Conference for Senior Adults and Those Working with Older Adults."

The conference, sponsored by Schoolcraft College and the Michigan Sheriffs Association, will be held 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Livonia. Esther Shapiro, former director of consumer affairs for the city of Detroit, is the keynote speaker. Topics will include telemarketing scams, door-to-door and home repair schemes, financial exploitation and working with law enforcement agencies.

A recent American Association of Retired Persons survey showed that the majority of older telemarketing fraud victims regularly contact friends and family, remain in the workforce and participate in various social activities. In other words, they are intelligent people who made an unwise decision. While they may have experienced a recent trauma in their lives, they are not socially isolated nor mentally impaired. This conference will offer senior adults

invaluable tools for avoiding becoming victims of fraud.

The \$5 fee includes a continental breakfast, lunch and a free canvas tote bag with resource materials. Preregistration is required and must be completed by Tuesday, Oct. 20.

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Upon earning her medical degree at Wayne State University, Dr. DiMaggio went on to complete her internship and residency at Providence Hospital. She is a member of the American Medical Association and the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

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Schoolcraft board splits on union contracts

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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Schoolcraft trustees approved contracts with four unions Sept. 30, which will pay the groups' 248 members 3.25 percent annually for four years.

While five trustees supported the contract with the Faculty Forum, the union representing the college's 121 full-time instructors, two trustees abstained, stating they wanted

more time to review the documents.

Supporting the contract were Board President Patricia Watson and trustees Mary Breen, Brian Broderick, Carol Strom and Greg Stempien. Trustees Dick DeVries and Steve Ragan abstained. The three remaining contracts were approved with DeVries joining the same five trustees in support, while Ragan again abstained.

The 13 percent pay hike over

the contract's duration also will be paid to the 69 members of the Schoolcraft College Association of Office Personnel; the 41 physical plant employees of the college's Personnel Association, a part of the Michigan Education Association and National Education Association; and the 27 members of the Schoolcraft College Association of Administrative Personnel.

The agreements include the current fiscal year and last until

2002.

Watson was pleased that the four groups reached four-year agreements, which brings "continued stability" to the college's projected expenses and budgets.

Watson was confident the college's revenue would cover the raises, even with an economic recession. "The administration has demonstrated for many years they are fiscally responsible," Watson said. "I trust their assessment of it. It is a fair and

appropriate settlement."

Ragan abstained because he had "real serious concerns" whether the board could responsibly vote for the contracts. He received a summary sheet that afternoon, hours before the board ratified the agreement. "I don't think it's enough information for something that covers 78 percent of the budget the next four years."

DeVries echoed Ragan's concerns.

Trustees Broderick and Watson believed they had enough time to study the agreement. Watson said the negotiable items and contract issues had been discussed at earlier closed sessions, while Broderick said he didn't believe the two sides would have benefited from delaying the contract.

Broderick said, "The longer you can tie into contracts, then you know where you will go for the next four years."

GOP women honor Sen. Geake

The Suburban Republican Women's Club will host a farewell luncheon for Sen. Robert Geake who is retiring after 21 years in the Michigan State Senate.

The luncheon is planned for noon Thursday, Oct. 22, in Bobby's Country House, Five Mile, just east of Levan, Livonia.

Club members, guests and



elected officials will honor Geake for his service to Michigan.

Geake, a Northville Township resident, is credited for his strong anti-crime measures, such as Michigan's anti-stalking legislation and tougher penalties for drunken driving. He also sponsored streamlining the unemployment insurance system and supported elimination of Michigan's inheritance tax. Besides the state Senate, Geake has served as a state representative.

Cost of the luncheon is \$15. Reservations are due tomorrow. Call 248-471-6659 for more information.

NAACP hosts scholarship dinner

The Western Wayne County Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is sponsoring its annual Fight for Freedom and Scholarship Fund Dinner Sunday, Oct. 18, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 8000 Merriam, Romulus.

A reception is set for 3 p.m. with dinner at 4 p.m. The keynote address will be delivered by Aj D. Jemison, general manager of Fairlane Towne Cen-

ter. Master of ceremonies will be Pamela Morrison Kersey, treasurer, city of Romulus. Honorary chairman is Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano.

Tickets are \$50 per person and including a one-year basic membership in the NAACP. For tickets, contact Leonard Mungo, president, (313) 963-0407, Eugene Thompson, co-chair, (313) 563-8682, or January Bivens, co-chair, (313) 274-9333.

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A kite-flying event has been scheduled for 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, at the Arbor Hills Landfill, 10690 Six Mile in Salem Township, in conjunction with the international One Sky/One World, "Fly a Kite for Peace" day.

BFI will sponsor the event atop the 210-foot-tall landfill, called by organizers "the highest point in southeastern Michigan." Participants are encouraged to bring binoculars to check out the view.

BFI will host Windjammers, a local team of professional kite flyers who will showcase stunt kites and perform synchronized formation flying demonstrations.

Free kites will be distributed while they last. Kite-flying enthusiasts are welcome to bring their own kites and families can pack a picnic lunch. Participants should bring jackets because it is windy at the site.

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City politics

Did the circus come to town?

Is this the city of Plymouth or Capitol Hill?

Monday night was a telltale sign the city of Plymouth is in dire straits. In fact, four former mayors came to the commission chambers in objection to the shenanigans of the past two weeks. One spoke in support of City Manager Steve Walters, who seems to be caught in the middle of all of it.

The commission apparently has four votes to fire Walters, a seven-year employee. The reason why is blurred by allegations and innuendoes.

Led by the mayor, the commission should be ashamed of the way it has acted so childishly with each one calling for the other to resign at Monday's meeting. Never before in Plymouth's history has a city commission been so divided. Although the government body is supposed to be nonpartisan, commissioners have made it clear from the beginning that one side is Democrats and the majority Republicans. Behind-the-scenes bickering has become more and more commonplace at the commission table with personal jabs becoming sport.

Population 9,560, the typical business that

comes before the city the first and third Monday of the month include regulating commercial vehicle parking, awarding a contract for a railroad crossing grade separation and developing a special events policy. How did conducting city business become so discombobulated?

This Monday, the city commission didn't discuss or vote on any of these items. Instead, the items were wiped off the agenda so commissioners could fight behind closed doors - for two and a half hours!

This is the first time city business has been put on hold for political infighting, which began long before the mayor was accused of harassing a female employee or Walters' job was put on the line. Politics has now interfered with the day-to-day operations of the city. Residents of this community should be up in arms. We certainly are.

Plymouth's small-town image is being tarnished by a dysfunctional commission hell-bent on backstabbing each other rather than taking care of their obligatory elected duties. As any first-grade teacher would tell her class of 6-year-olds - quit fooling around and get to the task at hand. And we are telling the city commission to do the same.

MediaOne plan needs scrutiny

So MediaOne wants to be your local telephone service provider, too. We can see it now. Little notices tucked into your phone bill two or three times a year:

Dear customer: Due to the rising costs of acquiring phone lines, premium services, etc., we will be increasing the monthly charge for your basic phone service by \$2. We realize this is the second increase in the last eight months and our rates have gone up far faster than inflation. However, the barriers our industry faces have been almost insurmountable since 1996 re-regulation by the federal government. In response to your demand, we are upgrading our customer service. If your telephone service goes out, please report it and we will issue a credit for missed days on your next bill. We are also offering a discounted basic service package for senior citizens and low-income customers. In exchange for a lower monthly fee, you will be able to call police, fire, medical and up to three, selected friends or family members pre-programmed into your telephone.

The Colorado-based cable provider has already received a license from the Michigan Public Service Commission to provide telephone service in the southeastern Michigan communities it serves, including Plymouth. Approval is still needed from each of the municipalities. Northville Township has chosen not to participate.

The cable provider currently offers local

phone service in Atlanta and plans to expand to Boston and Florida, as well as southeastern Michigan. Long distance telephone service is still handled by a separate provider, chosen by the customer.

"Our research with customers indicates that they want to buy a bundle of services from one provider," said Bill Black, MediaOne spokesman. "We want to provide customers with a complete package of television, telephone and Internet services."

That's all well and good. The Observer believes in competition and a level playing field. If Ameritech can provide cable and Internet service for this area, other communications companies should be able to join the telephone fray.

But residents and local officials need assurances that service will be adequate and timely - and that rates will remain competitive. Based on previous experience in this area, we're not so sure MediaOne is up to that challenge.

That's something Plymouth officials should take into consideration when looking at the local ordinance required before MediaOne can begin offering telephone service. At the very least, the Plymouth City Commission should demand documentation on how the service will be marketed and implemented, staffing levels and how complaints will be handled.

Clean Michigan deserves 'yes'

We urge voters to say "yes" to Proposal C, the Clean Michigan Initiative bond issue on the Nov. 3 ballot.

We laud Republicans and Democrats in both chambers of the Legislature and the Engler administration for putting aside partisan posturing and coming up with a proposal to clean up Michigan lands, waters and parks.

Proposal C is a \$675 million bond issue. About half, \$335 million, will go for "brownfield redevelopment and environmental cleanup." The rest will go to the Clean Water Fund, state parks revitalization, local parks and recreation, waterfronts, control of lead hazards and contaminated river sediments.

Just one question has been raised about the package - the "brownfield" portion. Its chief critic, Geoffrey Fieger, and others raise an honest question about whether it's "corporate welfare." We think not. It's in the public interest of cities, suburbs and farmlands. Here's why:

The 1992 Polluter Pay law backfired. It imposed such strict liability standards that anyone who ever had an interest in the property could have been stuck paying a cleanup bill.

Of course, the real polluter - who may be dead or bankrupt - couldn't be touched. Bankers and other lenders wanted no part of financing a new industrial project on old city land for fear of being stuck with liability.

Result: Business and industrial developers paved over "greenfields," meadows and croplands that used to provide food and recreation. This is known as "urban sprawl," not growth. It's improper stewardship of nature's

resources.

So the state amended the law to change it from a "deep pockets" measure to something more nearly resembling true "polluter pay."

The Proposal C bond money will enable the state to help fund cleanups, with local governments and potential developers, so that old land can be redeveloped. Moreover, it can be redeveloped close to people who need jobs.

It can be used for cleanups, demolitions and treatment where there is no financially viable person - human or corporate - to pay for it. Far from being "corporate welfare," that is the people of Michigan stepping into a vacuum and saving old urban land.

And it will result in more and better jobs than casinos or ball parks.

The \$675 million is \$175 million more than Gov. Engler wanted and \$325 million less than some environmentalists wanted. We are reminded of Alistair Cooke's commentary on American history: "The first three rules of politics are: compromise, compromise, compromise."

Finally, we point out that Proposal C asks no new taxes. The bond issue will be paid off at about \$40 million a year from existing state revenues.

Why bond? To get the job done faster. Economists say a bond issue is a valid way of financing a capital project. The Federal Reserve Board has just lowered the rediscount rate, making borrowing cheaper. This is a perfect time to borrow, and a perfect way to use the money.

Proposal C deserves a "yes" vote on Nov. 3.

Clean waters



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HUNSCHEMANN

Vote yes: The Clean Michigan Initiative bond issue (Proposal C) deserves the support of voters. It will ensure clean waters ahead for our children, such as these students from Field Elementary on a recent trip. The bond asks for no new taxes and will be paid off with existing state revenue.

LETTERS

City needs to work together

I know this is suppose to be a "nonpartisan commission" and people ask me, "How much partisanship can there be in a city the size of Plymouth?" The answer is plenty. It all started that fateful day in November 1997. That's the day I was surprised by certain commissioners looking for me to become mayor of this great city. Do not get me wrong, I would love to be mayor some day of a city of this caliber, but I was somewhat taken aback because I am not affiliated with the Democratic Party.

When I told these commissioners I had chosen to support our current mayor, Donald Dismuke, something to the effect of this was said to me, "We will support and help you, but if you support him, we will make this the most disruptive partisan commission since the city charter was enacted." And with this motion, one of them made himself the self-proclaimed leader of the sour-grapes movement.

I want the citizens to know that I relish and encourage opposing positions in and outside the chamber walls; it allows me additional input to make a better decision. I can also handle the many personal attacks on me, but what really upsets me is when politics becomes so involved that it starts to tear at the fabric of our great city, breaks down city hall and destroys our personal lives, all for the sake of partisan politics.

There are press leaks against the wishes of private individuals, putting the city at great risk and blowing things way out of proportion to embarrass those involved. There are false rumors being spread up and down the streets of the city to wreak havoc in our community.

Some commissioners have even taken it upon themselves to inquire into conduct of city employees without taking that vote against removing items from the agenda regarding a closed session of personal nature, when one, as an attorney, should know the charter will not let us put it on the agenda without the express written permission of the employee. This is all for the sake of politics.

If I sound disappointed, I am. It is not any single issue that haunts us; it is the inappropriate process of resolution that lacks integrity. The whole municipality is to blame. We allow the appropriate process of the city charter, employee handbook and morality to break down in our city by our unwarranted division.

I long for the day of meaningful dialogue that allows us to get back on track to making this the best city in the United States. This commission, with its leadership, has accom-

plished an agenda that has been 20 years in the making and set the road for improvement in the city of Plymouth into the 21st century. Change breeds uncertainty, but we, the city of Plymouth, need to work together to continue our growth. I offer my hand to all those willing to join me.

Joseph C. Koch
Mayor Pro Tem
Plymouth

New vote needed

This is an open letter to Chuck Little and the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education regarding Jerry Vorva and the bond issue for the new high school. Although I do not understand the rulings of the courts regarding Mr. Vorva's lawsuit, I do know that over 700 spoiled ballots in any election decided by only 70 plus votes deserves a second look. It is painfully obvious that the votes of 700 people were not counted!

I have always worn as a badge of pride the fact that my children were fortunate to attend the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. It is one of the biggest reasons we live in Canton. I am appalled at the stall tactics being used by the administration and school board over this election.

Mr. Vorva is right. We need a new election! Stop wasting our tax dollars and get on with it. Hold a new election. If the stumbling block is the new high school, then redo the plan. Get a better one.

All of that is beside the point. Jerry Vorva is not holding up new buses and rooms for our students to attend classes. That is the fault of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools school board and administration.

Carole Jacobs
Canton

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— Philip Power

POINTS OF VIEW

Why not minor league baseball in our own back yard?

Got to thinking the other day: Wouldn't it be great if western Wayne County had its very own minor league baseball team?

Some cynics would argue that such baseball is already available at Michigan and Trumbull, but I don't think the Tigers do the job. We need a real live, honest-to-God minor league team.

As one who frequently travels south on U.S. 23 to see the Toledo Mud Hens, I know just how much fun minor league ball can be. My husband and I have also seen the Lugnuts play in Lansing and hope to get to Battle Creek and Grand Rapids to see those teams play.

Toledo is close to our hearts. In fact, we've been down there to Ned

Skeldon Stadium to see five games this summer, compared to two Tiger games. One journey to Toledo's environs involved an overnight stay and two games; another time, we went with my church group, Geneva Presbyterian of Canton, and stopped in afterward at Tony Packer's, the eatery made famous by Jamie Farr's Klinger of M*A*S*H on TV.

Where to locate our mythical western Wayne team is one concern. Some communities, such as Redford and Garden City, are too built-up to house a ballpark. As a Plymouth Township resident, I selfishly suggest that the team locate close to home, perhaps even within walking distance of our house.

Another major issue is what to name this team. It's hard to come up with names quite as distinctive as the



JULIE BROWN

Mud Hens. Perhaps we could have the Macs, named after Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara. No doubt, some connection to our county's past could be unearthed and put to good use as a name.

My husband and I recently enjoyed another trip to Cooperstown, N.Y., to see the Baseball Hall of Fame and

Museum, which we've seen on three previous visits. One section of the building is devoted to the minor leagues, and I'd be proud to see a western Wayne team listed.

Our region has enjoyed similar hockey success with the Plymouth Whalers in recent years, and it would be great to see that success duplicated with a minor league baseball team. Such a team would give the local economy a shot in the arm as well.

My only regret about minor league baseball is that the season ends so early. Labor Day weekend was our last opportunity to see the Mud Hens this year, so we traveled south that day to see the final game of the season, with the Mud Hens beating the Columbus Clippers 6-1. It would be great to go on fall days and see the

teams play.

The Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum also houses a section devoted to youth baseball. If I can't have a minor league team close to home, it's good to know that local boys and girls are out playing. Soccer and other sports are popular these days, too, but I hope there will always be a place for baseball.

The new stadium the Tigers are going to build won't, at least for me, have quite the same appeal as Ned Skeldon. If only I could convince the Mud Hens to move north...

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Supreme Court to inmates: You should be paying your way

Crime fighters, take heart. The Michigan Supreme Court has upheld the state's right to take 90 percent of a prison inmate's money to help pay the costs of his prison stay.

It seems that James A. Gardner Sr. was sentenced in 1990 for criminal sexual conduct. He had \$370 a month coming in from a long-term disability pension and accumulated \$2,200 in his prison account. Gardner died in 1997.

State Treasurer Doug Roberts sued in Saginaw Circuit Court under the State Correctional Facility Reimbursement Act asking for 90 percent of the stash, and won.

But the Court of Appeals, in a decision by Judge Marilyn Kelly (now on the Supreme Court) and Myron Wahls (running for re-election in the Wayne County area), said no, a 60-percent garnishment was enough.

Kelly & Co. said the federal Consumer Credit Protection Act governed.

Roberts appealed.

The Supreme Court, on a 6-0 vote on Sept. 9, overturned the Court of Appeals and said Roberts could collect 90 percent. Hard-nosed conservative justices like Clifford Taylor and Elizabeth Weaver joined Chief Justice Conrad Mallett Jr., Michael Cavanagh, Patricia Boyle and James Brickley on this one. They didn't even ask for oral arguments.

The justices said the federal law was meant to protect debtors from bankruptcy and block predatory extensions of credit. By limiting the amount that can be garnished from a person's earnings, Congress sought to allow a debtor the means to avoid falling further behind, the justices said.

"The present case, by contrast, involves a prisoner who is properly required to compensate the citizenry for the cost of incarceration. He is not the victim of a debtor-creditor relationship gone bad. Rather, he is sim-



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ply paying a portion of his current living expenses."

Attorney General Frank Kelley's staff argued the case on behalf of the treasurer.

On a county matter, however, Kelley said a county prosecutor can't require a defendant to pay costs as a condition of plea-bargaining.

His Sept. 16 opinion, requested by Rep. Allen Lowe, R-Graying, draws a line between those who have been convicted and those who are merely

charged.

"If a defendant has been found guilty... the court may place the defendant on probation. As a condition of probation, the court may require the defendant to pay costs.

"Such costs, however, are limited to expenses specifically incurred in prosecuting the defendant, in providing legal assistance to the defendant, and in providing probation supervision of the defendant," Kelley said.

But costs can't be imposed before someone is convicted.

"The reason for this is clear. The use of such a power by a prosecutor could give rise to the unseemly appearance that justice was for sale," he said. In other words, a defendant can't agree to pay money in return for reduction or dismissal of criminal charges.

Kelley's legal opinion reveals none of the facts underlying Rep. Lowe's question. But one can use a little imagination and guess that some up-

North prosecutor was putting a price on plea-bargaining down a charge.

Some folks denounce plea-bargaining - the practice of offering to plead guilty to a lesser charge to avoid going to trial and prison on a greater charge. But it's here to stay, the attorney general said.

"This is not to suggest that a prosecutor cannot engage in plea bargaining with a criminal defendant, including negotiations as to what conditions a convicted defendant's sentence might include. The Michigan Supreme Court has acknowledged the prevalence of plea bargaining, its constitutionality, and the reality that a defendant's sentence is the primary focus of such bargaining."

This should provide a reality check for folks who watch too many lawyer shows on TV.

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U-M vital to the state's economy

A couple of weeks ago, Gov. John Engler kicked off the first Governor's Innovation Forum by announcing the results of a survey showing that Michigan's businesses and universities need to find better ways to work together to create high-tech jobs in the state.

"By working together to shape our future, we are guaranteeing the creation of high-tech jobs and increasing the competitiveness of Michigan business," said the governor's prepared remarks. "We have to focus on the importance of technology, and the role our universities and industries play in preparing Michigan for the knowledge-based economy of the 21st century."

A troubling finding from the survey: 64 percent of business and 42 percent of university respondents said non-Michigan universities provide the best research for industry. "The University of Michigan is the No. 1 research university in the country," said Jobs Commission spokeswoman Susan Schafer. "Unfortunately, business and academic leaders in Michigan don't tap that resource enough."

I agree. Ever since I've been on the Board of Regents at the University of Michigan, I've been bothered by the disconnect between U-M's high standing in sponsored research (currently \$495 million, tops among U.S. public universities) and the relatively meager number of spin-offs in southeastern Michigan. The contrast between Michigan and Route 128 around Boston's MIT or California's Silicon Valley around Stanford couldn't be sharper.

(Alert readers may remember that I'm a candidate for re-election to the Board of Regents. So, in addition to being alert for any bias that might slip into this column, readers should realize that I am writing from direct personal experience.)

One potential resolution of the disconnect between the business and university communities is to create an institutional structure that regularly brings together top leadership from both. Many other states, for example, have some version of a business-university roundtable. Attendance is confined to CEOs or presidents, people who can commit their institutions. The agenda is flexible, although usually organized around the theme of business-university collaboration.

There were some hesitant steps toward starting a higher education-business roundtable taken while Jim Duderstadt was president of U-M, but the effort never really got off the ground. Maybe the time has come for another try.

Another more concrete approach is to look hard at the barriers to technology transfer from university labs into the private sector. Many universities, for example, have an academic culture that discourages professors from becoming



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entrepreneurs. Others have conflict of interest rules that hobble researchers from getting into business.

I got interested in this part of the problem back in 1996. U-M interim President Homer Neal (a world-class high-energy physicist) drew my attention to the fact that the U-M bylaw on technology transfer failed to state that moving discoveries out of the lab to the private sector was a proper objective for the university. Moreover, the rules were unclear about whether professors could properly receive royalties from their inventions while still serving as members of the faculty.

So there were few incentives at the U-M, whether financial or cultural, to encourage professors to behave like their counterparts at Stanford or MIT and commercialize their research work.

I had a hand in rewriting that bylaw. Transferring discoveries from the lab to the private sector was set out as an appropriate mission for the U-M, while the disincentives in the policy governing researchers and royalties were reduced. The Board of Regents adopted the new version unanimously.

It seems to have worked. In 1998, revenues related to U-M technology jumped to \$6.8 million, compared to less than \$2 million in previous years. The university granted 43 licenses for companies to use U-M technology discoveries, up from 27 in 1994.

Start-up companies using U-M technology are now a gossip staple in Ann Arbor bars, while the University of Michigan has made it clear that venture capitalists and entrepreneurs are an important and welcome partners.

It likely will take a while, but it's vital to Michigan's economic future to encourage our universities to play a role as an enormous asset in driving the economy of the next century.

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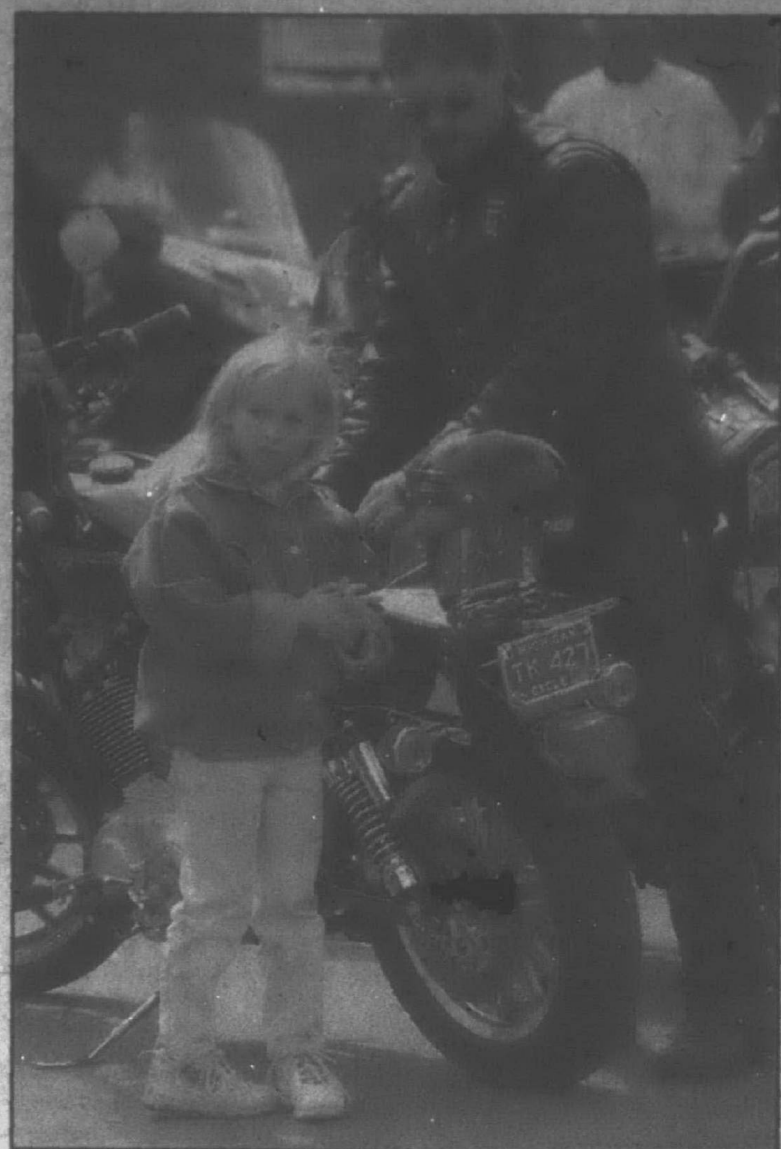
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Sunday fun: Above left, Jenny Domke of Canton (left), Maggie Oestrich, 8, and Brianna Domke, 7, taste some chili at the third annual Plymouth Chili CookOff. Above, Gregg Markowski of Clarkston pours a taste of his, "Better Than a Hot Poker in the Eye Chili." At right, Samantha Lee, 6, takes in some of the other motorcycles as her dad, Mike, of Garden City parks his Harley. Left, Natalie Fergueron of Sterling Heights holds "Crackers," a six-year-old Scarlett Macaw owned by former Canton Township Supervisor Bob Greenstein.

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Life in burbs: gotta love it

You've just gotta love it. Life in the suburbs. Swing sets and Weber grills in the backyards. Fireplaces and projection TVs in the family rooms. Norman Rockwell America - 1990s style.

A sampling of recent newspaper headlines tells the story:

"Police hit streets in undercover stings"

Farmington Observer

In the city of Farmington, police unleashed a 17-year-old undercover agent to attempt to "sting" 19 businesses that sell alcoholic beverages. None of the places took the bait. The kid couldn't even buy a beer at Luigi's Trattoria. Police said they were happy they didn't have to issue any citations. But they'll try again next year.

In nearby Farmington Hills, however, 18 of 62 businesses that were stung by underage "decoys" were busted for selling cigarettes to the youthful sleuths. One of the agents, a 15-year-old girl working undercover, expressed some remorse after snitching on a drugstore cashier who sold her a pack of Marlboro Lights.

"I feel so bad ... she's somebody's grandma," the teenagent said.

Well, she shouldn't feel bad. Back in the 1950s and '60s, when the John Birch Society was running wild seeking out Communists, The Chad Mitchell Trio recorded a song parodying the witch hunts. One line from the song has always stuck with me:

"If mommy is a Commie, then you gotta turn her in."

And if grandma sells smokes to an undercover teenagent, she's gonna get busted.

"Police to collar truant students"

Westland Observer

Middle school and high school students in the Wayne-Westland school district had better think again before skipping school. Starting this week, they could be the object of police hunts.

Under a plan developed by police and school officials, John Glenn High School and the district's three middle schools can each furnish the police with three names per day of truant students.

"We'll go to their homes or places where they hang out," a Westland police lieutenant said. If a student is "legitimately absent" he'll be left alone, but if he's just skipping school, he'll be given a police escort back to class.

The schools say they are only going after repeat truants or students they've already tried to locate, but the plan for police roundups is just one of several measures planned to provide what Superintendent Greg Baracy called "a safe environment in which all students can learn and have fun in our schools."

Other plans for producing a "safe" and "fun" environment include hot-lines to the Wayne and Westland police departments that will accept "anonymous tips" about students who may be involved with weapons, drugs or gangs and periodic parking lot and locker searches using police dogs.

Like they say, it takes a village to raise a child. And apparently the village needs a good police department.

"22 sites notified of blight law violations"

Farmington Observer

Back in Farmington, those businesses that managed to stay clean during the alcohol and tobacco stings aren't necessarily off the hook. They'd better look clean, too.

According to the city building inspector, 22 commercial properties have violated the local "blight ordinance." The violations included such things as ugly parking lots, overfilled trash bins and broken fences.

If the property owners don't clean up their act (or their property) they'll face court appearances and fines, and if that doesn't work they could be looking at 90 days of jail time.

"Proposed home for girls narrowly rejected"

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ONE SPAWN LEADS TO ANOTHER

■ An office building in Plymouth Township serves as the headquarters for toy manufacturer McFarlane Toys, which has brought such products as Kiss and "The X-Files" dolls to the marketplace.

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McFarlane Toys in Plymouth Township is any cult lover's dream.

Hundreds of "Spawn" dolls, hockey jerseys, coffee mugs, shot glasses, comic books and baseball hats fill the showroom just inside non-descript office building.

The walls are lined with multiple sets of the artist/entrepreneur's "Dark Ages Spawn," "The X-Files," and Kiss dolls. One room in the complex is dedicated to a collection of hockey pucks, another to collectible toys.

"It's a house of junk," said Paul Burke, the co-CEO of McFarlane Toys, with a laugh. "We do so much of it that we're kind of jaded by it. I've been in meetings where I thought we were bootlegged and it turns out it something we've done that I've never seen before."

It's not junk to everyone. Sales of the first line of Kiss dolls burned through toy stores. Now, in conjunction with the release of Kiss's new album "Psycho Circus" (Mercury), a second line has been introduced. They're going just as fast, according to Burke.

"He has the uncanny ability to know what things sell," Burke said about Todd McFarlane.

The action figures capture both the alter-egos of each Kiss member as portrayed in McFarlane's Kiss "Psycho Circus" comic books along with expanding upon the traditional Kiss look. Each package contains two figures, each at least 5 inches tall, and numerous accessories. The four sets of figures include Gene Simmons with Ring Master, Paul Stanley with Jester, Peter Criss with Animal Wrangler and Ace Frehley with Stiltman.

The Kiss-McFarlane collaboration came about after a meeting in Phoenix.

"Gene Simmons is a comic fan and always has been; I made my reputation as a comic book artist," McFarlane explained. "Somewhere along the line, he became aware of my career. Somebody arranged a meeting, so we got together in Phoenix after a concert."

"I gave him the same speech that I give everyone. I'm not as big as the other guys. I cannot canvass the planet as thoroughly, but I'll make the best



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURCHMANN

toys. Take it for what it's worth. I do a lot of things that are more niche-oriented. I don't believe the big company can understand the market and try to get them out."

The blood-spitting, tongue-wagging Simmons bought it.

Delving into music

McFarlane has continued to delve into the music business. He recently did the animated video for Pearl Jam's "Do the Evolution," its first in six years, and designed the cover art for Korn's top-selling album "Follow the Leader."

"With Kiss, people ask me if I'm a big fan of their music. I say not really in all honesty. I could say the same for Pearl Jam and for Korn. I don't really have the luxury of listening to music during the day. But what I am a fan of is what they represent," McFarlane said. "If you see Kiss up on stage, I think they're brilliant entertainers, we can debate if they're the best musicians on the planet another time."

"The Korn fellas are just about youth and about immortality. You see their crowd and see that they are at a point in their lives where they think a building could fall on them and they still think they could walk away from it."

As for Pearl Jam, he's proud of the Ticketmaster boycott the group created.

"They're the small guy who's fighting against the big systems and there's a

bit of an attitude attached to that," he said. "All the people I kind of hang around with fall into that category."

Up next, Burke said, may be a doll of shock-rocker-turned-glam star Marilyn Manson, who plays the State Theatre in Detroit on Monday, Nov. 16.

"I would definitely be into working more in the future with Todd McFarlane in any capacity," Manson said.

McFarlane owns, writes, draws and publishes "Spawn," which he created in 1992. The character is an avenger from beyond the grave who makes a deal with the devil to be reunited with his wife one last time.

"He's kind of the new wave single character of like what I think they (readers) think Batman should be if he started in the 1990s," McFarlane said.

"Spawn" has sold more than 120 million copies worldwide in more than 120 countries in 15 languages. It consistently outsells "Batman," "Superman" and "Spiderman" comics, according to Carmen Bryant, publicity director for McFarlane Toys.

The comic book line spawned a movie by the same name which made its mark as New Line Cinema's fourth-largest opening ever, No. 1 release in 1997 and exceeded \$50 million in 19 days. A follow-up is tentatively scheduled for the year 2000.

Earlier this year, McFarlane was named the Ernst and Young 1998 Arizona Entrepreneur of the Year in the Communications and Entertainment

Work in progress: Todd McFarlane (below) owns, writes, draws and publishes "Spawn," which he created in 1992, and its popularity has led to a movie and possible sequel and an action figure available from his McFarlane Toys in Plymouth Township.



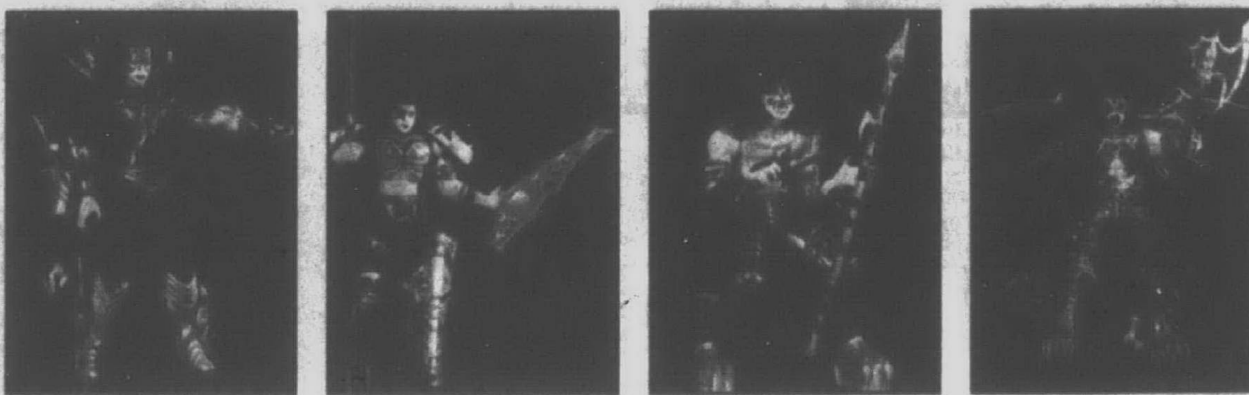
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Burke and McFarlane met when Burke was producing the television series "Comic Book Greats." Burke, who had previously owned Stabur and Caliber Press Comics, seemed like a natural choice to head up the toy end of the business, McFarlane explained.

Because Burke lives in Plymouth, McFarlane headquartered the company there.

"When I started the company, I enlisted his help and it didn't really

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Hot Items: In conjunction with their latest release, "Circus Psycho," McFarlane Toys has come up with a second line of Kiss dolls, featuring Ace Frehley (from left), Paul Stanley, Peter Criss and Gene Simmons.

Volunteers find work with ROW rewarding



Child's play: Karen Smith (wearing a hat) and Noreen Owen found the children in the villages along the Sankuru River eager to join in a game of "Ring Around the Rosie."

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The first thing Noreen Owen did when she got home after her two-week trip was take a shower and put on scented deodorant.

The shower was a far cry from the baths she took in the muddy waters of the Sankuru River in the Congo.

"And we felt clean when we got out," said the Livonia resident. "The things you take for granted here are priceless there. The children beg for pens and pencils to have something to write with."

Owen and Detroit Karen Smith were members of a Rivers of the World mission trip to the former Zaire this past summer. The eight men and three women spent a half day in each of four villages along the Sankuru, where 500-600 people were treated for onchocerciasis, or river blindness.

In addition to Owen and Smith, the team included a pediatrician who's father and grandfather were missionaries and who planned to go back to Africa to

start a medical practice, and a two-person CNN news crew that was doing a piece about ROW, an international exploration and development agency, founded by Ben Mathes.

It was the first time ROW had been to the villages. The agency targets the world's most remote rivers in its drive to eradicate river blindness, a disease caused by the bite of a black fly.

Getting to the villages was an arduous trip for the group which spent much of the two weeks in transit. The team waited in the capital of Kinshasa for two days, while the CNN crew tried to get permission to film in the country. Turned down, they headed home, while the remaining 11 team members flew aboard an aging Congo Airlines plane to Kanaga.

The flight was followed by a 10-hour, 120-mile ride to a mission house where they napped for two hours before embarking on an eight-hour, 56-mile boat trip on the Lubi River to the city of Lusambo on the Sankuru River.

"We spent most of our time traveling," said Owen.

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matter to me where it was located. He could have worked out of his back yard," McFarlane said. "The two have more in common than just comics." "We are both hockey nuts," Burke said. "The duo owns a small percentage of the Edmonton Oilers and Hamilton Bulldogs hockey teams. "We're also the No. 1 sponsor of the Plymouth Whalers and have youth teams that play all over North America," Burke said. "We hope to get some kind of championship this year." Hockey was slow to grow on McFarlane. Growing up in southern California, he was reared on baseball. But being

Canadian born, he eventually learned to love hockey. "Being a Canadian and moving back there when I was a little bit older, it seeps into your psyche and you go psycho over it," he said. "It's like a religion there." "We ended up owning a piece of the Edmonton Oilers because the Americans are trying to take it away from us. We thought we'd save it from the Yankees." McFarlane is tentatively scheduled to return to town to appear as part of "Spawn Night" during the Vipers game Saturday, Dec. 5, at Compuware Arena. Besides the hockey teams, Burke and McFarlane give back to the Plymouth community by

donating toys during the holiday season. But adults seem to be the biggest fans of McFarlane's toys and "Spawn," according to Burke. He explained that several hockey players have been "killed" in Spawn comics and that they consider it an honor. McFarlane said that he tries to keep the association vague. "I use last names like Fedorov and Shanahan. Like LaPointe, is that Martin or is it Claude for the Islanders?" he said. "Sometimes I don't actually give the first name. I made probably 20 of them (comic book characters). Some of them are kind of showy." But not everyone is crazy

about McFarlane toys and comics. "I'm being sued right now by one of them (hockey players) for defamation. They didn't like being killed. I guess they don't get the joke." The money will pay to treat 6,000 cases of river blindness, give 5,000 immunizations, provide public health education and let the people hear about the gospel. Donations can be sent to Rivers of the World, 5885 Cumming Highway, Box 108-357, Sugar Hill, GA 30518. The trip was a costly venture for the women who needed some \$10,000 for the equipment and airfare. And in spite of the expense and the delays, Owen said she would do it again. "I would go back in a minute; I'd love to go back," she said. "It was a real blessing to be with the people in the villages and with a great team."

while others had clothing "that looked like you wouldn't use for car rag," Owen said. **What's for dinner?** While the villagers grow pineapples, mangoes, papayas and rice and raise chickens and goats, the team skipped the native cuisine and dined on a lot of rice with palm oil and jessie (a spinach-like leaf) and had stale bread with peanut butter for breakfast. The food was far different than what they saw in the markets in Kinshasa where vendors sold such things as live bugs and smoked bats, and in bars which served mixed bugs with drinks. "There's not a lot of malnutrition; they're in the rain forest, so they have a lot of access to food," Owen said. "But the kids' stomachs are puffed out like they're malnourished because they have worms." "The medicine we give them for river blindness will treat some of the worms, but we need to educate them on sanitation and how to do things, then the

medicine would be more effective." **Traveling with the group to the villages were two men, Oomba and Shamba, who are continuing ROW's mission. Team members have been asked to each raise \$3,000 to support the program for three months.** The money will pay to treat 6,000 cases of river blindness, give 5,000 immunizations, provide public health education and let the people hear about the gospel. Donations can be sent to Rivers of the World, 5885 Cumming Highway, Box 108-357, Sugar Hill, GA 30518. The trip was a costly venture for the women who needed some \$10,000 for the equipment and airfare. And in spite of the expense and the delays, Owen said she would do it again. "I would go back in a minute; I'd love to go back," she said. "It was a real blessing to be with the people in the villages and with a great team."

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We drove 10 hours through the night on something they called roads and I'd call piles of dirt, and the boat was a dugout canoe that had a motor on it." The team spent another day in Lusambo waiting for permission to go ahead with their mission work before heading up the Senkuru River to the villages. Owen and Smith also interacted with the children, teaching them how to play "Ring Around the Rosie" and do the "chicken" dance, and spent time with the women who "do about 90 percent of the work." Smith also had the children sign a banner she had brought on the trip that she took back to her and Owen's home church, St. Paul's Presbyterian in Livonia. Owen also spent time with a pregnant woman who would walk up and down the mountain daily to get fire wood and plant food. "The women were more in shape than the men," Owen said. "They do all the cooking, planting, harvesting and child rearing. I'd say a half percent of American women could do what an African woman does on a daily basis." They also observed the cultural differences in the villages which had a class system. Some villagers had money and wore clothing that looked like it was out of a J.C. Penney catalog

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Spirits were good

"It wasn't as bad as I thought it would be," said Owen of her first impressions of the villages. "The spirit of the people was good. The children were intrigued by white people, and the villagers were very open, welcoming and accepting of our presence." There's no vaccination or cure for river blindness, so the team administered the human version of Mectizan, used to treat heartworms in dogs and horses. The drug kills the young parasites, but doesn't kill off the adult worms, which do die off after eight to 10 years. If treated every 12-18 months with the Mectizan, people are less prone

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Redford Observer This is one of those typical NIMBY stories. The folks who run Boysville submitted a plan to establish a residence for girls who have run afoul of the law, to finish their "correctional pro-

gram," but don't have a place to live. They wanted to convert a former convent behind Bishop Borgess High School on Plymouth Road, but nearby residents objected and planning commissioners voted 4-5 to reject the application. I don't particularly blame the people in the neighborhood for their concerns. But down in Joliet, Ill., a local resident has collected more than 100 signatures from people in his neighborhood to prevent a zoning change to the house next door to him.







The change would allow four single women to live in the house (three have already moved in) and would also allow three guest rooms where visitors could stay for up to 30 days. "Who are these women?" you may ask. Well, they're not what you may be thinking. They're nuns. Members of the Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart, who work at the nearby St. Joseph Medical Center. While the order has a convent in Frankfort about 20 miles away, the nuns say the house in Joliet is much more convenient

for nuns who work at the hospital. But Paul Masters, the resident who circulated the petition, said, "This is a single-family residential area, and we just don't like to have any variances." You've gotta love it. Life in the suburbs. Norman Rockwell America - 1990s style. Jack Gladden is a copy editor for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. He lives in Canton Township. You can e-mail him at jgladden@oe.homecomm.net.

ATTENTION
theater groups, schools and charity organizations
Laurel Park Place would like to donate props, used in past display and Christmas setup to a group(s) who would put it to good use. If your group is interested in any of these items, a written response must be received by Friday, October 16, 1998 including a paragraph indicating who would benefit from such a donation, and how it would be put to use. Also, please indicate first, second, and third choices of props and quantities, along with contact name, address and phone numbers to:
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CALENDAR

WEEKEND

WELCOMING
 Madonna University's 1998 Homecoming will be 11 a.m., Sunday, Oct. 11, in the University Chapel followed by a brunch at noon in the University Center. Features include a "President's update," video highlights of Madonna University, a World Wide Web demonstration, entertainment and prizes. The cost is \$7 per person. For more information, please call the alumni office at (734) 432-5603.

LAKE POINTE BIBLE CHAPEL
 A world wide kids' club that meets once a week. AWANA provides an opportunity for children ages 5-12 to learn Bible verses and participate in games and theme nights. Each age group has its own uniform and a handbook of activities. The program meets 7-8:30 p.m., Sunday evenings at Lake Pointe Bible Chapel, 42150 Schoolcraft (east of Haggerty). Call (734) 420-0515 or (313) 563-5990.

HAUNTED WAREHOUSE
 The Plymouth Canton Jaycees are sponsoring its annual Haunted Warehouse 7-11 p.m., Sunday through Thursday, and 7 p.m. to midnight, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 8-9; 15-31 and Nov. 1. Cost is \$7 per person; \$5 age 7 and younger. The Haunted Warehouse will be at 340 N. Main, Plymouth (directly behind the Plymouth Landing Restaurant).

CARD PARTY
 The VFW No. 6695 Auxiliary is sponsoring a luncheon and card party from 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the VFW No. 6695 Hall, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth. Tickets are \$6. Lunch is served until 12:30 p.m., card playing until 3 p.m. There will also be a bake sale and boutique. Tickets are available at the door. This event is open to the public.

CASTING CALL
 The Friends of the Canton Public Library will present the annual Mystery Dinner at 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 16-17. Tickets are available at the library reception desk for the family-style dinner and an evening of intrigue and prizes. Call (734) 397-0999 for more information.

DANCE CLASSES
 Country Line Dance Beginners class meets from 8:30-9:30 p.m. Sundays at the Livonia Seniors Center, Five Mile and Farmington roads. No experience or partner needed; \$20 for five lessons. Instructor is Bill Peterson. For more information, call (734) 425-8447.

LISTENING CLASS
 Madonna University in Livonia will offer the social work course "Empathy Listening Skills" in the fall. Students may choose from these dates: In October on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 16-17, and in November on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 13-14. The class meets 6-10 p.m. Fridays; 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturdays. The non-credit fee is \$100. Students earn 1.5 continuing education units. Madonna University is at I-96 and Levan in Livonia. Students may register by mail, fax or in person. The course is also available for degree credit, even if not an admitted student. Call (734) 432-5364.

HONORING GEAKE
 State Sen. Robert Geake, whose 9th District covers Livonia, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Redford Township and part of Canton, will be honored with a farewell luncheon by the Suburban Republican

Women's Club at noon Thursday, Oct. 22, at Bobby's Country House in Livonia. Geake will be honored for his 21 years in the Senate. Tickets are \$15. Call (248) 471-5659 by Oct. 9 for a seat.

PIANO TEACHERS FORUM
 The Livonia Area Piano Teachers Forum will meet Oct. 7. For details, call (248) 473-6996.

SINGLES' EVENTS
 Single Place holds a walk in the park 10 a.m. every Saturday at Heritage Park, between 10 Mile and 11 Mile, on Farmington Road in Farmington.

Single Place holds the following social events every Sunday: worship 11 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary; brunch 12:30 p.m. at Northville Crossing Restaurant, 18900 Northville Road, Northville; coffee and cards, 6 p.m. at Tuscan Cafe, 150 N. Center, Northville.

MAYBURY STATE PARK
 Maybury Farm will offer horse-drawn hayrides 1-4 p.m. each Saturday and Sunday through October (weather permitting). For a nominal fee, enjoy the changes of autumn as you travel the old farm fields and hedgerows. Maybury Farm is in Maybury State Park on Eight Mile, one mile west of Beck, in Northville Township. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry to the park. For additional information, call the park office at (248) 349-8390.

Maybury State Park will offer a guided bird identification hike at 8 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 10. Meet at the concession building in the main parking area for a walk through woods and fields in search of birds of the season. These regularly scheduled hikes give us a chance to observe bird species seen in the park and record dates, locations, and trends from year to year. Maybury State Park is on Eight Mile, one mile west of Beck in Northville Township. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry. For more information, please call the park office at (248) 349-8390.

Come to Maybury State Park for the eighth annual Harvest festival. This year's celebration takes place from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11. Many hands-on activities and demonstrations will be featured, including weaving and spinning, rope making, blacksmithing, cider pressing, grain milling, and corn shelling. The children's activity area features a hay maze, pumpkin decorating, and fall harvest games. Refreshments and a horse-drawn hayride to the pumpkin patch. Maybury State Park is on Eight Mile, one mile west of Beck, in Northville Township. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry. For more information, please call the park office at (248) 349-8390.

COED BASKETBALL CLINIC
 Canton Parks and Recreation will present youth coed basketball clinics Saturdays through Oct. 24. Clinics for students in grades three-five will be 9-10:30 a.m., and clinics for grades six-eight will be 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Summit on the Park gymnasium. Cost is \$54 for annual pass holders, \$60 for residents and \$72 for non-residents. Call (734) 397-5110.

THEATER TRIP
 Canton Project Arts is planning a bus trip to the newly restored and relocated Gem Theater in Detroit to see the hit musical comedy "I Love You, You're



Street art: Craft-goers enjoyed the third annual Old Village Arts & Crafts Fair between Starkweather and Mill, north of Main Street, last weekend. The event coincided with the Plymouth Chili Cookoff and Harley-Davidson bike show.

Perfect, Now Change" at 6 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 11. The matinee performance features cabaret seating on the main floor, along with a bar. Tickets may be bought at Canton's Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center and are \$22.50 per person, which includes theater ticket and bus transportation.

AROUND TOWN

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS
 The Plymouth Community Chorus is raising money by selling the Entertainment Ultimate book. Each book contains hundreds of two-for-one and 50-percent discounts on dining, travel, shopping, movies, special events, sports and more. The books are \$40. Proceeds from the sales help pay for the Plymouth Charitable and Educational Activities. To order, contact Stan at (734) 459-8829.

Entertainment 99 Books are on sale by the Plymouth Optimist Club. All proceeds will be used for children causes throughout southeast Michigan. Entertainment books offer up to 50-percent savings on dining, movies, special events, theater, travel, car washes and more. Price is \$40. Home-delivered. Call Ken Fisher at (734) 728-7619 or Bill Von Glahn at (734) 453-8253.

The seniors of Divine Savior Catholic Church are selling Entertainment 99 savings books. Call Joanne at 464-1263 or Dolores at 464-0369.

The 1998 Ultimate Entertainment Book, offering 50-percent discount coupons at hundreds of restaurants and discounts for many other services and events, is available from the Plymouth Symphony League by calling 453-3016. You also can pick up your copy at the Plymouth Symphony Office, 819 Penniman in downtown Plymouth (451-2112). The Ultimate Entertainment Book is \$40, with all

proceeds used to support the Plymouth Symphony.

BLOOD DRIVE
 The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will visit from 3-9 p.m. Tuesday Oct. 13 in the Community Room at the Radcliff Center. One donor will win a one-night stay for two at the Courtyard by Marriott at Six Mile and I-275. The certificate is good for a Friday, Saturday or Sunday night and is good for one year. To schedule an appointment, please call (734) 462-4400, Ext. 6470 or 5050. Walk-in donors are welcome. The Radcliff Center is at 1751 Radcliff, just south of Ford between Wayne and Merriman roads, in Garden City.

SUMMIT ON THE PARK EVENTS
 The American Okinawan Karate Academy of Canton teaches self defense, self-control and self esteem through Ieshinryu style karate. Classes are held for all levels from 7-8:30 p.m., and for black belts from 8:30-9:30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays through Jan. 28 (16 weeks) at Summit on the Park, gymnasium for ages 6 and older. Fee is \$78 for annual pass holder, \$85 for residents and \$93 for non-resident. Instructor is Sam Santilli, seventh-degree black belt.

SAFETY DAY
 Canton Home Depot and the Canton Township Department of Public Safety will sponsor Safety Day from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the parking lot at the Canton Home Depot. The Canton Fire Department will be on hand with their Fire and Smoke Safety House, with some of their fire/rescue vehicles, equipment and safety material. The Canton Police Department will also be on hand with D.A.R.E. and crime prevention officers and information along with many police cars, motorcycles, K-9, mobil command and S.W.A.T. Also appearing

will be the University of Michigan Life Flight helicopter and its crew. There will also be free snow cones, cotton candy and popcorn along with a hot dog and a soda for \$1. For more information, call Home Depot at (734) 844-7300.

FLORAL DESIGN
 Learn the basic principals and elements of floral design from 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays, through Oct. 28 (five weeks) at Summit on the Park, Canton. Students will learn a comprehensive study of basic floral designs as well as care, handling, maintenance tips, flower classifications and mechanics. Each week you will take home a fresh flower arrangement. Fee is \$68 for annual pass holders, \$72 for residents, and \$76 for non-residents. There will also be a supply fee of \$91, that is paid to the instructor the first night of class. This class is taught by Keller & Stein. Call (734) 397-5110.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
 Plymouth-Canton Head Start, in Central Middle School, is looking for volunteers to help in the classroom with large-group activities, assist children during recess, participate in the Learning Centers (art, computer, library, etc.) and assist during mealtimes. If you have a morning or afternoon free, Monday-Thursday, please call 416-6196. Seniors and retirees in the Plymouth-Canton area are especially welcome.

FISH
 Do you have one or two hours a month to help your neighbors? Fish of Plymouth/Canton is a volunteer group that is available to help other Plymouth/Canton residents with transportation to doctor or dentist appointments, errands or other tasks neighbors help neighbors do. Please call (734) 261-1011 to volunteer or for more information.

SEMINARS

There will be an "Advanced Living Trust" seminar from 1-3 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 8, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer (between North Territorial and Five Mile off Sheldon). Guest speaker will be Paul Leduc, financial consultant. The event is free of charge and open to the public.

There will be "Advanced Living Trust" seminar from 1-3 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 14, at the Novi Civic Center Complex, 45175 E. 10 Mile. (Between Novi Road and Taft). Guest speaker will be Paul Leduc, financial consultant. The event is free of charge and open to the public.

SAFE HALLOWEEN PARTY
 The clubs and organizations of the student activities office of Schoolcraft College will host the Children's Safe Halloween Party from 6-9 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 31, at the Waterman Campus Center, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Tickets are \$6 per child, which includes two adults, \$3 for additional adults. Advance ticket sales only. For more information, please call (734) 462-4422.

HALLOWEEN DANCE
 St. John Neumann's Singles is hosting its annual Halloween dance at 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, on Warren Road west of Sheldon. Doors open at 8 p.m., and tickets are available at the door for \$8. The dance includes pizza, pop, and a top-40 DJ to spin the latest tunes. No blue jeans. Costumes are a must. You must be over 21. For more information, please call Patrick at (313) 277-6083, Jim at (734) 454-4269 or the St. John Neumann's hot line at (734) 480-7830.

MAH JONGG
 The Plymouth area mah jongg players are looking for new members. Group meets one afternoon a week for mah jongg and dessert. If you don't know how to play, we will teach you. If interested, please call Jan at (734) 455-7545.

CRAFTERS NEEDED
 The city of Plymouth Recreation Department has limited openings in its 22nd annual Christmas arts and crafts show. The show will be n Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 27-29, at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Show hours are from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Show admission and parking are free. An eight-foot table space is \$95. Crafters interested in being in the show should call show director Carol Donnelly at (734) 455-8620.

YOUTH ACTIVITY NIGHT
 There will be a youth activity night from 5-6:45 p.m. (dinner provided), every Wednesday for students in first through eighth grades at The Salvation Army, 9451 S. Main, Plymouth. Activities range from safety issues at home and outside the home, dealing with peer pressure, being more active in your community, to camping and sports. For more information, call Bill Moritz at (734) 453-5464.

CRAFT SHOW
 Delta Kappa Gamma will sponsor its 13th annual scholarship craft show fair from 9-4 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 24, at West Middle School. Proceeds pay for Canton and Salem graduates' college scholarships. Over 90 juried crafters. \$2 admission, and \$1 for seniors, children under 12 free. An Amish quilt raffle and lunch available.

SKATIN' STATION

There will be a mom and tot (5 years and younger) preschool skate from 10-11:30 a.m. every Thursday at the Skatin' Station II, 8611 Ronda, Canton. Cost is \$3.50 per person. Cost includes skates, animal crackers and drink. Strollers and push toys are welcome. There will be children's music and games.

There will be rollersize skate (adults only) from 11 a.m.-1 p.m., every Tuesday at the Skatin' Station II, 8611 Ronda, Canton. Admission is \$4, skate rental \$2. Skate while the kids are in school to contemporary music. Call (734) 459-6401.

NATURE
 Summer Nights Under the Stars, presented by Howell Nature Center, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Monday evening Oct. 12. Cost is \$8 per person. Guests may enjoy many of the center's nature programs such as gatherings around the campfire and cooking dinner together.

SCHOOL OPENINGS

Tutor Time, 951 N. Canton Center, Canton, is enrolling children ages 6 weeks to 5 years. School hours are 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Contact Donna Pomerson at (734) 981-8463.

Openings exist for fall 1998 for students in second through fifth grade at New Morning School, a state-certified and licensed non-profit school. Call (734) 420-3331.

Small World Day Care in Canton, on Joy, between Haggerty and Newburgh, is accepting applications for enrollment. Call (734) 459-9909.

St. Michael Christian School, 7000 N. Sheldon, is accepting registration for new students in kindergarten through third grade. The school offers a low student-teacher ratio. Christian teachers at a state-certified facility. Call (734) 459-9720.

Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery has openings in all classes for children 2-5 years old. Contact Michelle at (734) 421-6196.

Garfield Co-op has programs for children 18 months to 5 years, in Livonia at Cass Elementary, 34633 Munger, south of Six Mile and west of Farmington Road. For more information, call (734) 462-0135.

SUPPORT GROUPS

PARKINSON'S
 The Parkinson Education and Support Group of Washtenaw County meets 1:30-4 p.m. on the second Sunday of the month in the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, Building 5305, near parking lot P. Call (313) 930-6335.

COUNTERPOINT
 Counterpoint Shelter and Crisis Center offers free counseling and respite services for youth ages 10-17 and their families. Call (734) 563-5005.

CHHCS
 Community Hospice and Home Care Services Inc. (CHHCS) invites adults who've experienced the loss of someone significant in their lives to participate in the Adult Grief Support Series. The comprehensive, six-week support series is designed to help adults understand and work through the grieving process. The meetings will be held from 6:30-8 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 8, 15, 22 and 29.

The Plymouth Observer welcomes Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Plymouth Observer, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth, MI. 48170, or by fax to 734-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.

Event: _____

Date and Time: _____

Location: _____

Telephone: _____

Additional Info.: _____

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Items needed for gift guides

Have you ever created, in your opinion, the best-looking snowman ever? Or do you know someone who's a dead ringer for Santa Claus?

The Observer is planning to publish holiday gift guides on Thursday, Nov. 26, and Thursday, Dec. 10, and is asking readers to contribute several items.

The first has to do with snowmen. The Observer plans on publishing photographs of snowmen that readers have taken in years past. Captions for each picture will include who sent in the photograph and who's posing

with Frosty.

The second involves Santa Claus and people who bear a strong resemblance to the Jolly Old Elf. All you have to do is send the name and telephone number of the Santa Claus look-alike.

The Observer also is asking readers to send in the names and locations of their favorite places to sled and skate that will be published in a list.

Be sure to send in an essay of 100 words or less on one of the following topics:

■ I remember one Christmas when...

■ The best Christmas party I ever attended...

■ It was the night before Christmas and I...

And, how about your ideas for the best gifts under \$5 and the most unusual gift?

You can send it all to Special Projects Editor Ralph R. Echtenaw at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope, if you want your photograph back.

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■ Summer Nights Under the Stars, presented by Howell Nature Center, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Monday evening Oct. 12. Cost is \$8 per person. Guests may enjoy many of the center's nature programs such as gatherings around the campfire and cooking dinner together.

SCHOOL OPENINGS

■ Tutor Time, 951 N. Canton Center, Canton, is enrolling children ages 6 weeks to 5 years. School hours are 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Contact Donna Pomerson at (734) 981-8463.

■ Openings exist for fall 1998 for students in second through fifth grade at New Morning School, a state-certified and licensed non-profit school. Call (734) 420-3331.

■ Small World Day Care in Canton, on Joy, between Haggerty and Newburgh, is accepting applications for enrollment. Call (734) 459-9909.

■ St. Michael Christian School, 7000 N. Sheldon, is accepting registration for new students in kindergarten through third grade. The school offers a low student-teacher ratio. Christian teachers at a state-certified facility. Call (734) 459-9720.

■ Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery has openings in all classes for children 2-5 years old. Contact Michelle at (734) 421-6196.

■ Garfield Co-op has programs for children 18 months to 5 years, in Livonia at Cass Elementary, 34633 Munger, south of Six Mile and west of Farmington Road. For more information, call (734) 462-0135.

SUPPORT GROUPS

PARKINSON'S
■ The Parkinson Education and Support Group of Washtenaw County meets 1:30-4 p.m. on the second Sunday of the month in the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, Building 5305, near parking lot P. Call (313) 930-6335.

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■ Counterpoint Shelter and Crisis Center offers free counseling and respite services for youth ages 10-17 and their families. Call (734) 563-5005.

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■ Community Hospice and Home Care Services Inc. (CHHCS) invites adults who've experienced the loss of someone significant in their lives to participate in the Adult Grief Support Series. The comprehensive, six-week support series is designed to help adults understand and work through the grieving process. The meetings will be held from 6:30-8 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 8, 15, 22 and 29.

A Chair-ity Affair



For Arbor Hospice: Matt Schembechler sits in one of two Adirondack chairs with matching ottomans and table he has donated to the Arbor Hospice Charity-Affair Friday, Oct. 9, at Washtenaw College's Morris Lawrence Building. The set is made from the wooden seats that were in Michigan Stadium in 1927 and includes the original seat numbers. The set is among more than 30 unique handpainted items that will be auctioned off, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The event features complementary food and beverages, live and silent auctions and a fashion show. Patron tickets are \$50, and benefactor tickets, which include a champagne reception at 5:30 p.m., are \$75. For tickets or for more information, call Lorna Hildebrandt at Arbor Hospice at (734) 662-5999, Ext. 112.

ANNIVERSARIES

Connolly

Andrew and Betty Connolly of Livonia celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a dinner party with family and friends.

The couple exchanged vows on Aug. 30, 1948, in Detroit. She is the former Betty Faber.

The Connollys have two children, Betty Apostle and Danny Connolly, both of Livonia. They also have four grandsons.

He is retired from Tennyson Chevrolet in Livonia.

Duda

Robert and Christine Duda of Livonia celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on Sept. 17 by renewing their vows at St. Colette Catholic Church and with a honeymoon in Europe this summer.

The couple has three children - Lisa, Nicole and Rob. The Dudas also have three granddaughters, Jacalyn, Mackenzie and Lexia, and one grandson, Reed.

Nash

Greg and Marie Nash of Garden City celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on Aug. 17.

The couple exchanged vows on Aug. 17, 1973, in Farmington.



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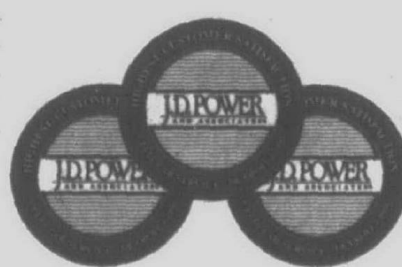
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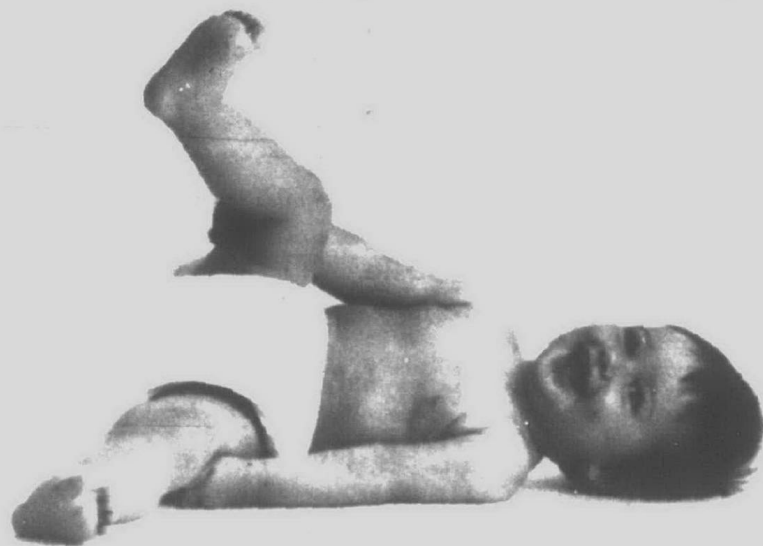
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Trinity hosts Christianity, postmodernism conference

Anyone who is a fan of the television series "The X-Files" has encountered the contrast between modernism and postmodernism.

Agent Dana Scully is the modernist - coldly scientific, logical, empirical - while Agent Fox Mulder is the postmodernist, ready to give credence to anything from werewolves to space aliens. His slogan is "I want to believe."

For moderns, truth is clad in a white lab coat. For postmodernists, it is more likely outfitted in the eclectic style of a rock 'n' roll singer.

The Western world is undergoing a radical cultural shift from modernism to postmodernism, a shift that will be more dramatic than any change seen in the past several centuries.

Among the differences will be radical pluralism in the marketplace of ideas, a skepticism about science having all the answers and a preference for truth in story form rather than rational proofs. In short, most modern people will have more in common philosophically with their great-great-grandparents than with their own children.

These cultural changes have many people asking if Christian faith can survive in postmodern culture? Should Christians lament the close of the modern age or celebrate the new, uncharted possibilities of the postmodern era? How can the church communicate the gospel within such a different culture?

On Saturday, Oct. 17, professor J. Richard Middleton will address these questions of Christianity and postmodernism in an all-day conference, "Christian Faith in a Postmodern Age: Reading Scripture for a Time of Crisis," at Trinity Church in Livonia.

Registration for the program will be 9 a.m., with the first session, "Discerning the Postmodern Condition," at 9:30 a.m. There also will be two afternoon sessions - "A Case Study in Postmodern Biblical Interpretation" at 1 p.m. and "Reading the Whole Bible in a Postmodern Time" at 2:30 p.m.

The conference will wrap up at 4 p.m. but for those interested, the conversation will continue with a pizza supper at 5 p.m. There's an extra charge for the supper.

Middleton also will preach at the 10:45 a.m. worship service

Sunday, Oct. 18, at the church, 14800 Middlebelt, Livonia.

Middleton teaches Old Testament interpretation at Colgate Rochester Divinity School in Rochester, N.Y., and has co-authored several books with Brian J. Walsh, chaplain at the University of Toronto, "The Transforming Vision: Shaping a Christian World View" and "The Advent of Justice."

His most recent book, "Truth Is Stranger Than It Used To Be: Biblical Faith in a Postmodern Age," received the 1996 Book of the Year award from "Christianity Today" magazine.

Middleton also has published several essays in a variety of journals on biblical creation theology, the genre of lament, the problem of evil and the theology of popular music. One of his

essays, "Let's Put Herod Back into Christmas," was recently awarded the Canadian Church Press prize for best theological reflection.

Before joining the divinity school, he taught at Redeemer College in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, and the Institute for Christian Studies in Toronto and served as campus minister at four universities in Canada and the United States.

Advance registration for the conference is \$20 and \$15 for students and includes lunch. Tickets at the door will cost \$25 and \$20, respectively. Registration can be completed by calling the Rev. Michael Van Horn, pastor of Trinity Church, at (734) 425-2800.

J. Richard Middleton

RELIGIOUS NEWS

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

KID'S CLUB

Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church is holding Kid's Club meetings 3:30-4:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the church, 9601 Hubbard at West Chicago, Livonia. The club is for children in first through the sixth grades. Youngsters do not have to be members of the church to participate. There will be crafts, games, fun and refreshments. For more information, call Dixie Elam at (734) 422-0494.

RUMMAGE SALE

The Women's Service Club of Meadowbrook Congregational Church will have a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the church, 21355 Meadowbrook Road, Novi.

CARD PARTY

St. Simon and Jude Church will have a Harvest Gathering card party 6:30-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, at the church, 32500 Palmer, Westland. There will be

door and table prizes, 50-50 raffle and cards and games of choice. A light meal and snacks will be served. Tickets cost \$6. For more information, call (734) 728-2090 or (734) 729-2716. Proceeds will go to the church's building fund.

LAS VEGAS NIGHT

St. John Bosco Church will have a Vegas Night 7 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday, Oct. 9-10, in Sheltreau Hall, 12170 Beech Daly, Redford. There will be games of blackjack, dice and roulette, hourly 50-50 raffles and a Big 6 wheel. Admission will be \$1; additional charge for food and beverages.

SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries members will bike to the Huron River in Ann Arbor Saturday, Oct. 10. Riders will meet at 11 a.m. at Richardson Center on Oakley Park Road west of Haggerty. Helmets are mandatory. For more information call the Single Point office at (248) 374-5920.

Single Point also offers Talk It Over 7-9:30 p.m. the second and fourth Fridays of the month in Knox Hall, outdoor tennis 4:30 p.m. until dark Tuesdays and Thursdays at Rotary Park on Six Mile in Livonia and indoor volleyball at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays

in Knox Hall of the church, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville.

TRINITY HOUSE

Trinity House Theater will present award-winning filmmaker Gary Glaser at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the theater, 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia. Tickets cost \$5 for non-members and \$4 for members.

Featured will be Glaser's "Forgotten Voices," chronicling the impact of an arts education program on four prisoners serving life sentences at the Western Wayne Correctional Facility, "Borderline: The Story of Eight Mile Road," exploring Detroit's relationship with its suburban neighbors, and "The Hudson's Building," which takes a nostalgic look back at one of the area's favorite places to shop and examines the controversy surrounding its impending demolition.

For more information, call (734) 464-6302.

IN CONCERT

Young Christian recording artist Mary Rice Hopkins and Company will perform at 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy. Tickets are \$5 each or \$20 for a family pass. They are available at Dickson's Bible Bookstores,

Family Christian Bookstores or by calling (734) 416-9346.

Hopkins uses catchy lyrics, versatility and hand motions that encourage the audience to participate. Her audio cassettes and CDs will be available for purchase before and after the concert.

FALL SPIRITUAL FESTIVAL

Unity of Livonia Church will have its fall spiritual festival, "Festival of Inner Light," at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the church, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia.

The speakers will be the Rev. Dr. David Williamson and Dr. Robert Knapp, both of the Unity of Hollywood (Fla.) Church. They will focus their morning discussions on Charles Fillmore's "The Twelve Powers" and the medical perspective on the body's power centers. In the afternoon workshop, Williamson will discuss in more detail the 12 powers of holistic spiritual development and regeneration.

An exact replica of a labyrinth at Chartes Cathedral in France will be available for participants to do a walking meditation. Registration for the festival is \$25 and includes lunch. For more information, call Unity of Livonia Church at (734) 421-1760.

YARD SALE

St. John's Episcopal Church of Westland will have a yard sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, in the parking lot of the church, 555 S. Wayne Road, Westland. Space is available. For more information, call the church office at (734) 721-5023.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

The closing event for St. Agatha Parish's 50th anniversary celebration will include a Sock Hop will be held at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the parish, Beech Daly and Seven Mile, Redford. Cost will be \$15 per person.

On Sunday, Oct. 11, there will be a closing liturgy at 1 p.m., followed by dinner-dance at the Western Golf and Country Club. Music will be by the Johnny Trudell Band. Proper attire required. For more information, call (313) 531-0371.

FAMILY SERVE

"Family Serve: Volunteer Opportunities for Families," a new 60-minute program from the Aid Association for Lutherans, will be presented at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, in the Christian/Education Room of Timothy Lutheran Church, 8820 Joy at Wayne Road, Livonia. The

program focuses on many unique volunteer opportunities and helps parents and children realize the benefits of volunteering.

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Warren Road Light & Life Free Methodist Church will have the Toledo Vineyard worship group perform at 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, at the church, 33445 Warren Road, Westland. The church also will have two services, a traditional one at 9 a.m. and contemporary one at 11 a.m., on Sunday. For more information, call the church at (734) 458-7301.

RITE OF INITIATION

Adults interested in joining the Catholic church are invited to "inquire" at the ongoing Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at St. Theodore of Canterbury Church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. The process is open to any interested adult including baptized Catholics who have not completed their initiation with First Communion and/or Confirmation. For more information, call Lorraine Short, pastoral minister, at (734) 425-4421. For more information or individual counseling, call (734) 453-4785.

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HANDCRAFTERS

Handcrafters will sponsor its 17th annual fall arts and crafts show 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Oct. 9, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 10 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 11 at the Northville Recreation Center, 303 W. Main St., Northville. There will be more than 70 juried artisans displaying children's clothing, whimsical jewelry, quilts, original acrylic paintings, doll clothes and cross-stitched items. Admission will be \$2. No strollers will be permitted. For more information, call (734) 459-0050.

MARSHALL PTA

Space is available for the Marshall Elementary School PTA's 13th annual craft fair 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 10 at the school, 33901 Curtis, Livonia. There will be a bake sale and lunch counter; admission will be \$1. For more information, call (248) 442-2367.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN

Bethlehem Lutheran Church will have its annual bazaar 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 17 at the church, 35300 W. Eight Mile, Farmington Hills. There will be handmade crafts, white elephants, book and bake sales, raffle and homemade pickles, jams and jellies. For more information, call (248) 476-6520.

SACRED HEART

Sacred Heart Church will have a craft show 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 17 at the church, 29125 W. Six Mile, east of Middlebelt, Livonia. Admission will be free and there will be a bake sale and light lunch. For more information, or table rental, call (248) 426-6227.

ST. THEODORE

St. Theodore's Confraternity of Christian Women will have its annual craft show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 17 at the church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. More than 70 crafters will display their work, and there will be hourly door prizes, raffle, refreshments and baked goods.

ST. AIDAN'S

St. Aidan's Women's Guild is looking for crafters for its craft show 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Oct. 17 in the Activity Center, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Space with no electricity costs \$30. For more information, call (248) 477-8942 or (734) 427-1457.

REDFORD SUBURBAN

Crafters are needed for the Redford Suburban League's 25th annual "Festival of Fashion '98" 10 a.m. Oct. 21 at Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft, Livonia. For an application or more information, call Peggy at (248) 477-8902 or Margaret at (734) 261-3737.

ST. ELIZABETH

St. Elizabeth Spiritual Church will have its holiday bazaar 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 24 at the church, 26431 W. Chicago, between Inkster and Beech Daly roads, Redford. Arts and crafts, bake sale, luncheon and raffles will be featured. Table rental is \$20. For more information, call Kathy at (313) 937-2880.

RAMALLAH CLUB

Space is available for a craft show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 23-25 at the Ramallah Club, 27484 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. Table rental is \$30 for one day or \$60 for three days. For more information, call Nona at (734) 462-2936 or Nadia at (734) 522-4208 after 5:30 p.m.

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

Delta Kappa Gamma is sponsoring its annual arts and crafts fair 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 24 at

West Middle School, Ann Arbor Trail and Sheldon, Plymouth Township. There will be more than 90 juried crafters and an Amish quilt raffle. Lunches also will be available. Admission will be \$2. For more information, call (734) 416-7550.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

The Livonia Churchill High School PTSA will have its seventh annual fall craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 24 at the school, 8900 Newburgh, Livonia. There will be door prizes, food and drinks. Admission will be \$1. For more information, crafters can call Diane at (734) 422-4507 or Garrett at (734) 464-7425.

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE

Table space is still available for St. Robert Bellarmine Church's annual Christmas bazaar 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 24 at the church, 271010 W. Chicago and Inkster roads, Redford. Cost is \$20 per space. Admission will be \$1. For more information, call Joann at (313) 937-0226 or (313) 522-2963.

MT. HOPE CONGREGATIONAL

Vendors are wanted for craft country bazaar 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 24 at Mount Hope Congregational Church, 30330 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Tables are \$20 plus \$5 for electricity. There will be crafts, country collectibles, a bake sale and more. For more information, call (734) 425-3782.

LIVONIA STEVENSON

Crafters are needed for Livonia Stevenson High School's Holiday Happening craft show 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 7 at the school, 33500 W. Six Mile, Livonia. 10-by-10-foot or 6-by-16-foot spaces cost \$50. Chairs are available on request and limited electricity at no additional charge. Admission will be \$1, children under age 12 free. For an application or more information, call (734) 464-1041 or (734) 478-2395.

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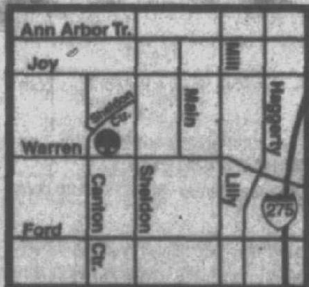
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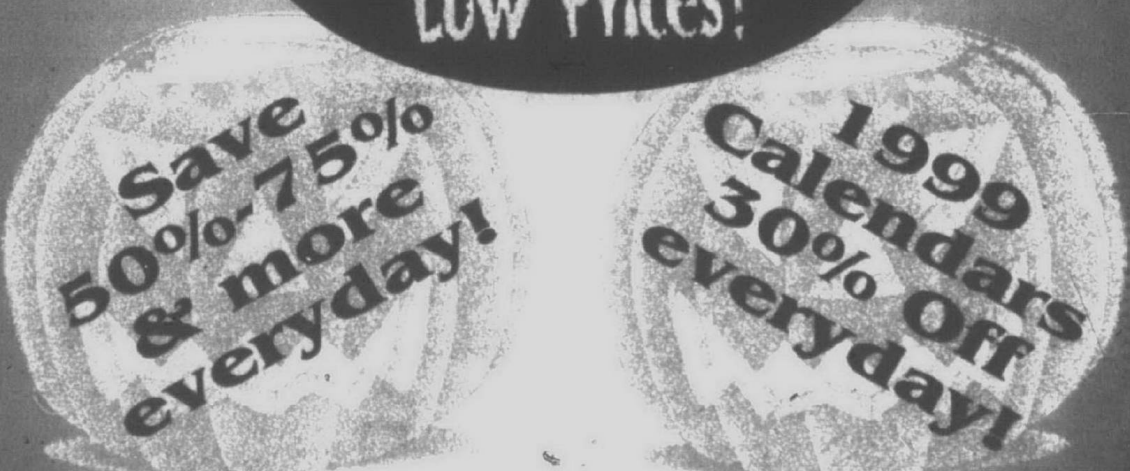
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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Loewe sparkles

Scott Loewe, a sophomore at Western Michigan University and a graduate of Plymouth Salem, turned in a spectacular week for the Broncos' soccer team.

WMU battled Notre Dame to a 1-1 tie Sept. 29 to end a seven-game losing streak to the Fighting Irish, with Loewe assisting on WMU's only goal. He then netted the Broncos' only marker four minutes into the match in a 1-0 triumph over Mid-American Conference rival Miami of Ohio Oct. 2 in Oxford.

The results weren't as good at Kentucky Oct. 4. In a 5-4 double-overtime loss, Loewe accounted for two of WMU's goals, but the Broncos wasted a 4-2 lead.

Lions roar

The Canton Lions varsity Junior Football League team edged the Garden City Chargers 12-6 Sunday. Sparking the Lions were Anthony Nowak on both offense (he scored one touchdown) and defense (he intercepted a pass); Jason Lewis, who got the game-winning TD on a 34-yard run; and Landon Lagham, who recovered a fumble. Another defensive standout was Drew Bringley, who recorded a quarterback sack. The Lions celebrate Homecoming Sunday at Central Middle School.

The Lion junior varsity remained undefeated with a 13-0 triumph over Garden City Sunday. C.J. Greenwell got one of the Lions' touchdowns on a 6-yard run; the second was scored by David Scherbaty on a 22-yard scoring pass from David Thomas. The defense, led by Chris Drabicki, Ryan Lewis, Brandon Kilgore and Matt Trublowksi, collected its third shutout.

The Lion freshmen scored first, but the Chargers managed to tie it early in the second half as the two sides battled to a 6-6 draw Sunday. 'Jazz' Latin scored on a short run in the first quarter to put the Lions ahead, but it proved to be the team's only points despite strong play from Johnny Groat, Adrian Parmelee, Joshua LeDuc and Latin.

Twisters tame Cougars

The Wayne County Twisters pulled off a mild upset in the Lake Shore Football League with a 20-14 victory Saturday over the league leading Motor City Cougars, ranked 12th nationally by the American Football Association.

Pat Bowie's 1-yard touchdown run with just 44 seconds left provided the final margin of victory. His 44-yard run followed by Eddie Trent's 7-yard carry set up the game-winner in a game played at Academy of Detroit High School Inkster.

Trailing 14-6 in the with four minutes remaining, the Twisters pulled to within two on Brian Kutch's 98-yard TD pass to David Ryan, longest recorded in LSFL history. (The two-point attempt failed.)

The Twisters' defense then forced the Cougars to punt with two minutes remaining.

Trailing 7-0 early in the second period, the Twisters got on the board when 29-year-old linebacker Bob Pensari pounced on a loose ball in the end zone after a Cougar returner mishandled a long punt by Chuck Petipas.

But the Cougars remained on top at halftime, 7-6.

The LSFL playoffs begins Saturday with the Zanesville (Ohio) Fury visiting Academy of Detroit field (old Cherry Hill High School), located at 28500 Avondale, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads. Kickoff is 3:30 p.m.

Indian tryouts

The Michigan Indians Baseball Club will have tryouts for its Willie Mays (10-and-under) travel baseball team, the 1999 season, at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18 at Don Massey Field (at Haggerty and Plymouth roads). Players birthdates must be between Aug. 1, 1988 and July 31, 1989. For more information, call Mark Glover at (248) 249-3392.

For information regarding other Indians teams, call: Nick Marrone at (734) 459-0695 for Pee Wee Reese level (11-year-olds); Bruce Price at (734) 453-9180 for 12-year-olds; Gary Mancini at (734) 454-1104 for Sandy Koufax division (13-year-olds); Jeff Vancamp at (734) 522-0184 for Mickey Mantle division (15-year-olds); and Greg Lenhoff at (734) 455-0793 for 16-year-olds.

Harrison shocks Salem in overtime

Sometimes, things just go wrong. For Plymouth Salem's girls basketball team Tuesday, just about everything went awry against Farmington Harrison — and the result was an overtime loss.

Plymouth Salem had to rally to reach overtime Tuesday against visiting Farmington Harrison, but the Rocks couldn't do much in the extra period and ended up losing to the Hawks 40-38, their first loss in Western Lakes Activities Association girls basketball action.

Salem is 7-2 overall, 3-1 in the WLAA. Harrison is 6-4 overall, 3-1 in the WLAA.

It was not the best of performances for the Rocks, according to coach Fred Thomann. "Harrison played solid defense, and we didn't do a good job attacking it," he said. "We didn't do a good job of making plays when we

needed them."

After falling behind 29-24 at the end of three quarters, the Rocks fought back to take a four-point lead with two minutes left in regulation. But a Salem turnover was followed by two free throws by Harrison's Kelly Taylor; the Rocks then missed the front end of a one-and-one, and the Hawks capitalized with a 14-foot jumper by Ari Ault with 15 seconds remaining.

Salem had one last chance, but missed a three-pointer. In overtime, it didn't get any better for the Rocks — they missed shots on their first three possessions, while Ali Ault knocked

down a three-pointer to give the Hawks the lead. A basket by Christine Phillips narrowed the gap to a point, but those were the only points of the extra session for Salem. A steal led to a layup in the final 12 seconds, but that too was missed.

Tiffany Grubaugh was the only Rock to reach double-figures in scoring, with 14 points. Phillips had nine. Andrea Pruet, a double-figure scorer for Salem all season, was held to five points.

Ari Ault's 12 points paced Harrison. Taylor had nine and Emily Jackson

Please see BASKETBALL, C4

Ianni's goals topple Chiefs

BY C.J. RISAK
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Hook and jab. Hook and jab. Two of soccer's top heavyweights like Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton mix it up, and that's what you gotta expect, right? A bit of sparring, maybe a few calculated risks; a couple of haymakers tossed in, trying to catch the other side off-balance. But play it cool and cautious — and wait for an opening.

Forget about it. When these teams meet, it's always all-out. Throw caution to the wind.

"It's always exciting," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy. "Yeah, they keep us running."

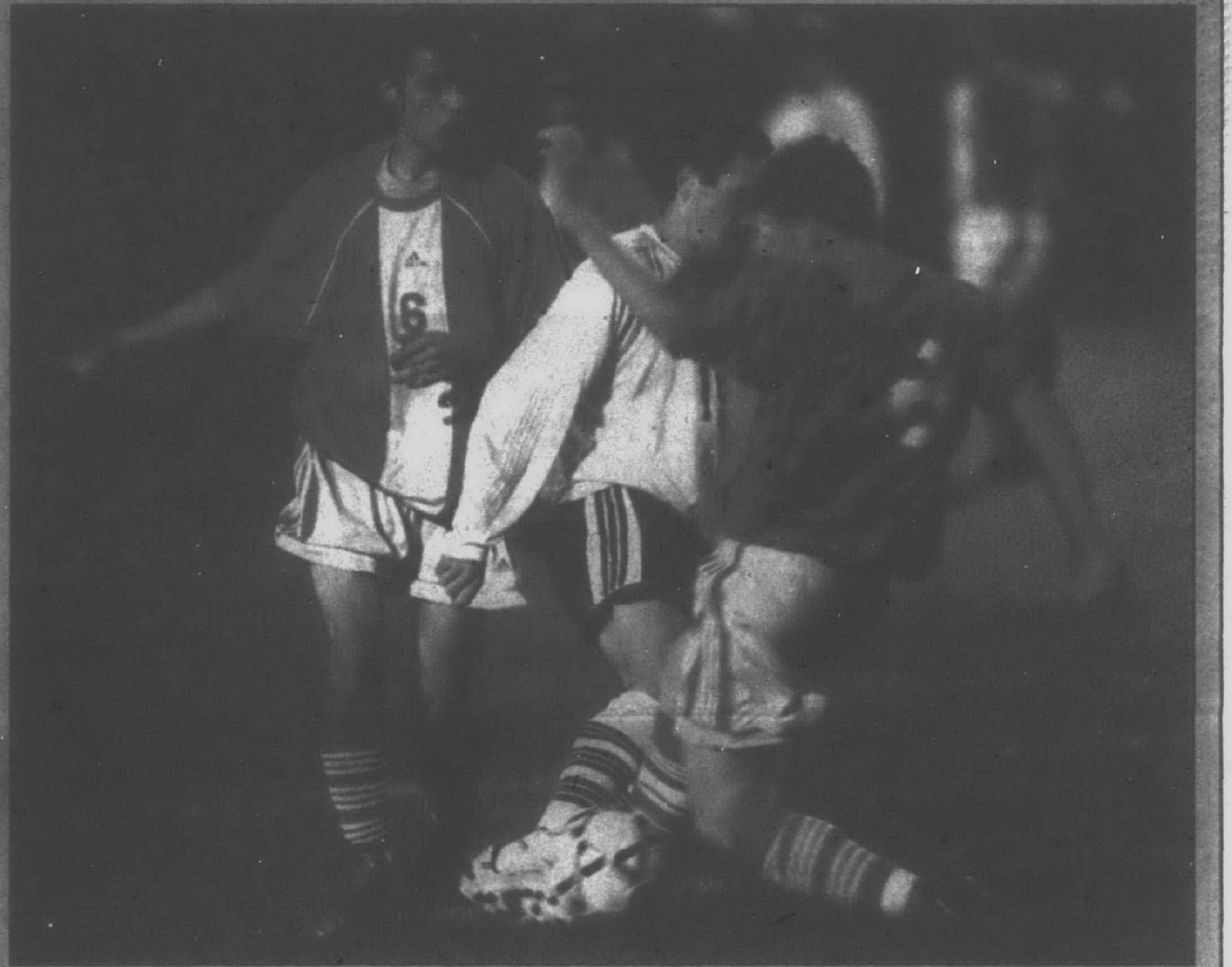
And vice versa. War of attrition, act 25 (or however many times they've met). Victory never comes easy.

It didn't Monday, either. Canton had the best of the scoring chances in the second half — only two spectacular defensive saves kept the Chiefs off the scoreboard

— but Salem got the decisive goal, with Giuseppe Ianni heading in a cross from Jeff Hear that a Canton defender misplayed with 7:22 remaining for a 2-1 Salem win.

For Ianni, it was a perfect performance coming at the perfect time. No game means more emotionally to either side, unless it's the same pair meeting for the Western Lakes Activities Association championship or in the state district tournament.

A senior, Ianni — a 20-goal scorer in last season's run to the Class A title game — had big shoes to fill this season. Former teammate Brett Kenley (now at Michigan State) was con-



Collision course: No ball went uncontested in Monday's match, something Salem's Dan Wielechowski (white jersey) discovered when he was squeezed between Canton's Robert Barnes (left) and Jeff Parent.

sidered the best forward in the state a year ago.

Ianni hasn't disappointed. He accounted for both Salem goals against Canton, giving him 15 for the season.

"I think the story of the game was Ianni," said McCarthy. "He was sensational."

There were other stars in this match, played at hyper-speed from start to finish. The player that was

the object of attention for McCarthy was Canton's Scott Wright. "We were concerned. We had to shut down Wright," the Salem coach said. With good reason — Wright's averaging about two goals a game.

To that purpose, he assigned Chris Longpre the task of shadowing the swift, elusive Chief captain. "Chris did a real good job," said McCarthy.

But not quite good enough. After Ianni had struck after just 3:20 had

been played in the first half (assist: Scott Duhl), Wright outmaneuvered both Longpre and another Salem defender, then curled his shot into the net beyond the reach of Rocks' keeper Jeremy Finlay, tying it at 1-1 with 14:36 left in the first half.

The second half was up and down the field, but the two best scoring opportunities — prior to Ianni's game-winner — came off a Canton

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Tournament-tested

Rocks rule WLAA tourney; Chiefs 3rd



On target: Ben Tucker's 77 was a key factor in Canton's third-place finish.

BY BRAD EMONS
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Plymouth Salem was more than ready for Tuesday's the Western Lakes Activities Association boys golf tournament at Hudson Mills.

Walled Lake Central, undefeated in WLAA dual meets, came in as the team to beat, but the Rocks, led by medalist Erik Krueger and runner-up Adam Wilson, upstaged the field with a 398 total.

Central and defending Plymouth Canton each shot 405, but Central won the tiebreaker for second place based on a lower score for its sixth man. See tournament results.

"That's a good score under 400," said Salem coach Rick Wilson, whose team was 8-3 in WLAA duals. "We wanted to win this tournament. We were looking forward to it."

"And it was fun to see them play like they did today."

The Rocks, decked in matching blue and white striped shirt, were solid from top to bottom. It also helped they got in a practice round Sunday at Hudson Mills.

Krueger's 4-over 75 was followed by Wilson's 76.

Ryan Nimmerguth and Mark Doughty shot 81 and 82, respectively, while Matt Leon and Mike Thackaberry added 84 and 86, for Salem.

The conditions were fairly ideal for early October — warm, but a bit on the windy side.

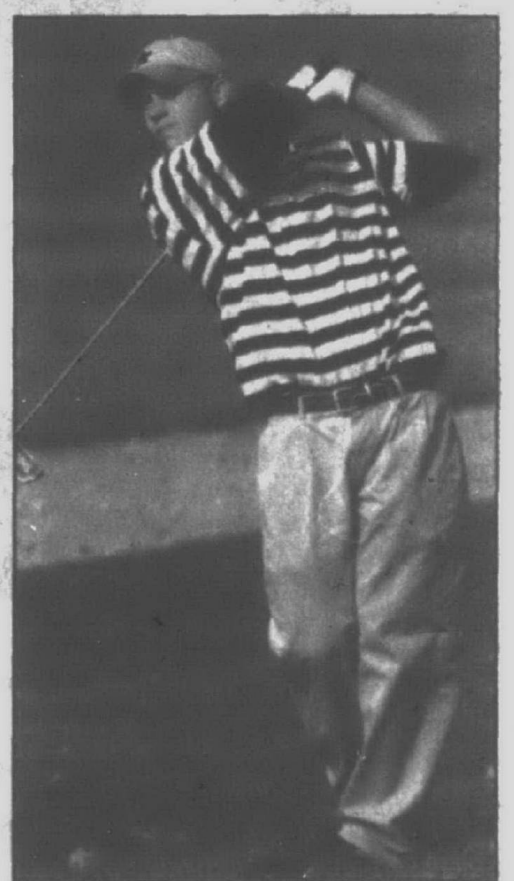
"The par-4s played long and on the par-3s club selection was important," said Wilson, whose Rocks have captured the WLAA tournament three of the past four years. "And the greens are most difficult. You have to putt because they all hit the ball well enough."

Krueger, an All-Division pick last year, certainly had his "A" game going.

He outlasted a stellar field that included Michigan Amateur runner-up Steve Polanski of Livonia Stevenson and Westland John Glenn's Chris Tompkins, who recently made a verbal commitment to play at Eastern Michigan.

"I could tell Erik was going to play well, he looked good on the range," Wilson said.

Please see WLAA GOLF, C4



2nd best: Adam Wilson helped give Salem a terrific one-two punch, finishing second only to teammate Erik Krueger.

COLLEGE SPORTS

Crusaders earn NAIA ranking; SC avenges loss

History has indeed been made. An argument could be made that it's long overdue, but why plunge into sour grapes now? Madonna University's men's soccer team has done something it has never done before in the program's five-year history — it is nationally-ranked in the NAIA.

The Fighting Crusaders, 9-1 overall, are ranked 23rd in the latest NAIA rankings.

Why they're there is easy to understand. Since a season-opening loss to St. Mary's College, during which half the team was suspended for a violation of team rules at the end of last season, Madonna has been perfect. In the last week, the Crusaders defeated Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference rival Spring Arbor 4-3 and Judson College (Elgin, Ill.) 2-1.

"We're starting to play well, we're getting to where we want to be," said coach

Pete Alexander. And where might that be? "I guess the sky's the limit," he answered. "But we have two tough teams in our (NAIA) region."

That would be eighth-ranked Rio Grande and 11th-ranked Illinois-Springfield. "But this is the year for us to do it," said Alexander. "This is the best team we've had here."

Against non-conference foe Judson Monday in Elgin, Ill., Sam Piraine and Charlie Bell accounted for the Crusader goals. Scott Emert had one assist.

Dave Hart made 14 saves in goal.

Last Saturday in Spring Arbor, the Crusaders had to overcome a 2-0 deficit to beat the Cougars in overtime. Bell got the game-winner just two minutes into extra time. The victory kept Madonna's WHAC record perfect at 7-0;

Spring Arbor is 3-5 in the league, 3-6 overall.

The Cougars put two goals on the board by the time the match was 16 minutes old. The Crusaders then got to work, with Lael Bryant (Canton) scoring at the 17-minute mark; Scott Emert tying it in the 30th minute; and Vic Rodopoulos (Livonia Franklin) putting Madonna ahead just before the half. James Catlett assisted on the first and third Madonna goals, with Tim Blevins assisting on Emert's.

In the second half, Spring Arbor's Steve Graetz got his third goal of the match in the 72nd minute to tie it, while the Crusaders missed a chance to win it in regulation when they missed a penalty kick. Bell delivered in OT to keep Madonna's win streak alive.

SC gets revenge

Schoolcraft College avenged an earlier

loss to Cuyahoga CC by beating the host team 2-0 in the Cuyahoga Invitational Sunday.

"We've solidified our defense with the moves we've made lately," said SC coach Van Dimitriou, noting in particular the switch of Rob Gumber (Plymouth) to sweeper. "Defense wins games, and we're playing very well on defense."

The Ocelots opened the tournament with a 3-1 victory over Lakeland CC Saturday. Mike Minicilli (Livonia Stevenson) got the game's first goal, with an assist from Matt Nyholm. Dave Lotarsky then scored the next two SC goals, with assists on both from Ryan Konley (Plymouth Salem).

"Konley has become a player to be reckoned with," said Dimitriou. "He controlled play at midfield for two-straight games better than any player I've seen at Schoolcraft."

Against Cuyahoga Sunday, Michael

(JR) Longlois used an assist from Joel Wizinisky to put SC on top 10 minutes into the match. Konley's 25-yard blast at the 25-minute mark made it 2-0, which is the way it remained. Dimitriou pulled many of his front-line players after the officials refused to make what he felt were obvious calls to avoid possible repercussions.

Eric O'Neil (Livonia Stevenson) recorded his fifth shutout of the season. The two wins boosted SC's overall record to 11-3 and to a No. 14 ranking in the NJCAA. Cuyahoga is 5-3.

Last Wednesday, the Ocelots lost to the University of Michigan's club team, 2-1. U-M scored twice in the first half, both goals deflecting in off SC defenders. The Ocelots got one back when Konley nailed a direct kick from close to 30 yards out 15 minutes into the second half, but they could not get the equalizer.

Despite key injury, Madonna knocks off Cornerstone

It didn't come easily, but then again, it wasn't expected to be.

Madonna University's volleyball team had a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference showdown against Cornerstone College Tuesday, both teams 5-0 in the conference entering the match. When the Lady Crusaders, ranked 18th in the NAIA, lost setter Deanne Helson to a knee injury in the first game, then lost the first game, things weren't looking too good.

Enter freshman Jennie Wind. In her first extended action of the season, Wind collected 42 assists to kills and 10 digs to help Madonna recover for a 12-15, 15-12, 15-3, 15-9 victory. The Crusaders are now 20-4 overall, 6-0 in the WHAC; Cornerstone is 9-10 overall,

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5-1 in the WHAC.

Erin Cunningham and Stephanie Uballe each turned in one of their best performances of the season. They had 16 kills apiece, with Cunningham adding three service aces and a team-best 21 digs and Uballe getting one solo block and three block assists.

Brandy Malewski (from Redford Thurston) added 10 kills, one solo block and five block assists; Rayna Vert had five kills, two solo blocks and three block assists; Marylu Hemme (Livonia Ladywood) totaled 18 digs;

and Jennifer Russell had 16 digs.

S'craft stops Macomb

Schoolcraft College got its second-straight Eastern Conference victory in a row Tuesday, defeating visiting Macomb CC 15-10, 15-13, 15-11 at SC. The win pushed the Lady Ocelots' record to 3-4 in the conference, 9-10 overall.

Megan McGinty (from Livonia Churchill) led the attack with 17 kills; she also had 18 digs, two solo blocks and six block assists. Kelly Johnston (Plymouth Salem) added 15 kills and 13 digs, and Cindy Maloof had six kills and 10 digs. Danielle Wensing finished with 39 assists to kills and eight digs.

Lady Ocelots blank Toledo

Schoolcraft College's women's soccer team solidified its top-10 ranking in the NJCAA with a solid 4-0 triumph over the University of Toledo Saturday at SC.

Annie Hagenah remained among the nation's top scorers with a goal and two assists, leading the Lady Ocelot attack.

"We finished fairly well," said SC coach Bill Tolstedt. "We executed our (corner kicks) real well. We worked a lot on crosses into the box, and we switched the field real well, something we've emphasized."

"It was a good game, good competition."

Dawn Koontz (Plymouth Canton HS) got the game's first goal, with assists from Kerri Bremner and Lisa Tolstedt. Marina Vazquez (Farmington) made it 2-0 at the half, assisted by Alyson Bottke and Hagenah.

Bremner and Hagenah assisted on a second-half goal by Julie Majewski (Plymouth Canton), and Tolstedt and Meghan Januzzi got the assists on Hage-

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nah's goal. The Ocelots enjoyed a 21-8 shot advantage.

Madonna falls

Spring Arbor College used two goals by Mandy Malcolm to collect its first win of the season, victimizing winless Madonna University 2-0 Monday at Livonia Ladywood HS.

Both goals came in the second half as the Lady Crusaders slipped to 0-7-1 overall, 0-6-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. Spring Arbor is 1-7-2 overall, 1-5-1 in the WHAC.

Jennifer Barker (Livonia Stevenson) and Jennifer Dumm combined to make 20 saves in goal for Madonna.

Last Saturday in Fort Wayne, Ind., the Lady Crusaders were rocked by Indiana Tech 5-1. It was 3-1 at halftime, with Jamie Scott scoring for Madonna.



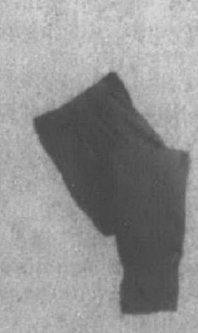
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Salem

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FRIDAY
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Turnaround: Rocks bury Raiders

After a week when things went all wrong for the Plymouth Salem football team, along came North Farmington.

Following a disappointing 25-17 loss to Walled Lake Central, the Rocks rebounded well with a 39-20 rout at North on Saturday.

Salem did its damage on the ground, collecting 346 yards - led by Jason Lukasik who gained 124 yards on 11 carries.

With the win, the Rocks improved to 3-2 overall and 2-1 in the Lakes Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association. Salem is tied with Farmington for second place and hosts Westland John Glenn Friday, which is 3-0 in the division.

The Raiders (1-4 overall, 0-3 in the Lakes) scored first against Salem. The Rocks kept the North drive alive twice with penalties. North took advantage when Gary Penta hit Evan Feldman with a 35-yard scoring strike. Penta completed 8-of-23 passes for 90 yards.

Penta fumbled the snap on the point after but lofted a pass to the end zone where Todd Weiss caught it for a two-point conversion.

SALEM FOOTBALL

Salem countered with a four-play, 79-yard drive. The drive consisted of four runs - two by Lukasik and two by Gabe Coble. Lukasik capped the drive with a 24-yard run. The two-point conversion failed.

The Rocks then forced the Raiders to punt and needed only two plays to go 80 yards. The second play was a 75-yard run from Lukasik, as he finished the quarter with over 100 yards. The two-point conversion again failed as Salem led 12-8.

North took a 14-12 lead in the second quarter after Penta completed a 16-yard scoring pass to Brian Lafer. The drive was set up when Salem fumbled a punt at its own 35-yard line.

The Rocks later took advantage of a North fumble when they recovered the ball at the Raiders 11. Archie Kinney scored from three yards to give Salem an 18-14 lead.

Salem led 25-14 at halftime after Chris Trott

returned an interception 73 yards for a touchdown. Jason Furr booted the extra point.

The Rocks scored the only points in the third quarter when Kinney scored on a 3-yard scamper to give Salem a 32-14 lead.

Eric Petersen ended the scoring for Salem in the fourth quarter on a 2-yard carry.

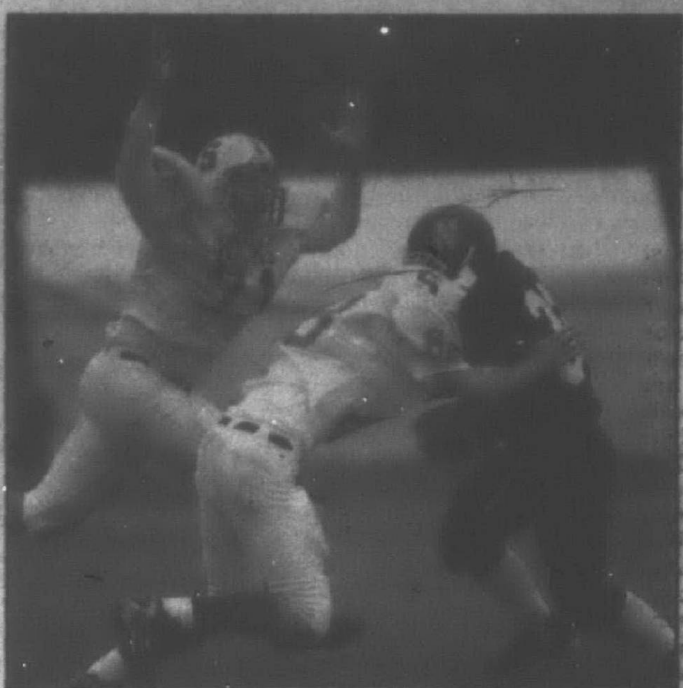
The Raiders added a late touchdown when Weiss scored on a 73-yard run. Weiss finished with 119 yards on 11 carries.

"We were better than we were against Walled Lake Central, but we're still not really in sync," Salem coach Tom Moshimer said. "We were able to get on track after a terrible game against Central, where we gave up 25 points in the first quarter."

"I was happy that the team played with a lot of intensity in the second half and played very well."

The Raiders, meanwhile, hurt themselves with five turnovers - four leading to Salem touchdowns.

"It's hard to win a game that way," North coach Rich Burrell said.



Sandwiched: Salem's Richie Cieslak (left) and Chad Schroeder smother a North ball carrier.

Salem plays host to Glenn; Canton must visit Harrison

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Four unbeaten remain in Observersland football.

Redford Catholic Central and Farmington Hills Harrison, ranked No. 1 statewide in their respective classes, both won again.

Harrison, by far, had the stiffer test, dumping previously unbeaten Walled Lake Western.

Westland John Glenn, also unbeaten, can set a date with Harrison in the Western Lakes Activities Association championship game (Oct. 24) with a win Friday at Plymouth Salem.

The other unbeaten is Redford Union.

But game of the week should be in the Michigan Mega Red Division when unbeaten Dearborn travels to once-beaten Wayne Memorial.

As far as the prediction race, things tightened up a bit.

Yours truly, correctly picking 12 of 15 games last week, moved up one game on counterpart Dan O'Meara, who was 11-4.

O'Meara is 55-18 overall, while Emons is 53-20.

Here is a look at this week-end's action:

FRIDAY GAMES

(all at 7:30 unless noted)

Dearborn (5-0, 3-0) at Wayne (4-1, 3-1), 7 p.m.: Dearborn proved it was for real last week by dumping previously unbeaten Monroe, 48-26.

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GRID PICKS

as halfback Colin Wilkinson had 165 yards rushing and four TDs, while quarterback Kevin Kreger added 138 yards and one TD. Wayne, a last-minute 25-19 winner over Dearborn Edsel Ford, counters with tailback Cameron Mingo and quarterback Terry Turner. PICKS: Emons says Wayne pulls the upset. O'Meara likes Dearborn.

Highland Park (2-3, 2-2) at Redford Union (5-0, 3-0), 7 p.m.: They're trying to ban pit bulls in Highland Park, but these are the tamer Polar Bears, who are coming off a 22-16 win over winless Woodhaven. RU, which won last week against winless Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 28-6, may be without starting quarterback Jeff Rigley again (injured shoulder). PICKS: RU makes it six straight.

Taylor Truman (1-4, 1-2) at Garden City (1-4, 0-4), 7 p.m.: Truman posted its first win of the year with a 20-14 victory over winless Taylor Kennedy, while Garden City faced unbeaten Trenton, losing 28-7. This is a Mega-White encounter. PICKS: Flip a coin, both take GC.

Hamtramck (4-1, 3-1) at Clarenceville (4-1, 3-1): The loser will be out of contention for the Metro Conference title, while the winner stays alive. Hamtramck played tough for a half before losing to Metro Conference leader and unbeaten Harper Woods, 32-14.

Clarenceville, which fell victim the week before to Harper Woods, 35-6, made it a triumphant homecoming with a 49-12 shellacking of Harper Woods Lutheran East. PICKS: O'Meara says Hamtramck, but I like the Trojans.

Liv. Churchill (2-3, 1-2) at W.L. Western (4-1, 2-1): The Chargers have to be feeling better about themselves after edging rival Livonia Franklin in overtime, 10-7, on Mike King's 36-yard field goal. Western, a playoff-bound team bashed by Farmington Hills Harrison last week 35-13, is led by fullback Dave Johnson, who rushed for 215 yards against the top-ranked Hawks. PICKS: It's Western's night all the way.

Northville (2-3, 1-2) at Liv. Franklin (0-5, 0-3): The Mustangs have to be reeling after being bounced by winless Plymouth Canton, 27-7. But Northville seems to have a hex over the winless Patriots, who suffered a tough 10-7 OT loss to Churchill. Franklin has beaten the Mustangs only once (1996) in the last 10 years. PICKS: Northville finds a way to win.

Farmington (2-3, 1-2) at Liv. Stevenson (2-3, 1-2): The Falcons and first-year coach John Bechtel are on a mini-roll right now having beaten North Farmington, given unbeaten Westland John Glenn a scare followed by a 14-7 win last week over Walled Lake Central. Stevenson, up-and-down so far in 1998, played a flat three quarters in a 25-6 loss to Glenn. PICKS: It's

no walk in the park, but Stevenson wins.

Westland Glenn (5-0, 3-0) at Ply. Salem (3-2, 2-1): Glenn, a 25-6 victor last week over Stevenson, can wrap up another Lakes Division title on enemy turf. The only team so far that has held Glenn tailback Reggie Spearman down is Farmington (125 yards). The Rocks, 39-20 winners last week over North Farmington, got 124 yards from Jason Lukasik. He scored on TD runs of 23 and 75 yards. PICKS: Glenn soars in orbit to another Lakes title.

SATURDAY GAMES

(all at 1 p.m. unless noted)

Ply. Canton (1-4, 1-2) at Farm. Hills Harrison (5-0, 3-0): The top-ranked Hawks, 35-13 winners over previously unbeaten Walled Lake Western, got a sterling performance from speedy wide receiver Ricky Bryant (four TDs). Canton, meanwhile, rushed for 300 yards in 59 attempts in steamrolling Northville for coach Tim Baechler's first win with the Chiefs. PICKS: Harrison goes to 6-0.

W.L. Central (1-4, 1-2) at N. Farmington (1-4, 0-3): Central quarterback Cory Heltsch, one of the

best in the WLAA, hasn't had much help offensively this season. The Vikings are coming off a 14-7 loss to Farmington. North has proven it has ability to score points, but can its defense rise to the challenge? PICKS: Central gets back on the winning track.

Melvindale (3-2, 2-1) at Red. Thurston (4-1, 2-1): The Cardinals gave up 405 yards rushing in a 42-10 loss to Ypsilanti, while Thurston ran over winless Willow Run, 27-6. This is a Mega-Blue division encounter. The winner stays alive for first place, while the loser will be playing for pride the rest of the year. PICKS: It's Thurston's day all the way.

B.H. Cranbrook (1-4, 1-4) at Luth. Westland (0-5, 0-4): Despite 19 tackles from B.J. Markle, Cranbrook lost to Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett, 19-6. Lutheran Westland, playing without star linebacker Scott Archer (groin pull), was no match for unbeaten Macomb Lutheran North, 42-14. PICKS: Cranbrook topples the Warriors.

St. Agatha (4-1, 3-1) vs. Wyandotte Mt. Carmel (1-4, 0-2) at RU's Kraft Field: The Aggies, led by David Jones' 161 yards rushing, earned a 24-19 victory over Detroit Holy Redeemer. Wyandotte Mount

Carmel fell to first-place and undefeated Dearborn St. Alphonsus, 23-0. PICKS: Go with the Aggies this week.

Redford CC (4-0, 2-0) at Dbn. Divine Child (3-1, 0-3), 1:30 p.m. at D.H. Crestwood: Both teams lost dates with Ontario teams, but there's no question who's boss in the Catholic League Central-West - the unbeaten Shamrocks who scored in every conceivable way last week in a 42-0 rout of undermanned Pontiac Notre Dame Prep. DC, even with Gary Danielson at quarterback and Bill McCartney coaching, couldn't keep up with these Shamrocks. DC is coming off a 39-7 loss to Orchard Lake St. Mary's. Standout linebacker Casey Rogowski is expected back this week. PICKS: Another walk in a park for CC.

Bishop Borgess (2-3, 1-1) at Dbn. Benedictine (0-5, 0-2), 2 p.m.: Benedictine is still searching for its first win. The Ravens had their chance last week, but couldn't beat winless Allen Park Cabrini (19-6). Meanwhile, Borgess found the going tough in a 44-6 loss to Tri-Sectional leader Riverview Gabriel Richard.

PICKS: Borgess gets two votes.

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"What kind of signs would you notice in the stands?"

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fast. The first, with 21:40 to play, was a drive taken by Mike Riemma with Finlay caught out of position and unable to make a stop. But streaking in to make the save was defender Keith Schenkel, who headed the ball out of harm's way.

The second Canton scoring chance came with 9:15 left. Johnny Demergis hammered a hard drive from the left side of the Salem net, 25 yards out that was headed towards the far corner. But Finlay was in position this time; he made a diving deflection that sent the ball over the top of the net and out of bounds.

"They got more scoring chances against us than anybody has all year," said McCarthy, his team now 14-2-2 overall and ranked sixth in the state. "Canton's a very good team."

Canton coach Don Smith wouldn't necessarily disagree. His Chiefs (10-4-1 overall), after all, will play Livonia Stevenson for the WLAA championship if they beat both Walled Lake Western (played yesterday) and Farmington Harrison (Saturday

at Canton at 1 p.m.), two of the weaker Western Division teams.

"I'm not disappointed," Smith said of his team's effort against Salem. "I think we've got to move the ball quicker. We can't hang onto it so long."

Against a team the caliber of Salem, that certainly is true. In fact, the Rocks may feel the same way about Canton. Despite the fast-pace of the match, neither team surrendered much on defense.

Which means, if they should meet again, another tightly-played, all-out battle can be expected.

"We'll see 'em again," predicted McCarthy, eying a rematch in the state district tournament. "That's a given."

Salem 3, DeLaSalle 1: The Rocks met another of the state's top-ranked teams Saturday, playing at fourth-ranked Warren DeLaSalle, and made the Pilots sorry they'd invited them.

Salem scored two unanswered goals in the first half, then got the clincher on a penalty kick by

Aaron Rypkowski in the second in beating DeLaSalle in a non-league match.

Giuseppe Ianni staked the Rocks to the early lead, then assisted on Jeff Haar's goal to make it 2-0 at the half. The Pilots managed to trim the deficit to a goal in the second half, before Rypkowski's insurance marker.

"We're clicking," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy. "DeLaSalle is really the most talented team in the state."

Brother Rice 4, CC 2: Birmingham Brother Rice (11-3, 6-2) overcame a two-goal, second-half deficit to double up rival Redford Catholic Central (6-7-1, 2-5) in soccer play on Tuesday.

Trailing 2-0 on goals by CC's Andrew Kogut and Pat Griffin, the Warriors came to life, scoring four goals in a 15-minute span.

Matt Holcomb began the barrage with a header off a Pat Wilson free kick and Anthony Timlin finished it off after taking a feed from Matt Cleary.

In between, Warriors Joe Morelli and Wilson found the back of the CC net.

On Friday, the Shamrocks won Catholic League crossover against Madison Heights Bishop Foley, 4-1, at Whitman Center in Livonia.

Junior forward Keith Bonnell scored two goals for the Shamrocks. Griffin and Kogut scored one goal each.

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Krueger was paired up with Roy Rabe of Stevenson, Cory Johnson of Central and Ryan Shamrock of Glenn.

"I felt I was on my game today and I wished I could have made a couple of more putts," Krueger said. "But my lag putts were good and my driver came back alive. I hit a lot of greens."

Wilson, like Krueger, is a senior. He birdied four holes. "I hit the ball pretty well," said Wilson, an All-Conference pick

last year. "But my short game could have been a little better."

"I've played here (Hudson Mills) a lot — in tournaments, and last year, so I was pretty familiar with the course."

Canton's Jon Johnson, who tied Wilson for second with a 76, also made the all-conference team along with teammate Ben Tucker, Polanski, Brian Grohman of Farmington Hills Harrison and Derek Spicer of North Farmington — all carding 77s.

Under the combined WLAA dual-meet season and tournament meet calculated formula, Central finished first overall followed by Salem, second; Canton, third; Livonia Churchill and Northville, tied for fourth; Harrison, Stevenson and John Glenn, tied for sixth; North, ninth, Walled Lake Western, 10th; Farmington, 11th; and Franklin, 12th.

But on this day, it was Salem which proved to be the best under an 18-hole format.

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Individual medalist: Erik Krueger (PS), 75. **All-Conference:** Adam Wilson (PS), 78; Jon Johnson (PC), 76; Steve Polanski (LS), 77; Brian Grohman (FHH), 77; Ben Tucker (PC), 77; Derek Spicer (NF), 77.

All-Division: Matt Lee (FHH), 76; Cory Johnson (WLC), 78; Tony Fotiu (LF), 79; Lee Aho (WLC), 79; Randall Boboige (LC), 79; Brian Arndt (N), 80; Tom Borda (N), 80; Roy Rabe (LS), 80; Marc Olin (N), 80; Mike Hamilton (WLC), 80; Dean Conway (N), 80.

TEAM-BY-TEAM SCORES

Salem (398): Erik Krueger, 75; Adam Wilson, 76; Ryan Nimmerguth, 81; Mark Doughty, 82; Matt Leon, 84; Mike Thackabery, 85.

Central (405): Cory Johnson, 78; Lee Aho, 79; Mike Hamilton, 80; Chris Pzyk, 81; Matt King, 87; Dom Vitale, 90.

Canton (408): Jon Johnson, 76; Ben Tucker, 77; Derek Lineberry, 82; Matt Rosol, 86; Justin Allen, 84; Nick Lariviere, 93.

Northville (408): Tom Borda, Dean Conway, Brian Arndt, Marc Olin, 80 each; Kris Betker, 86; Greg Rankin, 96.

Churchill (408): Randall Boboige, 79; Brad Bescoe, 81; Evan Chaff and Mike Lightbody, 82 each; Tom Fitzstephens, 85; Jeff Hunter, 92.

Harrison (411): Brian Grohman, 77; Matt Lee, 78; Chris Scott, 82; Ken Lee, 83; Kevin Geary, 91; Corey Miller, disqualified.

N. Farmington (413): Derek Spicer, 77; Mike Barnett, 78; Brandon Finkel, 82; Brady Owyer, 86; Jon Panush, 92; Mike Patterson, 90.

Stevenson (415): Steve Polanski, 77; Roy Rabe, 80; Kevin Yuhaz and Mike Byberg, 85

each; Matt DiPonio, 88; David Vanecek, 89; John Glenn (418): Chris Tompkins and Justin Fendeleit, 81 each; Brian Reed, 82; Ryan Shamrock, 88; Jeremy Fendeleit, 88; Rich Sudak, 90.

W.L. Western (426): Steve Sobolek, 81; Jason Kane, 84; Ralph Martello, 85; Scott Williams, 87; Randy Burt, 89; Terrance Wiererson, 90.

Farmington (431): Chris Katcherian, 82; Dan Kimmel and Jon Knight, 85 each; Ian Pardonette, 88; Brad Sarenie, 91; Joe Kremer, 92.

Franklin (444): Tony Fotiu, 79; Tim Kufel, 85; Scott Waara, 90; Mick Kearney, 92; Mike Wallace, 98; Chris Griffith, 99.

DIVISION DUAL-MEET CHAMPIONS

Western: Churchill and Canton, 4-1 each.

Lakes: W.L. Central, 5-0.

Overall: W.L. Central, 11-0.

Final conference standings: 1. W.L. Central; 2. Salem; 3. Canton; 4. (tie) Churchill and Northville; 5. (tie) Harrison, Stevenson and John Glenn; 6. N. Farmington; 7. W.L. Western; 8. Farmington; 9. Franklin.

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scored eight.

Canton 66, Farmington 18: Farmington's woes continued, courtesy of visiting Plymouth Canton Tuesday.

The outcome was never in doubt as the Chiefs built a 17-5 lead after one quarter and a 32-13 advantage by halftime. Everyone played and everyone scored for Canton, which remained in the WLAA title hunt by improving to 3-1 (7-3 overall). Farmington is 0-4 in the league, 1-9 overall.

Christina Kiessel's 17 points was best for the Chiefs. Janine

Guastella added 13 and Janell Tweitmeyer had eight. Megan O'Rear was high scorer for the Falcons with five.

Oak Christian 64, PCA 40: Well, at least the first loss of the season suffered by Plymouth Christian Academy didn't come against any slouch.

The Eagles traveled to Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, the No. 1-ranked team in Class D, on Tuesday, and it wasn't a happy trip. They fell behind by 10 (29-19) by halftime, then suffered through an 18-6 Oakland Christian third-quarter surge.

"We played tough, we played aggressive," said PCA coach Rod Windle, his team falling to 8-1 overall; 3-1 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. "They were just too good for us tonight."

Jenny Sutherland's 13 points and five rebounds paced the Eagles. Lisa LaRue added 10 points and five steals.

Oakland Christian (8-1 overall, 3-0 in the MIAC) got 20 points from Becky Neal and 16 from Stephanie Jackson.

Divine Child 53, Ladywood 52: Chris Brewis poured in 21 points

and Maria Jilian added 12 as Dearborn Divine Child (6-5, 2-3) squeezed past host Livonia Ladywood (4-6, 1-4).

Freshman center Liz Obrecht and senior guard Erin Hayden each tallied 11 points in the loss. Senior forward Carly Queen added 10 points.

Obrecht hit one of two free throws with 15 seconds left to pull the Blazers to within two, 53-51. DC held possession and ran out the clock.

Ladywood lost two starters to fouls. Both teams hit 17-of-28 free throws.

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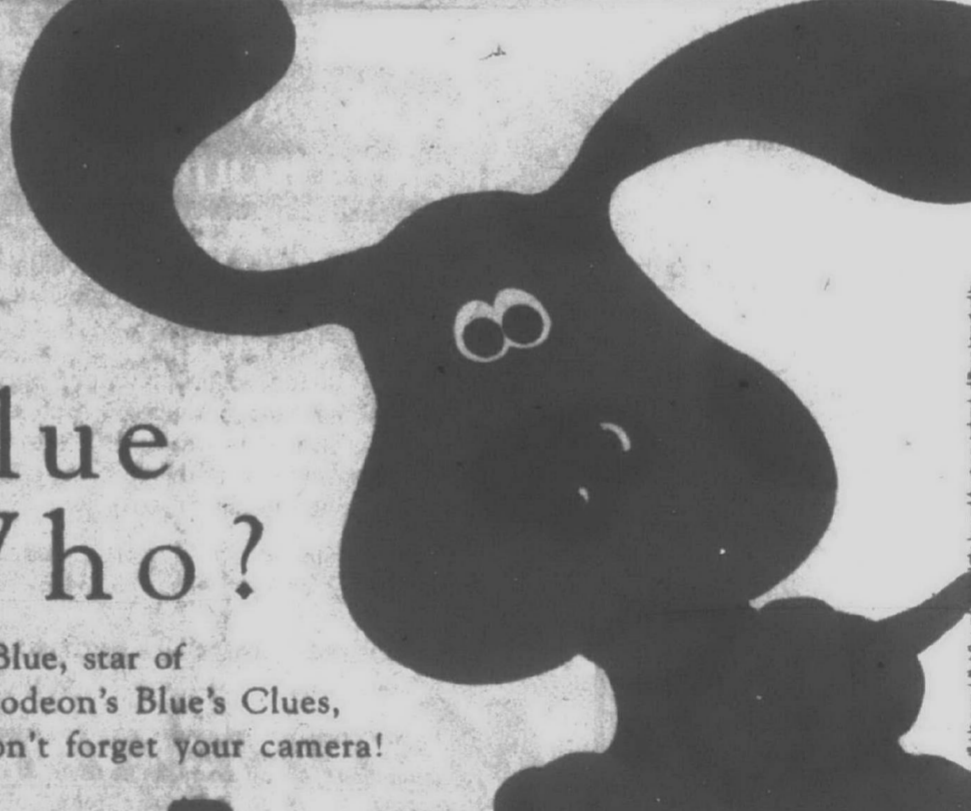
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CROSS COUNTRY

Salem girls capture a title at Crestwood; Canton finishes 3rd

Don't blame the shock absorbers or struts if the school bus was tilting Saturday as the Plymouth Salem girls cross country team returned from the Dearborn Heights Crestwood Invitational.

"It was from all the medals and trophies we were bringing back," Salem coach Dave Gerlach joked.

Gerlach had reason to be happy as the Rocks capped off a successful week - trouncing Farmington in a dual meet Thursday and finishing strong in the Crestwood Invitational at Ford Field.

In the invitational, Salem raced two squads in the two-division meet. Salem's A Team finished second in its division, while the B Team took first.

The A Team finished with 37 points - just four behind Dearborn Edsel Ford. Junior Rachael Moraitis led the Rocks runners by taking third in 20:27.

Other Rocks included junior Rachel Jones, sixth (20:54); junior Shae Potocki, eighth (21:00); junior Lisa Jasnowski, ninth (21:03); junior Brynne DeNeen, 11th (21:10); senior Erin Kelly, 13th (21:15); and junior Miranda White, 29th (22:32).

The B Team easily won its division, collecting 41 points to Lutheran Westland's 71 points.

Freshman Kelly Solano ran well, taking second overall with a time of 20:39.

Other Salem runners included: senior Becky Phelan, fifth (21:22); junior Aisha Chappell, sixth (21:46); sophomore Heather Whittington, 12th (22:38); senior Shannon Will, 16th (22:53); sophomore Anna Moniodis, 18th (23:20); and senior Katie Tighe, 19th (23:28).

"I was extremely pleased with how they ran as the girls ran in a downpour and on a muddy course with some very steep hills," Gerlach said. "But the

girls didn't let the conditions affect them.

"We went into the invitational with a mindset of wanting to get on a roll to end the season and we wanted to go out and run as a team. We achieved both of those goals."

On Thursday, the Rocks trounced Farmington at Cass Benton, 16-47. Salem rested its top three runners - Moraitis, DeNeen and Solano.

The Rocks, who earned eight of the top nine finishes, improved to 4-2 overall in dual meets and 3-1 in the Lakes Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Jones won the race in 21:33. She was followed by Kelly (21:38), Potocki (21:39) and Chappell (21:55).

Salem took sixth through ninth positions with Jasnowski (22:06), Will (22:12), White (22:13) and Phelan (22:15).

"It was the first day the weather broke as we had cool conditions," Gerlach said. "The girls responded with several personal bests."

Canton takes third

The Plymouth Canton girls cross country team took third at Saturday's Grosse Ile Invitational.

Brighton took first with 23 points, followed by Brighton's B Team with 42 points and Canton with 88.

Former Plymouth Salem runner Alyson Flohr, now attending Northville High School, won the invitational in 19:48.

The top Canton runner was Sarah Rucinski, who took 12th place in 21:07.

Other Chiefs to finish included: Lark Haurert, 16th (21:14); Terra Kubert, 19th (21:30); Betsy Radtke, 20th (21:32); Amy Dupuis, 21st (21:33); Jamie Griffin, 27th (21:50); and Billie Pavlovic, 32nd (22:08).

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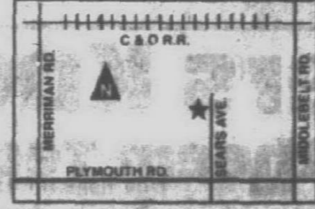
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Rocks win 2; Chiefs take 5th

The Plymouth Salem boys cross country team was in two different locations Saturday, but the results were both successful.

The Rocks varsity won the nine-team Ann Arbor Pioneer Invitational, behind senior Nick Allen, who finished second overall in 15:59.

Salem finished with 66 points, followed by Saline's 77 and Livonia Stevenson's 86.

Other Salem runners included: senior Jon Little, ninth (16:52); senior Bobby Cushman, 11th (17:00); sophomore Craig Little, 20th (17:20); senior Matt Anderson, 24th (17:26); senior Trevor Davis, 41st (18:21); and sophomore Rob Showalter, 48th (18:33).

The junior varsity competed in the Dearborn Heights Crestwood Invitational where it took third, behind Dearborn Edsel Ford and Dearborn Divine Child.

Sophomore Manvir Gill was the top Salem runner, finishing 11th in 17:59. He edged out a pair of teammates, freshman Chris Mayer, who took 12th in 18:01, and sophomore Donnie Warner, who was 13th in 18:04.

Other Rocks included: senior Pat O'Connor, 17th (18:09); Greg Kubitski, 18th (18:20); junior Mike Carpenter, 35th (19:32) and sophomore Brad Litwin, 38th (19:46).

"I was actually happier with how the junior varsity runners ran," Salem coach Geoff Baker said. "With the exception of Nick, the other varsity runners just ran OK. I'm not sure why, but we had another lackluster week of practice. Perhaps the rain made it too chilly."

Canton takes 5th

With strong showings from all members of the team, Plymouth Canton's boys cross country squad managed a fifth-place showing at the Grosse Ile Invitational Saturday.

Brighton's A-team won the event with 27 points. Trenton was second (71), Saline was third (79) and Brighton's B-team was fourth

(87). Canton totaled 131 points. Marty Kane, who finished 15th in 17:45, and Bryan Kulczycki, who was 17th in 17:48, both earned medals. Joe Niemier placed 33rd (18:51), Jon Mikosz was 34th (18:54) and Scott Gillen took 36th (18:57).

"Overall, it was the best race we've had all year," said Canton coach Mike Spitz.

Young Rocks shine

It isn't just the upperclassmen that make Plymouth Salem, ranked fourth in the state in Class A, so formidable.

At Tuesday's Freshmen/Sophomore Invitational, hosted by Westland John Glenn, the younger Rocks finished first overall with 24 points. Redford Catholic Central was second with 73. A total of eight teams competed.

Salem's Craig Little was the overall winner in 17:04. Other Rock runners were Chris Mayer, third (17:52); Donnie Warner, fifth (18:05); Manvir Gill, seventh (18:11); Greg Kubitski, eighth (18:13); Rob Showalter, ninth (18:16); and Mark Bolger, 31st (19:55).

Senior school invite setting big at PCA

It's different than other cross country invitational, which is why it's growing in popularity.

Plymouth Christian Academy hosted the sixth-annual Senior School Invitational Tuesday at Grosse Ile and 19 Class A schools with enrollment of 100 or less from all over the state competed in both the boys and girls races. The limit in school size isn't the only difference, however, only being three runners from each school count in the scoring, instead of the customary five.

"We're trying to make this the premier meet for small schools," said PCA coach Steve Bauslaugh. "We doubled the size of it from last year, and next year we want to expand on it again."

In the boys meet, Detroit Holy Redeemer was the winner with 15 points. PCA finished second (35), followed by Academy of Detroit (50 — won tiebreaker); Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest (59); Auburn Hills Oakland Christian (56); Bloomfield Hills Roper (78); Mount Pleasant Sacred Heart (86); Harper Woods Lutheran East (92); Warren Bethesda Christian (98); and Marine City Cardinal Mooney (105).

The overall race winner was Bethesda's Gabe Wordell (17:33). PCA's Jordan Roosa

PCA X-COUNTRY

finished second (17:38), with a pair of Holy Redeemer runners, Juan Serrano and Aaron Ranch, placing third and fourth, respectively. Darak Hix of Roper was fifth.

Other Eagle scorers were Mike Fontenot in 13th and Mike Atkinson in 20th. Derek Isensee was 21st, Nate Worley took 22nd, A.J. Sherrill finished 35th, and Eric Schultz placed 34th.

In the girls race, Oakland Christian was the winning team with 18 points. In second was Lutheran Northwest (30), followed by Adrian Lenawee Christian (35); Cardinal Mooney (45); Roper (72); Sacred Heart (81); Southfield Franklin Road Christian (88 — won tiebreaker); Lutheran East (86); PCA (97); and Academy of Detroit (112).

First overall in the race was Sacred Heart's Lisa Zitzelsberger in 22:45. Oakland Christian's Katie Pesquiera took second (23:47), followed by Claire Stone of Roper, Michelle Roff of Lutheran Northwest and Kristy Monger of Lenawee Christian.

PCA's top two scorers were Stephanie Tamm, 28th, and Cherise Cannon, 29th.

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Northville at Franklin, 7:30 p.m.
Farmington at Thurston, 7:30 p.m.
John Glenn at Salem (CEP), 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 10
Canton at Harrison, 1 p.m.
W.L. Central at N. Farm., 1 p.m.
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Farmington at Salem, 7 p.m.
W.L. Central at N. Farm., 7 p.m.
Allen Park at Wayne, 7 p.m.
Dearborn at Garden City, 7 p.m.
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Friday, Oct. 9
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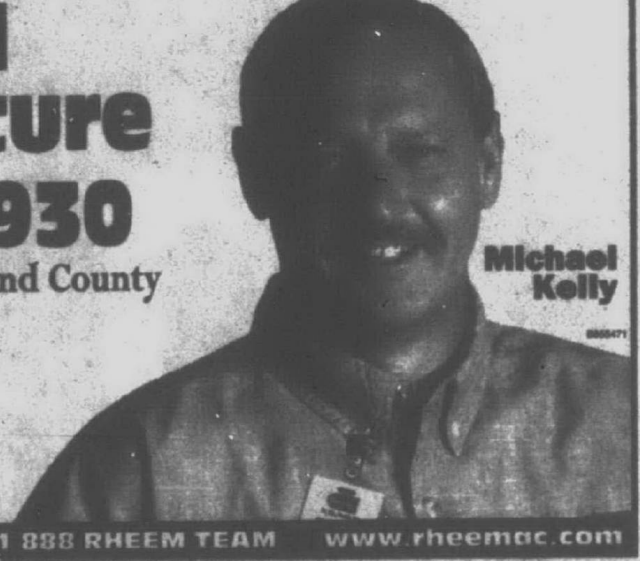
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Richards' goal is to make the Senior Series a qualifying tour for the Senior PGA Tour, much like the Nike Tour does for the PGA.

"Even if it's just four spots, it's a start," Richards said.

During last month's Senior PGA Brickyard event in Indianapolis, 33 of the 78 players in the field were either past or present Senior Series Tour members.

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Another well-known area player is long drive specialist Evan "Big Cat" Williams, also of Rochester.

There are several other interesting stories, according to Richards:

- Jerry Bruner, a truck driver from Los Angeles, won the \$15,000 purse in Evansville.
 - Robert Landers of Azie, Tex., meanwhile, has played three years on the Senior PGA Tour.
 - Another Senior PGA performer is Bob Smith of Clearwater, Fla.
 - Ron Acree (Louisville, Ky.) and Bob Irving (Carefree, Ariz.) both are coming off open heart surgery.
 - Former Michigander John Grace, now residing in Fort Worth, Tex., played in the Walker Cup.
 - Larry Miller (Mandeville, La.) played on the regular tour.
 - Jack Lewis (Winston Salem, N.C.) recently retired as head coach at Wake Forest University.
 - Jim Stefanich (Joliet, Ill.) is in the Professional Bowlers Hall of Fame.
 - And there's Chuck Montalbano (Toluca Lake, Calif.), who teaches golf to the rich and famous at Riviera Country Club in L.A.
- Admission fees to the tournament and Camp Dearborn will be waived through Saturday's final round. The event will benefit Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital of Milford, a unit of the Detroit Medical Center.

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The Planning Commission seeks input to determine if approval of the Use Subject to Special Conditions should be issued under Section 15.2 of Zoning Ordinance No. 83, as amended. The land is currently zoned IND, Industrial District.

Questions regarding the request may be directed to the Community Development Department during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Planning Commission will consider the request at its regular meeting on October 21, 1998, commencing at 7:00 p.m. Written comments concerning the request will be received prior to the meeting. The address for application review and for written comment is: Plymouth Charter Township, Community Development Department, 46565 Port Street, Plymouth, MI 48170. Telephone Number 734-453-4372. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall. The address for Township Hall is 42360 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170.

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FOOTBALL

Mighty Casey on deck for Shamrocks

CC's 3-sport standout in step, returning this week

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
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Detroit Catholic Central senior Casey Rogowski wasn't likely to perform an end zone dance at last month's Boys Bowl, even if he was healthy enough to play.

The humble linebacker and fullback prefers to do his footwork between goalines. Showboating's not his style.

But later that night, after the Shamrocks' 40-14 victory over Detroit St. Martin DePorres at Pontiac's Wisner Stadium, dancing was part of the routine with his date at the annual homecoming dance.

Rogowski, a three-sport standout from Livonia, wasn't going to win any contests but he wanted his teammates to know he's happy for them and close to recovering from a broken leg and arthroscopic knee surgery.

He had shed his crutches just days before, and a knee brace wasn't quite fitted yet.

He talked about it a couple weeks before, saying "I'll be out on the dance floor on crutches if I have to," said Derek Anderson, a senior wide receiver/defensive back for the Shamrocks. "We were joking that he'd have to have his pants custom fitted or wear shorts to fit his brace."

The dance was fun, even if they played Top 40 more than his favorite classic Rock & Roll songs, but the stage he's really looking forward to will take place at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Dearborn Heights Crestwood.

That's when Rogowski, a pre-season all-state candidate, makes his season debut against Dearborn Divine Child.

You've heard of Mighty Casey at Bat. This one's on deck. He'll wear his familiar No. 45 with an unfamiliar knee brace.

"I don't mind wearing it - as long as it gets me on the field," said Rogowski, who has a 3.3 grade point average. "I miss the guys."

Rogowski, injured in a pre-season scrimmage in late August, returned to practice on Monday at CC.

The Shamrocks aren't in pads on Mondays. They mostly run sprints and Rogowski was glad to see he not only kept up with most of his teammates, but won once.

"They were saying 'Don't let the gimp win,'" said Rogowski, smiling.

Milt Thackaberry, manager of Botsford Hospital's Total Rehabilitation and Athletic Conditioning Center in Novi and Rogowski's therapist, stopped short of recommending dancing but had him working up a sweat most days after school.

Because Rogowski's a senior and hoping to show major college football coaches he's worthy of a scholarship, his rehab was accelerated, Thackaberry said. Rogowski has a couple boxes of letters from major colleges across the country and by the end of the season he's hoping to have some game videotapes he can send them.

"If he was a sophomore, things wouldn't be quite as aggressive, but this is his 'last shot,'" Thackaberry said last week. "Casey knows what hard work is, what he's got to do to get ready. We've got the swelling down, now it's just a matter of getting his strength and endurance back."

The average person may not



Brace fitting: Rogowski gets his knee measured for a brace fitted by certified orthodist Ernie Bastian as his mother Kathy Rogowski looks on during a break from working out at the Total Rehabilitation and Athletic Conditioning Center in Novi.

even get hurt. These guys (athletes), though they're not in constant pain, know what a little discomfort is about. They're already educated that way."

Rogowski's uncle, Livonia Stevenson swimming coach Doug Buckler, offered him some swim time to rehab the leg but Rogowski politely declined. His sister, Kelley, a student at Michigan State University, is the swimmer in the family.

Rogowski's mother, Kathy, is a nurse, so there's never a shortage of bandages or TLC around the house. She also packs a lunch for Casey and his brother, Ryan, a freshman at CC.

The family jokes that she gets up early enough so she can pack the lunches and make it to work in time. Remarkably, the 6-foot-3 Rogowski remains around his playing weight of 235 pounds despite his large appetite.

Rogowski's parents were there when the injury occurred on the third play of a scrimmage against Temperance-Bedford.

"I'm glad I was there," Kathy Rogowski said. "I would have hated to get the phone call because then everything goes through your mind. It's bad enough when you're there."

Rogowski stayed up-beat while sidelined, although the bus ride home from the Boys Bowl was hard on him.

"I went from being happy that we won to sitting on the bus by myself," he said.

What made Rogowski's injury especially agonizing is he's potentially a Division I college prospect in football, wrestling and baseball. After helping the Shamrocks to the Class AA state football championship last fall,

he won the Division I state heavyweight championship in wrestling and was a first-team All Observer baseball player, helping CC to a Final Four berth in Class A.

The two things college prospects worry about most have three initials: ACT, which stands for the American College Test, and ACL, which stands for anterior cruciate ligament.

Athletes don't want to screw up either one. While Rogowski knew his ACT was in good shape, scoring a 20 the only time he took it, he wasn't sure about his ACL until his knee scope showed no damage.

His father, Dennis Rogowski, thinks it's part of God's master plan.

"Every sport he played last year was a highlight, too good to be true, maybe," the elder Rogowski, a former star athlete at Wayne St. Mary's, said. "The good Lord said we're going to

give you a test, a little detour."

Some friends have suggested Rogowski skip wrestling his senior year but he's decided to return and didn't think twice once he got his prognosis. He has too much loyalty to CC wrestling coach Mike Rodriguez and too much drive to repeat as a state champion.

"A goal of mine is to be the two-time state champion. I can't stop at one," Rogowski said.

Rogowski may have cried himself to sleep some nights after the injury, but now he has pleasant dreams about his return.

His goal prior to the season was to record more than 100 tackles. To come close the Shamrocks would have to play the maximum four playoff games on top of their eight regular season games and Rogowski would have to have some huge games.

"I got 86 (tackles) last year and my goal was to get over 100," he said. "I keep thinking of

ways I can get there. I keep having a reoccurring dream that against DC I'm going to have 22."

Kathy Rogowski has a simpler

goal, which is why she's his mother.

"My goal is for him to walk off the field every time," she said. "That would make me happy."

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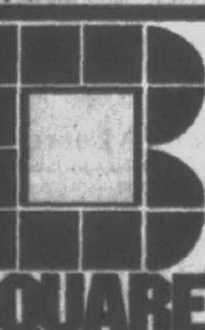
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Putting in miles: Milt Thackaberry, manager of TRACC, instructs Rogowski on the stationary bicycle.

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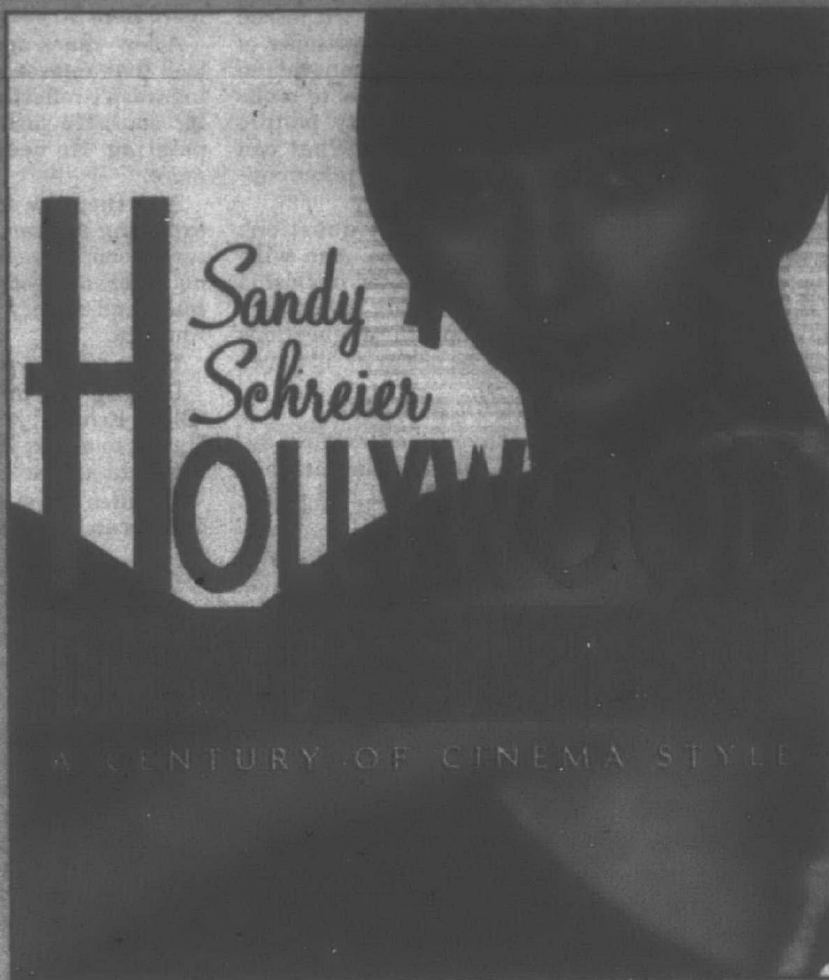


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COLLECTOR STARSTRUCK BY MOVIE FASHION

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

To Diana Ross she was the Feather Lady and to Bette Midler she's been her fashion teacher. Sandy Schreier loves rubbing elbows with celebrities, and she's not ashamed to admit it. "I've always been starstruck, and I hope I never grow out of it," she said, sitting in the kitchen of her suburban Oakland County home, which has its own theatrical flair. Schreier, who has a collection of more than 10,000 French Couture, American fashions and Hollywood

costumes, has combined her love for fashion and her love for Hollywood in a new book, "Hollywood Dressed & Undressed: A Century of Cinema Style" (Rizzoli, \$35, large format paperback). The book combines excellent film photos from the silent days of Theda Bara to Nicole Kidman with pithy comments, inside gossip and brief essays on style by Schreier. Midler, film legend Loretta Young and fashion designer Isaac Mizrahi provide short commentaries.

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Retains her elegance: Loretta Young, right, with Sandy Schreier, still retains her beauty into her 80s.



Protege: Bette Midler, left, has been taking fashion lessons from Sandy Schreier.

Dropping names

Sandy Schreier can drop a name or an anecdote at a moment's notice. Here's a sample:

■ **THE COSTUMER** for "Great Expectations" clothed GWENETH PALTROW in fashions by Donna Karan. Schreier said Karan had an overstock of green clothes she hadn't been able to unload, so ...

■ **JEAN HARLOW**: "A total creation of (costume designer) Adrian from head to toe. Not only did he clothe her but controlled her life. The total look was important and he worked with the makeup person and hairdresser and was the first to do that. He created the platinum blonde hair, skinny eyebrows, everything."

■ **CLARK GABLE**: "We think of him as being rugged but we don't think of him as being absorbed with fashion and he was. He had a personal tailor to fit his costumes. Clark Gable and Cary Grant were allowed to wear their own clothes on the screen." Despite designer Walter Plunkett's reputation for detailed authenticity, producer David Selznick allowed Gable to wear his own clothes in "Gone With the Wind" rather than the more historically accurate costumes that Plunkett had designed. Selznick didn't want Gable to look too dated.

■ **CARY GRANT**: "He was more of a perfectionist than Clark Gable ... A lot of trends started with Cary Grant. He wore stripes and checks that came from English music hall and were never fashionable until he wore them."

■ **ADOLPH MENJOU**: The impeccably dressed Menjou was known for his sense of style. When he was ready to overhaul his wardrobe he was asked to bring his old suits to the studio. He did, complete with price tags. And they weren't cheap.

■ **GINGER ROGERS**: "She was the worst dressed star in the world. Ginger thought more was more. They had to retake scenes where she had added accessories to every outfit."



Star power: Sandy Schreier with legendary star Alice Faye, who died earlier this year.



Title role: Dramatic soprano Alessandra Marc will sing the role of the Princess Turandot in Michigan Opera Theatre's production of "Turandot."

'Turandot' resurrects last song

BY FRANK PROVENZANO
STAFF WRITER

It's the equivalent of rewriting Shakespeare, reworking Beethoven's Fifth, or rearranging the words of a Lennon and McCartney composition.

At the death in 1924 of the pre-eminent opera composer of the day, Giacomo Puccini, the opera that had consumed him in his last years, "Turandot," remained unfinished.

True to the melodramatic operatic tradition — which reads as a tragic play between the gods and mortals — another composer, Franco Alfano, completed the opera's concluding duet based on two-dozen pages of music found at Puccini's death.

Apparently, Alfano's response to the challenge of the operatic gods was inadequate. For the next six decades productions of "Turandot" typically included another version, the abridged ending performed by Toscanini at the opera's premiere at la Scala Opera House in Milan in 1926.

This weekend the Michigan Opera Theatre opens its 1998-99 season with a grand scale production of Alfano's seldom-heard version of the final scene, a duet between lovers.

"This interpretation has only been heard in one other city," said David DiChiera, managing director of MOT.

DiChiera is hardly demure about the reason for choosing "Turandot," and Alfano's ending to open the new season.

"We have access to one of the finest directors in the opera world," said DiChiera, referring to conductor Steven Muercuro's rendition. Muercuro has a list of stunning critical achievements at MOT, including last year's productions "Rigoletto," and

What: "Turandot," an opera by Giacomo Puccini, a production by the Michigan Opera Theatre

When: 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11; 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 12; 8 p.m. Friday & Saturday, Oct. 16-17; 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18

Where: Detroit Opera House, at the corner of Madison Avenue and Broadway, Detroit (across from the Detroit Athletic Club)

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Calendar of Events:

- Saturday, Oct. 10 - Program features three documentaries by Troy filmmaker Gary Glaser, "Hudson's the Building," "Forgotten Voices," a film about an arts education program for four prisoners serving life sentences in the Western Wayne Correctional Facility, and "Borderline: The Story of 8 Mile Road." Tickets \$5 members, \$4 non-members.
- Friday, Oct. 16 - New play reading - "The Outside World"
- Saturday, Oct. 24 - Telling Stories with author Hugh Cook
- Oct. 30 to Nov. 28 - "Sister Camille's Kaleidoscopic Cabaret"
- Saturday, Nov. 29 - Dell and the Ruff Cuts live in concert
- Sunday, Jan 17 to Feb. 17 - Gallery exhibit by The Arts Group
- Saturday, Feb. 13 - Free technical workshop with Gary Grace on how to run lights and sound
- March 5-28 - "Grace and Glorie" by Tom Ziegler
- Friday-Saturday, April 23-24 - Common Room, garage-style variety theater
- Friday, May 14 to Saturday, May 22 - Reader's Theatre Festival

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Thomas Malcom Olson's enthusiasm for Trinity House Theatre's new season pierced the darkened stage of the playhouse.

The 29-year-old artistic director came on board in June and already seems like he's been with the Christian-based theater group for years as he talked non-stop about expanding the theater's offerings. Olson brought with him from St. Paul, Minn., dozens of ideas for hosting art exhibitions, concerts and films in addition to presenting the regular season of plays.

"We're in the process of not only being a theater space but an art gallery and place for concerts," said Olson. "We want to be a good night out, for people to make this a destination place."

Actually, the concept is not new for

Trinity House, a theater that deals with issues of humanity. When Paul Patton and members of the Trinity Baptist Church in Livonia founded the theater in 1981, the space provided a venue for a variety of entertainment.

Olson is well-versed on the history of the space, how the theater started as an offshoot of the church until it was incorporated as a separate entity in 1988. He thinks the intimacy of the space, it seats 85 comfortably, lends itself to informal lectures by authors, documentary films, and acoustic concerts by groups such as Dell and the Ruff Cuts. Twenty-five percent of the box office from this concert of folksy-rock originals goes to Another Way, a Crisis Pregnancy Center in Farmington.

But with all the excitement over the expansion, live theater is still the focus of Trinity House, currently



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Transition stage: Thomas Malcom Olson directs Trinity House Theatre down a new path this season.

in the process of rewriting their mission statement.

Opening Friday, Oct. 30, the content of the first fully staged play of the season reflects a new direction for the theater as well. Board president Susan VandenBrink says come

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prepared to think if you plan to attend this world premier.

Written by Canadian playwright Paul Mason, "Sister Camille's Kaleidoscopic Cabaret" deals with a rag-tag bunch of individuals struggling with their lives. Emceeding the cathartic bunch is Sister Camille. Among the cast of characters is Lord Jake, an eccentric guitar player, Jasper the ape and the half-mad German woman, Mrs. Stoker who's dealing with her own personal demons as she denies the existence of the Holocaust.

"Tommy's young, energetic," said VandenBrink. "He's a risk taker. We need him to take us forward. People have to be prepared to be engaged not just entertained. In a sense 'Sister Camille' speaks to issues of our culture. I think it will provoke thought and help people think through some of the issues."

For the first time, Trinity House will introduce a live feed video to a production. Lloyd VandenBrink, Susan's husband and set designer for Trinity House, is in charge of bringing the fractured images to the stage for "Sister Camille."

"The camera will be taking in

Tommy's young, energetic. He's a risk taker. We need him to take us forward. People have to be prepared to be engaged not just entertained.

*Susan VandenBrink
Trinity Board President*

images then bouncing them back through a mirror back onto the stage," said VandenBrink. "The multi-media is new for us and something we want to explore."

New season

This year's operating budget of \$49,400 funds a variety of programs from a reading of West-land playwright Gary Brda's "The Outside World," to a staging of Tom Ziegler's "Grace and Glorie," a two character play about a woman in her 40s and another in his 90s who's waiting to die, a Reader's Theatre Festival, "Common Room," a garage-style variety theater, and "Sister Camille."

"We want audiences to experience something they can't get through any other medium—that human presence," said Olson. "The theme for the season is to

reflect and redeem the brokenness of the age through brave, truthful and necessary works of art. All you have to do is read the headlines to see how alien and fragmented our society is and to know we need to do these kind of works."

In the past, Trinity House has relied on a membership fee of \$25 and fundraisers for its operating expenses. Like all nonprofits, the theater struggles to attract audiences and sponsors. To reach patrons, the most direct route though, is letters and phone calls. By painting the white clapboard structure red, they hope to attract attention as cars whiz past on Six Mile. A technical workshop on operating lights and sound is an open invitation for anyone who'd like join the members of Trinity House Theatre, but not necessarily act.

Shakespeare a laugh a minute

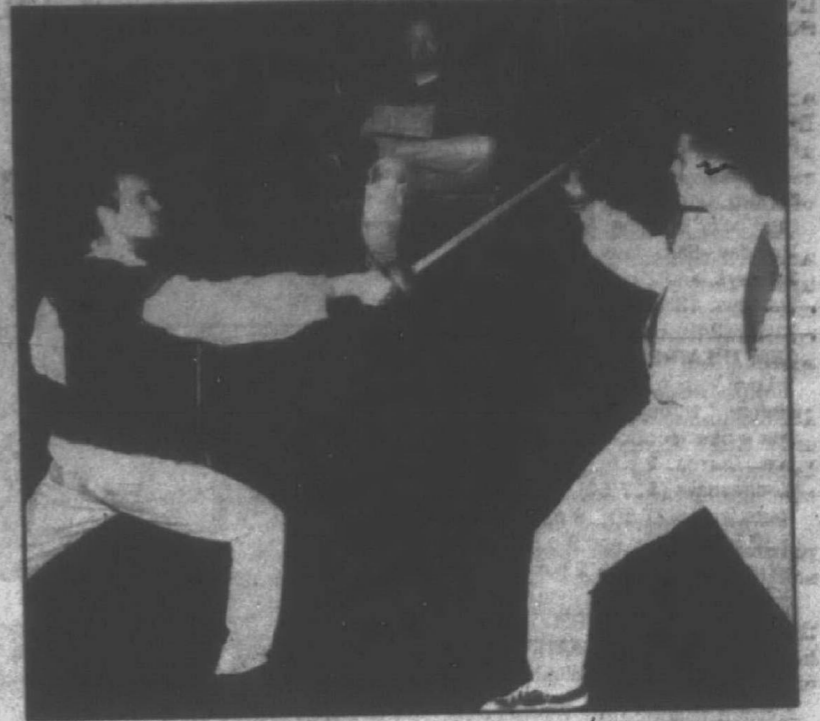
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Tickets are \$12, \$9 for students/seniors, and available by calling (734) 971-2228.

This show will make you laugh until your sides hurt as the four Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti actors perform all 37 of the Bard's plays in one sitting.

"You don't have to be familiar with Shakespeare to appreciate the fast-paced silliness of this show, but anyone who has some knowledge of Shakespeare's works will spit their sides," said show director David Blixt.

New sketches have been added so even if you caught the show earlier this year, you're more than likely to have a great evening. "The Compleat Works of WLLM SHKSPR (abridged)" includes Backwards Hamlet, The Titus Adronicus Cooking Show, The Othello Rap, A History Football Game, and more.



Backwards Hamlet: Shadow Theatre Company presents side-splitting comedy "The Compleat Works of WLLM SHKSPR (abridged)" at the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre.

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"Aida."

Pain in the neck?

For sheer large-scale spectacle and melodrama, the MOT production of Puccini's "Turandot" stands alongside last year's production of Verdi's "Aida," and perhaps at the opposite end of Puccini's intimate "Madame Butterfly."

Like "Aida," expect a huge cast, parades and breathtaking scenery. For all the pomp, however, the music is intended to bridge cultures. There are distinctive Oriental influences, Puccini's irresistible melodies and references to early 20th-century composers, especially Stravinsky.

"Turandot" is the last mainstream opera, written in the 20th century, that's clearly from the romantic tradition of last century," said DiChiera.

For years, Puccini struggled with the structure of the opera. While the story appears as a

simple fairy tale, the composer wanted the melody and movement to make the definitive statement about the power of love.

Set in antiquity, a Chinese princess, Turandot, poses a challenge to prospective suitors: answer three riddles and her heart is theirs. An incorrect answer, however, is terms for a beheading. (There's a whole new meaning for the "headache of love.")

Unexpectedly, an unknown man, Calaf, succeeds in unraveling the conundrums. But there's a rub: if Turandot can find out his name before dawn, he'll concede to "losing his head."

Tragedy is a hair's breadth from blissful love. Who'll win? Who'll be able to live for the day when a hair cut didn't include a chop in the neck?

Like Puccini's other magnificent operas, "Turandot" has powerful melodies and swells that

make even the most cynical feel the warm wind of love brush their cool exteriors. Apparently, even the ice princess Turandot can't refuse the power of Puccini's melody.

The voices will resonant through the Detroit Opera House. "Turandot" is Puccini's largest choral work.

"The adrenaline rush when you're on stage is incredible," said Tony Lynch of Rochester Hills, who performs in the chorus.

By day, Lynch is a salesman for Air Center Inc. of Troy. By night, he sings at the Detroit Opera House, where he's performed in 10 operas.

Three years ago, he went from a production at Avon Players, a community theater, to sharing the stage with Pavarotti at the Opera House grand opening.

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"The Steward of Christendom," Sebastian Barry brings to life, Thomas Dunne, the last Chief Superintendent of the Dublin metropolitan police just before the Irish War of Independence in the 1920s, opens Thursday, Oct. 8, to Sunday, Oct. 25, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays, at the McAuley theater on the Outer Drive campus. \$10, \$8 seniors/students, UDM students free with proper ID. (313) 993-1130

HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE

"I Bet Your Life," Fred Carmichael's play about the plight of a man who discovers he has a fatal disease, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, Oct. 15-17 and 22-24, and 2 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 18 and 25, in Adray Auditorium in the MacKenzie Fine Arts Center, 5101 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. \$3. (313) 845-6478

COMMUNITY THEATER

EMPATHETHEATRE

Opens its fifth season of monthly improv, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, at the Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor. \$12, \$10, \$7. (734) 913-9733

HARTLAND PLAYERS

"The Fantasticks," one of the longest running Broadway musicals of all time, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 9-10, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, at the Hartland Music Hall, 3619 Avon, Hartland. \$8, \$7 students/seniors. (810) 220-3521

JET

"The Last Night of Ballyhoo," by Pulitzer Prize winner Alfred Uhry, this Tony-award winning comedy with substance is set in Atlanta, GA in December of 1939, Oct. 14-Nov. 15, at the theater, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 788-2900

SHADOW THEATRE COMPANY

Presents "The Complete Works of WLLM SHKSPR (abridged)," 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 15-17, and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18, at the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre, 2275 Platt Road, Ann Arbor. \$12, \$9 students/seniors. (734) 971-2228

IRA PRODUCTIONS

"The Deathtrap," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Oct. 9-10, 16-17, 23-24, and 2 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 11, 18 and 25, at The Burgh, northeast corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road, Southfield. \$6, \$7 seniors/children. (248) 827-0701

STAGECRAFTERS

"Once Upon A Mattress," through Oct. 11, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays, at the historic Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, downtown Royal Oak. \$12-\$14. (248) 541-8430

DINNER THEATER

DAVE AND BUSTER'S

"An Act of Murder," a mystery dinner theatre, 8 p.m. Saturdays through Oct. 10 at Dave and Buster's, M-59 and M-53, Utica. \$32.95 per person plus tax and gratuity, includes dinner of Caesar salad, choice of lemon herb chicken with tarragon-lemon cream sauce or prime rib. Not recommended for children ages 18 and younger; "Can You Say Murder?" a mystery dinner theatre, 8 p.m. Saturdays Oct. 17-Nov. 21 at the restaurant. (810) 930-1515

FRENCH

"Pasta to Padick," the story of the marriage of an Italian bride and a Polish groom, through October at the restaurant, 108 E. Main St., Northville. \$39.95 includes seven-course Italian dinner, show, tax and



Greatest Show on Earth! Mark Oliver Gebel shines in the spotlight of the 127th edition of Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey when he presents a lineup of liberty of horses. Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey, "The Greatest Show on Earth!" continues through Sunday, Oct. 11, at Joe Louis Arena, 600 Civic Center Drive, Detroit. Tickets \$30-ringside, \$17.50, \$14.50 and \$10.50. Numerous discounts available, call (248) 645-6666 or (313) 983-6606. For on-line information www.ticketmaster.com. All those holding tickets are invited to come one hour before the performance to experience the Three Ring Adventure at no added cost. The arena floor is transformed into an interactive playground for children of all ages.

YOUTH

MARQUIS THEATRE

The musical comedy "Annabelle Broom the Unhappy Witch," 7 p.m. Fridays, Oct. 9, 16, 23 and 30, 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, Oct. 10, 17, 24 and 31, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 11, 18 and 25, at the theater, 135 East Main, Northville. (248) 349-8110

PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS

"Cinderella," Saturdays-Sundays through Dec. 20 with holiday performance Friday, Nov. 27, Historic Players Club, 3321 E. Jefferson, between Mount Elliott and McDougal, Detroit. Saturday programs start with lunch at noon and performances at 1 p.m., Sundays with lunch at 1 p.m. and performances at 2 p.m. \$7.50, \$6.50 groups of 20 or more. (810) 662-8118

SHAMELESS RAINBOW YOUTH THEATER

"Glass Slippers and other Reasons to Go Barefoot" explores issues relevant to teenagers lives, as part of a website launch and performance party for Walk & Squawk Performance Project, Thursday, Oct. 15, at the Scarab Club, on Farnsworth behind the Detroit Institute of Arts. (734) 669-0407

SPECIAL EVENTS

CAMPER & RV SHOW
More than 300 models on display ranging in price from \$3,000 to \$200,000, 7 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Oct. 8-9, noon to 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, at the Novi Expo Center, 43700 Expo Center Dr., south of I-96 at Novi Road exit. \$6.50, children 12 and under free. (517) 349-8881

GARY GLASER FILMS

"The Hudson's Building," "Forgotten Voices" and "Borderline: The Story of Eight Mile Road," 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at Trinity House Theatre, 38840 W. Six Mile at I-275, Livonia. \$5 non-members, \$4 members. (734) 464-6302

"IDOLS OF THE KING"

Elvis impersonator show, 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Mount Clemens. \$26, \$24 students and seniors. (810) 286-2222

TONY LEE'S ULTIMATE HYPNOSIS TOUR

8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$6, 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

"VIRGINIA MARTIN HOWARD LECTURE SERIES"

Michael Montgomery discusses "Louis Elbel and The Victors: What Really Happened 100 Years Ago," 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, Britton Recital Hall of University of Michigan School of Music, Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 764-0594

"MOTOR CITY FAST FREIGHT"

North Central Region of the National Model Railroad Association presents

gratuity. (248) 349-0522

BENEFITS

ART AND SOUL AUCTION

Very Special Arts Michigan and Special Olympics Michigan host an art and sports memorabilia auction to benefit their organizations, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, at the Roostertail Club, 100 Marquette, Detroit. \$50 per person, \$100 for patron. (248) 423-1080/(800) 644-6404

FALL FANTASIA FASHION SHOW

To benefit the Longcare House in Farmington Hills, fashions by Liz Claiborne of Novi and Suzanne's Bridal Gallery, Farmington, 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, at the Novi Hilton. (248) 477-8404

"RIVERBOAT ARK"

The Ark in Ann Arbor's second annual fall fundraising event featuring James Dapogny's Chicagoans and Banu Gibson, 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the club, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Vintage riverboat attire encouraged. \$100 (\$75 tax deductible); \$200 (\$165 tax deductible) for Riverboat Captain tickets, includes table seating, cocktail reception and valet parking. (734) 761-1800

THE HOLLYWOOD SWING

To benefit the Rainbow Connection which grants wishes for children with life-threatening illnesses, party starts at 6:30 p.m., movies at 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8 at the AMC Livonia 20 Theatre, 19500 Haggerty Road, Livonia. \$25. (810) 783-9777

FAMILY EVENTS

MAYBURY STATE PARK

October bird hike, leaving from concession building, 8 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10; Eighth annual Harvest Festival featuring demonstrations of weaving and spinning, rope making, blacksmithing, cider pressing, grain milling, and corn shelling, noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, Horsedrawn hayrides, 1-4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays in October, Maybury State Park, 20145 Beck Road, Northville. Free, state park motor vehicle permit required for entry to the park. (248) 349-8390

GORDON RUSS

The magician and his Spooky Monster Magic Show with Frankenstein's Monster, Witchy Poo and spooky rabbit Bunnicula, 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, haunts Tel-Tweive Mall, 28690 Telegraph and 12 Mile, Southfield. Free.

HALLOWEEN

HAUNTED THEATRE

Through Oct. 31, 7:30-10:30 p.m. Sundays-Thursdays, 7-11 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, in the Historic Wayne Theatre, 35164 W. Michigan Avenue, east of I-275, west of Wayne Road, Wayne. \$5, \$2.50 children under age 12, proceeds go toward restoration of the theater originally built in 1927 and for the opening of a performing arts center for Western Wayne County. (734) 728-SHOW

HAUNTED WINERY

Michael Meyers and Freddy Krueger visit the 7,500 square foot permanent fixture, Oct. 9-11, 16-18, 22-25, and 28-31, hours are 7-10 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, until 11 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, 31505 Grand River, west of Orchard Lake Road, Farmington. \$6, \$3 children 12 and under, a portion of proceeds benefit the Farmington Historical Society. (248) 477-8833

SILO X

7:30 p.m. through Oct. 31, Thursdays-Sundays, new this year is 50 foot sound vault, famous crashed helicopter, green fog, and 1,200 foot maze that twists and turns through a missile base of alien atrocities, at C.J. Barrymore's on M-59 (Hall Road), Clinton Twp. \$12. (248) 647-1926

CLASSICAL

BIRMINGHAM MUSICALE

Featuring compositions by Ann Marie Kurrasch, also a performance by soprano Caitlin Lynch, Birmingham Musicale Junior Scholarship winner, 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, at the Community House, 360 S. Bates, Birmingham. Free. (248) 475-5978

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Britain's "bad boy of the violin" Kennedy (who's dropped Nigel as his first name), joins the orchestra with conductor Paavo Jarvi, eldest son of DSO music director Nemme Jarvi, 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Oct. 8-9, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$17-\$63. (313) 576-5111

NOONTIME CONCERT

The Doree String Quartet perform popular and light classical selections, 12:15 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, at the Livonia Civic Center Library Atrium, 32777 Five Mile east of Farmington. Free. (734) 466-2491

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Grand opening concert featuring flute soloist Deborah Rebeck Ash, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, at Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, Canton Center and Joy roads. \$12, \$10 seniors/students. (734) 451-2112

PONTIAC-OAKLAND SYMPHONY

Season opener features American "Influences," 8:15 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, at Pontiac Central High School. \$15, \$10 students/seniors. (248) 370-3013

ST. PETERSBURG PHILHARMONIC

Featuring conductor Yuri

CHRISTIAN MUSIC

JARS OF CLAY

The Christian rock group performs 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, at Peace Auditorium, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti. \$20, \$15. (734) 487-1221

POPS/SWING

THE GAYLORDS

Columbus Day Celebration presented by the Italian American Club of Livonia with special tribute to Frank Sinatra, 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia. \$55. (248) 347-8829

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With Marvin Hamlisch, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 16-17, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18, Orchestra Hall, 3663 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$17-\$45 (\$65 box seats) (313) 576-5111 or <http://www.detroitssymphony.com>

AUDITIONS

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE

Auditions for apprentice dancers with modern dance and ballet experience, dancers will train with the company, understudy roles and be involved with production, at Central United Methodist Church, 23 E. Adams, near Grand Circus Park, Detroit. (313) 965-3544

MADONNA UNIVERSITY CHORALE

Open auditions for the 1998-99 season, auditions consist of an individual meeting with David Wagner, chorale director. The chorale rehearses from 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays for its Christmas and spring concerts. There is no charge to sing in the chorale but academic credit is given to Madonna University students and community members. (734) 432-5708 or send e-mail to wagner@smtp.munet.edu

PEOPLE'S CREATIVE ENSEMBLE

Open auditions and rehearsals for "Youth for the 21st Century," a touring production dealing with the harmful effect of alcohol, drugs and tobacco, 5-8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 1-4 p.m. Sundays, at First Universalist Church, 4605 Cass Ave., Detroit. (313) 831-1150

RENAISSANCE CHORUS

The Wayne Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America announces open auditions will be held 7:30 p.m., the first Tuesday of every month, while helpful, the ability to read music is not a requirement, at the Newburgh United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, west of Wayne Road. Come enjoy four-part Barbershop harmonies with opportunities to sing in quartets and with the Renaissance Chorus. (313) 438-2364

STAGECRAFTERS YOUTH THEATRE

Auditions for young people ages 8-17 for "The Snow Queen," 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10 (registration 9-10 a.m.), all auditionees should prepare a short, happy poem, no vocal music involved with this production, there may be some dance, dancing will not be part of the auditions, bring non-returnable photo to the Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. For performances Dec. 10-13. (248) 541-8832

CHORAL

"SPOOKTACULAR"

The Great Lakes Chorus of Sweet Adelines International show features Showtime, a championship quartet from Florida, also the Cream Catchers Utica youth show choir, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, south of M-59, Clinton Twp. \$13 advance, \$15 at door, \$11 seniors/students for 3 p.m. show only. (810) 566-5965/(810) 264-1018

SANDRA BOMAR TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Fridays, Oct. 9 and 16, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (vocal/piano/bass)

BESS BONNIER

8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, Oakland Community College's Smith Theatre, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. \$12. (248) 471-7667/(248) 471-7700

JAZZ

FUNKTELLIGENCE

9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, as part of Mood Indigo night at Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 21 and older. (734) 662-8310; 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (acid jazz)

NEIDI HEPLER & MICHELE RAMO

6-10 p.m. Mondays at Too-Chez, 27155 Sheraton Drive, Novi. (248) 348-5555; 7-10 p.m. Wednesdays to Saturdays at Encore in the Quality Inn, 1801 S. Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 335-3790; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, at Vic's Market, 42875 Grand River Ave., Novi. (248) 305-7333 (vocal/piano/bass)

JAZZHEAD

10:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St., Rochester. Free. 21 and older. (248) 650-5080 (acid jazz)

SHEILA LANDIS

8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St., Rochester. Free. 21 and older. (248) 650-5080

LORI LEFEVRE

With Jimmy Lee Trio, 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 16-17, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

MATT MICHAELS TRIO

With guest trumpeter Louis Smith, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, and with guest vocalist Judie Cochill, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. \$5 cover waived with dinner (until 9 p.m.), \$5 drink minimum. Reservations recommended. (248) 474-2800

OASIS

Band from Flint performs with Stephanie and Cliff Monear, 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 9-10, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

LARRY NOZERO TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Oct. 15, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (sax/piano/bass)

SHAHIDA NURULLAH TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Oct. 8, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (vocal/piano/bass)

GARY SCHUNK TRIO

9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, Edison's, 22 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (piano/bass/drums) (248) 645-2150

URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDDSON

With Dan Kolton, 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursdays and Fridays at Forfe, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

ALEXANDER ZONJIC

9:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Oct. 9-10, and Oct. 16-17, Bacl, 40 W. Pike St., Pontiac. Free. All ages. (248) 253-1300

WORLD MUSIC

THE ARTICLES

9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, Karl's Cabin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth, Free. 21 and older. (734) 455-8450 (Jamaican jazz)

JUAN D'MARCOS' AFRO-CUBAN ALL STARS

8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, Michigan Theatre, 603 Liberty St., Ann Arbor. (734) 764-2538/(800) 221-1229

IMMUNITY

10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 9-10, Bachelor's, 1967 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor. Free. 21 and older. (248) 682-2295 (reggae)

SINEAD LOHAN

8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10, \$9 members, students, seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org> (Irish)

TANNANILL WEAVERS

8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org> (Scottish)

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

FERRON

8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15 All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

SI KAHN

8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$12.50. \$11.50 members, students, seniors All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

CHARLIE KING

The singer, songwriter, storyteller performs 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, presented by Peace Action of Michigan, at Central United Methodist Church, second floor auditorium, 23 E. Adams at Grand Circus Park, Detroit. \$12.50 advance, \$15 at door, \$25 benefac.

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DEL MCCOURY BAND
8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, Oakland Community College's Lila Jones Johnson Theatre, 739 S. Washington, Royal Oak. \$15. (248) 544-4903 (bluegrass)

ELLIS PAUL
8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11, \$10 members, students, seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

ROMANOVSKY AND PHILLIPS
8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$13.50. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

CATHIE RYAN
8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$13.50. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

RICK STACHURA
The modern poetic folk-blues singer/songwriter performs, 8-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, at the Angel Caravan Coffeehouse, Friends Meeting House, 1420 Hill St., Ann Arbor. Free. suggested donation \$5 adults/students. (734) 327-2041

DANCE

"LORD OF THE DANCE"
Through Sunday, Oct. 11, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$15-\$60. All ages. (248) 433-1515 (pop)

OAKLAND COUNTY CONTRA DANCING
Gala Grand Opening, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, with Glen Morningstar and Aunt Lu and the Oakland County All Stars, at the First Baptist Church, 309 N. Main, Royal Oak. \$7. (248) 542-2093

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE
Lessons offered 7:30 p.m. Wednesday evenings, no partner needed, beginners welcome, at Madison Heights United Methodist Church, 246 E. 11 Mile Road, east of John R. \$3, first visit free. (248) 546-5037/(248) 547-9823

WOLVERINE SILVERSPUR DANCERS
Country-western dancing, 7:30 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, Oct. 10, at the Italian American Cultural Center, Warren. \$7, \$6 WSD members. (810) 573-4993

COMEDY

"BACARDI BY NIGHT COMEDY TOUR"
With Michael Colyar, A.J. Johnson, Bruce Bruce and T.K. Kirkland, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$32.50 and \$25. (248) 433-1515

CAPITOL STEPS
8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, Michigan Theatre, 603 Liberty St., Ann Arbor. \$20-\$32/(734) 764-2538/(800) 221-1229

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB
Bob Golub, Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 8-10; Steve McGrew, Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 15-17 (\$14), at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Thursdays (\$5), 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays (\$12), unless otherwise noted. Third Level Improv and new talent nights, 8 p.m. Wednesdays (\$5). (734) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S
Mike Lukas, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8 (\$6), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9 (\$8, \$20.95 dinner show package), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10 (\$10, \$22.95 dinner show package), and 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11 (\$6); T.C. Hatter and Marcianne, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15 (\$8), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16 (\$8, \$20.95 dinner show package), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17 (\$10, \$22.95 dinner show package), and 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18 (\$6), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE
Maryellen Hooper, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 9-10 (\$12); Jim Hamon, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Oct. 14-15, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 16-17 (\$10), at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE
at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays (\$5), 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays (\$6), 9:30 p.m. Fridays (\$12), and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6). Prices subject to change. (248) 542-9900 or <http://www.comedycastle.com>

SECOND CITY
"Viagra Falls," 8 p.m. Wednesdays-

Sundays with additional shows at 10:30 p.m. on Fridays-Saturdays through November, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 Wednesdays, Thursdays, Sundays, \$17.50 on Fridays, and \$19.50 on Saturdays. (313) 965-2222

STEVEN WRIGHT
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$29, \$26 students and seniors, \$32 gold circle. (810) 286-2222

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

"BEHIND THE SCENES"
Tour of the Fox Theatre and lunch at Tres Vite, noon Monday, Oct. 12, at the theater, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$25 Detroit Historical Society members, \$30 non-members. (313) 833-1405 or <http://www.detroithistorical.org>

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM
"The Fantasy World of Doll Houses," through Jan. 31; "Remembering Downtown Hudson's" exhibit, a nostalgic look at what made the Hudson's downtown Detroit store an icon of the city's prosperous era, runs through December, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby), Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission Wednesdays; \$3 for adults, \$1.50 seniors and children aged 12-18, free for children ages 11 and younger Thursdays-Sundays. (313) 833-1805 or <http://www.detroithistorical.org>

DHS DESIGNER SHOWHOUSE
The Detroit Historical Society and the Michigan Chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers' first Showhouse collaboration, an Italian Revival home and grounds designed by Albert Khan and constructed between 1913 and 1915 in Detroit's historic Boston-Edison district, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Sunday, Oct. 25. \$15, \$11 DHS or ASID members, \$12 for groups of 20 or more. (800) 585-3737

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER
IMAX movies include "Tropical Rainforest" at 10 a.m. Mondays-Fridays, "Special Effects" at 1:10 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and "Everest" multiple showings seven days a week at the center, 5020 John R. (at Warren), Detroit. Admission to Exhibit Hall is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children ages 3-15 and adults ages 60 and older, free for children ages 2 and younger. IMAX films are additional \$4. (313) 577-8400

GREENFIELD VILLAGE
Harvest Days, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Oct. 8-11, at the village, Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road, west of Southfield Freeway, south of Michigan Avenue, Dearborn. \$12.50, \$11.50 seniors, \$7.50 children ages 5-12 years. (313) 271-1620

HISTORIC CHURCH TOURS
Featuring Our Lady of Rosary, Sacred Heart Roman Catholic, First Congregational, Most Holy Trinity Roman, and St. Peter Episcopal churches, Monday, Nov. 2; St. Peter-St. Paul Jesuit, Christ Episcopal, Second Baptist, St. Dominic Roman and St. Paul Cathedral Episcopal churches, Monday, Dec. 7, both leave from the Detroit Historical Museum's parking lot at 10 a.m. \$11 Detroit Historical Society members, \$16 non-members, includes bus, tour and luncheon. (313) 833-1405 or <http://www.detroithistorical.org>

"SUNDAY STROLLS"
Featuring Woodlawn Cemetery and the burial sites of Detroit legends like Grinnell, Pfeiffer, Hudson, Wilson, Ford and Dodge, 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11. \$5 Detroit Historical Society members, \$10 non-members. Meeting place will be on ticket. (313) 833-1405 or <http://www.detroithistorical.org>

CHARLES H. WRIGHT MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY
Exhibits include "Detroit's Black Bottom and Paradise Valley: Help Us Collect Your Past" through Sunday, Oct. 25, and "Juke Joint" through Sunday, Oct. 18, at the museum, 315 E. Warren (at Brush), Detroit. Museum admission, \$5 adults, \$3 children ages 17 and younger. (313) 494-6800

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9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 16-17, Finish Line, 28121 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Cover charge. 21 and older. (734) 261-1350 (blues)

BONNE TEMPS ROULLE
9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, Local Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-2600; 9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 624-9400; 10:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St., Rochester. Free. 21 and older. (248) 650-5080 (R&B)

BRIAN JONESTOWN MASSACRE
8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8 in advance. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com> (rock)

R.L. BURNSIDE
With Robert Cage, 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, Fifth Avenue, 215 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. \$8. 21 and older. (248) 542-9922 (blues)

CALLIN MARVIN
9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, Bo's Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. (248) 332-6800 (rock)

DJ SPOOKY
8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door. 18 and older. (313) 961-MELT (techno)

ELIZA
10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, Mount Chalet, 32955 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (248) 549-2929; 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, Local Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-2600 (pop rock)

JOHN ENTWISTLE BAND
8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Tickets at Ticketmaster. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

TERRY EVANS
9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, Fifth Avenue, 215 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. \$2. 21 and older. (248) 542-9922 (blues)

FATBOY SLIM
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, Motor Lounge, 3515 Caniff, Hamtramck. Tickets at Ticketmaster. 18 and older. (313) 396-0090 or <http://www.motordetroit.com> (techno DJ)

PETE "BIG DOG" FETTERS
8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

FIREWATER
With 12 Rods, 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door. 18 and older. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com> (rock)

Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (248) 543-4300; 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, Bogey's, 142 E. Walled Lake Road, Walled Lake. Free. 21 and older. (248) 669-1441 (rock)

HARPY
With Hugo, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, Record Collector, 28143 W. Eight Mile Road, Livonia. \$5. All ages. (248) 473-8350 (avant rock/jazz)

MICKEY HART
7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$23.50. All ages. (313) 961-5451 (rock)

BRIAN HENKE
8-10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, Espresso Royale Caffe, 214 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 668-1838 (pop)

AL HILL AND THE LOVE BUTLERS
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 9-10, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 624-9400 (blues)

IDA
With Velour 100 and Beekeeper, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (alternative rock)

JILL JACK
With The Original Brothers and Sisters of Love, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (roots rock)

NIKKI JAMES AND THE FLAMETHROWERS
9:45 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, The Cavern, 210 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (734) 332-9900 (R&B)

JOURNEY
Featuring singer Steve Augeri, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr., Auburn Hills. \$25 in advance. All ages. (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

KILLER FLAMINGOS
10:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, Rochester Mill Beer Co., 400 Water St., Rochester. Free. 21 and older. (248) 650-5080 (acoustic rock)

MIKE KING
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, Local Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-2600 (acoustic rock)

LENNY KRAVITZ
With Sean Lennon and Furside, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Sold out. All ages. (313) 961-5451 (rock)

JOHN D. LAMB
8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St., Rochester. Free. 21 and older. (248) 650-5080 (pop rock)

LEGENDARY PINK DOTS
8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$12. 18 and older. (248) 335-8100 or <http://www.961melt.com> (alternative rock)

LIGHTNIN' CREOLE
9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, Local Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-2600 (R&B)

MASCHINA
With Stungun and Kanobloss, 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$5. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com> (rock)

THE MOEN-AWESOME BAND
7:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 9, Stan's Dugout, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 852-6433; 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 16-17, Press Box, 1650 N. Perry Road, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. (248) 373-1711 (acoustic rock)

MUDPUDDY
9:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, The Cavern, 210 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (734) 332-9900 (blues)

MYSTERY TRAIN WITH JIM MCCARTY
10 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, Bogey's, 142 E. Walled Lake Road, Walled Lake. Free. 21 and older. (248) 669-1441 (R&B)

STEVE NARDELLA
9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 965-9500; 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (rockabilly)

NICK STRANGE AND THE BARENAKED
9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, Bo's Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. (248) 332-6800 (rock)

ROBERT NOLL
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, 24 Karat Club,

28949 Joy Road (two blocks east of Middlebelt Road), Westland. Cover charge. 18 and older. (734) 513-5030 (blues)

ROBERT PENN
9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 624-9400; 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

PURE
With Full on the Mouth, 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door. All ages. (248) 335-8100 or <http://www.961melt.com> (pop)

REEL BIG FISH
With Spring Heeled Jack, 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$13 in advance, \$15 at the door. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com> (aka)

SGT. ROCK
9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, Local Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-2600 (rock)

KRISTIN SAYER
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, Local Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-2600 (funk/R&B)

SCREAMIN' CHEETAH WHEELIES
8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. 18 and older. (248) 335-8100 (rock)

SISTER SEED
8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St., Rochester. Free. 21 and older. (248) 650-5080 (acoustic rock)

ELLIOTT SMITH
8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. 18 and older. (313) 833-POOL (acoustic rock)

STEVE SOMMERS BAND WITH VALERIE BARRYMORE
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 16-17, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 624-9400 (blues)

SOUL COUSHING
With Los Amigos Invisibles, 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron St., Pontiac. \$17.50 in advance, \$20 at the door. All ages. (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961melt.com> (avant rock)

STRING CHEESE INCIDENT
8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, Michigan Theatre, 603 Liberty St., Ann Arbor. \$15 in advance. All ages. (734) 99-MUSIC or <http://www.99music.com> (rock)

SUN MESSENGERS
9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, Fifth Avenue, 215 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (248) 542-9922 (blues)

THE TRIGGERS
With Lovesick and Pet-Lover, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (rock)

TRAVIS TRITT
With Sawyer Brown, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr., Auburn Hills. \$32.50 Superfan seating, \$22.50 and \$10 reserved. (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com> (country)

RANDY VOLIN AND SONIC BLUES
9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

WILDBUNCH
With The Dirties, 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$6. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com> (rock)

VICTOR WOOTEN
Legendary bassist, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

CLUB NIGHTS

BLIND PIG
"Swing-a-billy" night with dance lessons from 8-9 p.m. and dancing with DJ Del Villarreal, 7:30 p.m. Sundays at the club, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5 before 9 p.m., \$3 afterward; "Solar" night with Disco D and Deep C (from the Wandue Kids), 10 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, at the club. \$10. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555

CLUTCH CARGO'S/MILL STREET
"Flashback" night with "The Planet" WPLT on level two (Clutch Cargo's), old school funk on level three, and techno and house on level four, 8:30

p.m. Saturdays, at the club, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Free before 9 p.m. 21 and older; Alternative dance night, 8 p.m. Wednesdays in Clutch Cargo's. 18 and older. (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961melt.com>

THE GROOVE ROOM
Funk, hip-hop and top 40 with DJ Mac D, Thursdays. Women admitted free; "Love Factory" alternative dance night Fridays; Alternative dance with DJ Matt Saturdays; Alternative dance Tuesdays; gothic, industrial and retro with DJ Paul Wednesdays. Free. at the club, 1815 N. Main St. (at 12 Mile Road), Royal Oak. Free before 10 p.m. nightly. 21 and older. (248) 589-3344 or <http://www.thegroove-room.com>

INDUSTRY
Electronica, Euro and retro, 8:30 p.m. Fridays. Free before 10 p.m. 21 and older; Euro dance, 9 p.m. Saturdays. Free before 10 p.m. 21 and older; "Homesick Night," 9 p.m. Tuesdays. Free for those 21 and older before 11 p.m. Cover charge for those 18-20, all at the club, 19 S. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-1999 or <http://www.961melt.com>

LUSH
"Daddy" with host Matt Stoelt and resident DJ Brian Gillespie, 10 p.m. Sundays at the club, 10241 Jos. Campau, Hamtramck. Cover charge. 21 and older. Buzz Goree guest DJ Oct. 11. (313) 872-6220

MOTOR LOUNGE
"World Wednesdays" featuring DJs Urban Kris and Culture spin world music, 9 p.m. Wednesdays; at the club, 3515 Caniff, Hamtramck. (313) 396-0080 or <http://www.motordetroit.com>

ONE X
"Men 4 Men" New York-style dance party with DJ St. Andy spinning high-energy, progressive house, 10 p.m. Fridays; "Family Funktion Internal Groove" DJ Alton Miller, 10 p.m. Saturdays, at the club, 2575 Michigan Ave., in Detroit's Corktown area. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 964-7040

ST. ANDREW'S/THE SHELTER
"Three Floors of Fun" with hip-hop and rap in St. Andrew's Hall, alternative music in The Shelter with DJs Dianna and Quig, and techno and dance in the Burns Room; 10 p.m. Fridays. \$3 before 11 p.m., \$5 afterward. 18 and older; "Evolution" with Family Funktion in the Shelter, live broadcast from The Edge 105.1 in St. Andrew's, and "Go Sound!" with live bands in the Burns Room, 10 p.m. Saturdays; "Incinerator," 9 p.m. Wednesdays in The Shelter. \$6. 21 and older. St. Andrew's and The Shelter are at 431 E. Congress, Detroit. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com>

STATE THEATRE
"Club X," with 89X CIMX, 9 p.m. Saturdays at the theater, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (313) 961-5451

24 KARAT CLUB
"Latin Dance Night" with DJ Ronny Lucas, 8 p.m. to 2 a.m., Thursdays. \$3; Live music Fridays and Saturdays (see popular music calendar); Swing lessons for advanced dancers, 8 p.m. Tuesdays (\$3 for 21 and older, \$5 for 18 and older), and for beginners, 8 p.m. Wednesdays (\$3 for 21 and older, \$5 for 18 and older), at the club, 28949 Joy Road (two blocks east of Middlebelt Road), Westland; (734) 513-5030

VELVET LOUNGE
Swing, lounge and big band tunes spun by DJ Sonny, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Fridays. \$3. 21 and older; Swing, big band and Latin dance music, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturdays. \$3. 21 and older; "Cute Little House" with house and techno, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Sundays. \$5. 21 and older; Intermediate and advance swing dance lessons, 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Mondays. Free. 18 and older; Beginner swing dance lessons 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tuesdays. Free. 18 and older, at the club, 29 S. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-7411

HALLOWEEN PARTY
"PRE-HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY" With performances by Thik, Lungbrush, and others, 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16, J.J.'s Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. \$6. 18 and older. \$50 prize for best costume, free passes to J.D.'s Haunted House, which runs from Oct. 18-31. (810) 913-1921

WORLD MUSIC
Articles
10 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, Karl's Bin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, Southfield. Free. 21 and older. (734) 9-8450 (Jamaican jazz)

AN D'ARCOS' AFRO-CUBAN STARS
8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, Michigan Theatre, 603 Liberty St., Ann Arbor. \$4. (734) 764-2538/(800) 221-1229

HUNTER
8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 9-10, Bachelor's, 1967 Cass Ave., Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 682-2295 (reggae)

HEAD LOHAN
8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$9 members, students, seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org> (Irish)

INAHILL WEAVERS
8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org> (Scottish)

FOLK/BLUEGRASS
IRON
8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

KANN
8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$12.50, \$10 members, students, seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

CHARLIE KING
8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, Peace Action of Michigan, at Central United Methodist Church, second floor auditorium, 23 E. Adams at Grand Circus Park, Detroit. \$12.50 in advance, \$15 at door, \$25 benefac-

POPULAR MUSIC

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'Clay Pigeons' isn't Vince Vaughn's shot at the A-list

BY JON KATZ
SPECIAL WRITER

I don't know anyone who lives in Montana or Utah, but I have a new-found respect for both states. If the producers of "Clay Pigeons" — a dark comedy set in Montana about a redneck nut case Jack the Ripper wannabe — ever asked to film there, the people in charge apparently and wisely turned them away. Down in Utah, they apparently got permission with the proviso that the story remain set in Montana, thereby escaping any identification with this slasher silliness.

First-time writer Matt Healy and first-time director David Dobkin have a friend in high places in respected filmmaker

Ridley Scott ("Alien," "Thelma and Louise"), who produced. In this case, that's not what friends are for. But let's move along quickly.

Clay Bidwell (Joaquin Phoenix) is an easygoing gas station attendant out there in Mercer County. We know just how far out it is, because its establishments have names like "Doc Holiday's Tavern," "The Golden Spike Motel" and "Mim's Café." And the sheriff's deputy is named-sit down, now — Barney. Not only that, this one makes Deputy Fife look like Columbo.

That's the comedy part. Before too long, nice guy Clay finds himself under suspicion in the brutal murders of not one, not two, but

three local ladies. He protests his innocence, but the insightful sheriff (Scott Wilson) explains, "You're sleeping with one victim, you're dating another and you actually find another. We're a little curious."

Not us. We know who dunnit. It's Lester (Vince "Swingers" Vaughn), that hard drinkin', hard belchin', psychotic laughin' cowboy. And he's got a perfectly reasonable reason for his behavior: "There's some folks out there that need killin'." Well even Shakespeare said something similar about lawyers, but this isn't Shakespeare.

And so, when Lester puts another notch on his knife by adding the town slut (Georgina

Cates) to his body count, in rides FBI Agent Shelby (Janeane Garafalo) to put the pieces together — of the mystery, not the bodies.

"Clay Pigeons" will be held up to " Fargo," and deservedly put back down. Whereas the movie citizens of that North Dakota city were comedically quirky, these characters are just plain worthless. As for suspense, there is none, because hero Clay is never in jeopardy. The sheriff is on his side ("He's not the guy"), and we know that Lester's blade only glints for the ladies.

Vince Vaughn is a large screen presence, but he'll have to wait for a better shot at Hollywood's A-List. The late River Phoenix's younger brother Joaquin stretches no acting muscles at all. Versatile Garafalo seems lost entirely, or didn't get enough tips from Jody Foster's "Silence of the Lambs" Agent Starling.

Visual and sound effects are used haphazardly and without



Comedic thriller: Janeane Garafalo (left) and Vince Vaughn star in "Clay Pigeons."

purpose, but the inclusion of "It's Now or Never" to score one murder scene is inspired. About the only element that transcends the

film is Utah's gorgeous mountain greenery. But then, we're supposed to think it's Montana, aren't we?

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduled to open Friday, Oct. 9

"ONE TOUGH COP"
Drama of a brutal murder and the dilemma a NYPD police officer must face when he is caught between his mob friends and his loyalty to his partner and the force. Stars Stephen Baldwin.

"HOLY MAN"
Comedy about a materialistic program director of a cable shopping network channel is desperate to stimulate sales and save his own job. Stars Eddie Murphy, Kelly Preston.

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"THE HOBBIT"
Based on the acclaimed novel by Rodman Philbrick, a funny, inspiring and adventurous tale of two young outsiders who set off on a mighty "quest." Stars Sharon Stone, Gena Rowlands.

"PRACTICAL MAGIC"
Based on the best-selling novel by Alice Hoffman, a dark and comic fable about two sisters who struggle to use their hereditary gift for guiding fate through practical magic to overcome the obstacles in discovering true love. Stars Sandra Bullock, Nicole Kidman, Dianne West, Stockard Channing.

"SOLDIER'S DAUGHTER NEVER CRIES"
FIRELIGHT (R)
THE IMPOSTERS (R)

"BRIDE OF CHUCKY"
In this fourth installment of the series, Chuckie hooks up with Tiffany, a doll possessed by the spirit of a "bad" girl. Stars Jennifer Tilly.

"BLAM"
Drama about a gifted young rapper/poet who, with help, finds salvation in his art. Stars Saul Williams, Sonja Sohn.

"SOLDIER"
An itinerant warrior of the future, trained exclusively for combat, but now



made obsolete by a new generation of specially bred fighters, defends a band of settlers on a remote planet and discovers his own humanity in the process. Stars Kurt Russell.

"CITIZEN KANE"
Exclusively at the Landmark Maple Theatre. A special reissue of the 1941 film that has been acclaimed widely, including most recently by the American Film Institute, as the greatest movie of all time. Stars Orson Welles, who also cowrote with Herman Mankiewicz.

"LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL"
Winner of the Grand Jury Prize at the 1998 Cannes Film Festival, a Chaplinesque fable about the power of imagination set against the stark reality of World War II Europe. Stars Roberto Benigni.

"THE SIEGE"
An FBI agent teams up with a mysterious female CIA operative to investigate a group of Middle Eastern terrorists who

are bombing New York City targets. As the bombings continue, U.S. troops are deployed and civil liberties are curtailed. Stars Denzel Washington, Annette Bening, Bruce Willis.

"VELVET GOLDMINE"
Set in London in the early '70s during the emergence of the glam-rock scene, the story follows the rise of a mythical rock icon who finds himself at the epicenter of the pleasures and decadence of the day.

"THE WIZARD OF OZ"
Special edition re-release of the beloved classic on the eve of the film's 60th anniversary.

"HOME FRIES"
An offbeat comedy about two brothers obsessed with the same woman, one wants to marry her, the other to kill her. The trio's lives intertwine in unexpected ways that are orchestrated by the brothers' highly eccentric mother. Stars Drew Barrymore, Catherine O'Hara.

Drama: Oprah Winfrey and Danny Glover star in "Beloved," based on Toni Morrison's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel.

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Hilberry's 'The Mousetrap' is a not-to-be missed mystery

Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap" runs in rotating repertory through Dec. 3 at the Hilberry Theatre on the campus of Wayne State University. For ticket information, call (313) 577-2972 between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday-Friday.

BY VICTORIA DIAZ
SPECIAL WRITER

To kick off their new season, Detroit's Hilberry Theatre is staging Agatha Christie's venerable murder mystery, "The Mousetrap."

This must mark about the one-billionth performance of the play that opened in London some 46 years ago. But, let me hasten to stress that there is nothing tired or tiresome about this production. With some astute directing by Edward G. Smith (new this year to the Wayne State University theatre faculty), an able cast, and some first-rate production qualities, it's a theatrical experience not to be missed, especially if you're a fan of the classic British whodunit.

A blood-curdling scream on a darkened stage opens the play, signifying (we will later learn) that a murder-most-foul has taken place. We aren't exactly sure who has been killed; more importantly, we don't know who committed the dastardly deed.

As the lights go up, we find ourselves looking in on an

English inn called Monkswell Manor, run by two rather wide-eyed neophytes, Mollie and Giles Ralston (played with appropriate touches of nervousness and British reserve by Emily Miller and Erik Gratton). Outside, a furious blizzard is worsening. As guests arrive for the evening, we soon discover that the killer intends to strike again. Worse yet, the chosen victim is to be among those snowed in as Monkswell Manor.

The killer, of course, lurks in their midst.

Dame Agatha's crafty dialogue reminds us repeatedly to look beyond surfaces. Nothing may be what it appears. Various characters hide behind various types of "masks." Now and then, genders and sexual preferences are blurry. Names are changed occasionally. Even the food served at dinner is said to be "well-disguised."

Heidi Olsen, as the griggish Mrs. Boyle, seems almost at times to have sprung from an odd comic strip somewhere. (Picture Riverdale High's Miss Grundy gone British, and soured on life in general.) As she comes in from the cold, her body language is so stiff we can practically hear her bones rattle, and we just know nothing is going to ever thaw her out. Even the prim little hat she wears seems occasionally to simply quiver with

righteousness. Fred Shahadi (complete with the world's silliest Italian accent) seems aptly cast as the rouged and powdered Paravicini; Lucas Caleb Rooney is a tight-jawed, teddy bearish Major Metcalf. Cat Shoemaker's Miss Casewell appears a bundle of energy — vibrant and slightly tough.

Tall/dark/good-looking Matt Troyer is utterly charming as the nail-biting, giggly Christopher Wren, making his colorful character both amusing and faintly touching at the same time. This is the actor's third year with the repertory company, and it shows. He seems perfectly assured in his role, and is a fascinating performer to watch, not just when he's delivering his own lines, but when he's reacting to those around him.

As the determined Detective Sgt. Trotter, David Engelman (also marking his third year with the company) could hardly be more impressive. An actor from Michigan, he seems created to play the lead role of this intense Englishman with the Cockney-flavored speech. From the time he first appears onstage, he is absolutely convincing, so that we are caught up even more in the fast-paced drama and growing suspense.

Scenery by Larry Kaushansky and lighting by Thomas H. Schraeder are outstanding.

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STREET SCENE

Better Than Ezra takes its new sounds on tour



CHRISTINA FUOCO

Better Than Ezra has seen some better days.

The New Orleans-based band's bassist Tom Drummond is calling from Tampa, Fla., where he was bracing for Hurricane Georges.

"Right now it's OK but it might be worse tomorrow with the hurricane and all. The last hurricane flooded our studio. Any flooding is bad, but luckily our control room where a lot of our stuff was was upstairs," said Drummond who was surprisingly upbeat.

Things are looking up now for Better Than Ezra, whose tour hits hurricane-free Michigan on Thursday, Oct. 15, when the band will play St. Andrew's Hall in Detroit. Better Than Ezra's "How Does Your Garden Grow?" is its best effort yet.

The first single, "One More Murder," brings a Rhodes organ, drum machines, and electronic blips into the mix. The shimmy-inducing "Like It Like That," mixed by Jack Joseph Puig, who remixed The Verve Pipe's "The Freshman," is the highlight of the album.

"Adding the Rhodes piano brought a whole new dimension to the band. That's the thing about this record. We didn't use new sounds to use new sounds. We used them because they worked," Drummond explained.

"What makes this record different from, say, the last U2 record is a lot of the sounds on the U2 record sounded contrived. Working with Malcolm (Burn, producer, engineer), he was able to give these electronic sounds and gadgets an organic feel."

Better Than Ezra, he explained, tried to stay away from the "tricks of the trade" like distortion pedals.

"We tried to get away from what the status quo was. We sort of just wanted to try new ideas and how to arrange songs and make them lift without using a distortion stomp box or the old tricks of the trade. It really paid off."

The musical experimentation on "How Does Your Garden Grow" was, appropriately enough, the result of a growing period for the band.

"We just needed to do some things to reinspect ourselves. We've been playing for 10 years and that's a long time. The first two records were based on influ-



'80s influenced: Athenaeum opens for Better Than Ezra on Thursday, Oct. 15. The band is Nic Brown, Mark Kano, Grey Brewster and Alex McKinney.

ences we had when the band started in 1988. It's just a natural progression. We had to catch up a little bit on this record," Drummond said.

Better Than Ezra's first album, "Deluxe," was written from 1988-1990 and was recorded in 1993. Its second release, "Friction, Baby," was written during the "Deluxe" tour.

"We've covered a lot of ground between then and now. This is the first record where we could sit down and start with a clean slate."

Better Than Ezra will be bringing along keyboardist Jim Payne, credited on "How Does Your Garden Grow" as its spiritual adviser.

"He's been playing with us for awhile. He'll play the Rhodes piano, whereas Kevin (Griffin, guitarist/vocalist) did on the album. We've kind of worked it out where Kevin can go back to where the piano's stationed," he explained.

"The band's philosophy is we wouldn't just want to play to a DAT (tape). We've seen other bands do that, and we're just turned off by it. We're playing everything live except for a few drum loops, which is pretty much normal nowadays."

'80s influenced Opening for Better than Ezra, besides Possum Dixon, is Athenaeum, whose first single, "What I Didn't Know," from its debut, "Radiance," has been compared to Rick Springfield's saccharin-

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reminds them of 'Surrender' by Cheap Trick, which I never heard. We have a very small musical resource pool."

The band members are children of the '80s but didn't form Athenaeum until the early 1990s.

"Mark (Kano, vocalist/guitarist) and I formed the band seven years ago, and we were all pretty young, real young then. We all sort of grew up in the band together. We formed to play my eighth grade Valentine's dance," he said with a laugh.

"Those are our glorious beginnings. It was horrible. We were singing through a karaoke machine. That's all we had to amplify his voice. It was a disaster but pretty cool for eighth grade."

They were also thrilled with the opportunity to work with Gavin MacKillop, who has also worked with Toad the Wet Sprocket.

"He's a great producer. When we first started playing out, they asked us who we wanted to work with. We said Jack Joseph Puig and Gavin. We're all really big

or there, he was right. He made a lot of my stuff better."

Better Than Ezra, Athenaeum and Possum Dixon, perform Thursday, Oct. 15, at St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets are \$13 in advance and \$15 at the door for the all-ages show. Call (313) 961-MELT or visit <http://www.961melt.com> for more information.

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Zoup! offers comfort in a bowl

BY KELLY WYGNIEK
STAFF WRITER

Open since Sept. 28, Zoup! Fresh Soup Company on Northwestern Highway in Southfield is metro Detroit's hottest new eatery.

"We've been open four days and we've seen many people here all four days," said Eric Ersher who owns the restaurant with his cousin, David Elias. "The fax and telephone are ringing off the hook. We've had people waiting in line outside."

Trying to find help is their biggest challenge right now. "Our short term goal is to provide service that's as good as the soup," said Ersher. "We're not there yet."

Behind the counter, Ersher's mom, father, aunts, sisters, friends, and Chef Phil's wife, Coran worked to fill orders. "We're just thrilled it's going so well," said Ersher. Don't worry, the "Soup Nazi" doesn't work at Zoup!, everyone is helpful and happy to answer questions. You won't get yelled at.

Zoup! offers 200 different soups, 12 a day, with at least one offering from each of these categories - Low-Fat (0 to 3 grams of fat per 8 ounce serving); Vegetarian (no meat, poultry, seafood or fish); Dairy-Free (no milk or dairy products); Spicy (with intense, complex or fiery seasonings and flavorings).

On Thursday, Oct. 1, soup choices included Potato Cheddar, Canadian Chicken & Sausage Gumbo, Curried Thai Seafood, Hearty Potato Chicken with Dill, Tomato Julienne, Mediterranean Lentil, Senegalese Peanut, and Cream of Broccoli with Fussily Pasta.

I'd been fighting a cold and Hearty Potato Chicken with Dill was just what the doctor ordered. The soup was creamy, with flecks of fresh dill, chunks of chicken, and slivers of carrots. It tasted homemade, not salty like something out of a can.

After eating a cup, I had to agree with Ersher who says, "good soup is really hard to find."

Soup is available in three sizes - an 8 ounce cup, 16 ounce bowl, or extra large - 32 ounces. If you can't decide, make yours a

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double - two, eight-ounce servings, and save \$1.50 over the single cup price.

At Zoup! you can dine in and sit at one of the comfortable booths or tables, or order your soup to go. Specially designed containers help keep the soup warm, and prevent it from spilling all over your car.

Ersher and Elias own a wholesale spice company and talked about opening a restaurant specializing in soup for about two years.

"We were in a lot of restaurants through the back door, and realized soup was growing in popularity. We're soup fanatics, and like trying new flavors and ingredients."

The cousins were onto something hot. According to the National Restaurant Association, more than a dozen takeout soup restaurants have opened in Manhattan since 1995, and they're opening up in other cities as well including Washington D.C. and Boston.

National Restaurant Association's "Tableservice Trends - 1997 report" showed 21 percent of respondents reported buying more soup than they did in the



"Souper" men: Zoup! co-owner David Elias (left) and Chef Phil Jones have many delicious ways to satisfy your appetite for soup including broccoli-and-leek with risotto, vegetable lasagna, chicken pot pie, chicken-roasted garlic and Mulligatawny.

previous two years. Sure, the Seinfeld "Nazi Soup" episode, which spoofed Al Yaganeh, chef of Soup Kitchen International on New York City's west side, had something to do with making soup trendy, but that's only part of the story.

"Soup is an international comfort food that is being reinvented with a fusion of traditional style, gourmet flare, regional and ethnic ingredients," said Thomas Kershaw, chairman of the National Restaurant Association and president of Hampshire House Corp. and Bull & Finch Enterprises in Boston. "Nearly every region of the world can claim soup as it's own."

The National Restaurant Association reports in the mid-'90s Soup Kitchen International caught the attention of Pak Mel-

wani who wanted to design his own restaurant concept. He and his partners designed Soup Nutsy, which opened in 1996, a year after the famous Seinfeld episode aired. The first Daily Soup restaurant opened in Manhattan in the fall of 1995, the same month the Seinfeld episode aired.

Ersher and Elias imagined a soup restaurant that reflected a world of flavors and choices. "Soup had been a part of many of our warm recollections of childhood and family and of our ethnic and spiritual ties," said Ersher.

In January, the cousins hired Chef Phil Jones to develop Zoup! recipes. "He worked in the kitchen daily, and every weekend we had six people testing 16-20 soups," said Ersher. "We'd evaluate them and decide if we should tweak 'em, kill 'em, or

keep 'em. That's where our 200 soups come from."

Ersher credits Jones with the restaurant's success, "he does a great job." Zoup! tries to cover the soup spectrum offering everything from traditional soups such as Herbed Lemon Chicken with Rice to the more experimental Senegalese Peanut. Zoup! soup creations are made with all natural ingredients and complex "layers" of taste and flavor.

Every order is served with a hunk of freshly baked Country Sour Dough or Multi-Grain Bread that's baked especially for Zoup. "These breads were chosen because they go well

with a large variety of soups," said Ersher. For dessert choose from a chocolate brownie or rice pudding.

Greg Eitelman of Northville designed the warm, comfortable, light-hearted atmosphere, and Laura Hoskins designed the graphics that decorate the walls.

Why the name Zoup!? The owners said they wanted to offer their version of soup, with a little personality. Get on the Zoup! fax list, call (248) 799-2800. They'll fax you an order form with that day's soup offerings. You can share it with your co-workers, and fax the order in for pick up later in the day.

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