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## THE WEEK AHEAD

**Goin' to the chapel:** Local people explain why they're happily married on Page A3 and in the bridal section inside this issue of the Observer. The bridal section also includes stories on women who have been bridesmaids five times or more, on making your own bouquet and on two sisters and their two cousins who got married within two years of each other.

### MONDAY

**On exhibit:** "Figure This," colorful, expressive works by Ypsilanti artist Rick Wedel, is on display beginning today through Feb. 26 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. An opening reception for Wedel is 7-9 p.m. Thursday. The art center is at 774 N. Sheldon in Plymouth.

### TUESDAY

**Water rates:** The Plymouth City Commission will discuss hiking fees for water rates at 7 p.m. on the second floor of City Hall, 201 S. Main.

**Don't forget:** It's the last day for Plymouth Township residents to pay their property taxes without being levied a late fee. The treasurer's office is open until 7 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY

**Tune in:** In commemoration of Black History Month and the centennial anniversary of Duke Ellington's birth, WSDP will celebrate his music beginning at 10:30 a.m.

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# Mayflower Hotel to check out

**A deal between Mayflower Hotel owner Matt Karmo and developer John Vincenti is only a few weeks away from being signed, according to Karmo. The hotel will be demolished for a new hotel, condos or office-retail complex.**

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Mayflower Hotel owner Matt Karmo says he has a deal with a Northville developer to demolish the present hotel and construct a new complex on the site.

Karmo says he'll sign a deal with John Vincenti in a few weeks, after

Vincenti returns from a European vacation.

"I am very happy. I was always optimistic," said Karmo. "Of course, I'll be more sure when I sign on the dotted line."

Karmo said Vincenti agreed to sign the deal when he returned from Europe. He also noted a recent environmental study showed there were no problems with the site.

As for the plans, Karmo said there are three conceptual designs developed by Vincenti, none of which has been selected.

"There are plans to keep the site a hotel, to turn it into condos with retail, and to make it an office-retail complex," said Karmo. "The site is extremely complicated because of the physical size, the parking limitations and what the community wants."

Karmo announced plans last January to demolish the present 73-room hotel and build a new multimillion dollar downtown cornerstone. However, plans continued to stall until late last year as talks with Vincenti, for a second time, finally materialized.

For months, downtown businesspeople and city officials have become tired of hearing about plans for the building, once a downtown anchor that has turned into an eyesore.

"I don't blame people who have complained because they've heard the story for too long," said Karmo. "A lot of times if people don't see something happening physically, they think nothing is being done. But, there's a lot of hard work behind the scenes."

Karmo said deciding which concept to choose for downtown Plymouth will determine when, and how long, the project will develop.



L.J. Miller



Joanne Lamar



Carolyn Simons



Jim Grutza



Betty Smith

### Clara Camp Citizen of the Year

## Tonquish Yacht Club introduces 'Class of '98'

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On Wednesday, five nominees will be awarded for the Clara Camp Citizen of the Year Award by the Tonquish Creek Yacht Club. The "Class of 1998" will be introduced to the community at the Plymouth Manor during the Tonquish Economic Club luncheon.

For the third year, the Clara Camp Plymouth Citizen of the Year Award recognized a class of distinguished individuals from the Plymouth community for their commitment to the betterment of the community.

The award is named for Clara Camp, a longtime Plymouth resident active in a number of community organizations including the Plymouth Community Arts Council and Plymouth Symphony.

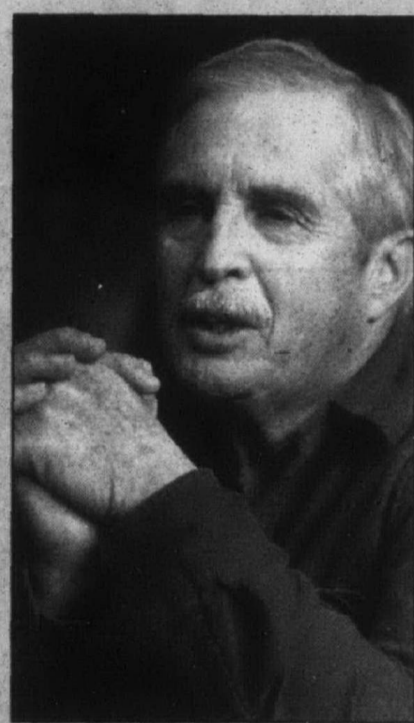
#### L. John Miller

This year's Clara Camp Citizen of the Year is L. John Miller, whose name is synonymous with the nationally-honored Plymouth-Canton Marching Band. Miller is also known as the "Apple Man" because he shows up at the Park every competition day with apples for all

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Joanne Winkleman Hulce



Jack Kenyon

Not pictured: Dr. Jane K. Moehle

### Plymouth Hall of Fame

## It's back: Hall of Fame returns after 13 years

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After a 13-year hiatus, the Plymouth Hall of Fame is back.

Three new inductees were announced this week: Jack Kenyon, Joanne Winkleman Hulce and the late Dr. Jane Moehle. They will be inducted into the hall of fame at an award dinner Tuesday, April 20, at the Water Club Seafood Grill. The inductees' photographs with a plaque bearing their names will hang on the wall of fame at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

The Evening Kiwanis Club initiated the Hall of Fame in 1980, but after six years and 30 inductees, the program dissolved. Renewed interest and help from the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce reactivated the annual honors this year.

"It is important. ... It lets people know their service in the community is worthwhile," said Bill Miller of the Kiwanis.

#### Jack Kenyon

Former Mayor Jack Kenyon was nominated by John Stewart for his "personal character and public contribution."

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# School bond buys \$6.2 million less

## Backer pulls son from district

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As a result of the two-year delay in selling \$79.6 million in bonds approved by voters in March 1997 for new elementary and high schools, the Plymouth-Canton school district will have to scale back the project.

In preliminary figures, administrators have figured the school district lost approximately \$6.2 million in buying power because of inflation and increased construction costs.

However, school officials say despite the delays as a result of the ongoing lawsuit filed by Plymouth resident Jerry Vorva, they will still be able to deliver most of what they promised to the public.

"We will be able to deliver the buildings as promised, and all the opportunities that go with them," said Superintendent Chuck Little. "At the new high school there will still be a football field, track soccer and baseball fields. But we won't be able to develop the entire 80

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A staunch backer of the March 1997 Plymouth-Canton high school bond proposal has decided to send her son to a private high school.

Susan Kopinski of Canton, the chairperson of the steering committee which held public forums on a new high school, says she worked hard on the

campaign so her son could attend a less crowded high school.

"I didn't work that hard for him not to be able to go," said Kopinski. "It's way too crowded, and it's not the right environment for our son."

Chris, an eighth-grader at West Middle School, will be attending Divine Child in Dearborn.

"Divine Child has about 1,000 stu-

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## Arena gives up parking spot for Rosa Parks Bus

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Opponents of the Heidelberg Project in Detroit have long begged for the polka-dotted, brightly colored, controversial project to be moved to the suburbs.

Well, they got their wish. The centerpiece of the project, the Rosa Parks Bus, now temporarily sits in Compuware Arena's parking lot in Plymouth Township thanks to Compuware co-founder Peter Karmanos.

"I think that was very noble of him. It really bought us some time to find a

place for the bus. No one else would do this, the gesture is very important," said Rick Manore, co-owner of C Pop Gallery in Detroit, which represents Heidelberg artist Tyree Guyton.

The City of Detroit began bulldozing the Heidelberg Project at 12:45 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 4, a day that Manore calls "Bleak Thursday." It ended a long-time battle between the city and Guyton.

"A half hour after the restraining order was lifted, they were there with cherry pickers and started tearing

Please see PARKS, A4



Parked: The Rosa Parks Bus from Detroit's controversial Heidelberg Project is being stored at Compuware Arena.





STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

### A run for the presidency

**Honest Abe:** Curtis Hall of Lansing portrays Abraham Lincoln as part of a Presidents Day educational experience for students at Gallimore Elementary Friday. Hall, an actor and employee of Mobile Ed Productions out of Redford, began his stint as "Honest Abe" in January.

## School district considers name for new school

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
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The Plymouth-Canton school board has a list of seven names from which to choose for the new middle school to be constructed at Hanford and Canton Center roads.

After a short discussion Tuesday night, the board decided to stick with its previous convention and name elementary schools after individuals, with middle schools and high schools other names.

As a result, the board dropped the names of Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack and long-time district educator George Dodson from the list. They may be considered for a new elementary school to be constructed at Beck and Cherry Hill.

The names under consideration for the new middle school are Community, Hanford, Heritage, Millennium, South, Bartlett and Canton Center.

Trustee Judy Mardigan gave her early vote for Millennium.

"I think it's exciting," she told other board members. "If I were a student going to that school, I would want to go to school in the new Millennium."

Trustee Elizabeth Givens said she thought "we could get tired of the name."

Bartlett, which recognizes a former farm and school, was a favorite of trustee Roland Thomas.

"It recognizes our heritage and our history," he noted. "Europeans name buildings which recognize their culture. We don't do a very good job of that."

### What do you think?

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools have pared down a list of names for the middle school planned at Canton Center and Hanford. Which one would you prefer?

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- Heritage
- Millennium
- South
- Bartlett
- Canton Center

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Board President Mike Maloney likes the name Community, so everyone can share in the school's success.

"There has been some division in the issues between Plymouth and Canton," said Maloney. "Everyone worked together on this project. It was an outstanding effort by everyone in the community."

Heritage could be a conflict with the new charter school to be built by National Heritage Academies, a for-profit group which will open a new school next August.

The board is still taking suggestions for naming the new middle school, which will be unveiled before groundbreaking, which is slated for 2 p.m. Sunday, March 14.

## DDA hires director

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The Plymouth Downtown Development Authority has a new director, completing a search that began last September.

Melanie Purcell, the village manager of Lake Orion, said she will be "assuming the job sometime in mid-March."

Purcell said she dropped out of the running in the DDA's initial job search because of a problem pregnancy. However, when the first choice rejected the job, the search resumed and Purcell interviewed last week.

"I wanted to focus more on economic development, budgets and public relations, and this position will allow me to do that," said Purcell, 30.

Purcell will be making \$50,000 as Plymouth's DDA director,

**Melanie Purcell, the village manager of Lake Orion, said she will be 'assuming the job sometime in mid-March.'**

compared to her current \$42,000.

In mid-December, the Plymouth DDA selected Ann Barnette of Milford, who is the executive director of the Village of Milford DDA. Barnette indicated she wanted the position, but then decided against moving when she received a \$15,000 raise in Milford.

Former DDA Director Steve Guile earned nearly \$62,000 before accepting a position in October with Westland.

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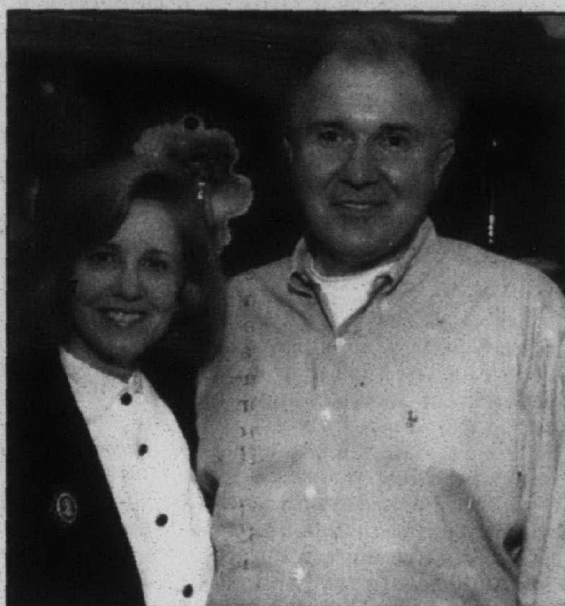
# Residents offer testimonials to happy marriage



**Richard and Helen Swider:** Plymouth residents Richard and Helen Swider met on a blind date and went tobogganing at River Rouge, according to daughter-in-law Kyle Swider. They were married two years later on Feb. 5, 1949, at St. Hedwig Church in Detroit. Helen attributed the success of her marriage to "the buddy system. We help each other. We've done that all our lives." The Swiders have six children, Richard (Cathy), Clarice (Joseph) Urbiel, James (Kyle), Marcia (John) Valentine, Judy (Tom) Burton and Gary. The Swiders have seven grandchildren.



**Joseph and Carol Carli:** Joseph Carli and Carol Dawson met in the ninth grade at Cooley High School in Detroit and got married on Feb. 3, 1962. The couple has lived in Plymouth for 37 years and has a son, Joe Jr. "Having a strong work ethic, a strong family, with a give-and-take attitude and a willingness to help whenever able have kept Joe and Carol growing closer together over the years," they wrote. Joe is a General Motors retiree and owner of J.C. Auction Services. Joe and Carol own the Plymouth Antique Mall, where Joe Jr. and his wife, Hope, also work.



## April Fool's Day blind date pays off with happy marriage

Joseph Uhl and Mary Van Black met on an April Fool's Day blind date in 1964.

"Joe thought he was dating a different pair of legs, and Mary really was not interested in dating due to the recent break-up with her high school sweetheart," Mary wrote.

Both were college students at Eastern Michigan University, and when Joe was nearing graduation they decided to get married.

The Jan. 28, 1967, ceremony came just three days after one of the biggest snowfalls in decades.

"Up until the time of the wedding, everyone spent hours pushing cars out of snow piles," Mary wrote. Father of the bride Wesley Mida was stranded in Chicago, missed the rehearsal, and after a six-hour, standing-room-only train trip he arrived just in time to get his tuxedo on and escort Mary down the aisle.

"Two high school friends, serving as bridesmaids also missed the rehearsal but arrived by train from East Lansing in time for the ceremony.

"Many more people attended the wedding and reception than expected because they could not get out of town as originally planned," Mary wrote. "This resulted in more tables and chairs needing to be set up at the last minute. Luckily, there is always more food prepared than needed, and aunts and uncles ready to help!"

"The 32 years that have followed have been just as exciting and unpredictable," Mary wrote. "We believe the humorous way we handled the entire situation - creatively, flexibly and good-naturedly - has been the foundation for our relationship.

"Our ability to accept each other's individualism along with our shared interests mixed in with a sense of humor and the fact that we like each other has aided our marital longevity. I cannot say we have any secret formula, but it has worked for us!"

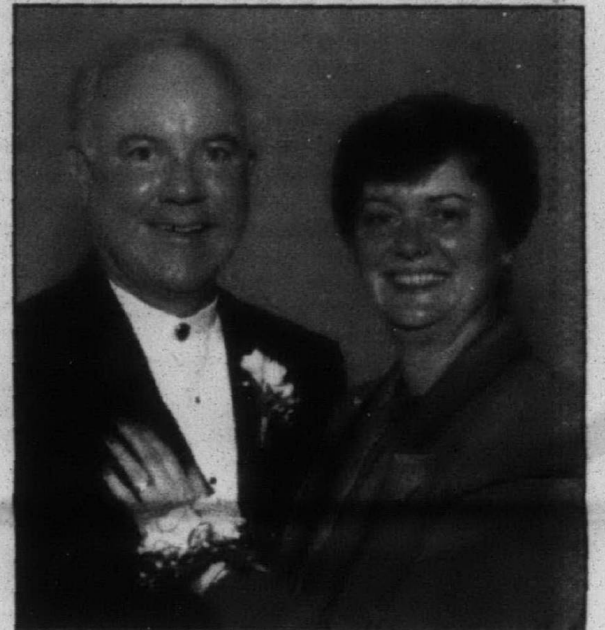
"We are still in love, still enjoying doing things together and still understand the individual time and space we each need."

Joe is an engineer at Ford Motor Co. Mary is an administrator in Plymouth-Canton schools but also taught for many years.

The couple have two children, a daughter, Melissa, 27, and a son, Joseph W., 24.



**Go in' to the chapel:** Joseph and Mary Uhl were married in 1967 after meeting on an April Fool's Day blind date in 1964.



## Whaler case heads to pretrial, judge rules

BY DUNCAN E. WHITE  
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Former Plymouth Whalers' tough man Jesse Boulerice will finally have his day in court.

Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Brian Sullivan denied a motion Friday presented by Boulerice's attorneys to dismiss the assault charge against him and a special pretrial is planned.

The time and date for the pretrial have not yet been set, but it could take place later this month.

Boulerice faces a charge of "assault with the intent to do great bodily harm less than murder" for a stick-swinging incident that occurred during a Whalers playoff game against the Guelph Storm last April.

In order to dismiss the case at this point, Sullivan would have to cite a lack of evidence or no probable cause in the case, finding that the district court magistrate abused his discretion in binding Boulerice over for trial.

Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor James Gonzales, who is handling the case against Boulerice, was ill and could not attend court.

Despite his absence, Sullivan said that he had heard enough arguments from both sides in court two weeks ago and issued his decision instead of rescheduling the hearing.

But might not be the end of legal hurdles that stand in the way of moving the case to trial.

One of Boulerice's attorneys, Juan Mateo, said another motion could follow.

"We're in the midst of contemplating whether we're going to file a motion to reconsider," he said. "I would assume that there will be a pre-trial some time later this month and possibly more than one. But it looks as though it will go to trial."

"I just don't see that this issue can be resolved outside of a trial. It's the kind of case where the prosecutors believe one thing and the defense believes the opposite."

Mateo added that no deals for

a plea bargain are in the works.

"We're not interested in any plea bargain that would have Mr. Boulerice plead guilty," he said. "We just don't know what the prosecutors might want to offer to Mr. Boulerice but there are no plea negotiations taking place."

The question as to whether it matters that the incident took place during a "professional" hockey game, and not amateur play, was also addressed on Friday.

Sullivan's decision stated that all participants in sports ... should expect that certain injuries are "part of the game." But, according to the opinion, that refers only to inadvertent injuries.

"Few hockey players would concur ... that those playing hockey 'assume the risk' of deliberate assaults resulting in serious injury," the opinion read. "No society that calls itself civilized can condone deliberate intent to seriously injure or maim during a sporting event."

The incident in question happened behind the Guelph net after Storm defenseman Andrew Long checked Boulerice into the boards and held him there for several seconds. As play shifted up ice, the two separated and Long turned to follow the play. According to police reports and court testimony, Boulerice "turned and, gripping his stick with both hands, swung it like a baseball bat in an upward motion, striking Long in the face."

During a preliminary examination on Aug. 17, 1998, Long testified that he had no recollection of seeing the blow coming or of being hit.

What he remembered was "gasping for breath and I couldn't stop shaking. I was trying to get breath ... I could just see blood everywhere," he said during the examination.

Long suffered three facial fractures, a blood spot on the brain, a grade three concussion and 20 stitches from his nose to his lip.

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3. The New Baby at your House, Joanna Cole
4. The Circle of Days, Reeve Lindberg
5. Ten Suns: A Chinese Legend, Eric A. Kimmel

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The Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, offers programs for the Plymouth community. The following events are scheduled for February:

**FAVORITE POEM PROJECT**

The library will host a "Double Bill of Poetry" 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21, and 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, as part of the Favorite Poem Project of the poet laureate of the United States. The project will create an audio and video archive of many Americans saying aloud beloved poems and speaking briefly about the poems they choose. To register for either date, stop at the Reader's Advisory Desk or call 453-0750.

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things down on city property. The City of Detroit can come together quickly to tear down a cultural institution, but it takes three weeks to clear the streets of Detroit after a snowstorm?" Manore asked rhetorically.

"It's just another black eye for the City of Detroit, as far as I'm concerned."

Soon after hearing the restraining order was lifted, Manore and Royal Oak artist/C Pop co-owner Thomas Thewes rushed to the scene trying to rescue as much of the Heidelberg Project as possible.

### Quick move

"We had to move quickly because they were going to tear it down. They were moving everything off the city block. The centerpiece of the project is, of course, the bus. We wanted to find space for it. This was Friday and we frantically over the weekend tried to find someplace to put it."

That was hard considering the bus isn't driveable - it's completely covered with art and bound objects. It also can't be towed because the tires have been removed. Manore's assistant, Judy Ann Adams, coordinated moving the bus by hiring a "low boy," a flat bed truck sometimes used to tow cars, to move it.

The first destination was Thewes' Royal Oak studio.

"We thought we could keep it there until we finish our renovations to the new place on Woodward in Detroit. But they couldn't fit it in the back lot so they put it on the side street, South Blair," Manore said.

That, they soon found out, wouldn't work.

"Within 20 minutes the police were there. They said to take it back to Detroit."

Thewes' father, Thomas, co-founded Compuware with Karmanos. He looked to him for help. Karmanos said they could keep the bus in the parking lot until they can find a permanent location.

"The bus took a weird trip from Detroit to Royal Oak to Plymouth. It was rather interesting

that it was Peter Karmanos who helped save our day."

The City of Detroit, Manore said, is trying to persuade Compuware to move its headquarters to Campus Martius, the complex that is scheduled to be built at the former location of the Hudson's building.

"I think the angle on this is very strange. They're wooing a suburbanite to Detroit yet they're trying to push out Tyree. (The Heidelberg Project) is the third most visited site in Detroit, as far as a tourist attraction. I think it's very interesting that Mr. Karmanos came to the rescue of the bus."

"I just wonder what the City of Detroit thinks."

### New site

So far, the Rosa Parks Bus has served as a sort of jungle gym for area youngster. Adams has already been down to Compuware to rope off the bus to keep kids away from it, Manore explained.

"Kids were climbing all over it. They said we had to block it off. They were worried about liability. In the spirit of the Heidelberg Project, we put cardboard in the windows with faces. We boarded up the doors. But people are more than welcome to come down and enjoy the art."

The 1955 bus is significant to artist Tyree Guyton. It's the year Rosa Parks refused to give up her bus seat, and the year of Guyton's birth.

"I think one of the reasons they called it that was there's a big sign on it, upon a million other things, that says Rosa Parks Boulevard. It's an homage to her and when she refused to give up her seat. I guess it's a big flash-point in Tyree's life, as in many African-Americans' lives," said Rick Manore.

Within the next couple of weeks, Manore hopes to find a place to store it.

"For now it sits in Compuware Arena's parking lot. People who were afraid to go down to Detroit to see what the Heidelberg Project was all about can see a nice example of it at Compuware Arena."

### JAMES LEE HAM

Services for James Lee Ham, 54, of Canton were Feb. 8 in the McCabe Funeral Home Canton Chapel with the Rev. Eric Moore officiating. Burial was in Knollwood Memorial Park, Canton.

He was born Jan. 3, 1945, in Flint. He died Feb. 5 in Canton. He was a systems engineer for EDS for 10 years.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Ham; one son, David Ham of Pittsfield Township; one daughter, Dawn Ham-Kucharski two brothers, Darrell Ham of

Wisconsin, Jerry Ham of Virginia; one sister, Fran Evans of Canton; and one grandchild. Memorials may be made to Arbor Hospice of Ann Arbor.

### WILLIAM F. CANEVER

Services for William F. Canever, 46, of Detroit, formerly of Plymouth, were Feb. 8 in the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

He was born May 13, 1952. He died Feb. 5 in Henry Ford Hospital. He was the top environmental attorney for Ford Motor Co. who helped to negotiate key industrywide agree-

ments with federal and state regulators. Canever was a third generation Ford employee. He was Ford's lead attorney on environmental issues involving vehicle emissions. Canever also led negotiations for the agreement in California that deferred that state's stringent zero emissions vehicle mandate. He graduated from Cooley High School and earned his bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Michigan. He graduated with honors from Wayne State University Law School. His late father, Clifford,

had worked for Ford for 39 years, a family tradition begun by his grandfather and namesake.

Survivors include his mother, Dolores of Plymouth; two sisters, Christine (Roger) Hill of Grand Rapids, Dolores "Dodie" (Robert) Bumhoffer of Pigeon; and three nephews, Clifton, Jonathan, and Samuel.

Memorials may be made to the Detroit Opera House, the Detroit Institute of Arts or the Detroit Zoological Society.

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dents. There's nearly 1,000 freshmen going into the (Plymouth-Canton) high schools," said Kopinski. "How can a teacher give any individual academic attention to kids?"

Kopinski puts the majority of the blame on Plymouth resident Jerry Vorva for delaying the project with a lawsuit.

"I would like to express my

outrage that we are going to have to make cutbacks of almost 10 percent because of one person holding the bond sale hostage for two years," Kopinski told the Board of Education. "Our tax dollars aren't buying as much as it would have two years ago, and we are being gypped."

She also hands out some criticism to voters.

"There were less than 12,000 people that voted in the election, and we have 60,000 registered voters in Plymouth and Canton," she added. "I blame the tens of thousands who didn't vote, because it wouldn't have been so close."

Kopinski said "the turmoil that has been created in the Plymouth-Canton community is an

outrage and affects us all."

Kopinski said while she will be spending much of her time volunteering at Divine Child, she didn't rule out future participation in the Plymouth-Canton school district, saying, "I have a vested interest in the community where I live."

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acres as planned."

The size of the high school is also being downscaled by 2.2 percent.

"We were trying to be conservative with the numbers originally, but now those numbers are less conservative," said John Birchler, executive director of business and operations. "We're going to have to be more diligent in watching the costs very closely now to make sure they come in on target."

The biggest cut is nearly \$2.5 million for site development at the high school.

"Instead of 32 tennis courts, which would have provided a lot of courts for the community, it will be some number less. Instead of six soccer fields, which could have benefited Plymouth and Canton soccer clubs, maybe there will only be two or three,"

said Birchler. "There will be some scaling back, but comparable to what other high schools have been able to build, coupled with the existing site, it should be very adequate."

### Reduced size

School officials have also identified \$700,000 in cost savings by reducing the size of the high school from 300,000 square feet to 294,000 square feet.

"Programming in the building won't be affected," said Little. "The planning committee had already made a 10,000-square-foot 'what if' reduction last year. It's significant, but fortunately we've always been on the conservative side. Now, we're right where we have to be."

The administration has also suggested \$545,000 in site development savings at the new elementary school, which is planned for Cherry Hill and Beck roads.

Birchler also noted the district is not eliminating anything that was a part of the original bond issue.

"We just wanted to scale back things voters were told would get done," he said. "It might be smaller or scaled back, but it will still be there."

Those projects include

improvements at most school buildings in the district.

### Fewer buses

Administrators are also looking to save \$320,000 by reducing the number of buses to be purchased from 50 to 45.

One area where the district will actually be saving money is in the purchase of computers. In the bond issue, the district projected spending \$9.8 million. However, because today's costs for computers are much less, Birchler is expected to shave about a million off that figure.

Despite the increased costs, Birchler expects the debt millage to actually go down from expectations two years ago. Instead of 1.75 mills, Birchler says if the bonds were sold today the debt millage would be 1.57 mills.

A homeowner with a \$200,000 home with a taxable value of \$100,000 would see an annual tax increase of \$157, as compared to \$175.

"That's based on interest rates lower than two years ago in the bond market, plus our tax base has grown more than projected," added Birchler.

The actual millage will depend on the interest rates when the bonds are sold in an expected eight to 10 weeks.

### Approval waiting

School board members have asked for additional information before approving the plan.

"My biggest concern is site development," said trustee Roland Thomas. "There were issues when Canton and Salem high schools were built, and the site development costs were high. I'm concerned we won't have enough money, which would jeopardize other parts of the project."

"I don't see the financial belt-tightening as a detriment," added trustee Elizabeth Givens. "It's a good source of creativity."

Of course, many in the community are quick to blame Vorva for delaying the bond sale because of his lawsuit, which is now headed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

"The real blame of any loss of money lies at their (school administration's) feet for not recounting the votes," said Vorva. "I was trying to protect the voting rights of all the people in the district."

"I didn't have a restraining order to stop the bonds from being sold," he added. "They could have sold them anytime. I'd do it all over again."



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# County pay hike

## Board can't muster votes to reject raise

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Wayne County elected officials will receive 18 percent pay increases over two years after Wayne County commissioners failed to reject the increases.

A motion to reject the raises fell one vote short at a commission meeting on Feb. 4.

The motion was supported, 9-6. But that motion failed because the county charter requires a two-thirds vote or 10 commissioners to deny the raises. Wayne County elected officials receive pay increases based on the governor's salary and actions by state lawmakers on recommendations that come from the State Officers Compensation Commission.

When the state Senate decided not to act on a House resolution to reject pay raises for Gov. John Engler, state senators and House members, their salaries increased Feb. 1.

Commissioners who supported the motion to reject the raises were Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia, Kathleen Husk, R-Redford, and John Sullivan, R-Wayne, who also represents Canton, along with Edna Bell, D-Detroit, Edward Boike, D-Taylor, Susan Hubbard, D-Dearborn, Joe Palamara, D-Wyandotte, Bernard Parker, D-Detroit, and Jewel Ware, D-Detroit.

Commissioners who opposed the motion - and supported the raises - were Chairman Ricardo Solomon, D-Detroit, Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, Robert Blackwell, D-Detroit, Chris Cavanagh, D-Detroit, George Cushingberry, D-Detroit, and



**Bankes:** The Livonia Republican voted to reject the pay raise.



**Beard:** The Westland Democrat supported the pay increase.



**Husk:** The Redford Republican voted to reject the raise.



**Sullivan:** The Democrat, whose district includes Canton, voted to reject the raise.

Ilona Varga, D-Detroit.

County commissioners received the raises after Gov. John Engler and state lawmakers received increases about two weeks ago. According to the county charter, the county executive receives 97 percent of the governor's salary. The prosecutor, sheriff, clerk, register of deeds and county commissioners, in turn, receive percentages based on the county executive's pay.

Those salaries are adjusted on Jan. 1 of each year that the governor is granted a salary adjustment, unless it is rejected by a two-thirds vote of the commission, which "vote shall be taken," according to the charter.

"We were one vote short," Bankes said. Since it is effective, she wanted to return it until she found out it goes into the commission chairman's budget and not the county general fund.

Beard said she "thought it was

interesting the number of commissioners who counted noses before they voted" - meaning that they wanted to be sure there weren't 10 votes. She didn't elaborate on which commissioners.

"I voted for it because I thought everybody was entitled to a raise," Beard said. "I figured if the governor, the state senators and representatives were entitled to it, so were the county's elected officials."

"That percentage was recommended by the state."

Husk opposed the increase. "When you look at the raise, it is three or four times more than what people normally get. It looks outrageous."

"Nobody else is getting 9 percent, so why are the commissioners?"

County Executive Edward McNamara will earn \$134,594 this year and \$146,707 in 2000, up from his 1998 salary of

\$123,481. County Prosecutor John O'Hair's salary will receive the same percentage increases to \$132,036 in 2000, as the prosecutor's salary is 90 percent of the county executive. Wayne County Clerk Teola Hunter, Register of Deeds Forest Youngblood, Sheriff Robert Ficano and Treasurer Raymond Wojtowicz will receive 75 percent of McNamara's salary, bringing those salaries to \$110,030 in 2000.

County commissioners would earn \$53,838 this year, and \$58,682 in 2000. Last year, they earned a \$49,392 salary, adjusted to 40 percent of the county executive's salary.

Solomon earns an additional \$12,000 more per year as the chairman, while Beard and Ware earn \$6,000 more annually in their respective leadership positions.

Six commission committee chairs receive an additional \$4,000 a year.

### Celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday at Madonna event for kids

Madonna University will hold its second annual Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration, Tuesday, March 2.

As part of the America Reads Program, students, faculty and staff will read Dr. Seuss books to children from 4-7 p.m. in the Take 5 Lounge. The event is open to the public and a donation of \$1 will offset the cost. Hot dogs and birthday cake will be provided.

accepted to benefit the children at the Operation Get Down Child Care Center, American Indian Health and Family Services, Harms Elementary School and First Step.

The event is sponsored by the Madonna University Student Government Association. For more information, call (734) 432-5425.

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On the other hand aging has usually made people, even some health professionals, uncomfortable. The aging process has been associated with sickness and decreased physical and mental abilities. We tend to concentrate on the downside of aging when in fact 95 percent of Americans over 65 live independently and many with preventive care are maintaining healthy active lives. Aging successfully or maturing (if you prefer) is not just good genes. A recent 10-year study showed how lifestyle choices rather than heredity influence one's health and well-being.

Older adults need to continue to maintain active physical and mental engagement in life. When planning for healthy senior years one should eat more fruits and vegetables, avoid smoking, get a yearly physical exam and have a regular moderate exercise routine.

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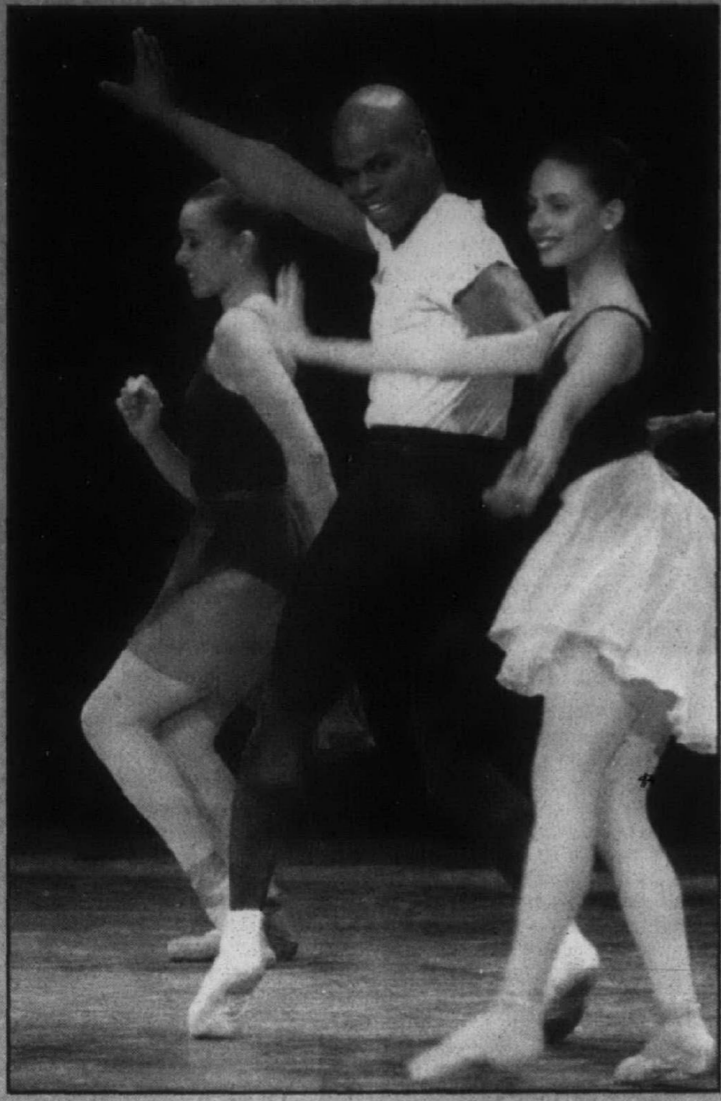
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**On stage:** The Dance Theatre of Harlem performed a demonstration and mini-performance at Plymouth Salem High School Monday. High school students were invited on stage to join them in some exercises. Above, Adé McCray from Monrovia, Liberia, (center) dances with Cristiane Santos of Brazil (left) and Jarina Carvalho of Brazil. The national company will perform at the Music Hall in Detroit Feb. 16-21.

# Hall of Fame from page A1

contributions to his community." "He's absolutely a gem of a guy," said Stewart.

Born and raised in Plymouth, Kenyon served on the city commission from 1979-1985 and 1988-1991. He also served as the first chairman of the joint library board and numerous other boards including the Plymouth Historical Museum, Economic Development Corporation, Citizens Advisory Council for Block Grant Programs.

Among his many accomplishments was raising \$12,000 for the Plymouth Historical Museum by selling bricks, which were being removed from Main Street.

He and his wife, Jackie, are "super volunteers at museum and very active in historical society," Stewart said.

### Joanne Winkleman Hulce

Founder of the arts council in 1969, Hulce is already recognized by the Plymouth community. The Sheldon Road arts center that opened last year is named after the woman revered by many as a visionary.

**■ Tickets for the April 20 award dinner are \$15 per person. Tickets are available at the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, 386 S. Main, across from Kellogg Park.**

"She has such vision. Thirty years ago she had a vision, and she made it reality. She's still very active today. She is always looking toward the future. ... She's a motivator, a great example," said PCAC Director Jennifer Tobin, who nominated Hulce for the award.

Hulce was a Plymouth-Canton school board member when she began a grassroots effort to bring arts into the classroom. A five-year pilot program succeeded and evolved into the arts council. Hulce currently sits on the advisory council, although Tobin said Hulce has "held every position known to woman-kind."

In addition to her work locally and in Ann Arbor, Hulce was appointed to the state arts council by former Gov. William Mil-

liken. "We need to understand the arts are so important to the school experience. Those young people involved in the arts do so much better in class. The arts gives them the ability to be creative. It gives them self esteem. It's not competitive, it's enhancement of their own self for becoming involved," Hulce said.

As far as receiving the Hall of Fame recognition, Hulce said she "encourages other people to become involved and volunteer. We're losing so many of our core volunteers. It's an opportunity to give back to the community, and what you get back is so much more than what you give."

### Jane Moehle

Dr. Jane Moehle died in 1984,

but she is still remembered for her community involvement, which helped other women further their education.

"She was very active in the community especially in the field of education ... She was always a person thinking of others. She gave generously of self and time, especially women and higher education," said her daughter, Elizabeth Johnson.

Moehle was a founding member of the board of trustees at Schoolcraft College and held the position of coordinator of Community College Affairs for the state. She also was the first woman volunteer in the probation department at 35th District Court.

"She was quite a visionary, one with great leadership skills," Johnson said.

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# Clara Camp from page A1

marchers and workers.

Nominated by Harry Jachym, a Livonia school teacher, Miller was called "an unsung hero"

"L. John Miller is however one special person who is not bound by duty or job to the band. Mr. Miller has no children in the band," said Jachym in his nominating letter.

"He doesn't do things because he has to, but rather because he wants to. He is a motivator with a positive attitude. The youth of the community respect the genuine qualities that he exhibits to them," Jachym added.

The PCMB won this year's

second place honors at the Bands of America Grand National Championship.

Miller was honored with a \$200 award to be donated to a charity or nonprofit organization of his choice. Miller donated \$100 to the marching band, \$50 to FISH and \$50 to the Salvation Army.

### Joann Lamar

The first runner up for the Clara Camp Citizen of the Year is Joann Lamar, who was nominated by Judy Evola of Plymouth-Canton Public Schools.

Described by her nominee, Lamar "is a super-mom who is able to look at the big picture and work to affect positive change. She is a high school mom, a band mom, a swim team mom, a community supporter mom."

Her \$100 award will be donated to the Plymouth Canton Marching Band.

### Carolyn Simons

Carolyn Simons was nominated by Jennifer Tobin, director of the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

Simons "is a person who makes volunteering fun and relaxing. Over 10 years of active volunteering for the PCAC and also the Plymouth Symphony League, First Presbyterian Church, First Step and others," said Tobin.

Simons' \$100 award will be donated in her name to the PCAC.

### Jim Grutza

Jim Grutza, owner of Papa

Romano's, was nominated by Bill Lawton of Community Federal Credit Union.

Grutza has "taken on the project of raising \$50,000 for infrared viewers for the Plymouth Community Fire Department," said Lawton.

Grutza's \$100 award will be donated in his name to the Kiwanis Foundation.

### Betty Smith

Betty Smith, host of a weekly radio show for seniors at the student-operated radio station WSDP was nominated by Bill Keith of WSDP.

"She is the definition of active senior. She has many interests and her age does not prevent her from participation," said Keith.

Smith's \$100 award will be donated in her name to a bird sanctuary in the Upper Peninsula.

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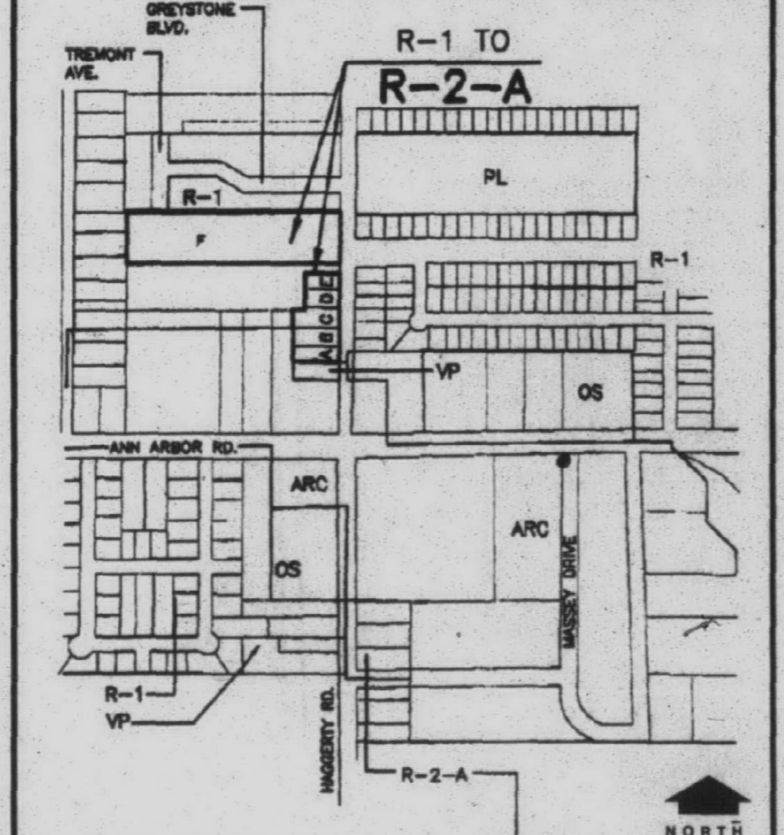
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Monday, March 8	2 p.m.-5 p.m. 6 p.m.-9 p.m.	Hearings by Appointment Hearings by Appointment
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# Road money

## Bill would give townships control

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
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State Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, re-introduced a bill to give townships control over road maintenance money distributed by the state.

The bill has drawn fire from Wayne County road officials because they say the county stands to lose \$4.4 million under the Bennett proposal.

The bill, now in the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Townships, allows townships to choose each year the primary and/or local roads that they want to have jurisdiction over, and receive money for that road. Townships would determine how that money is then spent.

County road officials criticized the legislation during an interview with the Observer editorial board.

"Senate Bill 112 would take \$4.4 million away from Wayne County," said Cameron Priebe, Wayne County's director of public services and assistant county executive.

Wayne County currently receives \$66.9 million under the current formula of the Michigan Transportation Fund. It would receive \$62.5 million under Bennett's bill, a decrease of 6.5 percent, according to the Senate Fiscal Agency. The change to Public Act 51 reduces county road money in 30 counties and redistributes that money to the remaining 53 counties.

Bennett said he introduced the legislation to give townships options and because he believes in

local control. Bennett also wants to put townships on equal standing with cities in the distribution of state transportation money.

"I am tired of townships being treated like second-class communities and its residents like second-class citizens. We are as capable of making decisions as any other community. If we happen to be townships, it doesn't make us less qualified."

"That must change."  
Ron DeCook, deputy director of the County Road Association of Michigan, said that organization opposes the bill. The group represents 82 county road commissions and Wayne County's road division in its Department of Public Services.

"It is clear that not only is this system unworkable, but it would be a bureaucratic nightmare for businesses, motorists and truckers," DeCook said. "You would not know from year to year who is in charge of what section of road."

"In addition, maintaining the proper amount of equipment and staff levels will be futile and inefficient."

Bennett responded: "I am perplexed by the argument that to give townships the same authority of cities will create some chaotic situation."

Wayne County needs that money to deal with potholes and other maintenance items, and it "doesn't make sense" for Canton to take over the roads, Priebe said.

"They (Canton) are getting a disproportionate amount of money from what is collected there (in

Please see BILL, A5

# Canton's Yack likes road option, Redford's Kelley is not so sure

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
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Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack likes the bill introduced by state Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, allowing townships to choose the primary and local roads they want to have jurisdiction over, and receive money.

"We'd only opt for that, if we could do it for less money," Yack said.

Canton officials received a report last year from a consultant that found that three Oakland County communities spent between \$3.2 to \$8.1 million annually on roads, but the study wasn't able to determine actual costs of a takeover because records by the Oakland County communities didn't include levels of services it provided, such as street sweeping and snow removal.

But Yack still liked the options Bennett's bill gives a township.

"We believe we know what our needs are and it may produce some competition between a road commission and another contractor," Yack said. "Competition breeds quality and better service."

Yack said Act 51 monies are probably not adequate to do enough work countywide. "Maybe the county ought to be using some general fund money in addition to the Act 51 money," Yack said.

Redford Township Supervisor Kevin Kelley said he wasn't opposed to townships taking over their own roads or allowing them to inform road commissions about what roads they wanted jurisdiction over.

"I wouldn't have a problem with it, but I don't

know if we could do our own roads," Kelley said. Kelley estimated that Redford would be entitled to an amount between \$850,000 and \$1 million for roads.

"The county does our grading, traffic lights, snow removal and salt," Kelley said. "They do road signs and they do our drainage. We get a lot of services for that money, and I don't know if we could duplicate that."

To purchase equipment and hire 10 to 15 additional employees would involve "huge" start-up costs, Kelley said.

Pat McAvoy, director of legislative affairs for the Michigan Township Association, said many township officials believe that they would not receive enough money to begin a department.

"Maybe it's enough to contract out for roads," McAvoy said. "Maybe that's why you run into so much opposition from the County Road Association."

Van Buren Township Supervisor Helen Foster said she didn't view the road money as an "all or nothing issue."

With the control of money, "at least I'm there making road people accountable, asking where does this money go and how much is spent in my community. The part I would like to see, at a minimum, is for a township to have influence of the money that is spent there."

Road funding is not an easy issue, Yack said.

"(Townships) would at least romance the idea. They would like to have a say-so when things are done, and when they should be done."

"Options are great."

### STATE CAPITOL CAPSULES

#### O-o-o-ops!

In the year-end rush, we lost track of Frank Kelley's last act as attorney general, an opinion on charging for 911 emergency telephone service.

A 1986 law said the costs would be borne by telephone users. The county board could levy up to 2 percent of the highest monthly rate charge for a one-party line. Anything above 2 percent would be paid by the county. For several years, the Legislature made grants to counties for 911 services.

"In 1991, however, the governor (John Engler) vetoed the appropriations for 911 ... for the 1991-92 fiscal year," Kelley wrote. So the Legislature amended the law for counties of

less than 500,000 (all but Wayne, Oakland and Macomb) to allow:

- A 4 percent charge without a vote of the people.

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Barry County Prosecutor Dale Crowley asked whether the charges could be cumulative - that is, up to a 20 percent total?

Yes, said Kelley, after researching lawmakers' amendments and speeches. "The Legislature intended to empower counties, when imposing a surcharge for 911 services, to assess a maximum of 20 percent."

#### Committee OKs

The full Senate is ready to

take up two Senate bills that would permit tougher prison sentences for sexual predators who use the Internet to find young victims.

As reported out of the Judiciary Committee, SB 7 and 217 would allow a judge to sentence offenders to two years in prison for using Internet on top of the underlying crime. Repeat offenders could get an additional five years.

"Many children spend hours on the Internet doing research for the schoolwork and just having fun," said Sen. George Hart, D-Dearborn, sponsor of part of the package. "But that fun can quickly turn to tragedy if they are stalked by an Internet predator."

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# Tables still open for O&E's spring job fair



**Full house:** Last year's fall job fair attracted a variety of businesses and job seekers to Laurel Manor in Livonia.

The Observer & Eccentric and the HomeTown Newspapers will host their second Job Fair 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 24, in the Laurel Manor Banquet and Video Conference Center in Livonia. Laurel Manor is at I-275 and the Jeffries Freeway (I-96).

The success of the first general job fair by the two subsidiaries of HomeTown Communications, Inc. of Livonia has prompted the expansion of the job fair to include up to 100 companies recruiting employees.

The general job fair will feature recruiters from many industries, including Parisian, Staffing Service, Dorothy Day, Koh's, PlastiPack, PDC Glass of Michigan, Entech, Sentech Services, Olde Discount, E.E. Manu-

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facturing, Snelling Personnel-Livonia, First Federal of Michigan, Skyway Precision, New Horizons, Southland Corp., Lenscrafter, Huntington Management, Edward C. Levy Co., Accounting Connection, Virginia Title, Garden City Hospital, MSX International, Trans Inn Management, Contempra Staffing, Regent St. of West Bloomfield, Accountemps, Vil-

lage Green, Wendy's, Jawoo Management, Old Kent, First Investors Corp., McDonald's, Management Recruiters of Livonia, Metropolitan Title Company, Wyndham Garden Hotel.

Businesses may participate in the job fair for \$625 which includes: an 8-foot skirted table and chairs; box lunches for two staffers; inclusion in all job fair advertising and editorial in the Observer & Eccentric and HomeTown Newspapers; inclusion on the Web sites promoting the fair; a quarter page ad in the official job fair supplement with distribution to more than 255,000 households and radio promotion of the Job Fair.

Job seekers are encouraged to come with up to 100 resumes and be prepared for on-the-spot

interviews. Appropriate attire is recommended. Admission is free of charge.

"Last year's Fall '98 Job Fair generated such positive comments from participants we decided to do it again," said Rick Ficorelli, marketing director for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Businesses interested in participating should call the marketing department at (734) 953-2150.

The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers publishes 15 twice-weekly community papers in western Wayne and Oakland counties. The HomeTown Newspapers publishes papers in Northville, South Lyon, Brighton, Novi, Northville, Milford and Livingston County.

## Bill from page A7

gas tax revenue," Priebe said. County officials figure the county spent \$7.6 million in 1998 in Canton for primary and local road maintenance, capital improvements and debt principal payments. That would be 232 percent more than the \$3.3 million generated from Act 51 revenue, according to county estimates.

Wayne County officials also point to \$12 million in federally aided projects since 1988 and expected through the year 2000, along with 25 county resurfacing projects using county maintenance money and \$12.8 million in Canton/ county financing arrangements and nine other upcoming projects.

Bennett, who had not seen these figures, didn't believe that Canton was receiving a disproportionate share. Bennett said Priebe's argument that Canton is getting more than its share only supports his legislation.

"If they do (receive a disproportionate share), it's proof positive that it is needed because they are making a political decision to give more money so other communities must be getting less than their fair share."

DeCook said developing any type of county road plan would be an "exercise in the abstract" in buying trucks and hiring help.

"If a township wanted to take over the roads, then the road commission or the agency would have to lay off people and sell off equipment. What happens when the townships later decide they no longer want to do this?"

The approach also pits townships with small populations and mileage against townships with larger populations and mileage within a county, DeCook said. DeCook anticipated a similar battle between state lawmakers over the legislation.

Bennett said if townships did take control of the roads, it would make it easier for a township resident to address a local road issue. "It's far easier for a Canton resident to address the township board and urge action one way or another, than it is to go see the Wayne County commission or Ed McNamara."

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## Make sure you get your 'five a day'

It's February, and I have noticed a barrage of what I normally refer to as our "New Year do-gooders." After a month of holiday indulgence, preceded by a year of not meeting our resolutions, many of us took an oath this year to change our lives.

After the clock struck midnight on Dec. 31, we were going to spend more quality time with our families, read more and care more. But what is normally on the top of most resolution cards is — this is the year to be healthy, radiant, eat better and start exercising. I see evidence that people are taking their New Year's resolutions seriously as I wait for exercise equipment at my local (normally not overly crowded) YMCA. Yep, we're all going to figure it out this year and be the picture of health.

Since the start of the New Year, the buzz in the 2 Unique office is everyone's diet — high protein, low protein, liquid, shake plan, so on and so forth. I am not a medical expert, I'm a chef with some nutritional background and constantly read about food and diet. I've been watching my weight vigorously since the age of 13. I come from a long line of dieters. My mom informed me at a young age that "it's in our genes," and said I'd always have to be careful about my weight. Over the past 20 years I've come to the conclusion that you've got to eat your veggies!

### Apple a day

The old "an apple a day keeps the doctor away" doesn't fall far from the tree of truth. My enthusiasm for this subject came last week after seeing my

### What constitutes a fruit or vegetable serving:

- 1 piece of fruit such as an apple
- 6 ounces fruit or vegetable juice
- 1 cup raw vegetables
- 1/2 cup mashed or chopped fruit or vegetables
- 1/4 cup dried fruit

father (who is only 59) in the recovery room after his quadruple bypass surgery.

It is foolish for us to think we can continually live fast, play hard and eat a poor diet year after year and not have it take

a toll. I am not trying to over simplify, but a good rule of thumb to consider is — as close to vine as possible — fresh food is the ticket! If you can't pronounce many of the ingredients listed on the label, be suspicious of purchasing it. Less is quite often more.

The National Research Council, and the National Cancer Institute, urge us all to "strive for five." This means getting at least five servings per day of fruits and vegetables. Many nutrition experts encourage us to shoot for nine to ten servings per day.

### Heart disease

Glady Block a nutritional epidemiologist, who holds a doctorate, at UCLA at Berkeley, says, "this is a tall order as only 10 percent of Americans get even five." Heart disease is the number one cause of death in the United States. It affects approximately 7 million Americans annually and causes 1.5 million heart attacks and 500,000 deaths each year. Studies tell us our taxes and health premiums are going up to finance approximately 300,000 coronary artery bypass operations each year, at the cost of around \$30,000 each or \$9 billion annually. I'm surprised that we are not seeing billboards plastered with veggie slogans or luscious fruited centerfolds in our magazines. A healthy diet can literally make the difference between life and death.

Veggies and fruits are one of the most powerful tools we have for attaining radiant health.

Chef Kelli L. Lewton is owner of 2 Unique Caterers and Event Planners in Bloomfield Hills. A graduate of Schoolcraft College's Culinary Arts program, Kelli is a part-time instructor at the college. Look for her column in Taste on the second Sunday of the month. See recipes inside.

## LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Focus on Wine
- Recipe to Share

# SOUL FOOD

## GOOD FOR THE HEART AND SOUL!

BY PEGGY MARTINELLI-EVERTS  
SPECIAL WRITER

February is Black History Month. First declared in 1976, it is a time to celebrate and learn about African-American heritage, culture and culinary traditions.

"Soul food" refers to both a method of food preparation and specific types of foods. The expression "soul food" is thought to have been derived from the cultural spirit and soul-satisfying flavors of African-American food. Gathering the family together for meals is an opportunity to nourish both the body and the soul.

My friend Cynthia told me about her family traditions. Cynthia's grandmother took pride in her ability to provide for her family and in her cooking talent. She was known for her homemade breads and cakes, freshly cooked greens and poultry, a variety to suit all tastes. Like my own grandmother, Cynthia's would "go out and get the chicken" and

butcher it at home.

While traditional African-American dishes like fried chicken, ham hocks and beans, grits, chitterlings, black-eyed peas and collard greens may nourish the soul and bring back fond memories of family gatherings, it's not the "soul" that is of concern, it's the "heart."

Occasionally, traditional food habits may conflict with nutritional needs. African-Americans in the United States are two times as likely to suffer from high blood pressure (hypertension) as whites. The disease affects African-Americans earlier and harder. Hypertension places African-Americans at risk for heart attack, stroke and kidney failure unless blood pressure is controlled.

There are some theories as to why African-Americans face such a high risk. The genetic factor shows a tendency toward being "salt-conservers." Environmental factors include a salt-rich West-

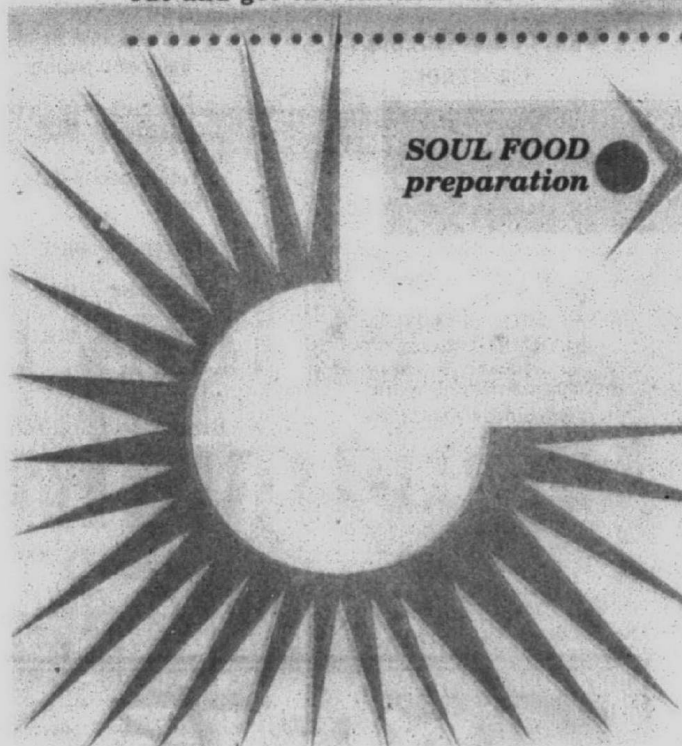
ern diet. Evidence suggests that African-Americans don't necessarily eat more salt, their bodies are just better at conserving salt. Regardless of the complexity of factors, because African-Americans face such a high risk of this deadly condition, the recommendation to follow a low salt diet as a preventative strategy is effective. This recommendation is a good one for everyone, regardless of race or nationality, to help battle against heart disease.

Besides hypertension, according to the American Heart Association, the most dramatic nutrition related disparity between African-Americans and white Americans is the high prevalence of obesity among African-Americans, especially women. It is interesting to note that African-American women have better body image perception and dramatically lower incidence of eating disorders. However, sometimes losing weight can help with blood pressure control.

Lorenzo Spratling, a culinary instructor at Breithaupt Career & Technical Center in Detroit, and a chef at the Golden Mushroom Restaurant in Southfield, recalls large family gatherings where traditional "soul" food was proudly prepared and served.

Today he reduces the fat and sodium in these traditional dishes but keeps the flavor in tact. See his recipes inside.

Peggy Martinelli-Everts of Clarkston is a registered dietitian and director of clinical operations for HDS Services, a Farmington-Hills based food service and hospitality management and consulting company, specializing in food-service management for hospitals, long-term care facilities, businesses, private clubs and private schools. HDS Services has approximately 200 management accounts throughout the United States and Japan. Look for Peggy's story on the second Sunday of the month in Taste.



Soul food preparation techniques such as frying and barbecuing meat and the use of hot sauces and black pepper can be made more healthy by:

- **Pan frying** — in less fat and using poly or monounsaturated oils such as canola, sunflower or olive oil. Use vegetable oil cooking spray and sauces to insure foods cook thoroughly without sticking.
- **Homemade** — rather than store bought barbecue and hot sauces may be lower in sodium. Start with ingredients such as low sodium tomato paste.
- **Vegetables** — such as turnip, mustard and collard greens, sweet potatoes, snap peas, chowder peas and black-eyed peas are wonderful sources of vitamins A, C and potassium. Prepare them without salt pork and fats to keep the sodium and fat low. Try using lemon juice or even smoked turkey or chicken for flavoring.
- **Hominy grits and corn bread** — can also be prepared with less salt to supply another nutritious source of B vitamins.
- **Add more low fat milk, yogurt and low fat dairy foods** — for calcium and B vitamins. Even though African Americans face a lower risk of the bone

thinning disease osteoporosis, getting enough dietary calcium is still important for overall good health.

- **Enjoy lean cuts** — of pork, poultry and fish cooked without added fats or salt.
- **To attain or maintain a reasonable body weight** — shoot for 11-15 calories per pound of body weight.
- **Keep dietary fat** — to about 30% of total daily calories or between 50-80 grams daily. Read food labels and choose lower fat foods most often.
- **Try to keep daily sodium intake** — to 2,400-3,000 milligrams. Take the salt shaker off the table and try not to salt foods during cooking. Use spice blends, either a homemade mixture or one from the grocery store.

### Resources

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## Lazy cook's Italian style bean soup will warm you up

### MAIN DISH MIRACLE



MURIEL G. WAGNER

I'm a fall-winter person as long as it's not icy outside. The cold days of winter make me yearn for cuddle foods like homemade soup simmering on the stove.

But as you know, I'm a lazy cook, and an impatient one too. I use canned vegetables, broth and beans as long as they enhance and not detract from the flavor of the finished product.

Such a recipe is my version of a hearty bean soup that takes only 10 minutes to prepare, but tastes like it's been simmering on the stove for hours. I call it Eating Younger Quick Bean Soup Italian Style.

The basis for this soup is chicken stock, but as you might suspect, it's not one that I make from scratch. I find that an acceptable canned chicken broth, personalized with simple herbs and vegetables will turn it into a respectable soup base. The taste of Swanson Fat-Free Chicken Broth used in this recipe suggests that there was a chicken involved somewhere in contrast to other watery versions that I have tasted.

I like the flavor of olive oil rather than canola oil for softening the onion. Both are low in saturated fat. The

smoked sausage choice can be yours, although it should be reduced fat. The Hillshire Farms Brand is one of the leanest and best tasting. Regular sausage has 10 times the fat and saturated fat. When you're reading the sausage label, take note that the values are for a two ounce portion. These days it's a good idea to brown the sausage slices thoroughly.

If a vegetarian dish is your goal, you can omit the sausage. The soup will have enough flavor from the herbs and vegetables. The beans contribute enough protein to make it a stick-to-the-ribs one dish meal.

Of course, the beans are ready cooked. Home prepared dried beans may be more flavorful and less expensive, but I'm willing to sacrifice some flavor and pay a little extra for the time saved and convenience. The same reasoning applies to the garlic. Besides, ready-chopped garlic is never sprouted when I'm about to use it.

The new tomato products are this busy cook's best friends unless fresh tomatoes are abundant and cheap. Canned tomatoes save much chopping and resolve seasoning questions. The one veggie that I use fresh is spinach. Wash it well (even the prewashed) and chop it coarsely after removing the stems.

Do use imported Parmesan cheese that is freshly grated. The difference in flavor between fresh Parmesan and the

boxed grated cheese makes the extra work time well spent. The nutrition and taste differences make nonfat cheese a poor trade-off in this case. One tablespoon of imported Parmesan adds little more than a gram of fat for its superior flavor.

This soup has lots of nutrients including vitamins A, B complex, C and K; soluble and insoluble fiber and antioxidants. The tomatoes are an excellent source of lycopene. The spinach is an excellent source of lutein and zeaxanthin that may protect your eyes.

For my fair weather friends, I soothe their winter woes with the soup and crusty French or Italian bread.

### EATING YOUNGER QUICK BEAN SOUP ITALIAN STYLE

- 1 tablespoon olive or canola oil
- 1 medium onion, peeled and chopped
- 1 (14 ounce) package Hillshire Farms Lean and Healthy Smoked Sausage, sliced
- 1 teaspoon chopped garlic
- 1 (16 ounce) package fresh spinach, washed and chopped coarsely
- 2 (14 1/2 ounce) cans Swanson's Natural Goodness 100 percent Fat Free Chicken Broth
- 1 (24 ounce) jar Great-Northern Beans, drained and rinsed

- 1 (14.5 ounce) can Hunt's Diced Tomatoes with Italian Herbs
- 1 (15 ounce) can Hunt's Tomato Sauce — Chunky Garlic and Herbs
- 1 1/2 ounces Parmesan cheese, grated

In a large saucepan heat oil. Add garlic, onion and sausage. Cook until sausage is well browned and onion is soft. Add remaining ingredients except Parmesan cheese. Stir to blend.

Heat to serving temperature. Do not boil. Pour into bowls, distributing sausage and vegetables. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese. Serve immediately. Serves 6.

### Nutrition Values (per serving)

Calories - 237  
Fat - 6.0g, Saturated Fat - 2.0g  
Cholesterol - 28mg, Sodium - 1,010mg  
■ Food Exchanges = 2 1/2 lean meats, 1/2 bread, 2 vegetables

Look for Main Dish Miracle on the second Sunday of the month in Taste. Muriel G. Wagner is a registered dietitian and nutrition therapist with an office in Southfield. She publishes "Eating Younger," a quarterly newsletter with recipes and nutrition tips. To subscribe, send a check for \$13.50 to "Eating Younger," P.O. Box 69021, Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069.



# Chef shares recipes for soulful dishes

See related Soul Food story on Taste front. Recipes compliments of Chef Lorenzo Spratling.

## UN-FRIED CHICKEN

- Serves to 6  
Light vegetable oil cooking spray  
2 pounds of skinless, boneless chicken breasts  
2 cups ice cubes  
3/4 cup non-fat yogurt  
1 cup dried Italian bread crumbs  
1 cup flour  
1 Tablespoon Old Bay Seasoning  
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder  
1/2 teaspoon seasoning salt  
1/8 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper  
1 Tablespoon paprika  
1/2 teaspoon thyme

1/2 teaspoon basil  
1/2 teaspoon oregano  
Preheat oven to 400°F  
In a large bowl, combine ice cubes and chicken and refrigerate half an hour. Place yogurt into a medium bowl. Place remaining ingredients into a large bag that seals tightly. Shake well to mix. Remove three pieces of chicken from ice water.  
Roll each piece in yogurt. Put the chicken into the plastic bag, reseal and shake to coat thoroughly. Transfer the breaded chicken to a baking sheet that has been sprayed with the cooking spray. Spray each piece of chicken lightly with cooking spray.  
Place the baking sheet on the bottom shelf of the oven and bake for 1 hour, turning the pieces every 15 minutes to assure even crispness.

**Nutrition information per serving:** Calories: 175, Protein (g): 28, Fat (g): 3, Sodium (mg): 616, Carbohydrates (g): 5, Percent of calories from fat: 16.5.

## COLLARD GREENS

- Serves 4  
2 pounds collard greens  
1/2 pound smoked turkey breast, cubed  
1/2 pound cabbage (about 1/4 of a medium-size head)  
1/2 cup finely diced onion  
1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper  
1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper  
1 quart cold water  
Wash greens thoroughly, discarding stems and yellow leaves. Cut greens and cabbage into small

pieces. In a large pot add water, greens, onion, black pepper and cayenne.  
Simmer for 30 minutes. Add turkey breast and simmer 30 more minutes until greens are tender. Serve with a slotted spoon.  
**Nutrition information per serving:** Calories: 92, Protein (g): 10.5, Fat (g): 2, Sodium (mg): 330, Carbohydrates (g): 13, Percent of calories from fat: 19.

## SWEET POTATO PIE

- Serves 10  
2 cups cooked sweet potatoes peeled  
3/4 cup honey  
4 egg whites  
1 cup skim milk  
1-1/2 teaspoons grated nutmeg  
1 teaspoon fresh lemon juice

1 (9) inch reduced-fat pie shell (recipe to follow)  
Preheat oven to 375°F. With an electric mixer thoroughly blend all ingredients together. Pour the filling into the pie shell and bake about 40 minutes or until firm. Remove the pie from the oven and allow it to cool.  
**Nutrition information per serving (minus crust):** Calories: 145  
Protein (g): 3.5, Fat (g): 0, Sodium (mg): 60, Carbohydrates (g): 35.  
Percent of calories from fat: 1.5.

## REDUCED-FAT 9-INCH PIE SHELL

- 1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
3 Tablespoons reduced-fat margarine, cold, cut into small pieces

3 Tablespoons cold skim milk  
Mix flour and salt together in a bowl. Add margarine and blend with a fork or pastry blender until the mixture resembles coarse crumbs.  
Add milk and blend until ingredients hold together. Shape into a ball and wrap in plastic wrap. Refrigerate until chilled. Place the dough on a lightly floured board and roll out to about 1/8 inch thick circle. Roll the dough at least 2 inches larger than the pie pan.  
Fold dough in half and gently place it in the pie pan. Unfold the dough and fit into the pan, tucking an extra 1 inch of crust to make a stand up edge.  
**Nutrition information per serving:** Calories: 9, Protein (g): 2, Fat (g): 3.5, Sodium (mg): 141, Carbohydrates (g): 13, Percent of calories from fat: 35.

# Here are some delicious ways to enjoy your veggies

See related 2 Unique column on Taste front.

## LENTIL AND POTATO STEW

- 1 cup lentils  
4 cups hot vegetable or chicken stock  
1 Bay Leaf  
2 potatoes, scrubbed and cubed  
1 cup carrots, diced  
1 cup parsnips, diced  
1 cup turnips, diced  
1 tsp. tumeric  
1/4 teaspoon cayenne

1/4 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/4 teaspoon coriander, ground  
1/4 teaspoon cloves  
2 tablespoons cumin  
2 large tomatoes, chopped or 2 cups canned chopped tomatoes  
1 teaspoon honey  
1 tablespoon olive oil  
Salt and pepper to taste  
In a saucepan, heat olive oil and saute vegetables until tender (about 5 minutes).

Add tomatoes and spices and cook for 2 minutes. Add stock and lentils, simmer (uncooked) for 30-35 minutes until lentils are Al dente.  
Finish by stirring in honey, salt and pepper. Serve.  
Yield: 10-12 (10 ounce) servings.

## EASY RATATOUILLE

- 1 tablespoon olive oil  
1 large Spanish onion, diced  
4 cloves garlic (minced)  
1 zucchini (medium diced)  
1 yellow squash (medium

diced)  
1 eggplant (peeled and medium diced)  
10 plum tomatoes diced or 2 cans  
1 teaspoon capers (optional)  
1/4 cup fresh basil  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon pepper  
Heat oil, saute onions and garlic until caramel in color. Add diced vegetables, capers, reduce to a simmer (low heat) cover and simmer, stirring occasionally for 35 minutes.

Remove lid and continue to cook another 15 minutes, adjust seasoning, add basil. Eat with bread or as a chunky pasta sauce.  
Yield: 8 (6-8 ounce) servings.  
Gobble up all the vegetables you can. Consider this hearty vegetable soup part of your arsenal for staying well.

## GOOD FOR YOU GARDEN SOUP

- 2 quarts Veggie or Chicken Stock  
3 carrots  
2 zucchini

1 yellow squash  
2 cloves of garlic  
1 red pepper  
2 tomatoes  
1/2 cup button mushrooms  
1 onion  
2 stalks of celery  
1 cup green beans  
Clean and medium dice all vegetables. Place in a large stock pot.  
Add stock. Bring to almost a boil. Reduce Heat and Simmer for 35-45 minutes.  
Yield about 10 (6-7 ounce) servings.

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## Vegetarian casserole hearty winter fare

AP — This nicely seasoned Vegetarian Couscous Casserole is a hearty main-dish offering. It's served over fresh spinach, to warm the family on a cold winter day.

**VEGETARIAN COUSCOUS CASSEROLE**

1 1/2 cups water  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1 cup couscous, uncooked  
15-ounce can black beans, drained and rinsed  
8 3/4-ounce can corn, drained and rinsed  
8-ounce can sliced water chestnuts, drained and rinsed

7-ounce jar roasted peppers in water, drained and cut into strips  
1/3 cup green onions, minced  
2 tablespoons pickled jalapeno pepper, minced  
1 cup part-skim ricotta cheese  
2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar  
2 teaspoons sesame oil  
1 teaspoon cumin  
Nonstick cooking spray  
6 cups fresh spinach leaves

Bring water and salt to a boil in saucepan. Remove from heat. Add

couscous and stir well. Cover and let stand 5 minutes or until liquid is absorbed. Add black beans, corn, chestnuts, roasted peppers, onions and jalapeno peppers. Stir gently.  
Combine cheese, vinegar, oil and cumin. Stir into couscous mixture. Spoon into an 11- by 7- by 2-inch baking dish coated with nonstick cooking spray. Bake, uncovered, at 350 F for 25 minutes. To serve, spoon couscous mixture onto individual servings of spinach.  
Makes 6 servings.  
**Nutritional facts per serving:** 252 cal., 39 g carbo., 5 g fat, 13 mg chol., 14 g pro., 7 g fiber, 460 mg sodium.  
Recipe from: Michigan Bean Commission.

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# Surprise someone with jam filled Sweetheart Cookies

Legend tells that ever since Saint Valentine drew a picture of a heart and wrote "from your Valentine" way back in 270 A.D., hearts have been a symbol of love.

Romance is at the center of these tender, heart-shaped sandwich cookies where the sweet red raspberry preserves peek out from both the edges and tiny hearts cut into the cookie tops.

### SWEETHEART COOKIES

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 1/4 cups oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked)
- 1 tablespoon grated lemon rind (about 2 large lemons)
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 12 tablespoons (1 1/2 sticks) butter or margarine, softened
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1 egg, lightly beaten
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2/3 cup seedless raspberry preserves
- Powdered sugar

In a medium bowl, combine flour, oats, lemon rind, baking soda and salt; mix well. In large bowl, beat margarine and sugar with electric mixer until creamy. Add egg and vanilla; continue beating until light and fluffy. Stir in oat mixture; mix well. Cover and chill at least 1 hour.

Heat oven to 350°F. Divide dough into quarters; work with one quarter at a time, keeping remaining dough refrigerated. Roll dough on lightly floured surface to 1/8-inch thickness. Cut with floured 2 1/2-inch heart-shaped cookie cutter. Use a 1-inch heart-shaped cookie cutter to cut out a hole from the center of half the hearts. Reroll and cut scraps.



QUAKER OATS

Arrange cookies 1-inch apart on ungreased cookie sheets. Repeat with remaining dough.

Bake 8 to 10 minutes or until light golden brown. Cool 1 minute on cookie sheets. Remove to wire rack; cool completely.

To assemble cookies, spread 1

teaspoon preserves in the center of each solid cookie. Lightly sprinkle cookies with cutouts with powdered sugar. Place sugar covered cookies, sugar-side up, on top of the cookies with preserves. Serve cookies within 1 day or freeze for longer storage.

Makes about 2 1/2 dozen.

### Cook's tips:

Omit powdered sugar. Drizzle melted dark or white chocolate over cookies with cutouts.

Melt chocolate in a heavy saucepan or double boiler over low heat, stirring constantly, or, to microwave, place 1 to 4 ounces

chocolate in a microwave safe container; cook on medium (50% power) for 1 1/2 to 2 minutes. Stir.

To drizzle chocolate easily, spoon melted chocolate into 1-quart heavy-duty plastic storage bag. Seal bag. Cut a 1/4-inch or smaller opening in corner of food storage bag. Squeeze chocolate

over cookies with cutouts. Nutrition information: 1 cookie Calories 130, calories from fat 45, total fat 5g, saturated fat 3g, cholesterol 20mg, sodium 160mg, total carbohydrates 20g, dietary fiber less than 1g, protein, 2g.

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# Luscious poached pears are a Valentine's Day treat

BY MELANIE POLK  
SPECIAL WRITER

It wouldn't be Valentine's Day without sweets, so it's fortunate that clever cooks have developed lots of ways to enjoy delicious treats that won't make you feel guilty about the indulgence.

Candied citrus zest adds fat-free color, texture and flavor to mousses, custards and other smooth desserts. In a medium-sized saucepan set over medium-high heat, combine 1 cup water and cup fresh, very thin match-stick-length strips of lemon, lime, orange or grapefruit zest (completely free of any white pith).

Bring to a boil and cook 3 minutes. Rinse zest under cool water in a sieve and let drain. Rinse out the saucepan, add 1/3 cup granulated sugar, 1 tablespoon light corn syrup and 2-1/2 tablespoons water, and stir until blended. Bring mixture to a simmer over medium-high heat,

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cover and simmer for 2 minutes.

Stir drained zests strips into the syrup, bring to a simmer again and cook, stirring occasionally, 3 to 4 minutes until zest is tender and translucent. Remove zest shreds with a fork, spread on a sheet of wax paper, and cool. If you wish, save the syrup and drizzle it over fresh or poached fruit.

Meringue kisses are light and sweet and can be made in a variety of flavors — vanilla, chocolate, almond, orange or lemon. Serve them with fresh fruit or berries, or make meringue "sandwiches" filled with your favorite fruit preserves. Preheat the oven to 250 degrees and line 2 cookie sheets with foil. In a

large bowl, combine 3 large egg whites (at room temperature), 1/8 tsp. cream of tartar and 1/8 tsp. salt. Using an electric mixer on medium speed, whip until foamy. Gradually add 3/4 cup granulated sugar and whip until the whites hold medium-stiff peaks. Add 1 teaspoon vanilla extract and 1/2 teaspoon almond extract and whip until the whites are satiny and hold stiff peaks.

Drop the meringue by teaspoons onto the prepared sheets and bake for 40 to 45 minutes, until the tops of the kisses feel dry to the touch. Set the sheets on a rack to cool for 3 to 5 minutes, then peel away the



**Holiday treat:** Poached pears with chocolate sauce is a tasty way to celebrate Valentine's Day or any special occasion.

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backing paper or foil.

For orange or lemon kisses, reduce the vanilla to tsp. and omit the almond extract, add 1 teaspoon orange or lemon extract plus 2 teaspoons grated orange or lemon zest. For chocolate kisses, fold 2 tablespoons sifted unsweetened cocoa into the whipped meringue, leaving it slightly streaked.

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**POACHED PEARS WITH CHOCOLATE SAUCE**

- 2 1/2 cups water
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar

Grated rind and juice of 1 lemon

1 cinnamon stick

4 pears

4 tablespoons chocolate syrup

Sliced strawberries for garnish

In large saucepan, combine water, sugar, lemon rind, lemon juice, and cinnamon stick. Bring to a boil, stirring until sugar is dissolved.

Peel, halve and core pears. Add pears to boiling syrup. (Pears should be covered in liquid; if not, double the amount of poaching liquid or poach in batches.)

Reduce heat to medium-low and

simmer gently for 15 to 20 minutes or until pears are almost tender (time will vary depending on ripeness and type of pear; remember, pears will continue to cook while cooling). Remove from heat and let cool in liquid.

Drain pears thoroughly and pat dry on paper towels. Arrange pear halves on individual plates. Drizzle with chocolate syrup. Serve at room temperature.

**Nutrition information:** Each of the 8 servings contains 119 calories and less than one gram of fat.

Recipe and information provided by Melanie Polk, Director of Nutrition Education, American Institute for Cancer Research.

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# Simple Beef Stroganoff ready in 20 minutes

**AP** This version of Beef Stroganoff is not only festive, it's simple to make and should have the cook out of the kitchen in 20 minutes.

The recipe calls for beef tenderloin tips stir-fried and combined with mushrooms, onions and broth. It is served over bow-tie pasta, accompanied by a salad of mixed greens dressed with a herbed vinaigrette.

## BEEF STROGANOFF

- 1 1/2 cups uncooked farfalle (bow tie) pasta
- 1 pound beef tenderloin tips

- Vegetable cooking spray
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 1/2 pound sliced fresh mushrooms
- 1/3 cup coarsely chopped onion
- 2 teaspoons vegetable oil
- 1 to 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup ready-to-serve beef broth
- 1 tablespoon sliced green onion

1/4 cup dairy sour half-and-half

Cook pasta according to package directions. Keep warm.

Meanwhile, trim fat from beef; cut into 1- by 1/2-inch pieces. Spray large nonstick skillet with

cooking spray. Heat skillet over medium-high heat until hot. Add beef (half at a time) and stir-fry 1 to 2 minutes or until outside surface is no longer pink. Remove from skillet; keep warm. Season with salt and pepper.

In same skillet, cook mushrooms

and onion in oil 2 minutes or until tender; stir in flour. Gradually add broth, stirring until blended. Bring to a boil; cook and stir 2 minutes. Return beef to skillet; heat through.

Serve beef mixture over pasta. Sprinkle with green onion; pass

sour half-and-half to put on top.

Makes 4 servings.

**Nutritional facts per serving:** 344 cal., 30 g pro., 25 g carbo., 13 g fat, 344 mg sodium, 77 mg chol.

Recipe from: National Cattle-men's Beef Association.

## Cool hot soup quickly

"Cold weather inspires many people to cook a large pot of homemade soup," said Sylvia Treitman, home economist for the Michigan State University Extension — Oakland County.

If a large pot of soup is left to cool by itself it may take many hours before reaching a cool temperature. By that time it may have already begun to grow dangerous bacteria, which can result in food poisoning. The best advice we can give, said Treitman, is to cool that large pot of food quickly.

Here are some ideas:

Divide a large pot into several shallow containers (2 or 3-inches deep)

Use a large spoon to stir soup every few minutes to speed up cooling.

Place hot food in sink filled with ice water.

After cooking refrigerate soup after about 20 minutes cooling

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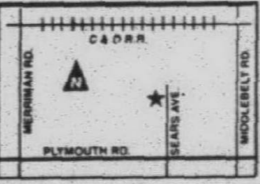


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## MEDICAL BRIEFS

### Child immunizations

St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer an Infant and Child Immunization Clinic 5:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18. All state-required immunizations will be administered pending availability of serum, including hepatitis B and H. influenza type B for children under age 18.

Participants should bring all available immunization records. No registration is required. Cost is \$5 per child no matter how many immunizations are given. For more information, call (734) 655-8940 or toll-free at (800) 494-1650. (Those attending should use the south entrance off Levan.)

### Confident daughters

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System's Women Health Services is offering "Raising Strong and Confident Daughters," a class designed to help parents meet the challenges of raising girls. Parents of girls ages 5-11 will learn strategies to help counter limiting cultural stereotypes.

The six-hour, four-session program is scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26 and March 5 at the SJM Canton Health Building, 1600 S. Canton Center. Class presenters are Carole Lapidus, M.S.W., and Sally Wisotsky, M.S.W. The fee is \$65.

For more information or to register, call Saint Joseph Mercy HealthLine at (734) 712-5400 or (800) 231-2211.

### Cardiac open house

In recognition of American Heart Health Month and National Women's Heart Health Day, Garden City Hospital's Cardiology Services and Women's and Children's Services will jointly host an open house 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21.

During this "heart-warming experience," the public and hospital employees will be able to participate in cholesterol testing, lectures, massages, blood pressure screening and the American Heart Association Risk Assessment. Demonstrations of CPR, kick-boxing, yoga and the hospital's new Web page will be conducted throughout the day. Community vendors, such as the YMCA and Med-Max, also will participate.

For more information, contact Terry Carroll at (734) 458-4267.

### Chocolate lowdown

It has nothing to do with love, but bittersweet chocolate is good for your heart. "We've heard about the antioxidant substances called phenols in red wine and grape juice; the cocoa in chocolate has them as well," said Dr. Elaine Feldman, a professor emerita of medicine, physiology and endocrinology at the Medical College of Georgia.

"These substances may prevent hardening of the arteries, heart attacks and possibly strokes.

The darker the chocolate the better, said Feldman, because darker chocolate has more pure cocoa. Milk chocolate has less cocoa and more fat and sugar but still yields some benefits from the cocoa bean. White chocolate, which has no cocoa, isn't heart-healthy. Stick with the bittersweet bonbons.

Source: *New Woman* magazine, February 1999

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There are several ways you can reach the Observer Health & Fitness staff. The Sunday section provides numerous venues for you to offer newsworthy information including Medical Databook (upcoming calendar events); Medical Newsmakers (appointments/new hires in the medical field); and Medical Briefs (medical advances, short news items from hospitals, physicians, companies).

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## RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS

# More than the common cold

BY JOANNE PORRETTA  
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An incidence of respiratory syncytial virus, more commonly known as RSV, shut down baby-sitting services at the Farmington YMCA two days last month. The virus can lead to breathing difficulty in children, especially infants.

The center closed as a precautionary measure to ward off additional cases.

"A parent called on Tuesday evening (Jan. 26) and reported that the child had come down with RSV and was taken to the hospital," said Joanna Satterley, communications director for YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit.

"It was one of the more rare extreme cases. From there, the Farmington staff took immediate action. They contacted every parent that they were expecting to bring their child to baby-sitting on Wednesday and let them know that a child had been diagnosed for RSV."

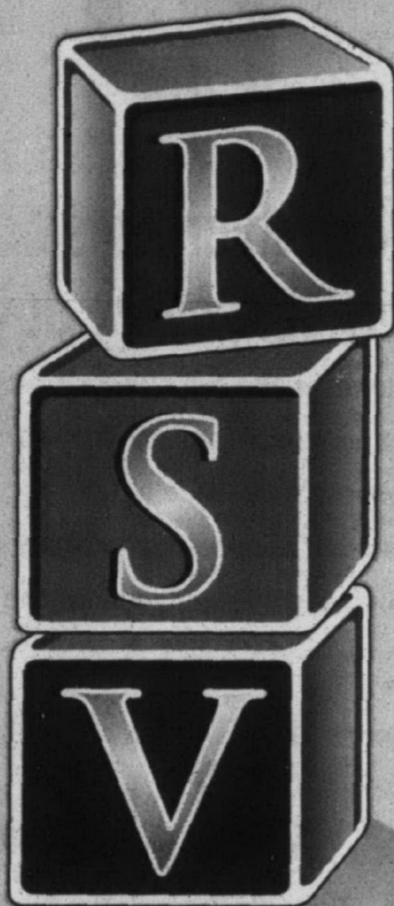
On recommendation from a physician, the Farmington center closed for two reasons, said Satterley: "One, that would give them the opportunity to completely disinfect every area; and secondly, that would give the other children an opportunity to develop symptoms, if they had RSV. That way, they wouldn't reinfect the other children."

The center reopened Friday, Jan. 29. A check of several other Farmington area child-care centers disclosed no other outbreak of RSV.

RSV is confirmed through a specific test using nose and throat secretions from the patient. The virus is spread through contact with droplets of mucus or saliva during sneezing and coughing. It can live up to six hours on surfaces such as toys, pacifiers, or table tops.

### Causing colds

RSV is a virus that causes a percentage of colds; therefore, most adults and older children who contract RSV treat themselves as if they had a moderate to severe common cold. They usually do not seek medical treat-



ment other than over-the-counter medicine and home remedies.

However, in infants or high-risk children, the virus can lead to bronchiolitis, an infection that swells the air passages in the lungs.

Dr. Ian Fox of Botsford Pediatric Associates further describes the difference between RSV in a baby as compared to an adult.

"There's a particular equation that deals with the resistance of flow through a tube ... If you have a big person, a little bit of congestion isn't going to be much of a problem. So when you look at a tiny tube, a baby's airway, a small compromise can cause big problems."

Fox said another problem with small babies experiencing the respiratory secretions is that babies, especially newborns, do not cough

well and have not fully developed the reaction to cough when a trickle is felt at the back of the throat.

In rare instances, RSV progresses to the point of severe symptoms that will warrant hospitalization. A high degree of respiratory distress, difficulty eating or sleeping, dehydration, rapid heartbeat and labored breathing are some of those symptoms. Pneumonia is a further complication of the virus.

"Pneumonia can be a complication of the lower respiratory tract. Less than 5 percent of cases proceed into pneumonia, or lower respiratory tract infections," said Fox.

In hospitalized cases, treatment may include intravenous hydration, suctioning of the airways, and frequent breathing treatments, which include medication to widen air passages, either with a hand-held nebulizer or by placing the child in an oxygen tent. Pulsoximetry, the amount of oxygen present in the blood, is measured. RSV infants usually have lower pulsoximetry levels. A drop below 90 percent may require immediate treatment with humidified oxygen.

### Asthma risk

Dr. S. William Paris of Paris Asthma and Allergy Centers in Farmington confirmed media reports: RSV in infancy may lead to asthma later in life. However, he clarified that most children who develop asthma were at high risk for asthma already.

"We see kids developing the asthma if they are prone to developing it ... It (RSV) causes an irritation effect. It makes the airways reactive by sensitizing them. I don't know if we really know totally why it happens, but we do know that sometimes a viral episode like this early in life can lead to an asthmatic situation."

"This can sensitize them, but then you know, if they have pets in the house, if they have molds, dust mites, et cetera, those are the things that also trigger respi-

### The virus can lead to breathing difficulty in children, especially infants.

ratory illness and asthma in children," said Paris.

RSV is most common in winter and early spring and usually begins to abate by April. It peaks in January and February, accounting for the recent high profile of information brought on by the disease.

Dr. Ilene Wolff, a spokeswoman for William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, said there was a large jump in RSV cases in January.

"Of the respiratory cultures that were tested for RSV, in December 30 percent were positive for RSV. That percentage jumped to 60 percent in January."

### On the upswing

Although Dr. Michael Yangouyian, an emergency room physician at Garden City Hospital, has no true statistics, he believes the virus has increased since the beginning of the year.

"I don't have the definite numbers, but it seems like we're seeing more of it this year in the emergency room."

Yangouyian's advice to parents: "If there's an adult or another child in the house that has it, either avoid contact or utilize frequent hand washing. Of course, cover your mouth and nose if you sneeze, and don't share glasses or utensils, things like that."

Fox echoed this preventive course of action. "People who are more likely to get that newborn or baby sick are the brother or sister or cousin who comes in specifically to play with the child. One of the other children in day care brings it home, usually because their sibling brought it home."

"This is not going to usually occur from the stranger who is looking at a newborn in a mall. Most people who have a cold aren't going to poke their head in and look at the baby and cough on them. Most people would try to keep their distance with newborns."

## Parents endure RSV nightmare

At 5 weeks old, my daughter, Natalie, had developed a slight cold. My husband took her in to the pediatrician's office; he brought back the news that she had received a breathing treatment, which turned out to be her first of many.

In my husband's hand was a piece of scrap paper containing only the initials "RSV." We were mystified. We had never heard of respiratory syncytial virus. To us, it seemed to be merely a case of the sniffles.

Over the next week, the sniffles turned into a full-blown cold. A tiny whistle could be heard occasionally when Natalie took a breath. A day later, the tiny whistle increased in volume and intensity until she began to sound like a pipe organ at times.

Another office visit followed, another breathing treatment, and we were sent home with the strict instruction of bringing her back immediately if she appeared to have difficulty breathing. We were instructed to check her fontanel (soft spot) for signs of bulging, or bring her in if her lips showed any bluish discoloration, if the wheezing became worse, or if she would not nurse.

We now understood RSV. To us, it meant that our beautiful newborn baby girl was becoming very sick. It meant that her tiny body and airway passages couldn't handle the secretions that were accumulating with each passing

day. It meant she was too tiny to cough, to clear her airways. It meant great fear.

The next morning, Natalie would not nurse at all and seemed to struggle to breathe if she wasn't propped up. I brought her into the pediatrician as quickly as possible, and after series of tests at the hospital, RSV now meant pneumonia.

### Tears in eyes

Natalie was admitted immediately and found to be slightly dehydrated. She was whisked away and poked 20 times in attempts to place an IV for fluids - in the arms, legs, feet and scalp. She was finally brought back to me by a kind pediatric nurse with tears in her eyes.

"We can't get a line in," the nurse said wearily. "Nurse her every chance you get so that she doesn't become further dehydrated."

To me, Natalie's little face held a look of terror.

The following week was a blur. Natalie lying in the hospital pediatric unit, so tiny it seemed hard to find her in the huge, caged crib.

It was a week filled with breathing treatments, constant breastfeeding, visiting pediatricians and respiratory therapists. A pediatric cardiac consult was called in because the virus was exaggerating a slight heart murmur.

We became further terrified when the pneumonia was found in her other lung. We asked about antibiotics but were told they were useless, as her illness was viral. The hospital staff could only offer supportive care and the hope that the virus didn't progress.

Finally, the symptoms receded. Natalie began to sleep longer amounts of time, and her breathing became more clear. The interval between breathing treatments became longer. Natalie began to nurse with former hunger and energy. On her last day in the hospital, we heard the first loud "coo and chortle" of her life, at six weeks old. She was ready to go home.

We were discharged from the hospital with our own portable breathing treatment machine, called a nebulizer. Natalie needed a few more days of these treatments before they were discontinued. Fortunately, Natalie has not developed any complications from her experience with RSV, such as asthma or recurrent infections. She is a chubby, happy 3-year-old with a big smile and a big heart.

### Memory lives on

My memories of Natalie's bout with RSV provoke gratitude that she was not one of the 2 percent of babies who cannot fight this germ away. My memories of RSV provide me with a great need to inform parents of other babies to



Joanne Porretta

be very, very careful and keep their newborn out of harm's way whenever possible.

My most haunting memory of RSV comes from the day I brought 5-week-old Natalie to her brother's school. He was proud and the children were very eager to see their classmate's new baby sister. The teachers didn't hesitate to take a peek, either.

Natalie was dressed in one of her cutest outfits, and I remember smiling with the fun of inviting children to gather around Natalie and delight in her newness. So they came in closer and closer to get a better look, close enough to see her face, her bonnet. Close enough to touch her.

And in the midst of the oohs and aahs and squeals of delight among the children, I remember that one them coughed.

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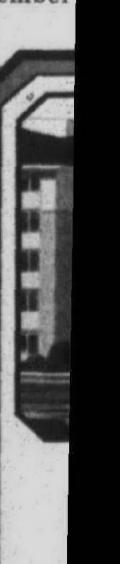
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# Free computer eats into your privacy



PC TALK  
MIKE WENDLAND

**P**sst ... hey, buddy... want a free computer? Then head over to Free-PC.com (www.free-pc.com) and sign up. They're going to give away 10,000 Compaq Presario computer systems along with free Internet access.

What's the catch? Well, for starters, you have to be demographically desirable. No kids or senior citizens. You need to make enough money

that you could afford to buy one of the sub-\$1,000 machines. And, here's the biggest catch of all in my book, you have to be willing to give away your privacy.

At last count, I've received 93 e-mails asking me what I thought about this much-publicized Free-PC.com site. Is it for real, the e-mails invariably ask? Is it a good deal.

My answer is ... yes and no. Yes, a well-known Internet promoter named Bill Gross really does plan to give away the computer systems.

No, I don't think it's a good deal. That's because I am not willing to give up the personal information Gross and his online cronies want.

To be eligible for one of the free Presario systems, users must promise to use the computers at least 10 hours per month and to view advertisements that will be displayed constantly down the right side of the 15-inch screen, whether they are connected to the Internet or not.

Free-PC.com says it has figured out a way that lets it track just how often the computers are used, what they're used for and, in particular, what advertisements users read and what products they buy online.

The people behind the promotion say the marketing information collected from users will be kept separate from their actual identities. They explain that the data collected from 10,000 people is valuable to advertisers because it allows them to measure carefully what online pitches people best respond to.

How valuable? You may be surprised. The Compaq system being given away retails for under \$1,000. But can you imagine the price break Free-PC.com gets when buying so many, 10,000 at one time? Thus, it turns out that those free PCs aren't as valuable as the demographic information collected.

Gross as much as admits it. "Free-PC is the breakthrough first product to start an inevitable trend," Gross said in a statement. "Merchants will pay to reach you, so they essentially will

subsidize the cost of the PC, indirectly." My question to you, dear reader, is: Are you so anxious to get something for free that you're willing to be thus reached?

I am amazed at the value of current demographic information collected from the Internet. I have a free e-mail newsletter that I make available through my Web site. Right now, I have 2,500 subscribers. Once a month, I send out some Internet and computer news.

Hardly a week goes by that I am not contacted by some mail order company interested in buying the list of my subscribers.

"Those names are worth a lot," explained one Internet marketer, "because they are qualified. People responded to your subscription offer and you have their current and valid e-mail addresses."

This marketer offered me \$3 a name for every name on the list.

I didn't sell, nor will I, no matter how high the price goes.

I'm not against advertising. I sell ads on my site, even on my newsletter. Advertising is what pays for the time it takes to put together Web sites.

But the ability technology now gives us to track and measure and collect and store data on Internet buying habits is just too Big Brother-ish, at least in my book.

So, as to the Free-PC offer ... sorry, I'm not interested. And I urge you to think it over, too.

But, if you're willing to trade your privacy for free stuff, go ahead.

Here are some other free sites you may be interested in.

■ **Net Zero** (www.netzero.com) - This is an Internet Service Provider that that gives you free Internet access. The company requires users to look at a lot of ads and offer up demographic and buying information.

■ **Free E-Mail** (http://www.emailaddresses.com) - There are lots of advertising-supported free e-mail services. This site lists more than 650 of them.

■ **Reminder Service** (http://www.rememberit.com) - This site lets you store reminders about birthdays, meetings, anniversaries, whatever. You get an e-mail reminder as the date approaches. They promise to keep your name confidential, but they collect demographic information that can be shared.

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

## BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS

### Market analyst

Framatome Connectors International in Livonia appointed **S. Lee Elliott II** as market analyst for its North American operations. Elliott has a bachelor's degree in automotive marketing from Ferris State University and is a member of the Society of Competitive Intelligence Professionals.

Prior to joining FCI Automotive, Elliott was an engineering technician for Borg-Warner Automotive in Warren.

### New partners



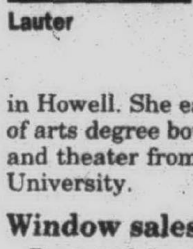
**Russell A. Gronevelt** (formerly Wayne County director of public services), who joined OHM in 1997; **William R. Zipp**, an OHM member since 1986; **Jeffery R. McIntosh**, an OHM member since 1986; **Evan N.**

**Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment Inc.**, a consulting engineering firm in Livonia, recently promoted five members to associates:

**Pratt**, an OHM member since 1989; and **Matthew M. Pilarz**, an OHM member since 1990.

### J.R. Thompson Co.

**Amy Lauter** of Livonia has been appointed a client service administrator at J.R. Thompson Co. She will service the Dodge Motorsports account. Lauter previously worked for WHMI, a radio station



in Howell. She earned a bachelor of arts degree both in advertising and theater from Michigan State University.

### Window sales consultant

Renewal by Andersen Windows in Livonia recently hired **William Christner** as a sales consultant. He will visit customers' homes to assist them in all their window replacement needs, including design, structure and pricing. The Livonia showroom is located at 37144 Six

Mile, just east of Newburgh.

### Mall manager


**Robert I. Schostak**, co-president of Schostak Brothers and Co., announced the appointment of **Reinhard Lemke** as general manager of Livonia's Wonderland Mall.



Prior to joining the company, Lemke served as general manager of Intershop Immobilien Mgmt GmbH.

### Rehab supervisor

**Nicole H. Hall** of Redford has been appointed afternoon supervisor of The Lakeland Center in Southfield, a rehabilitation and residential facility for persons with traumatic brain injury. She earned a bachelor's and dual master's degrees in public health and social work at the University of Michigan.



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<p><b>Detroit</b> Friday, Feb. 26 2 p.m. at Big Boy 7033 East Jefferson Ave.</p>	<p><b>Redford</b> Wednesday, Feb. 24 2 p.m. at Tim Horton's 11307 Telegraph Rd.</p>
<p><b>Garden City</b> Friday, Feb. 26 2 p.m. at Garden City Public Library 2012 Middlebelt</p>	<p><b>South Livonia</b> Monday, Feb. 22 2 p.m. at Bill Knapp's 32955 Plymouth Rd.</p>
<p><b>Plymouth</b> Friday, Feb. 19 2 p.m. at Bill Knapp's 40900 Ann Arbor Rd.</p>	<p><b>Westland</b> Friday, Feb. 19 2 p.m. at Bill Knapp's 36601 Warren Ave.</p>

  
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**MEDICAL DATEBOOK**

Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer-area medical community. Items should be typed or legibly written and sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net or faxed to (734) 591-7279.

**MONDAY, FEB. 15****ALTERNATIVE HEALTH**

Cindy Klement, an Ann Arbor iridologist, herbalist and nutritional consultant, will discuss "Immune-building With Herbs and Nutrition" 7-9 p.m. at Ageless Wisdom in downtown Plymouth. Call (734) 975-2444.

**HERBS WARNING**

Before you jump on the herbal medicine bandwagon, attend the Botsford Hospital Adults with Insulin Dependent Diabetes meeting to discuss "Herbs as Medicine" with Kay Sweeney, Ph.D., R.D. Learn why special care must be taken, especially when you are already ingesting prescription medications. The free meeting takes place at 7 p.m. at Botsford's Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River, Novi. Call (248) 477-6100.

**BLOOD DONATIONS**

An American Red Cross bloodmobile will be at Church of Christ-Plymouth, 9301 Sheldon Road from 2-8 p.m. For appointments, call (734) 453-7630.

**TUES, FEB. 16****LYME DISEASE**

Support group meets 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at First United Methodist Church, 3 Towne Square, Wayne. Call Connie at (734) 326-3502.

**WED, FEB. 17****POSITIVE LIVING**

"Prescription for Burnout" is the third session in a four-part series about living a happy, healthy life through both physical and mental well-being. Starts 7 p.m. Cost is \$15 per session or \$45 for series. Registration required. Botsford's Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. Call (248) 477-6100.

**THURS, FEB. 18****HEALTHY COOKING DEMO**

Chef Larry Janes presents "Staying Healthy with Greens, Grains and Soy" 7 p.m. The cost is \$6. Registration required. Classes fill early. Botsford's Health Development Network (HDN), 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. Call (248) 477-6100.

**FRI, FEB. 22****BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING**

Free blood pressure screenings sponsored by Botsford General Hospital will take place from 8-10 a.m. in Jacobson's court in Laurel Park Place. Call (734) 462-1100.

**BLOOD DONATIONS**

An American Red Cross bloodmobile will be at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile in Livonia 3-9 p.m. Call (734) 464-1293.

**WED, FEB. 24****POSITIVE LIVING**

"The Magic of Humor" is the last session in a four-part series about living a happy, healthy life through both physical and mental well-being. Starts 7 p.m. Cost is \$15 per session or \$45 for series. Registration required. Botsford's Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. Call (248) 477-6100.

**HEART-SAVER CPR COURSE**

Livonia Fire and Rescue will conduct an "American Heart Adult Heart-Saver CPR Course" at the Livonia Civic Center Library, Conference Room 'A, 6:30-10 p.m. Contact Jim Egged at (734) 466-2444.

**THURS, FEB. 25****HORMONES**

Botsford's Prime Time for Women features "Hormone Replacement Therapy and its Alternatives" at 7 p.m. in Botsford General Hospital's 3 West Conference Room, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Call (248) 477-6100.

**ALTERNATIVE HEALTH**

Cindy Klement, an Ann Arbor iridologist, herbalist and nutritional consultant, will discuss "Herbs for Healing" 7-9 p.m. at Healthways in Plymouth Township. Call (734) 975-2444.

**Videoconferencing: passport to the world**

Video Conferencing Central Reservations Inc. will celebrate its official grand opening at Laurel Manor in Livonia Thursday, Feb. 18, with "Around the World in 80 Minutes." The videoconference will span six hours non-stop from 3-9 p.m. with feature presentations scheduled every 80 minutes.

This open-house event will unite attendees with the latest videoconference technology and demonstrate the various features and technical capabilities of this growing communications medium. It is hosted with VCCR's new business partners, Troy-based Enticed

Information Technologies and Farmington Hills-based Telephone Support Systems, Inc.

Exhibitors include: Ameritech, Canon, Grace & Wild Digital Studios, Hitachi Software, Lucent Technologies, Sanyo Presentation Technologies, Sprint and many more.

"We are holding this event to help educate a large and mixed audience about the many possibilities this communications technology has to offer. We are showing people that videoconferencing can be used for a simple face-to-face meeting or a large production to convey a single message to thousand of peo-

ple in locations around the globe," said president and CEO Tino DelSignore.

All six Laurel Manor ballrooms will be decorated in Italian, French, German, Mexican, Japanese and U.S. motifs - with food, beverages and music from the respective countries. The "countries" will be linked together by VCCR's Lucent Technologies brand multi-point conferencing unit.

The audience will be able to use the equipment and ask questions of the attending industry executives.

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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

## Guest conductor looks to youth for future

Anthony Elliott might be the conductor the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra is looking to hire when Russell Reed retires in April. The orchestra has been pushing to create programs to nurture the love of classical music in the younger generation. Elliott has spent his entire professional career doing just that.

On Saturday, Feb. 20, Elliott, one of seven applicants being considered for conductor/music director position, guest conducts the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra. As part of the procedure to find a new conductor, applicants either guest conduct or rehearse with the orchestra.

"The Plymouth Symphony has a strong commitment to education of young people, and my life has been connected to the education of the young," said Elliott, a former conductor of the Vancouver Youth Symphony and Houston Youth Symphony and Ballet. "I'm very committed to it and the Plymouth Symphony shows that commitment."

Credentials

Over the last 20 years, Elliott has conducted and played cello with a number of orchestras. A student of cellist Janos Starker at Indiana University, Elliott began his performing career with the Toronto Symphony. He then became associate principal cellist of the Minnesota Symphony and a member of the teaching faculty at the University of Minnesota. It was upon his appointment as principal cellist of the Vancouver Symphony in British Columbia that he conducted the Vancouver Youth Symphony and the Vancouver Chamber Players.

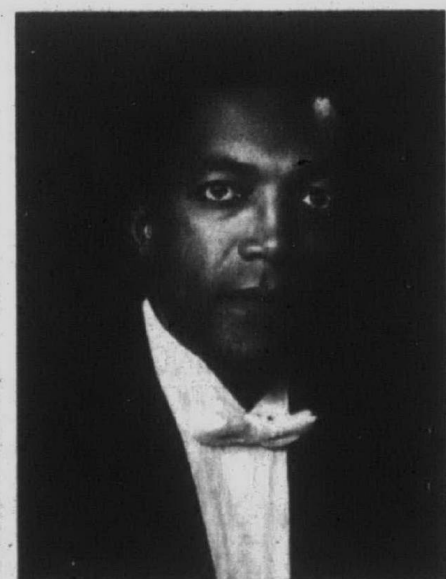
Elliott first met Reed in 1983 while teaching cello and conducting the symphony at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo. Reed was music director of bands and orchestras at Eastern Michigan University. The two frequently met in competitions around the state.

After leaving Michigan in 1987, Elliott taught cello at the University of Houston. Three years later he was directing the Houston Youth Symphony and Ballet. He became professor of cello at the University of Michigan School of Music in 1994. Winner of the Feuermann International Solo Cello Competition in 1987, Elliott has appeared as a soloist with the New York Philharmonic and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, to name a few.

Early years

Elliott's first exposure to classical music at a local symphony concert left him wishing he knew how the music was made. Now, he'd like to make sure today's youth have the same opportunity to learn about Tchaikovsky, Ravel and Shostakovich. "It was an amazing experience," said Elliott. "There were these sounds and colors I'd never heard before and I developed a curiosity how these colors and sounds could be reproduced."

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February festivities: Anthony Elliott guest conducts the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra in works by Shostakovich, Ravel and Tchaikovsky.

## JAZZY BANDS RECAPTURE

# Stan Kenton's musical magic

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Stan Kenton would have loved to hear the Clarenceville Jazz Series was not only being revived but features a warm-up band of young jazz musicians from Harrison High School in Farmington.

In his later years, Kenton promoted jazz and big band music to the young by establishing "Kenton Clinics" and performing at colleges and universities around the country.

Johnny Trudell's 19-piece Big Band is the main act that the Harrison High Jazz Band opens for Sunday, Feb. 21. Kenton alumni Bob Lympers (trumpet), Jerry McKenzie (drums), and Chuck Carter (baritone sax) along with the rest of Trudell's band will recapture the magic of the songs Kenton played for sell-out crowds at Clarenceville in the 1970s. This is the first in a series of three concerts. Tributes to Count Basie and Woody Herman take place March 28 and May 16. Proceeds go to the Clarenceville Schools Alumni and Friends Foundation to further music programs at the high school in Livonia, and to the Michigan Jazz Festival taking place July 18 at the Botsford Inn in Farmington Hills.

"We're going to have five saxes, five trombones and five trumpets recreating the sounds of the original Kenton orchestra," said Trudell, a professional trumpeter for more than 40 years and a member of the Fox Theater orchestra. "While he wasn't as popular as Benny Goodman and others, Kenton was innovative and created interest in the music in schools by doing clinics. We're opening with the Harrison jazz band because it's in keeping with what Stan Kenton began in the high schools and colleges and his idea of having music in the schools."

Lympers remembers the crowds Kenton used to draw back in the mid to late 1940s when the Farmington Hills resident played hits such as "Intermission Riff," Kenton's theme song "Artistry in Motion," and Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" with the band.

"Back then the Big Bands were hot — Ellington, Kenton, Count Basie," said Lympers, who joined Kenton's band at age 19. "We were stars. You'd come out the stage door and they'd want your autograph."

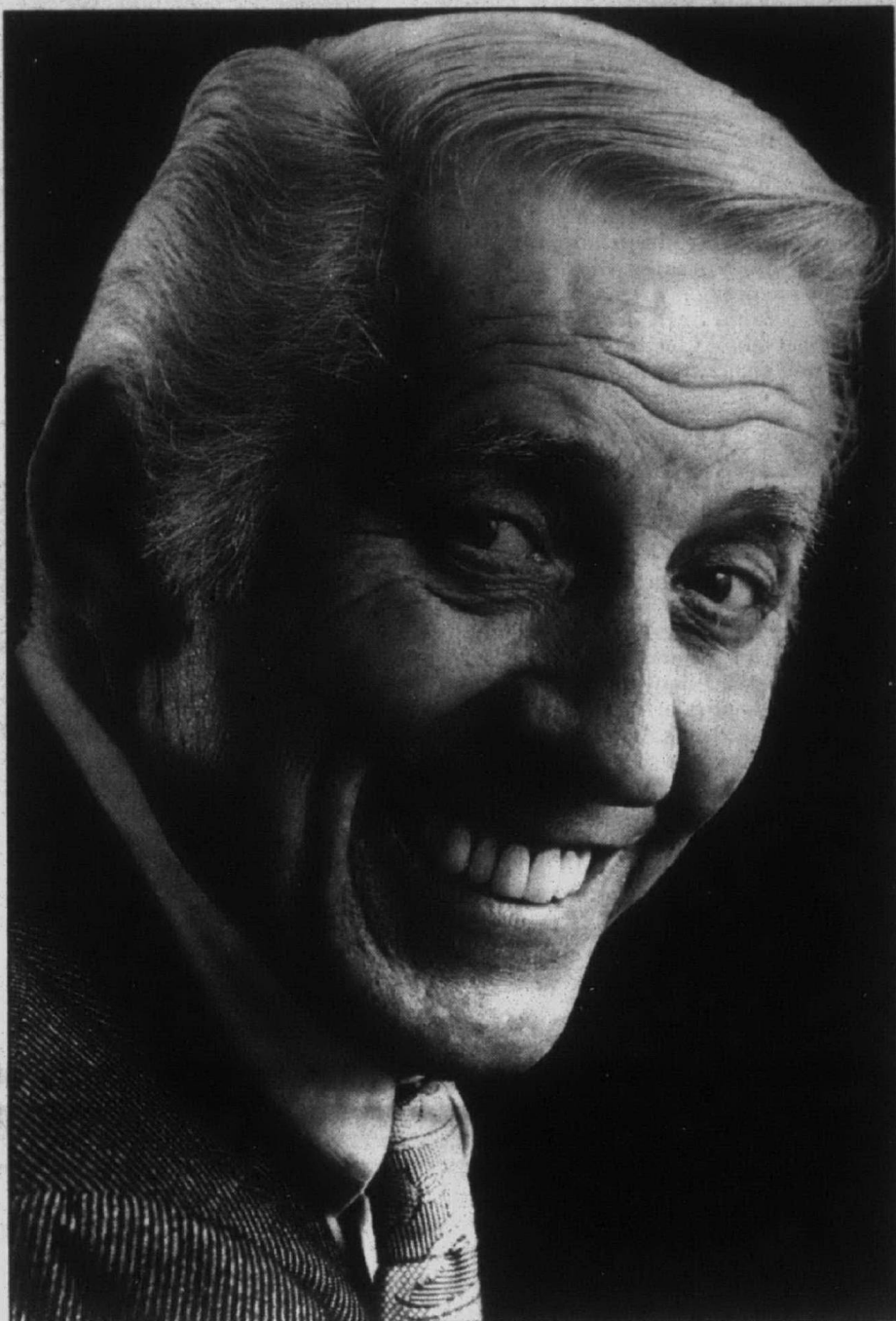
On the road

Lympers traveled all over the country with Kenton playing theaters, dance halls, and amusement parks such as the old Eastwood Garden at Eight Mile and Gratiot. Life on the road could be grueling. At the Paramount Theater in New York City, the band performed five to six shows a day from 11:30 a.m. to midnight. Any free time was spent in the recording studio. Lympers was recently surprised to find some of those old recordings at Borders in Birmingham.

"We'd do two weeks of one-nighters then do a week at a theater," said Lympers. "We used to fly a lot especially when we did concerts for the army. One of the guys wouldn't fly so we had to wait for him to catch up."

Hollywood happening

Lympers didn't play in the original Clarenceville series but did take his



Artistry in Rhythm: The Clarenceville Jazz Series Revisited pays tribute to Stan Kenton who performed to sold-out crowds at the original series of concerts held at the high school in Livonia in the 1970s.

Stan Kenton Tribute

**WHAT:** The Johnny Trudell Big Band honors Kenton's music in a concert presented by the Michigan Jazz Festival and the Alumni and Friends of Clarenceville Foundation. Featured guests are Kenton alumni Jerry McKenzie (drums), Bob Lympers (trumpet), and Chuck "Rhapsody in Blue" Carter (baritone saxophone).

**WHEN:** 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21.

**WHERE:** Clarenceville High School Auditorium, 20155 Middlebelt Road, between Seven and Eight Mile, Livonia.

**TICKETS:** \$15, and available by calling (248) 474-2720/(248) 437-9468/(248) 473-8933.

daughter backstage to meet Kenton during one of his concerts. She'd heard all of Lympers' stories about Betty Grable and Harry James watching the Kenton band playing the Hollywood Palladium. Mel Torme and Bob Hope used to sit in regularly with the band back then.

"Stan was a gentleman, easy to get along with," said Lympers. "He was known for being innovative. He was the first band with five trumpets and

five trombones. His later years, he was into progressive jazz."

Jerry McKenzie joined the band after Lympers left. Off and on between 1958 and 1972, the West Bloomfield drummer performed and recorded with Kenton, receiving back to back Grammy Awards for "Adventures in Jazz" and Kenton's "West Side Story."

"I'm thankful, I was able to work with him and thankful I was able to have those memories," said McKenzie. "Some of the most memorable experiences were when we recorded two tracks with Nat King Cole. We also were on the same bill with King Cole. Another time, it was Johnny Mathis. We also did Dick Clark's Bandstand."

McKenzie knew from age 3 when he saw Gene Krupa on TV that he wanted to become a drummer. McKenzie was fortunate to see and hear all the great Big Band such as Dorsey, Basie and Miller all in the comfort of his living room. Those days are gone. Today's kids have few opportunities to hear live Big Band music. The Feb. 21 concert will not only allow the next generation to

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Kathleen Ripley Leo

## Favorite poems recorded for posterity

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Read your favorite poem to possibly become part of history on Sunday, Feb. 21, and Saturday, Feb. 27 at the Plymouth District Library.

The readings are among the hundreds taking place across the nation as part of Robert Pinsky's search for America's favorite poems. The Poet Laureate of the United States started his Favorite Poem Project last April to create an audio and video archive of America's favorite poems by the year 2000.

Readers will be allotted two minutes to read the poem and 1-2 minutes to tell why it's their favorite. The poems do not have to be published.

"We're trying to attract poetry lovers of all ages, not necessarily writers of poetry because we'd rather they read other people's song writing and literary poetry," said Dixie Cocagne, librarian.

Cocagne sent letters to middle and high school English departments in Plymouth and Canton public and private schools, local literary groups, coffee houses, bookstores, and Schoolcraft College's poetry magazine to encourage people to read aloud their favorite poem and tell why it's their favorite. Readers will complete a submission form which will be mailed to Pinsky who'll select readers to record the poem of their choice for the archive.

The project, administered by the New England Foundation for the Arts with a \$500,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, is a partnership between the Library of Congress, NEFA,

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"Favorite Poem Project"

**WHAT:** Readings of America's favorite poems. Part of a project started by U.S. Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky last April to create an audio and video archive of America's favorite poems by the year 2000.

**WHEN:** 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21 and 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 27.

**WHERE:** Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main St. To register to read or for more information, call Dixie Cocagne, (734) 453-0750, Ext. 205.

## DANCE

### Metro area: A home away from home for Dance Theatre of Harlem

**WHAT:** Dance Theatre of Harlem  
**WHEN:** Tuesday-Sunday, Feb. 16-21  
**WHERE:** Music Hall, 350 Madison Avenue, Detroit, (313) 963-7622

**Program A** (8 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday, 3 p.m. Sunday)  
■ "Allegro Brillante" by George Balanchine  
■ "Le Corsaire" by Marius Petipa  
■ "The Joplin Dances" by Robert Garland  
■ "Firebird" by Jon Taras

**Program B** (8 p.m. Friday, 3 p.m. & 8 p.m. Saturday)  
■ "Bugaku" by George Balanchine  
■ "South African Suite" by Arthur Mitchell and Levine Naidu  
■ "Sasanka" by Vincent Mantsoe

**TICKETS:** \$31.50-\$41.50; (313) 963-2366

BY FRANK PROVENZANO  
STAFF WRITER  
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For the fifth consecutive year, the Dance Theatre of Harlem hasn't been constrained by the Music Hall stage.

In fact, if it's February, expect to see Dance Theatre of Harlem dancers at schools throughout the area, including Plymouth Salem High School in Canton, Lahser High School in Bloomfield Hills, West Bloomfield High School and Seaholm High School in Birmingham.

The tour of local schools by the legendary dance company serves as a prologue to their five-day public performance at Music Hall, which begins Tuesday night and runs through Sunday.

During a three-week period prior to the concert, dancers lecture, and teach how ballet can help students develop discipline to succeed at more than grand-pliés and entrechats.

Ostensibly, the outreach program, "Dancing Through Barriers,"

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSBACHMAN

Tiny dancer: Plymouth Salem freshman Tim Hannon, (left), attempts to hold ballerina Courtney Wilson of Africa and help her maintain her balance while spinning her, while announcer Tyrone Brooks of Virginia Beach, Virginia explains the moves.



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and Pinsky's Favorite Poem office.

According to Cocagne, the poetry collection at the Plymouth Library is very popular, traditional as well as contemporary. Libraries, in general, have been important to Americans since Benjamin Franklin set up the first circulating library in Philadelphia in 1731.

"Poetry plays an extremely important role in our culture," said Cocagne. "Poetry is so very personal. Everyone at some time in their life has written poetry in their life whether it's a love note

or a tribute to a family member who's died. We may not identify with the circumstances of the writer but respect the writer's very intimate feelings."

### Poetry's influence

Kathleen Ripley Leo, moderator for the Plymouth readings, believes poetry impacts us in ways we've never thought. A poet, fiction writer and educator, Ripley Leo spends much of her time giving poetry workshops at such schools as Holmes and Cass elementaries and serving as poet-in-residence at Webster

### Dolores Musson is encouraging everyone who loves poetry to read at one of the library sessions.

Elementary in the Livonia Public Schools district because she believes poetry teaches children metaphorical thinking and therefore enhances problem solving skills. This March she serves as poet-in-residence at the Manoogian School in Southfield and another high school in Whit-

more Lake. "The readings will give a showcase for the favorite works over the ages that have somehow inspired people," said Ripley Leo, who reads from her five books of poems at a fund-raiser for St. Mary of Redford School today at Laurel Manor Livonia. "What

poets say impact across the demographic area. They impact our sensibility and common experiences that's why it's important to pay attention to poems. At a young age, we start with nursery rhymes filled with wisdom and beauty of life that introduce people to language."

Dolores Musson is encouraging everyone who loves poetry to read at one of the library sessions. The Canton resident reads her favorite poem "Composed on Westminster Bridge" by English poet William Wordsworth on Feb. 21. Musson learned of the

project while substitute teaching at Plymouth Salem High School where one of Cocagne's fliers was posted.

"I love poetry and think if more people would come forward we could promote literacy in the community," said Musson. "Poetry is like sunshine or music. Could you live without it? Reading the verse from a Valentine's card it will almost get stuck in your throat and bring tears to your eyes. Poetry's part of the human spirit and we should celebrate it. It's music without the sound of music."

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encourages students to confront obstacles in their lives, whether they are self-imposed or societal prejudices.

Ultimately, the program is to encourage students to develop a more positive self-esteem, according to Ann Fitzpatrick, spokesperson for Music Hall.

### Opening up

Dance Theatre of Harlem has scaled back since the late 1980s when they had 50 dancers and could do "Giselle" at the drop of a hat, said Edward Schoelwer, company manager.

With a current group of 32

dancers, the nomadic New York-based troupe must tour regularly since they receive few subsidies, either public funds or private grants.

Over the past several years, Dance Theatre of Harlem has made regular stops in Detroit, Washington, D.C., Miami and Cleveland.

Schoelwer calls Detroit a "legendary theatre town" with a loyal audience. He is also encouraged by the steadily increasing audiences.

"Many who come have never seen theatrical dance," he said. "They come thinking they're

going to see flat shoes, then we throw in a Balanchine piece and it opens them up to the range of dance."

### New dances

Each year, Dance Theatre of Harlem offers two different dance programs during their five-day performance at Music Hall.

A trip to South Africa in 1992 to celebrate Nelson Mandela's release from prison provided inspiration for Dance Theatre of Harlem founder Arthur Mitchell.

The new dance, "South

African Suite," will feature the premiere North American performance of the Sowetto String Quartet.

"The dance is indigenous sounds combined with classical music," said Schoelwer.

Another new dance, "Sasanka," features the work by South African choreography Vincent Sekwati Mantsoe.

The dance is a combination of animal-like and classical movements, according to Schoelwer. Mantsoe, a member of a South African tribe, also plays drums for his mother, who practices tribal medicine.

# Expressions from page C1

In the fourth grade when students at his Rome, New York elementary school were introduced to music studies, Elliott asked his teacher if he could play drums in the school orchestra. The teacher returned from a back room with cello, instead.

"It was one of the most disappointing days of my life and one of the most pivotal days of my life," said Elliott.

As part of his guest conducting with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, Elliott will lead two concerts for Plymouth and Canton fourth graders at Plymouth Salem High School on Thursday, Feb. 18. Previous to the concert, Elliott will discuss the eight notes that comprise an octave and how they can be used to form a melody.

"For many young people it could be their introduction to classical music," said Elliott. "It should be exciting so they want to attend a concert and perhaps to study the clarinet or violin. For many of the prominent musicians and conductors a lot of seeds were sown early."

The program for the children's concerts, like the Feb. 20

### "February Festivities"

What: The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra features guest conductor Anthony Elliott.

When: 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20. At 7 p.m. Elliott will give a pre-concert talk.

Where: Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, Joy and Canton Center roads.

Tickets: \$12 adults, \$10 seniors/college students, call (734) 451-2112. Children through grade 12 free. Afterglow at Don Pablos Mexican Kitchen, 39895 Ford Road.

concert, includes Shostakovich's "Festival Overture," Tchaikovsky's Fifth Symphony, and Ravel's Mother Goose Suite. The suite is a series of five movements that each relate to a Mother Goose story. "If they have an introduction before they come to the concert hall it makes the music that much more vivid," said Elliott. If you have an interesting idea for a story involving the visual or performing arts, call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin, (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

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# Jazz from page C1

perform before an audience of jazz lovers.

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"It's a real honor to be asked to play," said Mark Phillips, Harrison High director of bands and orchestras. "For the kids it's nice to play to a home crowd but it's exciting to play for a real audience that has an understanding and appreciation of jazz."

Phillips affection for Kenton's music goes back nearly twenty years to his student days at Wayne State University. At that time, Kenton's assistant director

Dick Shearer was instrumental in setting up what was then the new jazz program at the Detroit university.

"Dick Shearer had just come off the road with Kenton," said Phillips. "It made me develop a love for Kenton. Stan Kenton was a real innovator in jazz and always taking a lead throughout the 50 years he was leading bands."

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# Noteworthy

## Gallery exhibits, art shows, classical concerts

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### AUDITIONS/ CALL FOR ARTISTS

**ART & APPLES CALL FOR ENTRIES**  
Paint Creek Center for the Arts seeks applications from artists interested in exhibiting fine arts or fine crafts at the juried "Art & Apples Festival," to be held Sept. 11-12 in Rochester Municipal Park. Slides must be received by March 1. Entry fee: \$25. To receive an application, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Art & Apples Festival, Paint Creek Center for the Arts, 407 Pine Street, Rochester, MI 48307; (248) 651-7418 or (248) 651-4110.

**BOHEMIAN MUSIC COMPETITION**  
Second annual Solo Concerto Competition, open for orchestral instruments. High school and college students (between 16-22 years old), must submit performance tape by April 1, 1999. For application: Herbert Couf, c/o The Bohemians, 37685 Russett Drive, Farmington Hills; (248) 737-6936.

**CANTON CALL FOR ARTISTS**  
Open invitation to all artists for the 1999 Fine Art and Fine Craft Show at Liberty Fest '99, June 19-20. Deadline: April 15; (734) 453-3710.

**CALL FOR ENTRIES**  
Arts League of Michigan with DTE Energy Detroit and U-M's Matthaei Botanical Gardens is sponsoring, "People, Plants and Cultures," a juried arts exhibit, April 8-11. Submitted work must be created within past three years. Selected artists will be invited to participate in educational programs. Non-refundable entry fee of \$15 per artists permits up to three entries. Deadline: 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, 1999. Applications available from The Arts League, 1528 Woodward Avenue, Ste. 600, Detroit, MI 48226. For information, (313) 964-1670.

**CALL FOR ENTRIES**  
Michigan Watercolor Society's 52nd annual exhibition, to be held May 16-June 25. Slide deadline: March 15, 1999. For information, call Janet Hamrick, (248) 398-4089.

**CALL FOR GLASS ARTISTS**  
The Art Museum Project at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, in cooperation with the Alfred Berkowitz Gallery and the Fine Art Associates support group, is sponsoring an exhibit titled "Glass: Its Substance and Attributes," to be held May 15-June 27. Slide deadline: March 6. For information, call (313) 593-5058 or (313) 593-5087.

**LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION SCHOLARSHIPS**  
Scholarships to Livonia residents who are currently high school seniors or college students. Deadline: March 1, 1999. Call Livonia Community Resources Dept. (734) 466-2540.

**LIVONIA CALL FOR ARTISTS**  
The Livonia Arts Commission is looking for exhibitors for its annual juried Arts Festival Saturday-Sunday, June 12-13 at Greenmead Historical Village in Livonia. Deadline: Feb. 15. For an application, call the Livonia Community Resources Dept. (734) 466-2540. The arts commission is also looking for artists to exhibit in their juried show "Fine Arts in the Village" being held in conjunction with the Livonia Arts Festival. Entry fee: \$25. Cash prizes total \$2,500. For an application, call Robert Sheridan (734) 422-6400.

**METROPOLITAN SINGERS OF SOUTHFIELD**  
An adult choir of mixed voices is looking for new singers, especially men, to sing blues, pops, hit tunes and folk tunes. Choir meets Monday, 7:30 p.m., Birney Middle School vocal room, 27000 Evergreen Rd., Southfield.

**OCC'S WOMEN IN ART EXHIBIT**  
Call for entries for the 13th annual "Our Visions: Women in Art." Deadline for entries in visual arts and poetry is April 1, 1999. Exhibit runs May 10-28 at the Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge Campus. For information, (248) 471-7602.

### CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

**ART & CALLIGRAPHY STUDIO**  
Calligraphy, bookbinding and beading classes through March. 8156 Cooley Lake Rd, White Lake. Call (248) 360-6429 for more information.



Demure: The paintings of Itzhak Tarkay are on exhibit through March 4 at Park West Gallery, 29469 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield; (248) 354-2343.

### ART MUSEUM PROJECT/U-M DEARBORN

Non-credit studio art classes and workshops through March. Programs led by instructors from the area, including Bill Girard, Grace Serra, Mary Stephenson, Donna Vogelheim. For information, (734) 593-5058.

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**METRO DANCE**  
Preschool and adult classes, 541 S. Mill, Plymouth. (734) 207-8970.

**PAINT CREEK CENTER**  
Registration for winter classes, through March 29. Classes for preschoolers to adults. New program, Winter Wonderart Day Camp, will be offered for students ages 6-11 during Feb. 15-19. 407 Pine Street, Rochester; (248) 651-4110.

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Winter classes, including tile making, basic ceramics, wheel throwing, for ages 13 and up. Call for fees. 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit, (313) 822-0954.

### PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

Winter classes & workshops for all ages, including sculpture, watercolor, dance, decorative painting, pottery, film, drawing, children's theater, creative writing and more. 774 N. Sheldon Road. For schedule, call (734) 416-4278.

**SWANN GALLERY**  
Free life-drawing art classes, open to anyone. Other classes on oil and acrylic painting, pencil, watercolor, pastels and sculpture 1-4 p.m. Sundays. 1250 Library Street, Detroit; (313) 965-4826.

**TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS**  
Classes for students grades 1-12 in scene study, Broadway dance, hip hop, improvisation, Saturdays, through May 15, Cathedral Theatre, Masonic Temple, 500 Temple, Detroit; (313) 535-8962.

**VILLAGE PLAYERS OF BIRMINGHAM**  
"Set Building Workshop," presented by Larry Kaushansky of Wayne State's design program. Classes: Feb. 16, 21 & 25. Call (248) 644-2075.

### CONCERTS

**B'JAZZ VESPER**  
Singer Susan Chastain and pianist James Dapogny, 6-8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21. First Baptist Church, 300 Willits Street, Birmingham; (248) 644-0550.

**CHRIST CHURCH CRANBROOK**  
Harpichord musician and University of Michigan faculty member Penelope Crawford with organist Charles Raines. 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28. Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church Road, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 644-5210.

**CRANBROOK MUSIC GUILD**  
The Paris Piano Trio, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16. Cranbrook House, 380 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills; (810) 751-2435.

**DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS & STRINGS**  
"Young Artist Concert," featuring violinist Greg Staples, 8 p.m. refreshments, 8:30 p.m. performance Friday, Feb. 19. Hagopian World of Rugs, 850 S. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 362-9329.

**DETROIT ORATORIO SOCIETY**  
"An Evening with Bach and Stravinsky," 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26. Kirk in the Hills church, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 650-2655.

**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**  
"Herbie Hancock Quartet," 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16, "Broadway Today," 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18; 8:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19; 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20; 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21. Jazz diva Dee Dee Bridgewater and Detroit's own Geri Allen, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26.

Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 576-5111.

**GREATER ORION PERFORMING ARTS COUNCIL**  
International award-winning duo pianists Yuki and Tomoko Mack, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26. Lake Orion High School Performing Arts Center; (248) 693-5436.

**LYRIC CHAMBER ENSEMBLE**  
"Love Italian Style," a vocal concert of Italian love songs, arias and madrigals, 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14. Hammel Music Recital Hall, Telegraph Road, south of Long Lake, Bloomfield Hills, MUSE Ensemble and Spencer Barefield Jazz Trio in celebration of Black History Month, 10:15 a.m. breakfast, 11 a.m. concert Sunday, Feb. 21. GEM Theatre, 333 Madison, Detroit; (248) 357-1111.

**MACOMB CENTER**  
The Boys Choir of Harlem, 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21. Macomb Community College, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Twp.; (810) 286-2141.

**MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND**  
3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21. Southfield Center for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield; (248) 424-9022.

**OAKLAND SINGERS**  
Combined concert with Oakland Singers Prelude and Oakland Singers Encore. 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21. Varner Hall, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester; (248) 471-7281.

**SOUTHFIELD CENTER FOR THE ARTS**  
"A Musical Collage of Choral Music," featuring the Metropolitan Singers of Southfield, the St. Genevieve Parish Choir and the Intergenerational Choir. 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield; (248) 424-9022.

**SOUTHFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**  
Special Valentine's Day concert, 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14 at the Southfield Civic Center Pavilion. Program includes Shostakovich's Festiv Overture and Schumann's Symphony #1 in B flat, Op. 38. Tickets: \$12/adults, \$9/children and seniors; (248) 424-9022 or (248) 851-7408. 26000 Evergreen Road, between 10 Mile and I-696.

### DANCE

**DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE**  
Modern dance performance with Alan Danielson, dance study director of the Jose Limon Institute in New York. 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20. Adray Theater, McKenzie Fine Arts Building at Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn; (313) 965-3544.

**EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE**  
"Carmina Burana," EDS in a collaboration with the Rackham

Symphony Choir, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19. Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Clinton Twp.; (248) 362-9329.

**MUSIC HALL**  
The Dance Theatre of Harlem, Feb. 16-21. Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison Avenue, Detroit; (313) 963-2366, (248) 645-6666.

### LECTURES

**ANN ARBOR AD CLUB**  
"The Psychology of Color," a lecture by Leatrice Eisman, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18. Holiday Inn North, Plymouth Road and US 23; (734) 332-9033.

**BBAC**  
Lecture series on the work and life of Picasso: March 12 - "A Portrait of the Artist." "Lecture on Alexander Calder" by Arnauld Pierre, 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20. 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

**BROWN BAG SERIES**  
"A Brief History of the Jazz and Blues Communities," 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18. Information Technology Auditorium, 1200 N. Telegraph Rd.; (248) 858-0415.

**GREAT LAKES BEADWORKERS GUILD**  
Presentation/lecture on African beads and beadwork by James Lewis, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16. Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 814 N. Campbell Road, Royal Oak; (810) 997-7043.

**JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER**  
Textile artists with work on exhibit at the Janice Charach Epstein Gallery will discuss their work, 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18. Maple and Drake roads, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-7641.

**LAWRENCE TECH**  
Landscape architect and artist Marth Schwartz, adjunct professor of landscape architecture at the Harvard University Graduate School of Design, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25. Lawrence Tech's Architecture & Design Auditorium, 21000 W. 10 Mile Rd., Southfield; (248) 204-2878.

**MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY**  
Saturdays in February, a four-part seminar on the directing process. "The Director's Notebook," coordinated by the Plowshares Theatre Company. For information, (313) 872-0279.

**PALETTE AND BRUSH CLUB**  
Guest speakers will present a condensed version of their creative process workshop based on the book, "The Artist's Way." Southfield Cultural Center for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Rd., Southfield; (248) 424-9022.

**ST. MARY'S COLLEGE**  
Detroit Symphony Orchestra Bassoon Quartet in a program featuring classical music and jazz, 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14. 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake; (248) 683-0521.

**U-M SCHOOL OF MUSIC**  
8th annual Ethel Curry Distinguished Lecture in Musicology presented by Prof. Phillip Brett, entitled "Benjamin Britten: The Politics of a Musical Life," 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19. Rackham Bldg., East Conference Room; (734) 764-0594.

### VOLUNTEERS

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**LIVONIA HISTORICAL COMMISSION**  
Greenmead Historic Village seeks volunteers to assist in school tours, Sunday tours, special events, special projects and gardening. Open May-October & December. Eight Mile Road at Newburgh, Livonia; (734) 477-7375.

**MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND**  
Seeks volunteers to help with non-performing activities. Web site: mcbb.org, or contact MCBB, Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road; (248) 349-0376.

**DIA**  
Volunteers for Art to the Schools program. Volunteers use slides from collection to help students explore art. Also volunteers to greet and assist visitors in museum galleries. Training session, 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27. Call, (313) 833-9178.

### MUSEUMS

**DIA**  
Through Feb. 22 - "A Passion for Glass: the Aviva and Jack A. Robinson Collection," work by 57 artists in the studio-glass movement. 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit; (313) 833-7900.

**DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUMS**  
Through Feb. 28 - "African American Portraits of Courage," 5401 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-1726.

**MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY**  
Through March 14 - "Wade in the Water: African American Sacred Music Traditions." 315 E. Warren Ave., Detroit; (313) 494-5800.

**MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART**  
Through March 26 - "Blimey!" the London Artworld from Bacon to Hirst. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 334-6038.

**CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM**  
Through April 3 - "Weird Science: A Conflation of Art and Science," featuring four artists' projects representing an ongoing exploration of a specific area of science. 1221 North Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. \$5, \$3 students/children/seniors; (248) 645-3323.

### GALLERY OPENINGS

**UMOJA FINE ARTS**  
Feb. 14 - The art of Joe Dobbins, Sr. & Joe Dobbins, Jr. Reception 1-6 p.m. Crossroads Bldg., 16250 Northland Dr., Ste. 104, Southfield; (248) 552-1070.

**PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL**  
Feb. 15 - "Figure This," the art of Rick Wedel, through Feb. 26. 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth; (734) 416-4278.

### GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

**ALFRED BERKOWITZ GALLERY**  
Through Feb. 14 - "Diversity: Victims & Survivors," paintings by Richard Kozlow, selected interviews from the university's "Holocaust Survivor Oral Histories," an archival collection assembled by UM-D Professor of History Dr. Sidney Bolkosky. 4901 Evergreen Road, #1165 AB, Dearborn; (734) 593-5058.

**COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY**  
Through Feb. 19 - "Alumni Exhibit: Honoring artist who are dedicated educators of K-12," 5400 Guillen Mall, on the Wayne State campus, Detroit; (313) 577-2423.

**PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS**  
Through Feb. 19 - "Beyond the Surface," and "Water Marks," 407 Pine Street, Rochester; (248) 651-4110.

**CREATIVE RESOURCE GALLERY**  
Through Feb. 21 - "Effects of Light and Colour," new paintings by Neily, Sobran, Compton-Pappas, N. Old Woodward, one block north of Maple, downtown Birmingham; (248) 647-3688.

**MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY**  
Through Feb. 21 - "Picturing Paris: 1850 to the Present," photographs from the Detroit Institute of Arts, 208 Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester Hills; (248) 370-3005.

**U-M RACKHAM GALLERIES**  
Through Feb. 24 - "Fourth Annual Exhibit of Art by Michigan Prisoners." 915 E. Washington, Ann Arbor; (734) 913-4849.

**JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN GALLERY**  
Through Feb. 25 - "Extraordinary Stitches: The art of fiber & thread," featuring works of 23 artists. Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-7641.

**SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS**  
Through Feb. 26 - Photography by Linda Joy Solomon. 24350 Southfield Road. (248) 424-9022.

**CENTER GALLERIES**  
Through Feb. 27 - "Eat Right & Think Clean." Center for Creative Studies, College of Art and Design, Detroit; (313) 664-7806.



GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

Movie listings for various theaters including National Amusements Showcase Cinemas, Sun Yards, United Artists, Star Southfield, West River, Terrace Cinema, Main Art Theatre III, Star John-R, Star Winchester, Birmingham Theatres, Oxford 3 Cinemas, AMC Lincoln 20, and Star Rochester Hills. Each listing includes movie titles, times, and ratings.

BOOKS

Find your sense of direction

I'll Never Get Lost Again: The Complete Guide to Improving Your Sense of Direction. By Linda Grekin. (RDR Books \$12.95)

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

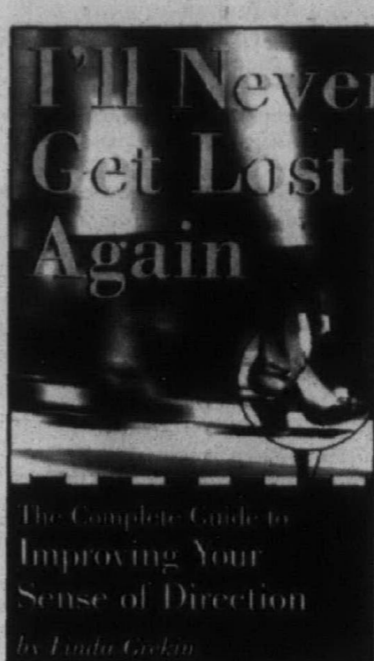
Most of us lose our sense of direction from time to time, but some people, have none at all. Linda Grekin, a librarian at the Hill Day School in Farmington Hills knows what it's like to get lost all the time.

"It's something you can't change. You have to learn to live with it," said Grekin who wrote "I'll Never Get Lost Again: The Complete Guide to Improving Your Sense of Direction."

Writing the book made her feel "really good." For a long time she thought she was lost and alone. "Almost everyone I met felt like they were the only one who had this problem," she said.

Her family teases her about having no sense of direction. "They laugh at me because I never know where the elevator is, when I leave a hotel room. I can figure out how to get to my husband's office only if I enter the building the same way. I would never attempt to go somewhere new without intense preparation."

Having a lack of direction is a problem, but it doesn't prevent Grekin from doing what she wants to do. Some people she learned while researching the



The Complete Guide to Improving Your Sense of Direction by Linda Grekin

book, don't go anywhere because they're afraid of getting lost.

Curious to find out if there were other people as directionally challenged as she, Grekin, a resident of Ann Arbor, designed a survey with the help of a psychologist at the University of Michigan.

Then she hit the road, interviewing and surveying students, friends, colleagues, strangers, and people on the Internet.

Her survey sample included a wide variety of people. She learned 10 to 20 percent of the people she surveyed had no sense of direction.

Seeking answers, she began writing to people who said they had no sense of direction. She learned that people who are

"directionally challenged" lack confidence and self-esteem. Through her research she learned that people who are directionally challenged can't "mentally rotate."

"In other words," she writes "people who have the ability to mentally rotate objects...can see an object and imagine what it would look like turned 90 or 180 degrees."

Not having a sense of direction is a "spatial disability," Grekin explained.

She hates to admit it, but men are able to rotate things better in their mind than women.

"They're much more willing to get lost because they know they'll be found," she said.

If you're directionally challenged, paying attention won't help. But there are some things you can do to lessen your anxiety.

Some tips Grekin offers are — "have someone draw you a simple picture of how to get there. Carry a car phone so you can always call and ask directions. Never park and hurry away. Always take time to look around and line up your car with a landmark you can find again."

Most important — "Don't panic! Don't panic! Don't panic! People who get lost get found."

If you're a sneaking suspicion that you're directionally challenged, someone who has to think when told "you start with your left foot," or can't remember where you parked the car, pick up Grekin's book. You'll enjoy reading about other people like yourself, and realize once and for all that you're in good company.

Debut novel tells searing story

Billy Dead By Lisa Reardon (Viking, \$22.95)



VICTORIA DIAZ

"People lose people... folks lose their kids, men lose their women, even friends get lost if you don't keep an eye out. I look through the windshield at the houses going by. For every person sitting in them houses, watching TV or eating a ham sandwich, there's someone somewhere wondering where and why they lost them."

So begins Milan-native Lisa Reardon's searing, debut novel, "Billy Dead."

"Billy Dead" is sometimes difficult to read. This is not to say you'll find tortuously long, serpentine sentences on every page or an excess of obscure words or a hodgepodge structure or dizzying plot that's hard to follow. Though it's certainly no thin or superficial work of fiction, "Billy Dead" is accessible to any reader.

It is, however, one of the most pain-filled books I've encountered in a long time. A vivid tale about incest and familial abuse, the novel's strength, in a sense, is the pain in the hearts of its characters. They are so well drawn that they not only live and breathe beside you as you read, but utterly grip your own heart as well.

On one level, the novel functions as a kind of fascinating murder mystery. Billy Johnson, probably the most heartless man in the small Michigan town

where he lived, has been found in a blood-splattered ditch, beaten to death. As to who committed the murder, it could have been any number of people, since many of those whose lives he touched despise him.

We "see" the story from the viewpoint of Billy's younger brother, Ray, who looks back through the years, uncovering the layers of the mystery of Billy's death in the process.

Could the killer be Ginny Honey, Billy's battered wife and the mother of his children? Could one or more of his abused children have played a part? Could Ray's and Billy's sister, Jean, have committed the murder? After all, to some people, she seems about as mean and tough as Billy himself. Would Billy's violent, untrustworthy "old man" actually beat his own son to death? Or has someone else emerged from the murky shadows of Billy's life and "made (him) into nothing?"

On another, even more compelling, level, "Billy Dead" is simply the story of a family, and how each member of that family has grappled with monstrous demons over a lifetime. In their world, the past is never quite the past but looms, instead, ever-present.

Reardon's Michigan landscape ("Billy Dead" is set in and around Jackson) will make an indelible impression on readers and could only have been drawn by a gifted wordsmith who knows well the area's muggy nights, its small-town bars, backyard barbecues, lakeside cottages, fishing holes, cold November moon shining "like a frozen dime," and gorgeous, brilliantly lit days when "the colors are out" and "anything can happen."

What truly sets this story apart is its singularly convincing, complex characters and their equally complex relationships. Ray, himself, finds that he misses the brother he feared and despised — in fact, wants to kill his brother's killer, until he discovers the identity of the murderer. In order to live with her own shame and pain, his mother seems to view her children as something slightly less than real. His father is a kind of human monster who not only defiles his own daughter but is forever unrepentant. Still, on those memorable days when he is not consumed by rage, he is a little like a leprechaun, an Irishman who can charm his young family with a silly joke or a funny story. Ray's sister, Jean, he innocently defied, not only by her father but her brothers as well, has turned hard-edged but maybe not as hard-hearted as we might think.

Each of these characters is multi-layered, as is the story itself. This is a writer with an astonishing perception and insight into the human condition and a rare gift for expressing that insight.

"Billy Dead" is not a story with cut-and-dried, right-and-wrong answers to moral questions. However, once we have opened this book, putting it aside is practically impossible. That is how much Reardon makes us care about her highly flawed characters. In that regard, "Billy Dead" is truly an outstanding work of fiction.

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(248)203-0005. BORDERS (ROCHESTER HILLS) Valentine Fantasy with Salon Forte, noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14; American Girls, Kids Club, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16; Detroit Women Writers Open Mic, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16; poet Richard Tillinghast and Poignant Plecostomos perform 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19; story hour features "Hey, Look! The Happy Book," 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 20 at the store 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills (248)652-0558.

BORDERS (BIRMINGHAM, WOODWARD) Gay and Lesbian Literature Discussion Group discusses "White England Sleeps" by David Leavitt, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15; Elizabeth King signs her book "A Wok a Week," 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17; American Girls Club party 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19; Harpbeat performs 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 20 at the store, 34300 Woodward,

Kathleen Ripley Leo will read poetry at a celebration of romance that will also feature an afternoon tea, dance exhibitions including tango, waltz, minuet as a benefit for the SMR Cultural Arts Guild, 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, Laurel Manor Banquet and Conference Center, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia, \$25. For more information, call (734)522-5424.

BORDERS (DEARBORN) Elizabeth King signs her book "A Wok a Week," 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16; Asha Tyson signs her new book "Homeless at 17; Retired at 26," 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16; Richard Tillinghast and Poignant Plecostomos perform 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20 at the store, 5601 Mercury Drive, Dearborn, (313)271-4441.

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OPENING RECEPTION

The Plymouth Community Arts Council hosts an exhibit of colorful, expressive works by Rick Wedel Feb. 15-26 in the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon at Junction, Plymouth.

An opening reception to meet the artist takes place 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18.

In Wedel's exhibition, "Figure This," the work contrasts the human figurative form with architectural elements through the use of layering techniques.

Wedel first satisfied his interest in image making through work in video production and computer graphics. He enjoyed manipulating images as a means to connect with his viewers. This interest eventually led him to earn a bachelor of fine art degree at Eastern Michigan University and to substitute oil media for digital image making.

For more information and exhibition hours, call the art center at (734) 416-4ART.

ART LECTURE

Harvard University associate professor of humanities, Ewa Lajer-Burchardth discusses Magdalena Abakanowicz's art, and its Polish context, past and present, 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21, at the University of Michigan Museum of Art, 525 South State Street, Ann Arbor. Admission is free.

"Magdalena Abakanowicz and the Mindless Crowd" is on exhibit at the 20th century gallery at museum through May 2. It focuses on the Polish artist's exploration of the atrophied body and anonymous groups of metaphors for the human condition. One of the highlights is "Flock II (1990-91)," a group of 35 figures in burlap and resin from the Des Moines Art Center.

The work deals with the anonymous "crowd" so vulnerable to control by demagoguery. In conjunction with exhibit, the museum hosts "The Mindless Crowd: New Studies in Theater, Dance and Video based on the Work of Magdalena Abakanowicz" 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 18.

Tickets are \$7 and available by calling (734) 647-0521.

Also, April 7-10, a major international conference marking the 10th anniversary of the fall of communism in Poland takes place under the auspices of the

University of Michigan Center for Russian and Far East European Studies.

"INTO THE WOODS"

Tinderbox Productions presents "Into the Woods" by Stephen Sondheim, 8 p.m. Saturdays, March 6 and 13 and Friday, March 12, and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 7, at the Cathedral Theatre in Masonic Temple, 500 Temple Avenue, Detroit.

Tickets are \$12 at the door, \$10 in advance, and available by calling (313) 535-8962.

AUDITIONS

The Plymouth Theatre Guild is looking for six men, one woman and one girl (ages 9-11) for its May production of Frederic Knott's "Wait Until Dark." Auditions are 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, March 8-9 at the Water Tower Theatre in Northville.

Call director Ralph Rosatqi at (248) 669-0436, assistant director Diana Well at (248) 349-7110, the Plymouth Theatre Guild number at (734) 525-1206, or visit the Web site at www.causeway.com/ptg/

CALL FOR ENTRIES

The Art Museum Project at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, in cooperation with the Alfred Berkowitz Gallery and the Fine Art Associates support

group, is sponsoring "Glass: Its Substance and Attributes" by Michigan artists May 15 to June 27.

The exhibition showcases and celebrates Michigan artists and promotes the resources of UM-Dearborn to regional audiences. It will feature glass and various properties of glass and is offered in recognition of the extensive holdings of historic, decorative, functional, and contemporary studio art glass at UM-Dearborn.

Entries, in slide format, are due March 6.

Artists age 18 and older, living and working in Michigan are invited to submit work in any medium for consideration.

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Recent work made of glass, dealing with glass as subject matter or work exploring the attributes of glass such as fragility, transparency, translucency, opacity, refraction, reflection and distortion are invited.

ART CLASSES

The Plymouth Community Arts Council is holding sessions in life drawing and batik workshops beginning the week of Feb. 15 at the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N.

Sheldon at Junction, Plymouth. To register, call (734) 416-4278.

Take advantage of the opportunity to draw from a live model (no instructor) 9:30 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Feb. 16. The cost is \$9.

Batik workshops (adults and teens) take place 1-4 p.m. Saturday, March 6 (\$30), and 1-3 p.m. Thursdays, Feb. 18, March 11 and 18 (20 each session. At least two sessions are needed to finish the works using this ancient Javanese wax-resist method.

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Who says you can have it your way?

Here's something I learned recently that really bugs me. I'm sharing it with you to see what you think of it. Let it serve as a friendly warning.

My 3-year-old daughter and I were walking through a mall one day last week when we came upon a Burger King. She asked if we could eat there and since it was lunch time and since she had been very good while I shopped, I said, "Sure, why not?"

When I got to the counter, I began placing our order.

"I'd like a kid's meal with chicken strips, french fries, barbecue sauce and milk to drink for her, and I'll have..."

The teen-age cashier stopped me mid-sentence. "I'll have to charge you extra for the milk," she said.

"Excuse me?" I asked.

"I'll have to charge you the full \$2.69 for the Kids Club Meal, even though you're not getting the soft drink that comes with it," she said, "and on top of that, I'll have to charge you 89 cents for the milk, because our kids' meals don't come with milk. They come with a soft drink."

"I've never heard of that before," I told her. "I've ordered kids' meals at other Burger Kings and they've never charged me extra for milk."

"Well they should have," she said. "That's how we're supposed to do it. That's the way I was trained. Milk is more expensive than a kid's size soft drink and there are no substitutions with our kids' meals, so I'll have to charge you 89 cents more."

To make a long story short, I left. But my daughter still wanted her kid's meal, so I drove to another Burger King nearby. That restaurant did charge me extra for milk, but only four cents extra.

So which restaurant was wrong and why were they charging extra for a kid's meal with milk anyway? I mean, aren't kids supposed to be drinking milk?

I called the media relations department at Burger King's national headquarters in Miami, Fla., to see what gives.

Kim Miller, a spokeswoman for the company, said milk is more expensive to provide than child-size soft drinks, partly due to storage costs, and that if a franchise wants to pass some or all of that extra cost on to consumers it can.

"We can't dictate pricing to our franchisees because it's against the law, due to anti-trust reasons," she said.

"OK," I said, "but if a restaurant is going to charge extra for a kid's meal with milk, shouldn't it post something to that effect on the menu?"

"We want to be honest with our customers, but there are limitations to what you can fit on a menu and the majority of kids' meals are ordered with a soft drink," she said.

She added, "Many people view coming to Burger King as a special treat for their children and just give their children whatever they want, which is usually a soft drink."

Curious, I called McDonald's headquarters in Oak Brook, Ill., to find out what its policy is.

Julie Cleary, a spokeswoman for the company, said franchise owners can charge extra for a Happy Meal with milk if they want. But most don't and those that do usually charge just a small increase - say five or 10 cents more, she said. She added that the most popular Happy Meal drink isn't a soda, but Hi-C punch fortified with calcium.

I wanted to find out what Wendy's policy was, too, but the spokeswoman who handles its children's meals did not return my messages.

So the bottom line is: You can have it your way at Burger King, but it may cost you extra; at McDonald's, you may or may not get a break today and at Wendy's, well, who knows.

All I know is that the hamburger chains spend so much money advertising their little toys in an effort to lure children in, that the least they can do is offer milk, at no extra charge, to kids like my daughter who enjoy drinking it.

## Romance reigns at Tiffany Bridal Show



BY LINDA BACHRACK PHOTOS BY HARRY VITANIS

When Tiffany & Co. and The Townsend Hotel team up to throw a party, you can bet it will be an elegant affair. Last Sunday, as snow covered the sidewalks of Birmingham, brides-to-be and their guests gathered in The Townsend's opulent ballroom for the second annual Tiffany Bridal Show and brunch.

Tables were draped in cloths of satin, linen and lace, each one an individual work of art. And centerpieces, designed by Marley's, ranged from mounds of roses to silver epergnes filled with baby's breath. As guests sipped mimosas and noshed on pre-brunch canapes, they browsed Tiffany's display tables that offered a selection of sterling silver flatware, china, crystal, wedding rings, invitations and gifts for the wedding party. Popular bridesmaid and groomsman gifts included sterling silver money clips, miniature silver picture frames, sterling cigar cutters and the signature Elsa Peretti bean-shaped lighter.

Pianist Kurt Kunz provided the musical accompaniment to informal modeling of designer bridal gowns from Alvin's Bride in Birmingham. Collections represented included Amsale, Couture Bridal, House of Givenchy, The Diamond Collection, Lazaro and Priscilla of Boston.

"The dresses are beautiful, the calories don't count and the jewels shine," said hostess Lonnie Kanode, of Tiffany & Co., as she welcomed brides-to-be and a smattering of future grooms. She urged guests to try all of the brunch food and to sample the cakes from the Townsend Bakery.

And what a lavish presentation of food there was. The bountiful fruit table included an array of fresh fruit, tarts and flans, even rum-soaked pears dipped in chocolate. Long tables groaned with brunch foods from eggs Benedict and smoked whitefish to tiny latkes with applesauce and assorted scones and pastries.

Lori Barton, of Waterford, attended the event with her mother Tina and her future mother-in-law Sharon Capitani. Barton will wed Mason Capitani, from Rochester Hills, on June 26. All the crucial decisions have been made for the

said.

Her dress, from Alvin's, is a simple, white strapless A-line. Five attendants will wear champagne-hued gowns. The photographer's booked, the flowers selected. All the two real estate brokers need to do is show up and repeat their vows in front of 250 of their closest friends and family.

May 30 is the big day for Lisa Stone, a social worker, and her fiance' Jonah Sigel, a law school student from Toronto. The two have been engaged since last April when Lisa visited Jonah at the University of Miami and he popped the question at a local carryout. Little did she know that the four people in the restaurant who were holding magazines in front of their faces were actually her mom, her aunt, her sister and her brother-in-law. "I was stunned," said Stone.

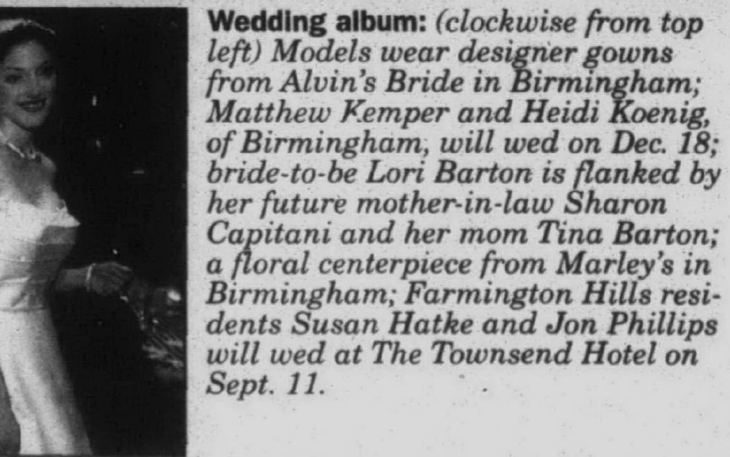
Stone's dress also came from Alvin's. It's a white, off-shoulder style with no beading or embellishment. "I must have looked at 100 dresses, everywhere from Chicago to New York and Toronto, and the one I finally chose was one of the first I tried on," she said. Stone will have nine attendants at her Shaarey Zedek synagogue ceremony. She's still looking for a kosher bakery.

For Jamie Kohen, a teacher in West Bloomfield, the wedding gown dilemma was "no problem." She cut out a picture of a dress from a magazine, found it at Alvin's and it was love at first sight. "It's very simple," said Kohen. "No beads, no lace. It's fitted and has a long train." Kohen will marry Howie Blank, a medical school student from Maryland, in July at Wabek Country Club. Her four bridesmaids will wear black dresses that "can be worn again." Home Bakery in Rochester will create the chocolate chip with chocolate ganache wedding cake.

All of the young brides-to-be gathered tips and ideas from the Tiffany Bridal Show. From centerpieces to cake, and diamonds to honeymoon suites, the gala provided a sensual afternoon escape into the world of romance.



Elements of bliss: The Tiffany Bridal Show at The Townsend Hotel brimmed with ideas for the bride-to-be, including festive food, wedding cakes from the Townsend Bakery and crystal candlesticks from Tiffany & Co.



Wedding album: (clockwise from top left) Models wear designer gowns from Alvin's Bride in Birmingham; Matthew Kemper and Heidi Koenig, of Birmingham, will wed on Dec. 18; bride-to-be Lori Barton is flanked by her future mother-in-law Sharon Capitani and her mom Tina Barton; a floral centerpiece from Marley's in Birmingham; Farmington Hills residents Susan Hatke and Jon Phillips will wed at The Townsend Hotel on Sept. 11.

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

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15

#### ECO-TRAVEL

Borders Farmington Hills presents Travel Beyond Borders. This month's travel discussion group talks about Costa Rica and such activities as eco-tours and rain forest hiking. 7:30 p.m. 30995 Orchard Lake Road.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

#### WOK COOKING

Celebrate the Chinese New Year with Elizabeth King, author of *A Wok a Week: 52 Light & Easy Chinese Recipes*. Also, enjoy some delicious appetizers

## ADDED ATTRACTIONS

featured in the book. 7:30 p.m. Borders Books & Music, 34300 Woodward, Birmingham.

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18

#### CLASSIC RENFREW

Roz & Sherm presents the spring/summer trunk show of designer Renfrew. Today through Saturday, Feb. 20. 6536 Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills.

#### FASHION FACTS

Fashion Group International of Detroit sponsors a day-long Career Conference for students seeking careers in fashion. The conference features small group seminars led by professionals in areas of the fashion industry including clothing design, jewelry, home interiors, cosmetics, customer service, promotion and store management. Students will have the

opportunity to be interviewed by personnel from Nordstrom, Saks Fifth Avenue, Kmart Corp., Estee Lauder and other companies. \$25 includes lunch. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Northfield Hilton, 5500 Crooks Rd., Troy. (313) 577-3318.

#### BRIDAL GOWNS

Alvin's Bride presents The Ilissa Collection of designer gowns. A representative will be present to assist you during this special preview. Call for an appointment, (248) 644-7200, ext. 24. Today through Sat., Feb. 20. 249 Pierce St., Birmingham.

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

#### STYLE AND STONES

Hudson's Oakland Mall store presents a Tommy Hilfiger Fashion Show featuring sportswear for men and women. Win a pair of tickets to the Rolling Stones "No Security Tour" Detroit show. 2 p.m. Mall entrance.

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# Where can I find?

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate sources for hard-to-find merchandise. If you've seen any of the items in your retail travels (or basement), please call Where Can I Find? (248) 901-2555. Slowly and clearly, leave your name, number and message. You should see your input in a few weeks. Due to the overwhelming response to this column, we only publish the requested item two or three times. If you have not seen a response or heard from us, we were unable to locate the item. Thank you.

**WHAT WE FOUND:**

The following is a list of sources for hard-to-find fragrances: **Boyd's** 1-800-683-BOYDS, **Parfumelle** 1-800-874-1118 or [www.parfumell.com](http://www.parfumell.com), **The Fragrance Counter** 1-800-843-6461 or [www.fragrancecounter.com](http://www.fragrancecounter.com) (on AOL, keyword: Fragrance).

For people wanting **Evening in Paris** and **Tweed** colognes, there were a few people who had bottles of them, otherwise we did not locate a store that carries them.

**Rum raisin ice cream** by Haagen Das is carried at Kroger on Long Lake in Troy.

**Kathy's cheesecake** can be found at Nino Salvaggio's on Middlebelt and 14 Mile Road.

Found the **Cricket doll**, defrosting heating element, the **Holiday Barbie**, more fold up music stands for Jack.

For **Marian**, the **Sarah Coventry jewelry**. For Rich who is interested in the old 8mm movies of Charlie Chaplin, etc.

A reader called to say the **disks for computers** are 3 1/2 inch and not 3 inch, can be found at any store, or any computer store.

**Roberta** might try **Replacements Ltd.** for her **Lenox Golden Winslow silverware**, send a copy of the fork front and back. They said it might come under

another name. They do not have it.

**Julie** might try **F&M stores** for **Pretty Hands & Feet** lotion; they will order it for her. **Thomas the Tank** can be found through **Totally Thomas Toy Department**, 1-800-30 THOMAS in San Diego, Calif.

Any **Radio Shack** might be able to order a needle for the antique Edison phonograph.

For **Judy** looking for a film editor to transfer 8mm film, try **Super Video** on Northwestern in Farmington Hills, (248) 737-9180 or **Troy Video Transfers**, (248) 528-1868 on Rochester Road or **All City Video** on Woodward in Royal Oak, (248) 549-6800.

For **Dale** you might try the yellow pages in your area under **Video Recorders Service & Repair**. There are quite a few in the North Woodward area.

To recycle plastic bags, all **Damman Hardwares**, schools, cleaners in your area and the **Farmer Jack** at Six Mile and Haggerty.

To stop junk mail, send your name, address and telephone number to **Direct Mail & Marketing Association**, 6 East 43rd Street, New York, N.Y. 10017. It will be three months before you see any relief, or **Direct Marketing Association**, 1120 Avenue of the Americas, 14th Floor, New York, N.Y. 10036, and the **Mail Preference Service**, Direct Marketing Association, P.O. Box 9008, Farmingdale, N.Y. 11734-9008, 1-800-353-0809.

**Halibut fish** can be found at **Pat & Hanks**, Tecumseh East in Windsor.

**Flannel-lined jeans** can also be found in the **Eddie Bauer** catalog, 1-800-426-8020.

**WE'RE STILL LOOKING FOR:**

For **Debbie**, ladies underwear **dress shields**.

**Carol** is looking for **Passion Plum** lipstick by Cover Girl.

**Becky** is looking for the 1995 **Holiday Barbie** (in a green dress).

**Fran** is looking for **macrame plant holders**.

**Joyce** wants a **countdown clock** (not only for the millennium), a more generic one, with days, minutes, years, seconds for all years.

**Nancy** called to say she is looking for **Tec Grout cleaner**.

**Becky** now wants the 1993 and 1994 **Holiday Barbie**.

**Geraldine** wants **Hanover baked beans**.

**Karen** is looking for **Hanna Barbera's Snaggle Puss** dolls or any collectibles.

**Ann** is looking for a **Jet Stream Convection Oven**.

**Margaret** is looking for **Ginger Bread cologne** by Demeter's.

**Mr. Malabran** is looking for a video of the **J.L. Hudson demolition**.

**Helen** wants **Magic Lady underwear**, Hudson's and Penney's used to carry it.

**Anna** wants the **Madame Alexander doll "Cynthia"** from the 1950s.

**Anna** and **Tim** are looking for **Caswell Massey fragrance Chokey or Choky**.

**Kelly** is looking for a small stuffed bear by the "Soft Dreams Company," in pastel terry cloth. It has a heart that goes into the bear's pocket on the front. Target used to carry them.

**Leona** is looking for a group of hearing-impaired people who will be traveling for the **New Year's Eve 2000**.

**Sharon** wants the **Byers Caroler Doll "Appledady"** (she is seated on a bench.)

**Barb** is looking for full-sized sheets, pillow shams, valance (plaid), by **Dan River "Sagamore"**.

**Melissa** is looking for **Farmington High School yearbooks**, 1987, 1988 and 1990.

# The bard waxes poetic

We asked you to look into your heart and find a way to express your deepest feelings. With a little help from **William Shakespeare's Sonnet 116**, dozens of you responded with beautiful poetry.

Below, we print the winning sonnet submitted by **William J. Dalrymple** of **Burton, Mich.**

"Behold!" said Dalrymple upon learning of his noble triumph. "I thoroughly

enjoyed trying to finish something the great **William Shakespeare** began (and finished in good fettle)."

**Dalrymple** will treat two friends to a makeover at **Figaro salon** in downtown **Birmingham**.

Our thanks to all of you who put pen to paper and captured our hearts.

Share our favorites with the love of your life this Valentine's Day.

*Let me not to the marriage of true minds  
Admit impediments. Love is not love  
Which alters when an alteration finds  
Or bends with the remover to remove:*

*With thorns of whim or fancy; discontent;  
Love is staid. And on its mortal ideal  
Rests noble thoughts of a lifetime spent  
In inner thought; Perfection - deep and real*

*Forever, love's the invention, sublime  
Of gods and mortals too, only bending  
To boundaries of a limitless time  
To the songs of the wind that Angels sing.*

*I vow in my heart of hearts to be true  
That, 'til eternity, my love is you.*

William J. Dalrymple

*Let me not to the marriage of true minds  
Admit impediments. Love is not love  
Which alters when it alteration finds  
Or bends with the remover to remove:*

*A mark that nature has allowed  
To be tenderly drawn upon thy brow.  
For my affections should now waver when,  
A fault no less than that of divine intent*

*Should lend itself to thy countenance.  
Allow me, instead, to be filled with this -  
The reminder of when first we kissed,  
And alone, let that be the tie  
That binds my soul forevermore to you.*

Sheila L. Lunsford-Burns

*Let me not to the marriage of true minds  
Admit impediments. Love is not love  
Which alters when it alteration finds  
Or bends with the remover to remove:*

*Rather, Love seeks to prove an anchor  
In a storm-toss'd world... a harbor,  
safe from strife,  
Opens wide to embrace, to take her  
And rock her in a tranquil bay for  
Life.*

Laura Ash Joekel

*Let me not to the marriage of true minds  
Admit impediments. Love is not love  
Which alters when it alteration finds  
Or bends with the remover to remove:*

*Oh no, love is an ever-fixed star  
That binds the traveler, though in distant lands  
Wandering astray: not lost, however far  
From that kind home where all keep  
love's commands.*

*Or 'tis an oak, deep-rooted, whose wide boughs  
Now veil Apollo's car with leafy shade,  
Now lose their leaves in autumn's  
soughs,  
Yet in its constant heart no change is  
made.*

*Love stirreth not, yet treads true lovers' lane  
Where'er they pace - and guides them  
home again.*

Joe Lewis

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TRAVEL

# Sun Valley offers an idyllic winter ski vacation

BY LAURA ASH JOECKEL  
SPECIAL WRITER

Idaho may not be the first locale that comes to mind when you think about skiing out west. However, Sun Valley offers an idyllic winter resort experience for both downhill and cross-country skiers, without the crowds that plague more popular resorts.

Even during the New Year's holiday, when ski resorts operate at peak capacity, the lift lines were reasonable. Of course, part of the fun at that time of year is trying to spot celebrities. Since the 1930s, a long tradition at Sun Valley is attracting Hollywood, as well as European royalty. Clint Eastwood, Robin Williams, Arnold Schwarzenegger and JFK Jr. were among those recently sighted enjoying the regions' low-key.

The primary ski area, Bald Mountain, known as "Baldy," is regarded by some as the "finest single ski mountain in America." With a 3,400 foot vertical drop, it offers perfectly pitched, consistently well-groomed ski runs that provide more challenges than their slope ratings indicate. The view from the summit at 9,150 feet truly takes your breath away. As far as you can see, the jagged peaks of the Sawtooth Mountains, part of the northern-most range of the Rocky Mountains, etch a stark contrast between sun and shadow.

Sun Valley seems to attract a more mature crowd that skied with greater control than at

**Useful Information**  
Sun Valley is 160 miles east of Boise, an easy 2-1/2 hour drive by rental car or shuttle bus service. Major airlines serving the area include Northwest, Delta, Southwest and United. Salt Lake City, Utah, also serves as a gateway, connecting with Horizon Air or Delta's SkyWest Airlines into the Hailey airport, just 12 miles south of the resort. Once in Sun Valley, the free KART bus service connects the ski areas with the town and resort areas.  
In addition to the Sun Valley Lodge (room rates \$145-\$214, (800)786-8259 or www.sunvalley.com), there are many other lodging options ranging from condominiums to cozy bed and breakfasts. Call the Sun Valley/Ketchum Chamber of Commerce at (800)634-3347 or www.visitketchum.com.  
1999 daily lift ticket rates are \$54 adult, \$30 child.

most areas. This coupled with the fast chairlifts, fewer crowds and efficient run design made it easier to ski more runs in less time.

Compared with most ski lodges, which are functional at best, the award-winning day lodges at Sun Valley delight the senses. Built in the style of Yellowstone lodges, these massive log and stone havens provide a warm mountain ambience fueled by soaring fireplaces and tasty cuisine. From the sunny, glass-framed outdoor deck, the view from Seattle Ridge Lodge, atop Bald Mountain, overlooks a sea of snow-shrouded valleys. Leather chairs and couches, oriental rugs and marble tiled restrooms trimmed with exotic wood, make it hard to believe you're in a day ski lodge.

Snowboarders can access most runs, and beginners practice on their own mountain, Dollar, site

of the Sun Valley Ski and Snowboarding School.

To fully capture the Sun Valley experience, the historic Sun Valley Lodge provides the ultimate in comfort and recreation. Built in 1936 by Averell Harriman, Union Pacific Railroad heir and politician, its legacy as a magnet for the rich and famous is depicted in photographs adorning the hallways throughout the lodge.

Your first impression as you enter the grand foyer is one of welcoming luxury. A crackling fire warms the oak-paneled living room decorated in English country style. The sight of people clunking around in ski boots and parkas seems incongruous with the elegant setting. The second floor boasts a high-ceilinged sun room flanked by roaring fireplaces. Game tables, a grand piano and plush couches that let you sink into a book complete with the room's comfort. Palladian windows overlook the outdoor skating rink, whose twinkling lights cast evening skaters in a magical sparkle.

The Lodge provides frequent shuttle service to the ski areas, just 10 minutes away. As a convenience, guests enjoy complimentary ski storage at the River Run lift. After a bracing day on the slopes, nothing feels better than to melt into the glass-enclosed, heated outdoor swimming pool, followed by a sweat in the sauna. A bowling alley, movie theater, massage center, shops and restaurants round out the recreational pleasures.

When you need to explore beyond the Sun Valley resort complex, the town of Ketchum is a mile away by shuttle, car or foot. A former ranching and mining town that still retains its



Great views: Skiers are rewarded with breathtaking views of Sun Valley and the town of Ketchum from atop Bald Mountain.

rustic flavor, Ketchum hosts a variety of restaurants, shops, galleries and inns, all overshadowed by the benevolent face of Baldy.

It gourmet French bistro fare tempts you, the charming Evergreen Restaurant prepares exquisite food. That's where we spotted Clint Eastwood, a longtime Sun Valley resident. If you'd rather wrestle with a huge steak and potato, the crowded Pioneer Saloon pleases locals and visitors alike. Try the locally brewed Sun Valley White Cloud Ale. Another casual spot, the Warm Springs Ranch Restaurant, offers petite versions of its menu offerings. Ask to sit in the wood paneled bar area, with its large fireplace and picture windows overlooking the creek.

The excellent lumberjack breakfasts found at the kneadery, Esta's and Christina's provide the jumpstart you need to fuel your skiing day.

For a unique dinner experience, take a horse-drawn sleigh ride to Trail Creek Cabin, on the grounds of the Sun Valley resort. Bundle up and enjoy the incredi-

ble stars and moonlit valley on your journey. Be sure to book in advance because this popular outing can sell out quickly.

Those who prefer cross-country skiing will enjoy the complete Nordic Center at Sun Valley resort with a network of 40km of groomed trails that venture further into the valley past beautiful vacation homes and winding, rushing creeks. You can ski back to Trail Creek Cabin and take a lunch break. Snowshoe trails are also provided.

For the ultimate in cross country skiing, journey 26 miles north to Galena Lodge, where 50km of trails wander into towering pine-studded wilderness. Lunch is also served at the historic lodge. Other area diversions include dog sledding, snowmobiling and winter fly fishing.

If "roughing it in luxury," the design statement of Sun's Valley's creator, fits your lifestyle, then you won't be disappointed in the wealth of winter fun opportunities at Sun Valley Resort.

Laura Ash Joeckel is a West Bloomfield resident.



Wilderness: Cross country skiers and snowshoers encounter wonderful natural views on their treks.



Off to dinner: A horse-drawn sleigh ride makes for memorable dining at the Trail Creek Cabin.



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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### Rockers benefit

The Detroit Rockers will join together with the Michigan State Youth Soccer Association to benefit the MSYSA's Top Soccer Program, a community-based training and team placement for young athletes with disabilities. The Rockers will donate \$2 from every \$10 ticket sold for their National Professional Soccer League indoor game against the Wichita Wings Feb. 21.

Game time is 4 p.m. It will be preceded by a celebrity soccer game that starts at 3 p.m.

Formed in 1992, Top Soccer is designed to provide the opportunity of learning and playing soccer to any boy or girl 4-19 years old who has a mental or physical disability.

### Adult softball

The city of Plymouth Recreation Division is running adult softball leagues this spring and summer in men's slow pitch, women's slow pitch, co-ed slow pitch and men's modified. Registration for returning teams begins March 1; new teams can register starting March 15. Play begins April 26.

For more information, call the Plymouth Recreation Division at (734) 455-6620.

### Basketball leagues

Basketball leagues for adult women and adult men are now being formed by the Northville Parks and Recreation Department.

The women's league will play on Thursdays from April 22 through June 10. Cost is \$280 per team, with referees fees extra; non-residents are \$15 more per person.

The men's league will play on Tuesdays, starting April 20 through June 8. Cost is \$280 per team, with referee fees additional. Non-residents are \$15 more per person.

Registration for both is March 15-31 at the Northville Parks and Recreation office, 303 W. Main in Northville. Call (248) 349-0203 for further information.

### Volleyball leagues

Eight-week spring volleyball leagues, running April 19 through June 14, are forming in Northville. Divisions include women's and co-ed competitive, and co-ed intermediate. Cost is \$145 per team, with referee fees extra; non-residents are \$15 more per person.

Call the Northville Parks and Recreation office at (248) 349-0203 for further registration information.

### Soccer players needed

The phone listing that appeared with the following information in Thursday's Observer was incorrect. The correct number follows.

The Canton Soccer Club's under-12 boys travel team is looking for boys interested in playing this spring. Those interested must have a birth date between Aug. 1, 1986 and July 31, 1987; there are no residency requirements.

For more information, contact Dave Foess or Bob Baker through the CSC hot line at (734) 416-4246.

### Correction

In last Sunday's Plymouth and Canton Observers, a photo of the Canton Strikers under-12 indoor soccer team, which won its division in a Christmas Tournament at the Total Soccer in Wixom, did not list all members of the team.

Cody Newcomb's name was not included.

### Roller hockey tryouts

Travel roller hockey tryouts for the Skatin Station II, located on 8611 Ronda Drive, in Canton, will be:

- 14-and-under — 7:30-9 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22;
- 12-and-under — 8:30-10 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 23;
- 16-and-under — 9-11 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24;
- 10-and-under — 7-8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27.

The cost is \$10 per person. Age is determined as of Jan. 1, 1999.

For more information, call Dave at (734) 459-6401.

## Depth-oriented Chiefs have too much for Rocks



On top: Plymouth Canton's Liz Fitzgerald posted top scores in three of four events to lead the Chiefs to a dual-meet victory over Plymouth Salem Wednesday.

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Each side was down a big gun, so it should have been even. It wasn't; Plymouth Canton's depth proved to be the decisive factor in a 131.80-126.70 dual-meet victory over Plymouth Salem Wednesday at Canton.

Led by junior Liz Fitzgerald's three firsts in four events, the Chiefs overcame the loss of sophomore Amy Driscoll — who broke her hand at the previous Saturday's Canton Invitational — with the help of solid performances by Maggie Bett, Krisen Schilk and Michelle Farnsworth.

Salem was without its second-best gymnast, too — Michelle Drake was suffering from the flu.

"That was the tale of the tape," said Canton coach John Cunningham of his team's superior depth.

Fitzgerald earned top all-around honors with a 35.85 score. She finished first in the uneven parallel bars (9.0), the balance beam (9.2) and the floor exercise (9.05); she tied for second in the vault with Salem's Janine Schmedding (8.6).

"She's just rounding into shape," Cunningham said of Fitzgerald's improving performances. Her involvement with the marching band kept Fitzgerald out of the gym most of the time last fall.

Salem's April Aquino did her part in making up for the loss of Drake, winning the vault (8.95) and placing second in the bars (8.35) and floor (9.0). She was third in beam (8.6), and her 34.9 all-around total was second best.

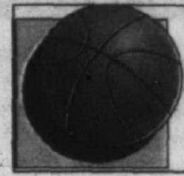
However, the Rocks had just one other top-six all-arounder: Schmedding, who was third with a 33.05 total. Besides tying for second in the vault, Schmedding was third in floor (8.45) and bars (7.95), and she placed sixth in beam (8.05).

Bett scored 32.10 in the all-around for Canton, which was fourth best, with top-six finishes in the beam (second, 8.8), floor (tied for fourth, 8.1) and bars (tied for sixth, 7.5). Schilk had a 31.60 all-around total (fifth), with a fourth in the bars (7.85) and a fifth in the beam (8.2), and Farnsworth was sixth in the all-around (31.55) with a fourth in the vault (8.05), a fifth in the bars (7.65) and a tie for fourth in the floor (8.1).

The event that turned the tide of

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## Canton can't stop Western comeback



It was there for the taking. Plymouth Canton's basketball team just couldn't grab it.

The Chiefs led by six with two minutes to go, but Walled Lake Western battled back, tying it on Jenero Dawood's three-pointer with 20 seconds left, then winning it on a Dawood free throw with 2.4 seconds to play, 52-51 Friday at Canton.

"It just makes me sick," said Canton coach Dan Young, his team suffering its first loss in the Western Lakes Activities Association since its league opener against North Farmington. "We led the whole way, basically."

Except at the end, when it counted most. The Chiefs' four-point halftime advantage (22-18) was trimmed to a single point (35-34) after three quarters. But they rebuilt it, threatening to hand the Warriors their second-straight loss after 13-consecutive wins.

The key stretch came in those final 30 seconds, with Canton clinging to a three-point lead. Twice Western shot, and missed — but the Chiefs could not get the rebound. A loose ball was batted back to Dawood for a third three-point attempt, and this one he drilled to knot it.

Canton's Jimmy Reddy missed a go-ahead shot with five seconds left, and on the rebound Dan McLean fouled Dawood to set up the game-winning free throw. Dawood, who scored four of his seven points in the last 20 seconds, missed the first but hit the second.

"We had a chance to win it, and we let them back in the game," said Young, his team now 9-6 overall and 7-2 in the WLAA. "You don't do that against a good, athletic, well-coached team. We played our tails off, but we couldn't close the door. And we could not get a rebound down the stretch."

"I'm proud of our effort. They're a very good team. We just couldn't get it done."

Joe Cortellini's 14 points led Canton. Mike Major and Jason Waidmann added 13 points apiece.

Western, 14-1 overall and 8-1 in the WLAA, got 21 points from Ben Dewar and 18 from Jeff Mitchell.

Canton now must play Plymouth Salem Tuesday, while Western hosts WLAA-leader North Farmington (8-0) on Tuesday.

## Eagles win title; Salem trips Central

It wasn't as easy as the first meeting, but it was even more meaningful.

Plymouth Christian Academy withstood a determined Allen Park Inter-City Baptist effort to post an 83-76 overtime victory, a win that clinched the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference basketball championship for the once-beaten Eagles.

"They played tough tonight," PCA coach Doug Taylor said of the host Chargers. "If there is one word I would say epitomized our game, it would be teamwork."

Certainly the numbers attested to that. The Eagles had 26 assists in the

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game, led by Jordan Roose's six.

PCA led 30-29 at the half, but Inter-City (10-5 overall, 4-4 in the MIAC) — which got blasted by the Eagles 69-49 Jan. 21 in its first league loss — took control with a 22-18 third-quarter surge.

The Chargers' three-point lead didn't last long, however. Evan Gaines, who scored eight of his 13 points in the fourth quarter, hit two free throws with seven seconds left to put PCA up

72-69. Inter-City inbounded the ball and B.J. Golden launched a long three-pointer that was true, tying it with a second left to force overtime.

The Chargers were not able to maintain their momentum, however. Roose, who finished with 13 points, had two steals that led to layup baskets in the extra session, and Mike Huntsman, who also had 13 points (and seven rebounds), nailed a triple to lead the Eagles.

Derric Isensee led PCA with another strong all-around game, scoring 19 points, grabbing nine rebounds and dishing out five assists. Dave Carty

added 14 points.

Inter-City got 18 points from Justin Brown, 17 from Golden and 13 from Jake Milner.

**Salem 73, W.L. Central 62:** Adam Wilson got Plymouth Salem going quickly Friday at Walled Lake Central, scoring nine of his 18 points in the first quarter as the Rocks jumped out to a 22-12 lead.

"He gets us started, right off the bat," said Salem coach Bob Brodie, his team 13-2 overall and 7-2 in the Western

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## Canton, Salem splash to dual wins

'Tis the time of year to look ahead.

At least it is for the Plymouth Canton and Plymouth swim teams. Efforts to qualify early for the state meet ended in January; now it's time to build for the Western Lakes Activities Association Championship Feb. 25-27, followed two weeks later by the state meet.

Reaching those qualifying standards figures to come at either Saturday's MISCA meet, hosted by Eastern Michigan, or the WLAA finals at Salem.

Thus far, there's just one state qualifier between the two schools: Salem's Andrew Locke, in the 50-yard freestyle. Indeed, not a single freestyle relay (200- or 400-yard) from Observerland has yet made the state cut.

In their dual meets last Thursday, both Canton and Salem gained victories, but neither team could boast times close to state qualifying standards. With the heavy yardage workouts aimed at building strength for the league and state meets coming to a close, fast times weren't expected.

There were some solid performances for both, however. Canton claimed a 129-56 victory over WLAA



Flying home: Don LeClair secured one of eight individual firsts captured by Canton swimmers in Thursday's lopsided win over Livonia Franklin. LeClair won the 100-yard butterfly in 1:01.40.

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rival Livonia Franklin at Canton, with Kurtis Hornick winning two individual events to lead the Chiefs.

Canton finished first in every event except the 50-yard freestyle. Hornick's individual wins came in the 200 free (1:52.49) and the 100 backstroke (1:01.35).

Salem was equally dominant in beating Farmington 132-48 at North Farmington. The Rocks finished first in every event but the 100 back and 100 breast-

stroke. Locke anchored all three winning relays.

Both teams conclude their dual-meet seasons this week. The Chiefs have a rescheduled double-dual meet with Chelsea and Ann Arbor Huron at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Huron, then travel to Livonia Churchill for their final WLAA meet at 7 p.m. Thursday.

The Rocks have a showdown dual against WLAA power Livonia Stevenson at 7 p.m. Thursday at Salem.

## SWIM RESULTS

### SALEM 132 FARMINGTON 48

Thursday at North Farmington

**200-yard medley relay:** Salem (Kevin Dorogi, Aaron Shelton, Paul Perez, Andrew Locke), 1:48.58.

**200-yard freestyle:** Matt Casillas (PS), 1:51.97.

**200-yard individual medley:** Eric Lynn (PS), 2:12.55.

**80-yard freestyle:** Mike Johnson (PS), 24.12.

**Diving:** Johnathon Chase (PS), 168.95 points.

**100-yard butterfly:** Kevin Crable (PS), 1:02.62.

**100-yard freestyle:** Dan Jones (PS), 52.37.

**500-yard freestyle:** Paul Perez (PS), 5:07.47.

**200-yard freestyle relay:** Salem (Dan Jones, Matt Casillas, Mike Johnson, Andrew Locke), 1:32.51.

**100-yard backstroke:** Devin Hopper (F), 57.39.

**100-yard breaststroke:** David Hartmann (F), 1:07.04.

**400-yard freestyle relay:** Salem (Mike Johnson, Mark Witthoff, Matt Casillas, Andrew Locke), 3:26.51.

**Salem's dual meet record:** 7-3 overall, 4-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

**Next meet:** vs. Livonia Stevenson, 7 p.m. Thursday at Salem; MISCA meet, at Eastern Michigan University Saturday.

### PLYMOUTH CANTON 129 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 56

Thursday at Canton

**200-yard medley relay:** Canton (Aaron Reeder, Jon Heiss, Matt Schacht, Eddie Lindow), 1:49.77.

**200-yard freestyle:** Kurtis Hornick (PC), 1:52.49.

**200-yard individual medley:** Aaron Reeder (PC), 2:11.63.

**50-yard freestyle:** Chris Supplee (LF), 23.96.

**Diving:** Blake Brunner (PC), 153.25 points.

**100-yard butterfly:** Don LeClair (PC), 1:01.40.

**100-yard freestyle:** Chad Williams (PC), 53.44.

**500-yard freestyle:** Brad Nilson (PC), 5:22.68.

**200-yard freestyle relay:** Canton (Don LeClair, Aaron Reeder, Matt Schacht, Jeremy Cook), 1:36.45.

**100-yard backstroke:** Kurtis Hornick (PC), 1:01.35.

**100-yard breaststroke:** Jon Heiss (PC), 1:09.03.

**400-yard freestyle relay:** Canton (Kurtis Hornick, Bill Stewart, Justin Allen, Chad Williams), 3:31.05.

**Dual-meet record:** Canton, 4-3 overall, 4-2 in the Western Lakes Activities Association, 4-0 in WLAA's Western Division.

**Canton's next meets:** vs. Chelsea and Ann Arbor Huron, 7 p.m. Tuesday at Huron; vs. Livonia Churchill, 7 p.m. Thursday at Churchill; MISCA meet, at Eastern Michigan University Saturday.

### NORTH FARMINGTON 127 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 55

Feb. 11 at John Glenn

**200-yard medley relay:** 1. North (Jim Gabriel, Jon Zald, Mark Wachsberg, Matt Zald), 1:45.69; 2. John Glenn (Garrett Stone, Dan Zoumbaris, James McPartlin, Jeff Anderson), 1:48.96.

**200 freestyle:** 1. Brandon Digia (NF), 1:57.91; 2. Sermet Alver (NF), 2:03.03; 3. Loch Rycroft (NF), 2:06.07.

**200 individual medley:** 1. Craig Paske (NF), 2:20.41; 2. John Kern (NF), 2:24.37; 3. Anthony Munaco (NF), 2:32.48.



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**A winner:** Canton's Aaron Reeder was a winner in the 200-yard individual medley against Franklin.

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**Diving:** 1. Joe Lebovic (NF), 261.75; 2. Chris McFarland (JG), 257.20; 3. Justin Goodwin (NF), 197.65.

**100 butterfly:** 1. James McPartlin (JG), 54.56; 2. Brandon Digia (NF), 1:02.41; 3. Dan Fowler (JG), 1:07.40.

**100 freestyle:** 1. Matt Zald (NF), 52.03; 2. Garrett Stone (JG), 55.66; 3. Aaron Rycroft (NF), 55.82.

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**400 freestyle relay:** 1. John Glenn (Jeff Anderson, Garrett Stone, Dan Zoumbaris, James McPartlin), 3:49.09; 2. North (Stephen Pearce, Craig Paske, Loch Rycroft, Aaron Rycroft), 4:08.90.

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## BEST SWIM TIMES

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### 200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY

(state cut: 1:42.99)

North Farmington 1:42.19

Livonia Stevenson 1:44.30

Plymouth Salem 1:45.23

Plymouth Canton 1:45.60

Redford Catholic Central 1:47.35

### 200 FREESTYLE

(state cut: 1:49.39)

Keith Falk (Stevenson) 1:45.36

Ryan Meekins (Redford CC) 1:48.51

Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 1:50.61

James McPartlin (John Glenn) 1:50.75

Matt Casillas (Salem) 1:51.97

Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 1:52.49

Don LeClair (Canton) 1:53.11

Brandon Digia (N. Farmington) 1:53.63

Jim Gabriel (N. Farmington) 1:53.78

Bill Randall (Churchill) 1:53.94

### 200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

(state cut: 2:03.99)

Keith Falk (Stevenson) 2:00.50

Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 2:00.95

James McPartlin (John Glenn) 2:07.36

Mike Malik (Stevenson) 2:07.50

Paul Perez (Salem) 2:09.59

Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 2:11.06

Mike Nemer (Stevenson) 2:11.54

Aaron Reeder (Canton) 2:11.63

Aaron Shelton (Salem) 2:12.05

Jim Gabriel (N. Farmington) 2:12.20

### 50 FREESTYLE

(state cut: 22.59)

Matt Zald (N. Farmington) 22.30

Andrew Locke (Salem) 22.35

James McPartlin (John Glenn) 22.65

Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 22.73

Keith Falk (Stevenson) 22.80

Ryan Meekins (Redford CC) 22.81

Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 22.88

Don LeClair (Canton) 23.09

Mark Wachsberg (N. Farmington) 23.18

Bill Randall (Churchill) 23.55

### DIVING

Joe Lebovic (N. Farmington) 261.75

Chris McFarland (John Glenn) 257.20

Greg Brazianus (Redford CC) 256.30

Mike Mattis (Redford CC) 230.50

Justin Goodwin (N. Farmington) 197.65

Greg Kubitski (Salem) 180.95

Blake Brunner (Canton) 177.00

Kory Stevens (Redford CC) 172.10

John Chase (Salem) 168.95

Mike Baskin (Stevenson) 157.00

### 100 BUTTERFLY

(state cut: 55.59)

Keith Falk (Stevenson) 54.00

James McPartlin (John Glenn) 54.55

Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 55.45

Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 55.



COLLEGE BASKETBALL

# Madonna jolts Tri-State

What's one to believe? Should you think the Madonna University women's basketball team that looked so impressive in the non-league portion of the season is the real deal? Or is the team that went into the tank once Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference play got underway the right stuff?

The developments of last week leave further room for doubt. After all, the Lady Crusaders struggled through their first nine WHAC games, losing eight of them (after an 11-4 start to the season) to fall in the league's basement.

Then they bounced back with back-to-back wins, the first over Concordia College last Saturday (Feb. 6) and then a shocking 82-69 handling of league co-leader Tri-State University Wednesday at Madonna.

Madonna improved to 14-12 overall, 3-8 in the conference. The Thunder slipped to 17-8 overall, 9-2 in the WHAC.

A 10-0 run early in the game allowed the Crusaders to overcome a three-point deficit and take the lead for good. They were up 40-31 at the half, and withstood all Tri-State

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comeback attempts in the second half, although the Thunder did narrow the gap to two twice (at 54-52 and 56-54). Madonna, however, scored the next seven points to go up by nine and was never again threatened.

Ten players scored for the Crusaders, with nine of them getting five or more points. Kathy Panganis led the way with 19 points and two steals; Chris Dietrich added 13 points, three assists and two steals, and Michelle Miela contributed 10 points, three assists and two steals. Katie Cushman and Lori Enfield chipped in with eight points apiece, Cushman dishing out four assists.

Tri-State's Jill Pliska and Crystal Hardesty totaled 15 points each.

**SC 90, Henry Ford CC 48:** Now that's dominance. Schoolcraft College had six players reach double figures in scoring Wednesday in rolling to its 16th-consecutive win against

host Henry Ford CC.

The Lady Ocelots improved to 12-0 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference, 20-3 overall. Henry Ford, which came into the game in third place in the conference, fell to 14-10 overall, 8-6 in the league.

"What can I say?" said SC coach Karen Lafata. "It was probably our best effort of the year. Everything was working."

SC hit 35-of-68 floor shots (51 percent), including 8-of-15 three-pointers (53.3 percent). Samantha Theisen paced the Ocelots with 22 points, five steals and five assists. Jackie Kocis added 17 points, seven rebounds and five assists, with Antone' Watson getting 15 points, five boards and four assists; and Belinda Reid, Stacy Cavin and Kim Washnock (from Farmington HS) each scoring 10 points. Reid also had seven assists and six boards, and Cavin and Washnock got five rebounds apiece.

Zenah Mroueh's 13 points topped the Hawks; Lisa Guitar added 12.

SC had a 48-24 halftime lead.

# Ocelots overwhelm Henry Ford

It wasn't a matter of someone stepping forward for Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team, trying to get the Ocelots back on track.

It was six guys.

And the victim of this all-out blitz was Henry Ford CC, which SC dismantled 92-79 Wednesday at Henry Ford.

The win gave the Ocelots, who had lost three of their previous five games after winning 17 straight, a 19-3 overall record and a 9-3 mark in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference. Henry Ford fell to 14-9

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overall, 9-5 in the conference.

SC, which connected on 34-of-58 floor shots (58.6 percent), had a 40-38 lead at the half — then outscored the Hawks 52-41 in the second half.

Six players reached double figures in scoring for the Ocelots, led by Derek McKelvey with 21 points (including five three-pointers). Chris Colley added 16 points, while Lamar Bigby, Dave McGlown and Dashawn Williams had 12 points apiece and Quentin Mitchell scored 11.

The Hawks, who were 31-of-79 from the field (39.2 percent), got 18 points from Tim Frye and 12 from Cliff Stewart.

**Tri-State 75, Madonna 57:** A sluggish start doomed Madonna University in a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference game at Tri-State University Wednesday in Angola, Ind.

The defeat dropped the Fighting Crusaders to 7-20 overall, 3-8 in the WHAC. Tri-State improved to 22-7 overall, 8-3 in the WHAC.

Madonna trailed 43-24 by halftime and could never sustain a comeback in the second half. The Crusaders hit just 23-of-59 shots from the floor (39 percent), compared to the Thunder's 24-of-50 (48 percent). In addition, Tri-State committed just four turnovers in the game; Madonna had only 13.

Mike Massey was the Crusaders main offensive weapon; he converted 10-of-20 shots, including 3-of-7 three-pointers, in scoring 24 points. Mike Maryanski added 10 points and 10 rebounds.

Tri-State got 19 points from Shaun Hill, 18 from Chad LaCross and 10 from Joshua Treesh.

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Lakes Activities Association.

The Rocks never trailed against the Vikings, leading 35-29 at the half and 53-47 after three quarters. Free-throw shooting helped keep Salem in front; the Rocks made 23-of-30 from the line (76.7 percent). Central was 18-of-27 (67 percent).

"It was pressure defense the whole game," said Brodie of the 57 free throws attempted by the two teams. "Both teams were going after each other."

Balanced scoring also put Salem at the summit. Joining Wilson in double-figures in points were Aaron Rypkowski with 17 points, Rob Jones with 15 and Tony Jancevski with 12. Jancevski also had nine rebounds.

Corey Heitsch topped the Vikings with 26 points. Jason O'Bomsawin added 14.

**Agape 54, Temple Christian 42:** A strong fourth quarter enabled Canton Agape Christian to retain its position in second place in the Metro Christian Conference, behind Detroit West Side Christian, with a win at Madison Heights Temple Christian Friday.

The Wolverines improved to 9-5 overall, 8-2 in the MCC. Temple Christian is 5-8 overall, 2-7 in the MCC.

Agape led 30-24 at the half, but Temple Christian narrowed the gap to 38-36 after three quarters. A 16-6 surge in the final period clinched it for the Wolverines.

Julian Wettlin's 18 points, eight rebounds and seven steals paced Agape. Steven Mecklenburg added 14 points, and Paul Anleitner had seven points and seven assists.

Sheldon Davidson's 13 points was best for Temple Christian. John Davidson had 10.

**Redford CC 54, Brother Rice 51:** Down 29-22 at the half Friday, Central Division champion Redford Catholic Central (12-4, 6-2) stormed back in the second half to beat host Birmingham Brother Rice (4-11, 3-9).

CC outscored Rice 22-13 in the third period and 11-9 in the deci-

sive final quarter.

CC ran a 1-2-2 half-court trap, forcing 17 Rice turnovers (28 percent of the Warriors's possessions.)

Nick Moore and Dan Jess each scored 14 points for the victorious Shamrocks, who open the Catholic League playoffs Saturday against Southgate Aquinas at Schoolcraft College. (Pairings will be in Thursday's Observer.)

Matt Loidas added 12 points for CC. Dave Lusky and Anthony Tomey combined for 22 rebounds, 12 and 10, respectively.

Sophomore guard Hayes Groomes led Rice and all scorers with 27 points. Leon McDonald contributed nine.

**Churchill 77, Northville 73:** Livonia Churchill (4-11, 1-8) earned its first Western Lakes Activities Association victory of the season Friday at the expense of the visiting Mustangs (5-9, 4-5).

Junior swingman John Bennett, who set the single-game Churchill scoring record Tuesday with 37 against Walled Lake Central, scored a team-high 18 points along with Ryan Vickers.

Avery Jessup and Justin Jakes each chipped in with nine points.

Brett Allen, a 6-foot-6 junior, led Northville and all scorers with 27. Ryan Ellen added 18 and Marshall Knapp chipped in with 15.

Churchill led by as many as 16 points in the third quarter before Northville put on a fourth-quarter spurt with a 30-17 run.

The Mustangs had the game tied with just under a minute left before Churchill put it away with five straight free throws.

Churchill was 18 of 27 from the line, while Northville was 10 of 20.

"We tried to delay the game and take some time off the clock and we lost some momentum," Churchill coach Rick Austin said. "And their press gave us problems."

"But we came to play. Randall Boboige helped us defensively and Devin White did a good job running the point."

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### BOYS BASKETBALL

**Tuesday, Feb. 16**  
Stevenson at Churchill, 7 p.m.  
W.L. Central at Franklin, 7 p.m.  
John Glenn at Northville, 7 p.m.  
Canton at Salem, 7 p.m.  
Farmington at Harrison, 7 p.m.  
N. Farm. at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.  
A.A. Huron at Wayne, 7 p.m.  
Redford Union at Garden City, 7 p.m.  
Kennedy at Redford Union, 7 p.m.  
Clarenceville at Harper Wds., 7 p.m.  
Luth. W'sld at Cranbrook, 7 p.m.  
Agape at Cornerstone, 7 p.m.  
Roeper at Ply. Christian, 7 p.m.  
Huron Valley at Franklin Rd., 7:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 18**  
Churchill at Franklin, 7 p.m.

**Friday, Feb. 19**  
Clarenceville at Luth. W'sld, 7 p.m.  
Stevenson at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.  
John Glenn at Salem, 7 p.m.  
Canton at Northville, 7 p.m.  
Harrison at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.  
W.L. Central at Farmington, 7 p.m.  
Inkster at Wayne, 7 p.m.  
Wyandotte at Thurston, 7 p.m.  
Agape at Greater Life, 7:30 p.m.  
PCA at Oakland Christian, 7:30 p.m.  
Huron Valley vs. Mount Carmel at Marshall Middle School, 7:30 p.m.

**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
**Monday, Feb. 15**  
S'craft at Oakland CC, 7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 17**  
Spring Arbor at Madonna, 7 p.m.  
Schoolcraft at Alpena, 7:30 p.m.  
St. Clair at OCC-High. Lakes, 7:30 p.m.

### Saturday, Feb. 20

Madonna at Siena Heights, TBA.  
Schoolcraft vs. Wayne Co. CC at River Rouge H.S., 3 p.m.

**WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
**Monday, Feb. 15**  
S'craft at Oakland CC, 5:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 17**  
Schoolcraft at Alpena, 5:30 p.m.  
St. Clair at OCC-High. Lakes, 5:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 18**  
Madonna at Spring Arbor, 7 p.m.

**Saturday, Feb. 20**  
Siena Heights at Madonna, 1 p.m.  
Schoolcraft vs. Wayne Co. CC at River Rouge H.S., 1 p.m.  
Rochester at OCC-High. Lakes, 2 p.m.

**ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE**  
**Thursday, Feb. 18**  
Whalers at Toronto Majors, 7:35 p.m.

**Saturday, Feb. 20**  
Ply. Whalers vs. Erie Otters at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

**Sunday, Feb. 21**  
Ply. Whalers vs. London Knights at Compuware Arena, 6:30 p.m.

**PREP HOCKEY**  
**Wednesday, Feb. 17**  
Stevenson vs. Clarkston.  
Franklin vs. Lapeer West at Edgar Arena, 6 & 8 p.m.  
Farm. Unified vs. W.L. Western at Farm. Hills Ice Arena, 8 p.m.  
Redford CC at A.P. Cabrini, 8 p.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 18**  
Redford CC vs. A.A. Huron at Ann Arbor Ice Cube, 8 p.m.

**Friday, Feb. 19**

### Franklin vs. Stevenson

at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.  
Farm. Unified vs. Novi at Farm. Hills Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

**Saturday, Feb. 20**  
Churchill at Troy Unified, 7:30 p.m.  
Redford CC vs. Cranbrook at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

**GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**  
**Monday, Feb. 15**  
Farmington at Churchill, 7 p.m.  
Canton at Franklin, 7 p.m.  
Northville at Stevenson, 7 p.m.  
John Glenn at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.  
Garden City at Allen Park, 7 p.m.  
Ypsilanti at Thurston, 7 p.m.

**Tuesday, Feb. 16**  
Agape at Cornerstone, 4:30 p.m.  
Huron Valley vs. Franklin Road at Livonia St. Paul's, 6 p.m.  
Luth. W'sld at R.O. Shrine, 7 p.m.  
Ply. Christian at Roeper, 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 17**  
Salem at Franklin, 7 p.m.  
Stevenson at John Glenn, 7 p.m.  
W.L. Western at Farmington, 7 p.m.  
Alien Park at Wayne, 7 p.m.  
Garden City at Ypsilanti, 7 p.m.  
Redford Union at Fordson, 7 p.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 18**  
CHSL at Madonna, 5:30 & 7 p.m.  
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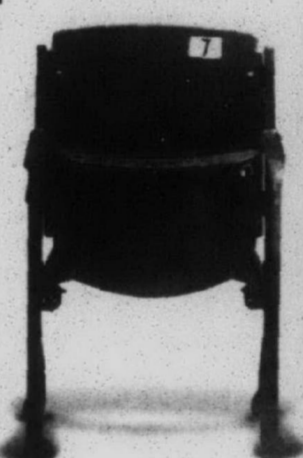
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# Whalers blank Sting



The Plymouth Whalers continued their dominant play in the Ontario Hockey League Wednesday night, pinning a 4-0 shutout on the Sarnia Sting in front of 2,426 at Compuware Sports Arena in Plymouth.

The Whalers (41-9-3) remained tied with Ottawa (41-8-3) for overall points (85) in the OHL but the 67's have one game in hand.

Left wing Damian Surma's shorthanded goal at the 4:48 mark of the first period opened the scoring for the Whalers. It was his 13th goal of the season.

Center Harold Druken added another goal for the Whalers one minute later for an early 2-

0 lead. Druken is the OHL's leading goal scorer with 46 on the season.

Right wing Jason Ward scored the only goal of the second period, his 16th of the year, giving the Whalers a 3-0 lead and right wing Adam Colagiaco scored his 30th goal of the season in the third period to cap the scoring.

Goaltender Robert Holsinger, named the game's third star, made 16 saves for his third shutout of the season.

After putting 10 first period shots on net, Sarnia (28-17-5) managed only eight more shots the rest of the game, including a mere two shots in the second period.

Colagiaco (one goal, one assist) and Ward (one goal) were named first and second stars of the game, respectively.

# Tragedy brings players together



STEVE KOWALSKI

The game was over, for all intents and purposes, even though the scoreboard showed 4:53 remained in the third period.

Trenton senior Joe Baker retreated to the locker room as he normally does after games, but not to remove his equipment and head for the showers. He reached for something to complement what everyone inside Trenton's Kennedy Ice Arena needed Wednesday night: prayers.

Baker came back with a rosary, which belonged to his teammate John Nadzam. Together with teammates and members of the Redford Catholic Central hockey team, they continued to pray in front of the Trenton net for a fallen teammate: Trojans' senior defenseman Kurt LaTarte.

Minutes earlier LaTarte was accidentally cut in the neck by the blade of a skate. After he returned to the bench he slumped to the ground in great danger, his neck bleeding profusely.

LaTarte is alive, following surgery to repair muscle and vein damage at the University of Michigan Trauma Center on Thursday, maybe because of the power of prayer and the incredibly quick treatment he received in the minutes after the accident.

The game between the top two teams in the state ended in a 4-4 tie but there were

only winners and heroes on both sides and in the stands.

Trenton trainer Lori Holcomb and assistant coach Rod Wakeham were the first to help stem the loss of blood from LaTarte's neck. Kudos also go to Dr. David Wolf, paramedic Alec Lesko and nurses Leslie Zancanaro and Michelle Ryan who rushed to the scene from their seats in the stands to help.

Wolf, Lesko and Zancanaro have sons on the Trenton team.

Trenton sophomore defenseman Andy Greene was on the ice with LaTarte when the accident occurred. A line change on the fly was upcoming.

"I was skating around looking for my partner," Greene said after the game. "I went to the bench, looked behind me and saw a pool of blood and people holding Kurt's neck. We're just praying he's all right."

Tears were shed by players and coaches on both sides who watched as LaTarte was wheeled away on a stretcher to an ambulance.

The gash LaTarte suffered was reportedly four inches long and two inches deep. The urgency to stop the bleeding is high in that area, according to Lesko.

"It's absolutely the worst area," he said. "The supply of blood to and from the brain has only one way to travel and that's through the neck."

"He was pretty strong through the whole thing. A lot of times when people lose that

much blood they can be combative but he kept himself calm."

Lesko said that following surgery on Thursday LaTarte was conscious and communicating by writing notes to members of his family. He was expected to be released on Friday or Saturday and a full recovery is anticipated, according to Lesko.

"These are teams with long traditions of excellence in hockey - eight state championships for Trenton and three for CC - who have great respect for each other, yet few, if any friendships."

But they'll always have a special bond after this experience.

"It puts life in perspective," CC captain Keith Rowe said. "One minute you're bitter enemies, the next you're down praying together. It could have happened to any of us."

Nearly an hour had passed after the terrible incident when a CC player walked into the Trenton locker room to address LaTarte's teammates.

"The CC player said 'at school we pray every morning and tomorrow we'll devote the entire time for Kurt,'" Lesko said. "Which is awesome."

Which brings us back to the rosary Nadzam had in his locker, a constant reminder of his faith.

"Especially with teenagers, all you hear people talk about are the negative things," Lesko said. "How many kids carry a rosary with them? And he had one in his locker."

# Gymnastics from page D1

victory to Canton was the beam, according to Cunningham. The Chiefs outscored Salem 34.45-30.9 in that event.

"As soon as we won beam, I knew we'd won the meet," said the Canton coach. "Beam has been a Jekyll-and-Hyde event for us this year, and Hyde has visited my team a lot of the time. We're young (two freshmen, a sophomore and a junior make up the top four scorers) and we're just not consistent yet, but we're getting better."

Other top-six placers for Canton were Jill Rakovitis, who was fourth in beam (8.25), sixth in floor (8.0) and tied for sixth in bars (7.50), and Jessica Krueger, who was sixth in vault (7.75). Salem had just one other top-six finisher: Ashley Heard, who was fifth in the vault (7.8).

Certainly Drake's absence was a major factor for Salem, which outscored Canton by .65 of a point at the Canton Invitational. Not that either team could challenge the state's best, all whom were present.

The top five teams competed in the 19-team Invitational, and Hartland proved to be the top squad with 145.4 points. Brighton was second (144.2), Rochester Adams was third

(142.75), Rochester took fourth (142.1) and Farmington placed fifth (140.15).

Salem was 10th with a 133.40 score; Canton took 12th with 132.75.

Driscoll, competing in Division II, placed third in floor with a 9.15 total - then injured her hand warming up for her next event, the vault.

"I thought we did pretty good, considering," said Cunningham.

Fitzgerald, competing in Division I, was Canton's best again. She placed 11th in the bars (8.85), tied for 13th in beam with Salem's Drake (9.15) and had a 15th in vault (8.55); her 35.35 all-around score was 12th best.

Salem was paced by Aquinto, who scored a 35.25 in the all-around to finish third in Division II. Aquinto took third in vault (8.95), tied for fourth in beam (9.0), captured ninth in floor (8.95) and placed 14th in bars (8.35).

Drake competed in Division I, scoring 35.30 to finish 13th. She placed in the top-15 in the floor (10th, 9.35) and beam (tied for 13th with Fitzgerald).

Salem hosts Walled Lake at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Canton's Phase III gym; Canton is at Brighton at 7 p.m. Thursday.

# CC, Trenton end in a tie

In a game overshadowed by tragedy Wednesday, the top two ranked prep hockey teams in the state - Redford Catholic Central and Trenton - played to a 4-4 tie at Trenton's Kennedy Arena.

Trenton senior defenseman Kurt LaTarte suffered a severe wound to his neck from the blade of a skate with 4:53 left in the third period, causing an end to the game. LaTarte was rushed to the hospital and later transported

to University of Michigan Trauma Center, where successful surgery was performed.

Trenton, which won the earlier meeting this season 1-0, scored three unanswered goals to rally from a 4-1 deficit and tie the Shamrocks.

The tie left CC at 17-1 overall.

Trenton junior Tony Zancanaro scored two goals, including the game tying tally at 8:47 of the third period, assisted by John Nadzam.

Joe Baker and Brent Ward scored the other Trenton goals.

Scoring goals for the Shamrocks were Erik Hawkins, Jim Spiewak, Brad Holland and David Moss. Pat O'Dea, Todd Bentley, Moss, John Bowers and Spiewak had one assist each.

Picking up assists for Trenton were Andy Greene, Alec Lesko, Justin Jabara, John Hackett and Angelo Petrucco.

But there was nothing to talk about after the game except for the health of LaTarte.

"Things are improving, we'll see, we'll hope," Trenton coach Mike Turner said after the game.

"It was horrible, just horrible," CC coach Gordie St. John said.

# Churchill holds on to beat Glenn

Westland John Glenn put up quite a battle Wednesday, but visiting Livonia Churchill came away with a 15-5, 6-15, 16-14

girls volleyball victory.

Glenn falls to 1-6 in the Western Lakes Activities Association, while Churchill is 18-8-2 overall and 5-3 in the WLA.

Churchill coach Mike Hughes singled out the play of Sarah Hennessey, who played the three different positions - right side, left side and middle hitter.

"It was by far Sarah's best all-around effort of the year," Hughes said. "Glenn played very well, they were very competitive and played superior defense."

Top attackers for the Chargers included Amy Cadovitch (five kills), Shannon Munn (four kills) and Luba Steca (three kills).

Junior middle hitter Nicole

Panyard had five kills and five solo blocks for the Rockets. Jamie McLeod, also a junior middle hitter, added five kills, eight digs and four solo blocks.

Sophomore Holly Deedler recorded four aces. Senior setter Jessica Letourneau had 13 assists, while senior outside hitter Kristen Krohn contributed nine digs and two aces.

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Top hitters included Ann Schewecke and Stephanie Lynch, two kills apiece; Bekah Hoffmeier, Jen Dash and Amanda Sales.

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Attractive SWFPF, 30, social drinker, enjoys snowmobiling, sports, boating, travel. Seeking LTR, fit SWM, 28-35, for LTR. #22262

**VERY EXOTIC**  
Very romantic, sincere, caring, fit, attractive, small SBF, 150lbs, college graduate, enjoys working, outdoor activities, reading, going on outings. Seeking tall, very intelligent, marriage-minded SM, 28+, race unimportant, no games. #21274

**ROMANCE, PASSION...**  
Honesty and laughs are what I have to offer. Smart, beautiful, successful, well educated female, 30s. If you are a successful, kind, sincere doctor. You should call me. #22081

**LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER**  
Attractive SWF, 35, 5'4", black/brown, thin to medium build, seeks attractive, tall, physically fit SWM, 30-40, enjoys the arts, movies, bookstores, road trips, working out, outdoor activities, friends first. LTR. #22052

**TEACH ME**  
Something new  
Attractive SWF, 27, N/S, social drinker, a little heavy, enjoys travel, movies, theater, more, seeks attractive financially/emotionally secure SWM, 28-38, N/S, with similar interests. #21967

**EASY ON THE EYES**  
Keep me laughing and I'm yours. Blue-eyed blonde, 30, 5'6", 118lbs, attractive with a sharp mind and a great sense of humor. Looking for the same. #22638

**BEST FRIEND AND MORE**  
College-educated, financially secure SWF, 32, 5'4", 115lbs, N/S, never married, no kids, seeks sincere, marriage-minded, intelligent, college-educated, financially/emotionally secure gentleman for serious LTR. N/S, no kids preferred. #22452

**READ THIS AD**  
SWF, 32, 5'2", brown/brown, full-figured, likes movies, reading, dancing, birds and writing letters. Seeking a SWM, 32-44, under 5'10" and 250lbs, N/S. #22358

**5'7" AND PRETTY**  
Pretty, fun loving, easygoing, brown-haired, green-eyed girl, 34, medium build, full-figured, wings, quiet nights, seeks more. Seeking confident, average/active SWM, 25-35, with sense of humor. #22086

**SEEKING TALL MAN**  
SWF, 5'6", 126lbs, blonde/blue, nice figure, seeks funny, down-to-earth man, 36-42, strong physique, who can handle the little ups and downs. #22600

**I HATE PICKLES!**  
SWF, 24, 5'3", blonde/blue, enjoys music, movies, just having fun. Seeking confident, average, 23-30, for casual dating, possibly more. Must possess nice smile and friendly eyes. #22690

**FN SEEKS HEALTHY RELATIONS**  
Classy, slender, youthful, playful, intelligent, professional SWF, 5'4", blonde/brown, homeowner, no dependents. Seeking sincere, educated PM, 45+, emotionally/financially secure. Let's meet for coffee and see what happens. #21469

**START WITH COFFEE**  
Widowed WF, 60, 5'1", blonde/blue, N/S, social drinker, financially/emotionally secure, enjoys dining in/out, theater, golf, playing cards. Seeking honest man, 58-64, with good sense of humor, to share the golden years with. #22500

**FABULOUS, FIT AND FITTY**  
Creative, attractive female, sophisticated yet down-to-earth, engaging personality. Seeking degreed professional male, N/S, sense of humor, who's interested in cultural events, dining, travel, home projects, sports, conversation, and quiet moments. #22630

**BEAUTIFUL NATURE LOVER**  
SWF, 44, 5'7", 134lbs, studying alternative medicine, into self growth, woods walking, singing, natural health, laughing, speaking truth, life, I'm spunky, unique, loving. Seeking N/S, good connection SWM, 38-48. #22723

**UNCHAINED MELODY**  
Slim, attractive DWPF, 51, N/S, seeks professional S/DWM, 50-60, 5'10"+, for C&W dancing, rollerblading, hanging out. LTR. #22534

**STARTING OVER**  
Rubenesque SWF, a young 50, 5'7", brown/green, N/S, N/D, seeks SWM, 40-60, N/S, for companionship. LTR. No games. #22533

**MAKE BEAUTIFUL MUSIC**  
DWF, financially secure, professional musician, sexy, classy, blonde/blue, romantic. Seeking an outgoing, secure, college-educated SW/M, 35-50, passion for life, for a possible LTR. #21660

**HUGGABLE & LOVABLE**  
Attractive SFI, 44, 5'3", blonde/blue, medium build, with passion for... seeks kind-hearted SW/M, 40-55, with good sense of humor, who is ready to enjoy life. #22412

**VINTAGE WINE**  
Visionary, dreamer, optimist, music is sweeter shared, slim, blue-eyed, blonde, with distinctive qualities. 5'7", educated, nifty 50s and financially secure. Seeking active, gentleman who is sweet and warm, 40-60. #22089

**FIRST TIME AD**  
DWF, 39, 5'2", 105lbs, blonde/blue, mother of one, enjoys movies, dining in/out, loves to laugh. Seeking attractive, humorous, loving, honest DWM, 38-42, with children/full head of hair, friendship first. LTR. #21897

**HELLO, FRIEND**  
I'm pretty, slender, tall, very intelligent, refined, fun, smoker, 52. Seeking intelligent, tall, articulate, classy, confident, gentleman, 52-55, wanting someone for cozy dinner dates laced with good conversation. #22320

**IN SYNCH**  
Pretty, slender, warm-hearted, humorous sales professional, 117lbs, auburn/brown, seeks educated, tall, sincere, secure guy, 45-57, HW proportionate, with varied interests, who believes in honest communication. No baggage. #22639

**FROM THE HEART**  
Attractive, kind, affectionate, down-to-earth SWF, 28, 5'7", 128lbs, blonde/green, N/S, one child, enjoys running, warm weather, music, biking. Seeking nice, financially secure SWM, 40-55, N/S, to enjoy life together. #22629

**BEST FRIEND**  
Attractive, easygoing, slender SWF, 5'7", 125lbs, blonde/blue, educated, secure, humorous SWM, 38-45, N/S, for life's adventures. North Oakland county. #22594

**LEGGY, SLENDER, & STYLISH**  
Blue-eyed, honey blonde, 40s, 5'6", active, independent, Birmingham resident, looks 30s, intelligent, attractive, seeks professional, witty, fit, handsome, unencumbered, male counterpart, 6+, for romance, adventure. #22538

**YOU'VE GOT MAIL**  
Chemistry-seeking, attractive, family-oriented, emotional/financially secure, blonde SWF, 40, 5'6", with traditional values, good moral, enjoys nights out, quiet evenings at home. Seeking SM for friendship, possible LTR. #22414

**BLUE EYED BLONDE**  
Fun-loving, DWF, 44, blonde/blue, curvy size 14, enjoys movies, walking, dancing, music. Seeking DWM, 40-55, financially stable, with similar interests. Friendship first, possible LTR. #22627

**BEST FRIENDS**  
Attractive, easygoing, humorous DWF, 5'2", 125lb, medium build, auburn/green, enjoys nature, walks, movies, dinner, travel, cooking. Seeking honest, caring, kind SWM, 50-60, who is over the past, ready for possible LTR. #22415

**INTERESTED IN ART?**  
Pretty SWF, early 40s, seeks sincere, sensitive, art-inclined SWM, 40-50, for possible relationship. #22632

**FRIBESTIBLE**  
Intriguing, pretty, passionate DWF, 44, seeks handsome, smart, funny, romantic SWM, 38+, N/S, for great, one-on-one relationship. Are you ready? This could be it! No games, please. #22633

**52 YEAR-OLD ENTREPRENEUR**  
Pretty, successful, humorous, charming, interesting, giving female, 52, enjoys movies, plays, concerts, fine dining, cooking, boating, loves people. Seeking soulmate in successful, sincere WM, 45-75. Please reply. #21182

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**BLUE-EYED BLONDE**  
Young, attractive, fit, 5'7", medium build, seeks down-to-earth, romantic, commitment-minded WM, 45-60, for LTR. #22444

**WAITING FOR LIGHTNING...**  
To strike! An appealing DWF, 50ish, seeks a gentleman, 50-61, to enjoy dancing, dining out, casino, and a good friendship leading to possible relationship. #22445

**DRAWN TO WIDOWERS**  
Really pretty smart, attractive female, 51, reddish, educated, music family, honest, morals, dignity. Interests: sports, dining, traveling, reading, walks. Seeking family-oriented male. #22446

**DELIGHTFUL AND DOWN-TO-EARTH**  
SWF, 39, 5'2", 105lbs, blonde/brown, smoker, social drinker, mother of three, enjoys camping, freetracks, dancing and dining out. Seeking a SW/M, 38-42, with a love for family lifestyle and partnership. All calls answered. #22448

**ANSWER MY AD**  
You'll be going out looking for educated, fun-loving, happening, N/S, gent, 53-58, for wonderful times together. I'm romantic and cook. Seeking considerate, fit, smart, sincere. Please call. #22443

**CLASSY LADY**  
Blonde-haired, blue-eyed, petite SWF, 43, honest, sincere, enjoys dancing, traveling, dining, walks, romantic evenings at home, seeks gentleman, 30-50. #22443

**LITTLE RED**  
Spontaneous SF, 5'3", 130lbs, red/green, smoker, looking for honest relationship with SM who doesn't want to play games. Dark eyes and long hair a plus. #22323

**ARE YOU? I AM...**  
Healthy, happy, spiritually fit and emotionally available. Very attractive, petite SWF, 40ish, N/S, N/D, loves nature, the arts, reading, writing, laughing, hiking, travel, and having good conversations about it. #22629

**LOOKING FOR YOU**  
Easygoing, overweight DWF, 43, 5'10", N/D, enjoys movies, dining, travel, and having good conversations about it. #22629

**PRETTY BLONDE LADY**  
Refined, giving, loving, educated, European-born, young 60ish, 5'2", good figured, N/S, N/D, seeks a SWM, 45-55, for friendship, possible LTR. #22693

**CHRISTIAN MALE**  
Down-to-earth, secure, fun-loving, father of twins, enjoys movies, martial arts, walking. Seeking attractive young woman, 36-43, Must have God first in your life. #22718

**ROMANTIC OUTDOORSMAN**  
Adventurous, humorous, spontaneous DWM, 41, enjoys dining out, theater, and entering out on the town. Seeking WF, 30-45, for possible LTR. #22717

**GEMINIS ONLY**  
Aquarius DWM, 37 (looks 27) 5'10", 165lbs, hazel eyes, seeks beautiful Gemini lady for dating, possible monogamous relationship with right person. #22686

**CARING-SINCERE**  
SWFP, 36, enjoys movies, N/S, enjoys dining-out, movies, outdoors, seeks petite SWF, 30-40, N/S, for serious LTR. #22631

**LOOKING FOR LOVE**  
SWFP, 37, 5'8", 165lb, N/S, enjoys tennis, dining out, movies, trips. Seeking SWF, under 40, medium to full-figured, proportionate, N/S, for friendship, fun and LTR. #22627

**PART-TIME GROWNUP**  
Sincere SWM, 35, 5'9", 180lbs, fit, MBA, fun, positive, attractive, active, seeks fit SWF; mission beaches, travels, friends and fireplaces. All replies answered. #22543

**WORKING MAN SEEKS MS. RIGHT**  
Handsome, rugged, athletic, financially secure, trustworthy, shy SWM, 38, 6'1", 220lbs, has herpes (wants to be honest), seeks old-fashioned, attractive girl. Children ok. LTR's talk. #22454

**VERY ATTRACTIVE**  
SWM, 28, 5'11", 175lbs, brown/blue, very outgoing, professionally employed, seeks attractive SWF, 18-35, HW proportionate. Must be outgoing and enjoy sports. #21904

**SEEKS CONFIDENT, SECURE MAN**  
Pretty, classy, slim, secure, open, hip gal, 5'7", no children, seeks SWPM, average/attractive, trustworthy, emotionally/financially stable, fun, hip guy, 48-52, 5'8"-5'11". No games. You won't be disappointed. #22457

**ITALIAN PRINCESS**  
Fun-loving SWF, 32, 5'8", brown/amber, seeks romantic, energetic, athletic, professional man, 25-35, 5'10"+, for possible serious relationship. #22451

**OUTGOING FEMALE**  
Sensative, social, sincere, humorous, loving, positive, upbeat SWF, 46, medium height/weight, seeks same in man. Call soon. #22139

**TALL, HANDSOME KNIGHT**  
40, 6'3", 190lbs, caring, sensitive, affectionate, sensual, athletic, very intelligent, seeks princess, 30-45, for romance/relationship. You, like myself, love communication, sharing, affection, and are physically fit. Let's talk soon! #22723

**WANTED: BEST FRIEND**  
DWM, 37, 5'10", 170lbs, enjoys outdoors, and being active. Seeking affectionate, fit, loving sweetheart, to share music, travel, dining, and romantic quiet times. Wixom area. #21662

**SINGLE IN DETROIT**  
Honest, down-to-earth SBM, mid-30s, would like to meet special SBF, 25-45, for friendship, possible relationship. I like movies, concerts, special times together. #2286

**NEW TO REDFORD**  
Tall, affectionate, attractive SWM, 28, 6'5", 240lbs, brown/blue, nice physique, enjoys working out, cooking, outdoor sports, movies, music. Seeking SWF, 21-35, looks important, for companionship and fun times together. #22266

**SOMEONE SPECIAL**  
SWM, 28, 5'11", 200lbs, dark blonde/blue, likes long walks, cuddling with someone special. Seeking SWF, 23-30, who likes the same and more, for relationship. #22502

**SINCERE, EASYGOING**  
Handsome, degreed, humorous, reliable SWM, 40, 5'8", seeks slim, attractive SWF who enjoys theater, symphony, cultural events, week end getaways, dining out, long walks, opera, romance. #21710

**VERY PERSISTENT**  
Attractively intelligent, financially/emotionally secure SWM, 37, 5'2", 215lb, seeks an attractive, emotionally secure, open-minded, and confident SWF, 25+, 5'2"-5'8", LTR. #22463

**YOUR SMILE WILL...**  
start my days, and fill my nights. SWM - father of one. Seeking active, fit, shape SBF, who has a great laugh and smile. Must be honest, well educated, love children. Novi area. #21899

**RED OR WHITE?**  
Dashing auto executive, 45, wants to send countless kisses to a lovely companion. A cute, trim, happy lady with no dependents, and lots of values. #22722

**CAN I HAVE THIS DANCE...**  
For the rest of my life? Attractive SWF, 41, never married, no kids, seeks fit SWF, 32-38, for friendship first, then hopefully a lifetime. #22719

**LOOKING FOR FUN**  
Financially secure SWFP, 33, 5'10", 165lb, hazel eyes, snowmobiling, and beaches. Seeking tall, trim SWF, 23-29, with whom to share fun times and travel. #22636

**NEW ON THE SCENE**  
Handsome, athletic, humorous, athletic, loving, petite SWM, 38, 6', 180lbs, never married, seeks attractive woman with good values, for dating, dining, sports, possible LTR. Please call. #22176

**SEEKING AN ANGEL**  
Attractive SWPM, 36, 5'8", N/S, N/D, financially stable, never married, no dependents, enjoys a variety of activities. Seeking SWF, similar qualities, for friendship, possible LTR. #22173

**FUN GUY**  
SWM, 27, 5'10", average weight, 165lbs, hazel eyes, enjoys music, tv, skiing, boating, bowling. Seeking SF for fun, conversation, dating, possible relationship. Fun unimportant. #22599

**COWBOY HIPPIE**  
Honest, easygoing, nice-looking DWM, 6', 170lbs, seeks honest, sweet, kind, slender female, 25-40, for LTR. #22688

**HANDSOME, KIND TEACHER**  
SWM, 46, 6', 200lbs, long hair, with full-time, wonderful, 10 year-old daughter. Plays guitar and loves Northern Michigan. Seeking SF. #22635

**3 LOT TO OFFER**  
Humorous, yet intellectual, outgoing, active SWM, 40, 5'10", 190lbs, enjoys outdoor activities, reading, writing, theater, and movies. Seeking N/S, friendly, outgoing, S/DWF, 35-45, petite to medium build, for possible relationship. #22538

**RELATE THAT'S A DATE**  
Slim, sensual, spiritual, successful SWM, 46, 5'9", 162lb, seeks relationship-oriented SF, 30-45, who enjoys Borders, Royal Oak, art films, dance clubs, delis to Middle Eastern cuisine, jazz, classical, contemporary music. #22177

**NO CLEVER AD**  
Outgoing DWM, mid-50s, seeks kind-hearted lady, for LTR. Will answer all. #22628

**NEW TO THIS**  
Active, self-employed, athletic, funny SWM, 34, seeks outgoing, attractive SWF, 27-33, for LTR. #22540

**DOES DEMURE APPEARANCE...**  
mash your kind, sensual 30+ SWM, 40, 6'1", 190lb, athletic, sincere, romantic, thoughtful. Seeking very slim, trim, Spice Girl type who enjoys romantic getaways, theater, family/friends, for possible LTR. #22501

**RARE FIND**  
Trim, handsome SWPM, 39, 5'10", 170lbs, great shape, custodial dad of 12-year-old son, enjoys volleyball, outdoors, rock music, dancing, biking. Seeking slender, attractive, independent female, with similar interests. #22818

**TREASURE UNCLAIMED!!!**  
Caring, playful, exceptional, practical, tall, handsome SWPM, 40-ish, dark blonde/large blue, seeks attractive, slim SWF, under 45, N/S, with similar qualities, who's seriously interested in a relationship. See you soon. #22554

**NORTH OAKLAND AREA**  
Caring, personable, blonde, widowed WF, 55, 5'8", sense of humor, nice smile, seeks SM. As for looks, trust your instincts. Call me. First time ad. #22595

**PEACEFUL WARRIOR**  
Handsome spiritually evolved, intelligent, creative, adventurous, sensual SWM, passionate about life, energized by love, kindness, awareness. Seeking woman of substance, beautiful inside and out, for romantic relationship. #22596

**DAD SEEKS MOM**  
Active, fit, financially secure, clean-cut DWM, 51, 5'7", 150lbs, father, loves kids, has two, wants to be part of a family. Seeking mom. #22597

**HONEST AND SINCERE**  
Attractive, financially/emotionally secure, degreed, physically fit SWM, 56, 5'9", 150lbs, N/S, social drinker, enjoys movies, concerts, theater, spectator sports, seeks attractive, young female, 36-49, for possible LTR. Must have God first. #22442

**HANDSOME & OUTGOING**  
Outgoing, charming, funny, very attractive SWM, 24, 5'10", 160lbs, seeks fun-loving female in Canton area. #22417

**VERY PERSISTENT**  
Caring, affectionate, loving DWM, 22, 5'7", loves late activities, skiing, movies, and quality times together. Seeking petite, blonde/blue, N/S, never married, with good sense of humor. Appreciates class/style, humor, and small animals. For LTR. No games. #22267

**SEARCHING FOR THE ONE**  
Good-looking, honest, intelligent SWCM, 44, 5'10", 165lbs, blonde/blue, N/S, never married, with good sense of humor. Appreciates class/style, humor, and small animals. For LTR. No games. #22267

**SEEKING TRUE LOVE**  
Down-to-earth, intelligent, personable, honest, very giving, honest SWM, 35, physically fit, knows how to treat a lady, loves kids. Seeking slim, soft, feminine, sweet-hearted SWF/AE/BBMate. For monogamous LTR. #21714

**FIRST TIME AD**  
Good-looking, physically fit, Italian nice guy, 40, seeks pretty, slender, secure Caucasian, Hispanic partner, 30-40, for friendship, intimacy and fun. #22535

**SEEKING MEDIUM-BUILT WOMAN**  
Sincere, caring DWM, 40, 5'9", 170lbs, seeking medium-built, tall, sincere, understanding SWF, 35+, N/D, sense of humor, who likes to take nice walks at night, sunsets, the outdoors, movies, cooking. #1993

**FIRST TIME AD**  
Degreed, fit, caring, sensitive, sincere, handy SWPM, 43, 5'11", 160lbs, likes the outdoors, dining, sports, seeks degreed, slender SWPF, 38-43, with similar interests/qualities. #22354

**ROY ROGERS SEEKS DAVE EVANS**  
Horseman seeks horsewoman. SWM, 42, 6', 230lbs, beard, vegetarian, N/S, loves horses, animals, canoeing, nature, poetry. Looking for fun, romance, adventure. I'm open, humorous, sincere, down-to-earth. #22265

**ONE-WOMAN MAN**  
Good-looking, professional DWM, N/S, enjoys golf, movies, and cruising. Seeking female, 35-47, N/S, for possible relationship. #21715

**AFFECTIONATE**  
Kind, caring, loving, easygoing SWM, 31, 5'8", medium build, dark brown/blue, N/S, social drinker, whose interests include bowling, boating, cooking, camping, snowmobiling; seeks female, 18-35. Kids ok. #22261

**MAN FOR ALL SEASONS**  
Open-minded, warm-hearted, full-time father of gorgeous little girl, seeks warm-hearted female, 30ish, with a smile to fill our day, to share lakes, travel, snowmobiling, and workouts. Novi. #22360

**SMOKER WANTING TO QUIT**  
Warm, attractive, attentive, clean-cut, self-employed SWM, 25, 5'9", 155lbs, medium build, brown/blue, seeks playful, warm, attractive, petite SWF, 23-30, with career goals, for LTR. #22507

**IN YOUR EYES...**  
I find someone special. DWM, 41, 190lbs, fit, short brown hair, brown, nice guy, enjoys bike riding, ice skating, humor, music, movies, art. Seeking fit SWF to share experiences. #22505

**PLAY WITH ME**  
Fun to play with, you might become attached, lovable, affectionate, DWM, 47, 5'11", you can take me for walks, or show to your friends, college degree, papers available upon request. #21107

**SINGLE IN LIVONIA**  
Attractive, financially secure DWM, 46, 5'11", 185lbs, brown/blue, moustache, N/S, light drinker, enjoys dancing, movies, music of 60s. Seeking active, slender, honest SWF, 38-50, who's emotionally ready for LTR. #22724

**GREAT HUGGER/KISSER**  
Spiritual, tall, dark, handsome DWM, 50, looks younger, 5'11", 185lbs, hair, moustache, plays tennis, works out, homeowner, seeks honest, fit WF under 50. #22593

**HUMOROUS**  
Fun-loving SWM, 42, 6'2", 195lbs, blond/hazel, good listener, likes kids, travel, water sports, rock music. Seeks WF, 30-45, for relationship. #22637

**FIRST TIME AD**  
SM, 42, 5'11", 245lbs+, blonde/blue, moustache, seeks a woman, 28-42, 100-160lbs, who looks good in jeans or a dress and is honest. Meet me halfway! #22359

**COMPANION NEEDED**  
Kind-hearted DWPM, 42,



RECREATION & BOWLING

# Tax contribution aids state wildlife

It is very heartening to learn that Michigan tax payers contributed a record amount of money last year to the Nongame Fish and Wildlife Fund.

Last year over 55,000 contributors gave \$735,000. That is 25 percent more than contributions received during the previous year.

Establishing a new record amount of money received means that people are still interested in helping wildlife.

Throughout the years the Nongame Fish and Wildlife Fund has been in existence, people have learned that their money is reaping results.

Without money from this fund, researchers would not be able to manage some of the following projects:

■ The Kirtland's warbler, a small songbird whose nesting is unique to Michigan, were recorded in record numbers this past census.

Due to the efforts of past researchers like Dr. Nicholas Cuthbert and Harold Mayfield, researchers today are putting their findings into practice.

They have successfully learned the requirements of this species and with money from the fund they have been able to control the habitat to the benefit of the Kirtland's warbler.

■ People around the world are concerned about the decline in amphibian populations. Some species have not been seen since the early 1980s. One research study showed that ultraviolet rays can kill the embryos in developing eggs.

## Entry deadline extended for designed Osprey logo

The Feb. 1 deadline for entries in the osprey logo design contest has been extended to March 1. Young artists between the ages of 12 and 18 are encouraged to submit entries of a logo that symbolizes the effort to re-introduce osprey to the area.

In a joint effort between the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority and the Detroit Zoo, four osprey chicks were released in Kensington Metropark last summer. The hope is that these raptors will return to the area to nest and raise their young in a couple years when they reach maturity.

More chicks will be brought into Kensington over the next two summers in an attempt to re-establish wild nesting populations in the park.

The winning design will be used in a variety of ways including use on printed material as well as t-shirts.

Designs should be done on an 8 1/2" by 11-inch unlined piece of paper. A clever title, such as "Osprey Return," can be included with the logo.

Entries must be received by March 1. Send entries to: Osprey Contest, DNR Natural Heritage Program, P.O. Box 30444, Lansing, MI 48909-7994. Be sure to include your name, address and phone number.

**Nongame Wildlife Fund**

Between ice fishing, rabbit hunting, searching for shed antlers and visiting all the outdoor shows in the area many people are also thinking about those dreaded tax returns.

While musing over your tax forms take a moment to consider making a small donation to the Nongame Fish and Wildlife Fund.

While game animals and fish like deer, turkey, salmon and trout receive much assistance from hunting and fishing license

Recently, a fungus has been found to cause death in some frogs. Michigan is now monitoring the populations of frogs throughout the state by means of a volunteer based census system, coordinated by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Money from the Nongame fund helps manage that project.

■ Trumpeter swans are now in the state of Michigan thanks to moneys from the Nongame fund. About 140 swans are now in the state.

Successful nesting recently occurred in Seney National Wildlife Refuge in the Upper Peninsula. More swans will be introduced to the AuSable River this summer.

Thanks to the fund, Michigan now has the heaviest flying bird and a bird that was once native to this area.

■ Due to the research of dedicated scientists, the necessary requirements of a few endangered species have been identified.

This then allows them to manipulate the species so that they can be reintroduced to the wild.

The peregrine falcon is a perfect example. Once extirpated from the eastern states, the peregrine has made a remarkable comeback.

Reintroduced birds are nesting in downtown Detroit. One pair has fledged 19 young birds during the last few years.

These are just a few of the many projects that are supported by the Nongame Fish and Wildlife Fund contributions.

When you return your Michigan taxes, consider checking off a contribution at the loon symbol.

The money you contribute is supporting all kinds of wildlife.

NATURE NOTES



TIM NOWICKI

# Valentine's Day brings many love connections

Today is Valentine's Day and love is in the air.

In tennis, love means nothing. But in bowling, it's boy meets girl, they go bowling together, they fall in love. Finally they wed and live happily ever after.

It is true in many instances that couples who bowl together stay together.

There has been a significant increase in the number of mixed leagues. While total league participation is down, the coed numbers are up.

This is partly due to the advent of every-other Saturday leagues (or Sunday) which only call for half the commitment for a season as weekly leagues, still leaving many weekends open for other activities.

The weekend moonlight doubles has long been popular for those out on a date and looking for a fun-filled night out, or old married couples getting together with their bowling friends.

If the sport of bowling were to be analyzed, it would turn out to have a lot of social impact.

A means of meeting new people with similar interests, and of course a chance to meet someone of the opposite sex. Many happily married couples first met on the lanes.

One such couple is Dick and Geri Beattie, who first met at Crown Lanes in Detroit in 1968.

They dated and went to a lot of Detroit Tigers games that year as it was a World Series championship team.

Married in 1971, they have

both distinguished themselves in competition and became the only couple ever to be inducted together in the Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame.

Bob and Gloria Mertz of Redford have been married for nearly fifty years and have been bowling steadily all that time. Their daughter, Cheryl, married Tony Stipcak in 1980 and these two Redford residents are standout bowlers in the men's and ladies All-Star leagues.

Carol Ferguson and Mark Konopatzki of Garden City are engaged to be married on March 19. Although they went together as school kids, they did not get serious until they became reunited at Garden Lanes.

Carol is one of the leading bowlers in the All-Star Bowlerettes at Cloverlanes and Mark is an excellent bowler as well.

Robin and Rich White did not meet on the lanes but Rich did propose to Robin by sending the message via the overhead score monitors.

Zoe Ann and Julius Maisano met through bowling, both at the All-Star level in men's and ladies competition.

One true test of love can be through longevity.

For Harry and Helen Greenlee of Farmington, they bowled together for a good part of their seventy-plus years of wedded bliss.

They were childhood sweethearts who not only have been together all these years, they kept the romance up, always holding hands wherever they went.

Now Helen is gone, having passed away at Christmas. Harry, in his nineties, continues to bowl with the Senior Wing-Dinglers at Country Lanes.

Anthony and Connie Thomas just got married over the holidays. Both bowl in the Hartford Memorial league at Plum Hollow Lanes. Apparently married life agrees with Tony as he rolled his first 300 game last week.

Colleen is a waitress at Bowl One Lanes in Troy. One day Joe Raona asked Mary Jane Pool, day manager to introduce him to her while he bowled in the morning league.

They met, dated and last April were married. Now they bowl together on Saturday nights in a Bowl One mixed league.

Char Watt met Ron Stephens at Bowl One during a moonlight doubles twenty eight years ago. A year later they were wed and have been bowling happily ever after.

Eileen Black was running a singles league at Thunderbird Lanes in Troy when she met Lyle Hnidy as he signed up to join the league in 1992.

They began dating and got married two years later. They are now bowling together in the Sunday Strikes & Spires league mixed league at Thunderbird.

If you are single and looking, join a bowling league.

■ Sometimes in league bowling, you come up against a team that is really hot, and it is just your luck to have them as an opponent.

I wonder how the opposite team reacted last week in the Friday Nite Invitational at Town 'n Country Lanes when this team shot a one game score of 1,358. It was Bob Pittaway with 277, Don Jewell and Pat Engebretson at 267, Gary Duarard 279 and Aaron Staples at 268.

Their three game series was 3,683.



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- PLAZA LANES (Plymouth)**  
 Pownhouse Men: Clarence McClea, 257.  
 Burroughs Men: Manny Gais, 257; Rich Barker, 254; Jim Morrell, 268/688.  
 Waterford Men: Mike Sockow, 267-278-185/730; Bruce Lauber, 257; Dave Wegman, 242-257-215/715; Tom Wegman, 255; Bob Johnson, 257; John Schefer, 267; Dave Bauman, 254; Chuck Morris, 277; Joe Ranusch, 267.  
 St. Colette's Men: Mark Jensen, 279/703; Dave Poma, 267; Larry Trainer, 266/693; Dave Croil, 289.  
 Sheldon Road Men: Larry Minehart, 226-298-244/768.  
 Plaza Men: Jon Rowe, 257/707; Larry Mink Hart Jr, 263; Larry Gawlik, 269/697; Mark Johnson, 244/722; Dave Smyczynski, 269; Gary Anania, 265.  
**SUPER BOWL (Canton)**  
 Youth Leagues (Thursday Junior/Majors): Brian Stack, 243/596.  
 Thursday Preps: Jessica Wampler, 111; Chris Kurka, 134; Tina Willis, 127.  
 Friday Juniors: John Lenover, 186.  
 Friday Preps: Danielle Reinhart, 131; Blake Butkovich, 161; Danielle Wrenn, 120.  
 Friday Majors: Dave Jacobs, 245/658; Tim Moncrief, 224/552; Brianna Harcourt, 192/501.  
 Saturday 9 a.m. Preps: Matt Uciniski, 180; Lindsey Bennett, 149.  
 Saturday 9 a.m. Juniors: Todd Schernakoff, 244/589; Steve Jacobs, 202/522.  
 Saturday 9 a.m. Majors: Tony Vitale, 240/620; Ken Bazman, 228/577; Leon Walter, 234/623; Derek Vermeulen, 239/645; Matt McCaffrey, 216/502.  
**WONDERLAND LANES (Livonia)**  
 Nite Owls: Tom Deog, 253/677; Anthony Young, 266; Nate Shields, 244/650.  
 Classic: Mike Surdyk, 289/784; Bryan Mack, 279/789; Phil Horowitz, 279/758; Ross Moore, 268/737; John Kohler, 289/734; Bob Wilcox, 277/733.  
 Motor City Mens Early: Bob Copclac Jr, 276/633; Larry Zube, 679; Tom Small, 672; Jon Curtis, 667.  
 Westside Senior Men: Floyd Morris, 213/686; Joe Torey, 238/681; Dan Grutter, 219/623; Bill Fife, 214/601; Dick Kleib, 248/599; Don Hochstadt, 233/599.  
 St. Pauls Presbyterian: Danielle Lapord, 279/683.  
**CLOVERLANES (Livonia)**  
 Kings-Queens: Tom Cox, 266/637.  
 Feltz's Thursday Night: Chuck O'Rourke, 247/704; Wayne Walters, 268/674; Larry Frank, 686; Dave Diomed, 259.  
 All-Star Bowlerettes: Jeanne Gebbia, 279/704; Pety Wray, 268/731; Missy Sullivan, 267/684; Lisa McClennan, 256/694; JoAnn Carter, 255; Cheryl Stipcak, 247/680; Angela Witt, 279.  
**WOODLAND LANES (Livonia)**  
 Local 182 Retirees: Bob Monie, 256; Joe Eadeh, 205; Bill Kappen, 242.  
 LEA Mixed: Mike Howard, 254.  
 Ford Parts Dept: Don Jordan, 290/733; Bob Dougherty, 267/726; Dennis Weatherford, 674; Jim Kilian, 670; Chuck Sturgis, 690; Ken Jacobs, 655.  
 Jacks & Jills: Chuck Estora, 682; Carrie Shaw, 243/562.  
 Morning Stars: Donna Herrin, 223-223, 226/672; Shirley Steele, 213; Roxanna Mueller, 218.  
 Men's Trio: Mark Howes, 738; Rick Capaldi, 713; Rick Jones, 683; Steve Hubble, 682.  
 Early Birds: Sally Van Atta, 203; Judy Porter, 514; Beth Sammut, 523.  
 Allstate Ladies: Eve Davis, 246; Leslie Peterson, 224.  
 Livonia Elms: Rod Cox, 268.  
 Thursday Night Men: Mike Travis, 268/773; Steve Wiczorek, 278/709; John Barstow, 237/665; Ron Lintz, 245/642.  
 Senior House (Premium Bowling Products): Gerald Brown, 269/711; Darren Kolt, 279/717; Dave Norwick, 267/709; Mark Papp, 258/712; Brian Gross, 278/757.  
 Midnights: Evans Brown, 269/716; Tim Mielcinski, 257/652; Mike Zielinski, 229.  
 Gay 90s (seniors): Chuck Simpson, 211; Harry Omedian, 225; Norm Renaud, 201; John Kilbourne, 205/565.  
 Saturday Youth (Rangers): Dan Lisinski, 264/623.  
 Monday Specials: George Gundlach, 211; Ted Manilla, 205; Fran Edington, 205.  
 Woodland Swinging Seniors: Jim Meloche, 233.  
 G & G Auto: Mike Hitchcock, 279/745.  
**MERRI BOWL (Livonia)**  
 Wednesday Toast & Coffee: Shellie Dundas, 214/545; Kim Eller, 208/527; Lillian Smith, 208/518; Beth Carpenter, 210/527; Diane Krupinski, 216-207/558.  
 Senior Merry Bowlers: Joe Kubinec, 212/596; Carmen Leggett, 255-203/616; Jack Hauswirth, 220-205/597.  
 Newburg Ladies: Darlene Jablonski, 218; John Smith, 195; Maureen Cirico, 194; Alice Kolarov, 193; Kathy Teltow, 191.  
 Early Risers: Diane Jaquinta, 217; Ann Michalski, 200/513; Cathy Truszkowski, 231; 235/647; Jean Snyder, 522; Cheryl Stone, 503.  
 Youth Leagues (Pin Busters): Jonathan Cia, ramito, 142.  
 Pin Heads: Jon Krajewski, 215/557; Nate Hinton, 668; Dave Heikkinen, 214.  
 Parent/Child: Jessica Cichon, 243/641; Marty Clark, 165.  
 Gutter Dusters: Giordani McDonald, 170; Gabby Vezzo, 131.  
 Strikes & Spires: Brandon Mound, 245; Kristen Richards, 185.  
 Pupal Pros: Brian Adams, 246; Matt Boeh, 256; Pat Smith, 229.  
**TOWN 'N COUNTRY LANES (Westland)**  
 Airlines: Fred Novakovich, 279; Larry Edwards, 268; Leon Smith Jr, 259/701; Dick Cockerill, 724; Al Cariveau, 710.  
 Thursday Gals: Cindy Burne, 245/628; Pat McNellis, 243; Vicki Dean, 233/595; Tami Wilbur, 609.  
 Westside Proprietors Travel: Murray Hale, 300.  
 Intercity Mixed: Mark Brzozowski, 300.  
**WESTLAND BOWL**  
 Sunday Sleepers: Rich Trullard, 279/782; Shawn Arbogast, 257/754; Pat Agius, 279/750; Troy Lindon, 269/706; Bud Clifton, 278/717; Joseph D. Cornell, 269/701.  
 Twin Parrish: Bill Jacobs, 275 (98 pins o/a); 629; Chris Klintzinski, 300; Rich Clark, 300.  
 St. Mel's Men: John Kososki, 233/682; James Coles, 254/650; Earl Auty, 247/652; John Auty, 242/643; Barry Vess, 246/643.  
**GARDEN LANES (Garden City)**  
 St. Linus Classic: Dave Clark, 251-2320-257/744; Mark Gorno, 200-265-246/711; John Adomitis, 232-236-236/704; Brian Jenca, 253-244/695; Matt Dailey, 237-225-231/693; Matt Moskai, 214-235-221/670.  
**FLOWER LANES (Redford)**  
 Monday Seniors: Tim McCarty, 247-300/715; Hank Pearson, 279/730; Cass Fogda, 239-236/699; Jesse MacClococ, 279/688; Jack Dahlstrom, 267/671; Norb Giczewski, 258/668.  
 Good Neighbors: Gloria Mertz, 532.  
 Wednesday Senior Men's Classic: Rich Zacheranik, 238-257-193/688; Tony Wolak, 256-213/662; Joe Pawlowski, 222-234/644; Al Thompson, 269-219/669; Ed Dudek, 254-237/681; Tony Ballarta, 257/621.  
**REDFORD BOWL**  
 Suburban Proprietor Travel (men): John Hurley, 259/593; Bob Gratrix, 258/619; Mark Voight, 244/697; Dave Richardson, 236/598; Greg Gunton, 225/610.  
 Suburban Proprietor Travel (ladies): Janet Dearing, 263/639; Bernice Anthony, 210/572; Viv Waldrep, 198; Marva Bridges, 194.

PRO TIP OF THE WEEK

## All-Star bowler Moore offers advice on buying right ball

Planning to buy a new ball? Here's a rundown by Mark Moore of DiLaura Bros. Bowling Supply, one of the nation's leading bowling equipment distributors.

Mark is also a top-notch All-Star bowler himself. He averages in the 220s, has rolled twenty-one 300 games and eleven 800 series.

Every ball-maker has a more popular priced line for beginners and intermediates. Many of these balls will be priced in the lower range.

This would include a good urethane ball such as the Black Shadow by Columbia or the Ebonite Gyro line with three different varieties of the Brunswick Blitz.

Storm has the Purple Flame and the Claw Hammer is new by Faball. These are all very good balls which will last a long time and perform well.

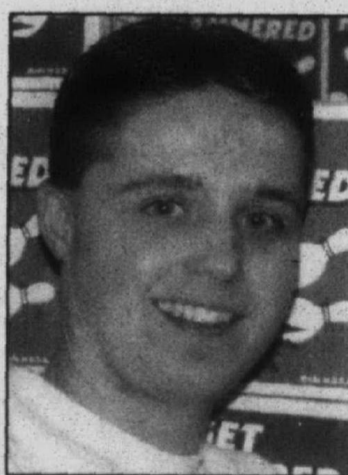
For kids, there are good buys on polyester balls, the Target Zones, Maxims and White Dots. They're sold at lower prices.

For the better casual bowler, Mark recommends mid-priced range reactive resin balls, which would include the Ebonite Rip Tide and their cat line of the Jaguar, Cougar and Puma.

Columbia has the Red Beast and Purple Pearl Beast. Brunswick has just come out with the Power Blitz in purple or blue pearl. Storm Products has the Meteor Storm and the Lightning Storm in this range.

These mid-range balls are very good for the once or twice a week bowlers or those with a limited budget. They are also a good conditional ball for more advanced bowlers.

Balls now are very conditional and vary from game style to game style. That is why the pro shop is so important. Pros



Mark Moore DiLaura Brothers Bowling Supply

know how to best match a ball to the individual bowler.

At the top end there have been plenty of new balls recently - the Sledge Hammer from Faball (they had this name copyrighted for five years waiting for a ball) with their reactive mica cover.

This ball has been selling very well. It is very good for the high performance ball, gets through the mid-lane very well, rolls heavy hits hard.

Ebonite now has the Tombstone which was developed off the Rip Tide. It is a pro reactive coverstock.

Columbia's Surge just came. It is a superflex resin with mica in it. The field tests have been very good on this one. It is another ball designed to hook strong in the mid lane. This results in a more even reaction for the better bowlers.

Storm has come out with the El Nino in the last few months, now its best-selling ball. It is now coming out with the El Nino Wrath, a modified pearlized version.

Brunswick, of course, has the ever popular proactive Zone

Pro Azure and Zone Pro Teal and has added the Zone Pro Deep Violet. The Violet will go longer with a late break.

Track, Inc. has the new TKO Punch coming out. It is better than its own Triton Elite and the TKO's. It has a modified two-piece core, a little different from most and closer to the Quantum with its mushroom shaped block.

AMF has had a lot of success with the Night Hawk, a very aggressive ball for the better players, and will have a pearlized version in March.

The MJ Slam (one guess as to what MJ stands for) is a lower cost high end ball. Michael Jordan is now promoting AMF products.

This ball represents Michael Jordan's recent commitment to bowling, while the Zone Pros, El Ninos, Sledge Hammers, etc., sell at the high-end range.

Is there a \$300 ball? Yes, the Imperial Quantum from Brunswick with a suggested retail of \$299 (which includes drilling).

For most control ability, the Zone Pros stand out. A lot has to do with how the ball is drilled (see last week's Pro Tips for Lou Ivancik on that subject).

Mark cautions to not get a ball that is too much for you to handle. That again is where the pro shop owner comes in.

As to why some of these balls cost so much, it is due to the very sophisticated cover stocks and weight blocks.

The Zone pros with the pro active shell have been the hottest so far this year. El Nino has run a close second, but all of them are selling well.

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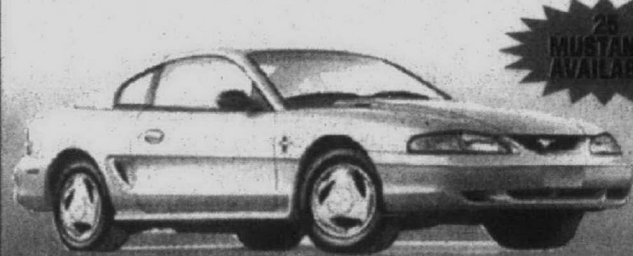
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