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## THE WEEK AHEAD

**Poetry Sunday:** The Plymouth District Library hosts a "Double Bill of Poetry" 2 p.m. today and 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, as part of the Favorite Poem Project to create an audio and video poem archive.

**Sunday:** The Johnny Trudell Big Band honors Stan Kenton's music in a 3 p.m. concert at Clarenceville High School, 20155 Middlebelt, Livonia. Tickets are \$15; call (248) 474-2720, (248) 437-9468 or (248) 473-8933.

## TUESDAY

**Township:** The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees meets 7:30 p.m. at the offices, 32450 Ann Arbor Road.

## THURSDAY

**Chamber mixer:** The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce celebrates the grand opening of Missi's restaurant, 545 Forest, from 8-9 a.m. during its monthly fourth Thursday membership coffee. RSVP by calling 453-1540.

## WEEKEND

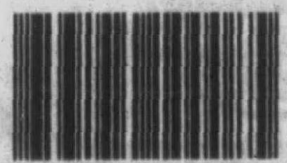
**Sound of Music:** The Plymouth Theatre Guild premieres its latest production, "The Sound of Music," at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 6 p.m. Sunday at the Water Tower Theater in Northville. Tickets are \$12 at the door or \$11 in advance. Call (248) 349-7110.

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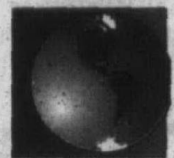
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## Space Camp countdown: 7 days



Every fifth-grader in the Plymouth-Canton School District will go to U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Titusville, Fla. The district is one of three chosen thanks to an anonymous \$2.5 million donation.

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
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Students and teachers at Isbister Elementary in Plymouth Township are flying high.

Fifth-graders and their teachers at Isbister will be the first of Plymouth-Canton's 14 elementary schools who will embark on free trips this year to the U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Titusville, Fla.

Benefactors, who want to remain anonymous, are picking up the \$2.5 million cost to allow every fifth-grade student in the Plymouth-Canton, Van Buren and Taylor school districts to attend the Space Camp.

Students were told Wednesday they will be leaving March 7, and Isbister has been abuzz ever since.

"At first I thought the teachers were joking," said Michael Thorpe, 10, of Canton. "Then I realized this was real-

ity."  
"I've wanted to go there for a long time, but my parents said it cost a lot of money," said Nathan Aubert, 11, of Plymouth. "Everybody was just screaming when we were told we could go for free."

The fifth-grade teachers at Isbister are just as excited as the kids.

"The noise and cheering when we told them was incredible," said teacher Linda Guenzel. "It's an unbelievable feeling that someone would be so gracious to donate an opportunity many wouldn't otherwise be able to have."

"The response from the children has been overwhelming," added teacher Jeff Quatro. "We're probably looking at

a 99 percent participation rate. It's just incredible."

The old adage "nothing in life is free" had some parents, including Lisa Dietz, a bit skeptical at first.

"They came running in the door yelling 'can we go, can we go?'" said Dietz, whose twins, Brad and Melissa, will be attending the camp. "We had to look at the papers to make sure it was true."

The money will be funneled through the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency, which has worked with local business in the past in handing out 50 scholarships a year to the

Please see **COUNTDOWN**, A2



**Dad charged:** The father in the sexual abuse case hides his face as he is led from 35th District Court following a preliminary hearing Friday.

## Dad faces more charges in alleged sex assault of girls

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■ The father has also been charged with third-degree criminal sexual conduct... in a separate case in which he's charged with having sex with a girlfriend of both his daughters.

A Plymouth couple, charged with sexually abusing their own daughters, as well as other children, waived their preliminary exams in 35th District Court in Plymouth Friday afternoon.

Both are being held in the Wayne County jail in lieu of \$950,000 cash bond while awaiting trial in circuit court, and could face up to life in prison if convicted of the charges.

When each was asked several questions by Judge John MacDonald

whether they understood the charges, each responded with simple "yes" and "no" answers.

The 44-year-old father, a bearded man dressed in blue jeans, dark blue shirt and walking shoes with no laces, stood motionless as the prosecution added additional charges to those he already faced.

Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Daniel Less



**Mom charged:** The mother in the sexual abuse case is led from 35th District Court following a preliminary hearing Friday.

added two additional counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct, as well as two counts of third-degree criminal sexual conduct, in the assaults of the daughters. During his arraignment Feb. 5, the father was charged with two counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct, and two counts of sexual abusive activity.

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## Flasher suspect is competent

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
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A Canton Township man who is charged with indecent exposure for exposing himself to children at the Plymouth District Library and leaving lewd photos of himself around town has been found competent to stand trial.

Randall Horace, 36, also waived his right to a preliminary exam in 35th District Court in front of Judge John MacDonald. He remains jailed without bond until his trial in circuit court.

At the hearing, Plymouth police added charges of exposure, being a sexually delinquent person, and habitual offender to the original four counts of indecent exposure which were levied after his arrest last October.

At the time of his arrest, Plymouth Detective Sgt. Steve Hundersmarck said Horace admitted to exposing himself at the library, confessing "I just

Please see **COMPETENT**, A2



**On trial:** Randall Horace (left) is found competent to stand trial for allegedly leaving lewd photos of himself around town.

## Applebee's, Papa Vino's eye Haggerty development

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Architectural drawings of the Don Massey-owned land at the corner of Ann Arbor Road and Haggerty were released last Friday and provided some more detail as to what developers have in mind for the future of the site.

The renderings called for a 340-unit condominium complex off of Haggerty Road and four restaurant/office buildings that face Ann Arbor Road.

The complex wraps around the Bill Knapp's Restaurant that already exists on the corner.

A public hearing to discuss the development is scheduled for 7 p.m. March 10 at township hall.

According to the preliminary site plans, the four restaurant/office sites will front Ann Arbor Road with all parking to the side and rear of the buildings.

Much of the existing trees will be used as a buffer between the rear of the restaurant/office development and the condominium complex that will be built to the north as well as between the entire complex and the existing homes that surround the site.

"The plans call for a 90-foot area between the commercial development and the condominiums," said Jim Anulewicz, municipal services director for Plymouth Township. "And there will be landscaping and the preservation of the wooded area at the northern portion between the condos and the existing single-family residential homes to the north and west."

Applebee's and Papa Vino's are two of the restaurants rumored to be part of the development, but no commitments have been made. The developers of the project, Grand/Sakwa Properties, also developed the shopping complex at Haggerty and Six Mile in Northville that includes an Applebee's and Papa Vino's restaurant.

"They will be Papa Vino's or higher," said Anulewicz in regards to the quality of the planned restaurants. "Nothing below that. And no fast food."

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## Sewer work begins Monday in downtown

The city of Plymouth begins a sanitary sewer rehabilitation project on Monday. This project will clean, televise and then insert a plastic liner into existing sanitary sewers at 10 locations around the city.

The project is under the direction of the Department of Municipal Services. Project engineers are Wade-Trim and Associates and the contractor is Liqui-Force. Digging is not part of this project.

According to Acting City Manager Paul Sincok, "the contractor will use a chemical process that will literally form a new plastic pipe inside the old pipe." All work will be done at existing manhole locations with material pumped from manhole to manhole.

Residents in the affected areas will be asked to limit water use for approximately a 12-hour period to allow crews to complete their work. Affected residents will be notified by hand-delivered informational fliers. The areas that will be affected by the sewer lining program include:

- Main, south of Wing;
- Main, north of Burroughs;
- Penniman parking lot, north of Fralick;
- Arthur, south of Junction to just south of Blanche;
- Church, west of Harvey;
- Union, between Mill and Holbrook;
- Ann Arbor Trail, just east of Mill;
- Mill, just north of Ann Arbor Trail;
- North Evergreen, Junction to Farmer;
- Ann Arbor Trail, Union to Elizabeth.

# Educators: Proposal A cuts sting

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Taxpayers have yet to see the full impact of Proposal A on school districts across the state. And, charter schools aren't the panacea to public education's financial woes.

That was the message presented by three area school superintendents during a forum on education sponsored by the Donquish Economic Club at the Plymouth Manor Wednesday.

Plymouth-Canton's Chuck Little, Livonia's Ken Watson and Romulus' William Bedell noted that tax limitation Proposal A has thus far been good for taxpayers, but may eventually become a nightmare, because local money and control have become extinct.

"Local control is the fundamental thread of the American fabric that needs to be restored," said Little to the noontime gathering. "The pinch is going to come, and people are going to want to know what to do."

Watson did acknowledge that Livonia schools have done well with Proposal A in place, but warns of the future.

"The benefits of Proposal A appear to be the result of a successful economy," said Watson. "If we hit some hard economic times in the future, we're going to see a decline in resources (state funding)."



Ken Watson Chuck Little William Bedell

"The people who invented Proposal A ... stripped us of our resources, and more importantly took mom and dad (local property tax money) away from us," added Bedell. "If Lansing doesn't give it to us, we're not going to get it. Mom and dads will eventually figure it out."

The school administrators also discussed charter schools. And, as expected, none of the three favor the concept.

An American Heritage Academy charter school is scheduled to open in Canton this fall. Little sees Plymouth-Canton schools losing a million dollars in state funding if 200 children attend the private, for-profit venture.

"I find it abhorrent that charter schools don't have to take everybody," said Little. "They don't have to play by the same rules we do. They don't have to be accountable to a public board of education."

"We can't reduce one cost because of that loss in enrollment," added Watson. "But the next year we would have less revenue to operate with, and our only alternative would be to eliminate a program."

The crowd, filled with past and current educators and school board members, easily understood the message.

"Hardly a week goes by that I don't point out to someone how our funding has changed, and they're surprised," said Judy Mardigan, Plymouth-Canton school board trustee. "Someday when the state says we have to cut your foundation grant, and then we have to cut programs, people will ask why we can't raise funds locally like we did in the past."

"They told it like it was ... that not all is great with charter schools," said Geraldine Joynor, who spent 12 years on the Livonia school board. "The governor is most anxious to increase charter schools and vouchers. And, I don't think you can help public schools if you're going to open up private schools, which is what charter schools are."

Plymouth Township resident Ted Bohlen believes many parents are sending their children to charter schools because public schools aren't doing the job.

"Why isn't everyone saying they want to go to Plymouth-Canton?" said Bohlen. "Because they aren't doing their job. They have to compete."

## CAMPUS NOTES

To submit your academic honor or graduation announcement to Campus Notes, send the material, printed or typewritten to: Campus Notes, Plymouth-Canton Observer, 794 S. Main St., Plymouth 48170.

**INDUCTED**  
Kristen A. Wasalaski was recently inducted into the Gold Key National Honor Society in a ceremony held at Central Michigan University. The Gold Key National Honor Society recognizes juniors and seniors for out-

standing scholastic achievement and is by invitation only. Kristen was also recently inducted into the Epsilon Eta Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, an honors fraternity for those entering the teaching field. Wasalaski is a 1996 graduate of Northville High School. She is a junior at Central Michigan University. She is the daughter of Larry and Elizabeth Wasalaski of Novi and the granddaughter of Gilbert and Melva Wasalaski of Plymouth and Jack and JoAnn Shinn, formerly of Plymouth.

## Countdown from page A1

**Space Camp.**  
RESA's superintendent is Mike Flanagan from Plymouth Township, and his connections with the U.S. Space and Rocket Center may have been the impetus for getting the grant money.

"The experience these students will receive during this week is just phenomenal," said Flanagan. "This is a pilot program that we hope to expand next year to include more children from more public school districts in the county."

Isbister's 97 fifth graders will be taking off from Metro Airport

**Tonda Elementary students fly out March 21. The rest of the elementary schools in the district will be going in April and May.**

at 5:15 a.m. Sunday, March 7. Tonda Elementary students fly out March 21. The rest of the elementary schools in the district will be going in April and May.

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can't help myself." And that appears to be the case, according to a court-ordered psychological report.

According to the report, Horace "suffers from a disorder called Exhibitionism, which involves recurrent intense sexual urges and sexually arousing fantasies ... His desire is to shock and observe, and there is no

attempt of sexual activity with the observer."

Horace's attorney, Dan Weberman of West Bloomfield, said his client needs treatment, not incarceration.

"We are a humane society and treat those who are mentally ill, not lock them up and throw away the key," said Weberman. "Every time he's been busted,

Randall says he has a problem. He needs intense, proper treatment."

Horace's girlfriend of eight years is still at his side.

"Randall is really a nice guy, and I'm willing to stand by him," she said. "He really needs help, and I hope now he'll get it."

Horace, who police say has a 10-year history of sex offenses and is on Canton's sex offender list, was caught by Plymouth police after exposing himself to teenage girls at the library.

While executing a search warrant for Horace's Botsford Court home in Canton, police found sexually explicit photos of him having sex with other women, videos of himself, and clothing items identical to those he was wearing at the library.

Police found Horace in the Wayne County jail, where he was being held at the time on indecent exposure charges from Garden City. He also was wanted by police in Livonia and Westland.

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The citizens of the City of Plymouth, Michigan are hereby advised that the Plymouth City Commission held a public hearing at the regular meeting on February 16, 1999, to hear public comments on the use of the 1999 Community Development Block Grant funds, in accordance with Federal regulations. On February 16, 1999, after consideration of the information presented during the hearing, the City Commission adopted the following program for the use of these funds:

- Senior Programs:
  - a. Senior Citizen Van Driver \$22,000
  - b. Senior Citizen Van Dispatcher \$4,000
  - c. Senior Citizen Chore Service \$4,000
  - d. Senior Citizen Newsletter \$2,000
- Old Village Improvements \$32,000
- Recreation Master Plan \$19,000

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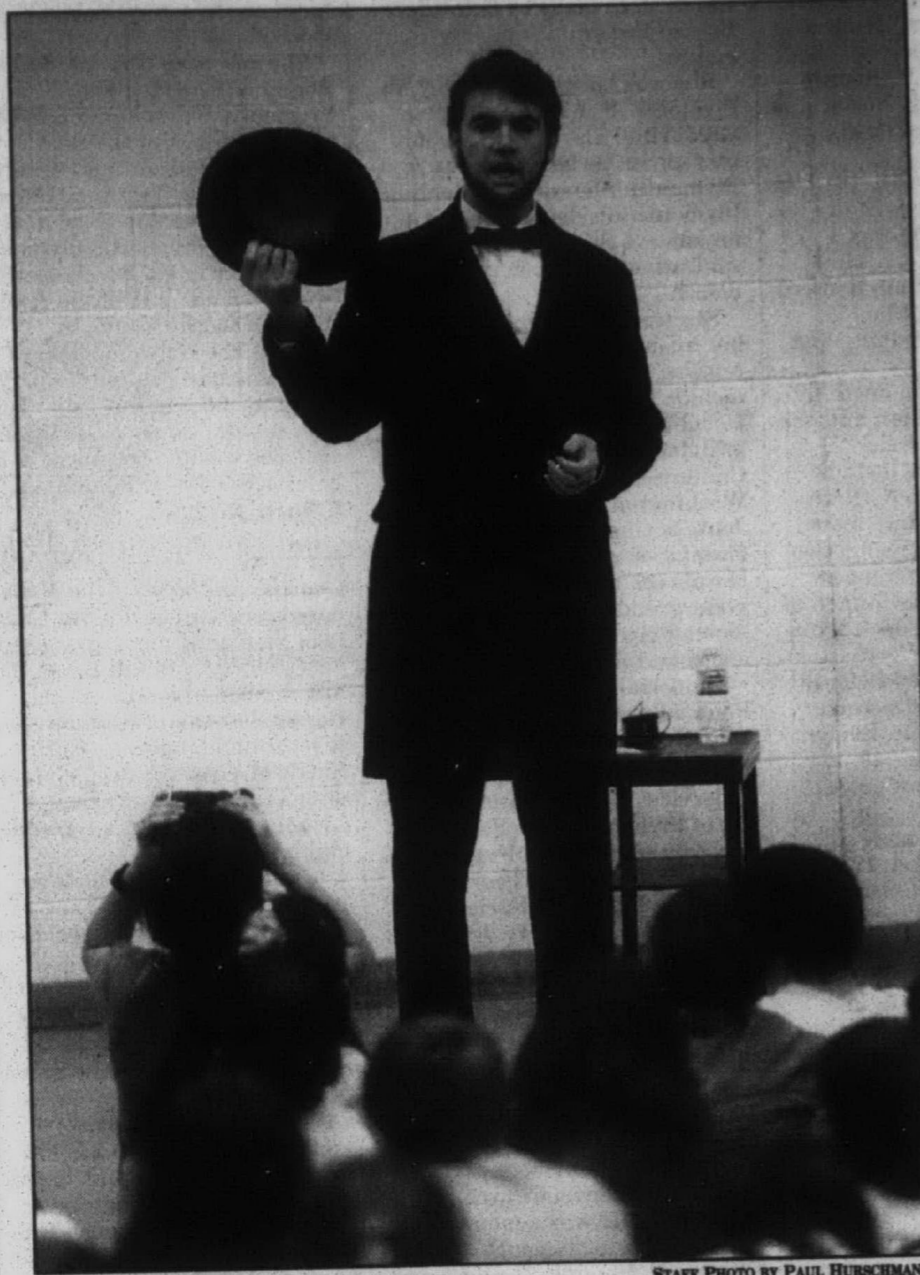
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# Judge Lowe shears his moustache for history's sake



BY TONY BRUSCATO  
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Even without his glasses on, 35th District Court Judge Ron Lowe did a double-take while squinting from the barber's chair to look at himself in the mirror.

"Wow, looks pretty good, doesn't it?" he remarked in amazement.

It's the first time in about five years that Lowe has been seen without his moustache.

"My wife hasn't seen me without it in a long time. Neither one of my boys (ages 4 and 5) have seen me without a mustache," he noted.

In order to realistically tell about the 16th president of the United States, Lowe agreed to shave his moustache to make Abraham Lincoln come to life.

"I colored my beard black. It will last six weeks, about the same amount of time it will take to grow my moustache back," Lowe said with a grin. "So, for six weeks I'll be looking like Abe Lincoln."

However, the judge is having fun portraying Honest Abe.

"It's an opportunity to make an impression on the kids, so it's well worth it," said Lowe.

Lowe was invited by Debra Christian at Douglas Elementary school in Garden City to do storytelling about Lincoln next week. In order to practice his act, Lowe asked Central Middle School teacher Margo Panko

**In order to realistically tell about the 16th president of the United States, Lowe agreed to shave his moustache to make Abraham Lincoln come to life.**

if he could practice on one of her classes.

"I asked for one class. So what does she do? Sets me up in front of several hundreds of kids to practice," quipped Lowe.

Seeing Lowe without his moustache is a rare sight, and it may be a long time before he shaves it again.

"Not many people have seen me without a moustache," said Lowe. "The only time I shaved the beard since law school was about eight years ago for the beard growing contest during the ice show. My wife made it real clear she wanted it back."

At Yer Grampa's Moustache on Liberty in Plymouth, barber Greg Huddas took special care while shaving the beard and trimming the moustache, eyeing a photo of Lincoln brought by Beth Stewart from the Plymouth Historical Museum for the occasion.

"He looks like Lincoln already," said Stewart while Huddas was finishing off his sculptured work of art. "It's amazing how much he looks like Lincoln with the moustache off."

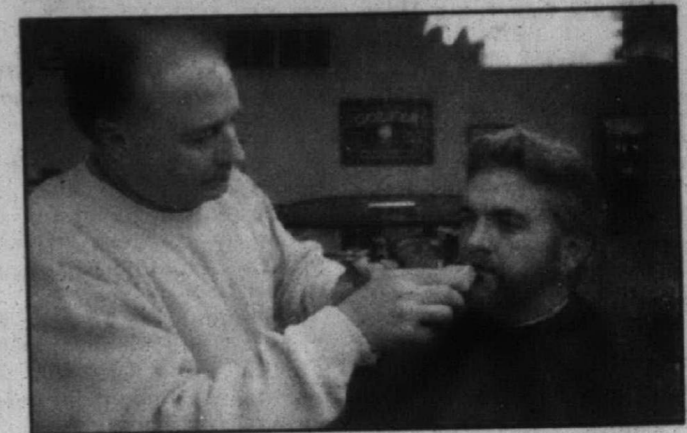
Lowe said he's got the



Before



After



**Close shave:** District Court Judge Ron Lowe has his moustache shorn by Greg Huddas at Yer Grampa's Moustache barber shop on Liberty in Plymouth's Old Village Thursday. He was preparing for his role as President Abraham Lincoln for students at Central Middle School Friday.

mannerisms of Lincoln down pretty good.

"He walked with his shoulders and head down, and many times with his hands behind his back or on his coat lapel," noted Lowe.

"And I'll be sitting in a rocking chair telling stories about Lincoln in his younger days."

Lowe knows his history, and doesn't want it to repeat itself.

"By the way, I have two tickets to the theater. You can have my seats."

**Honest Abe:** District Court Judge Ron Lowe, in costume as President Abraham Lincoln, performs for sixth-graders at Central Middle School in Plymouth Friday.

STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HUBSCHMANN



Plymouth Salem High School Rockettes

## Rockettes take title

Members of the Plymouth Salem High School pompon/dance squad, the Rockettes, were named Circle of Winners Champions in the NCA Danz regional competition held Jan. 30 in Troy.

The 25-member team competed in three categories. They won first place in Jazz/Funk, third in Varsity Pom and another first place trophy in Kick Line. The team was recognized as champions by being awarded the Circle of Winners trophy for scoring the highest number of points during this competition. They were also invited to compete in NCA nationals this year in San Diego, Calif.

The Rockettes have competed in other competitions in Michigan and have consistently won trophies and placed as winners. During these competitions, several members of the squad were designated as all-stars, a title that allows the girls to dance with the best pompon dancers from Michigan, Illinois, Ohio and Indiana at events across the country.

The team practices four days per week for two hours or more, along with attending school and doing homework. After this grueling practice schedule, which is just as rigorous, if not more, than many of the sports teams, the girls continue to perform as stars in the classroom. The majority of the team is on the honor roll and the two captains hold a 3.5 and 3.8 grade point average.

The team will be sponsoring a variety show on April 30 and May 1 at Salem High School. The public is invited. Tryouts for the 1999-2000 Rockettes team will start on the Monday before Memorial Day.

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

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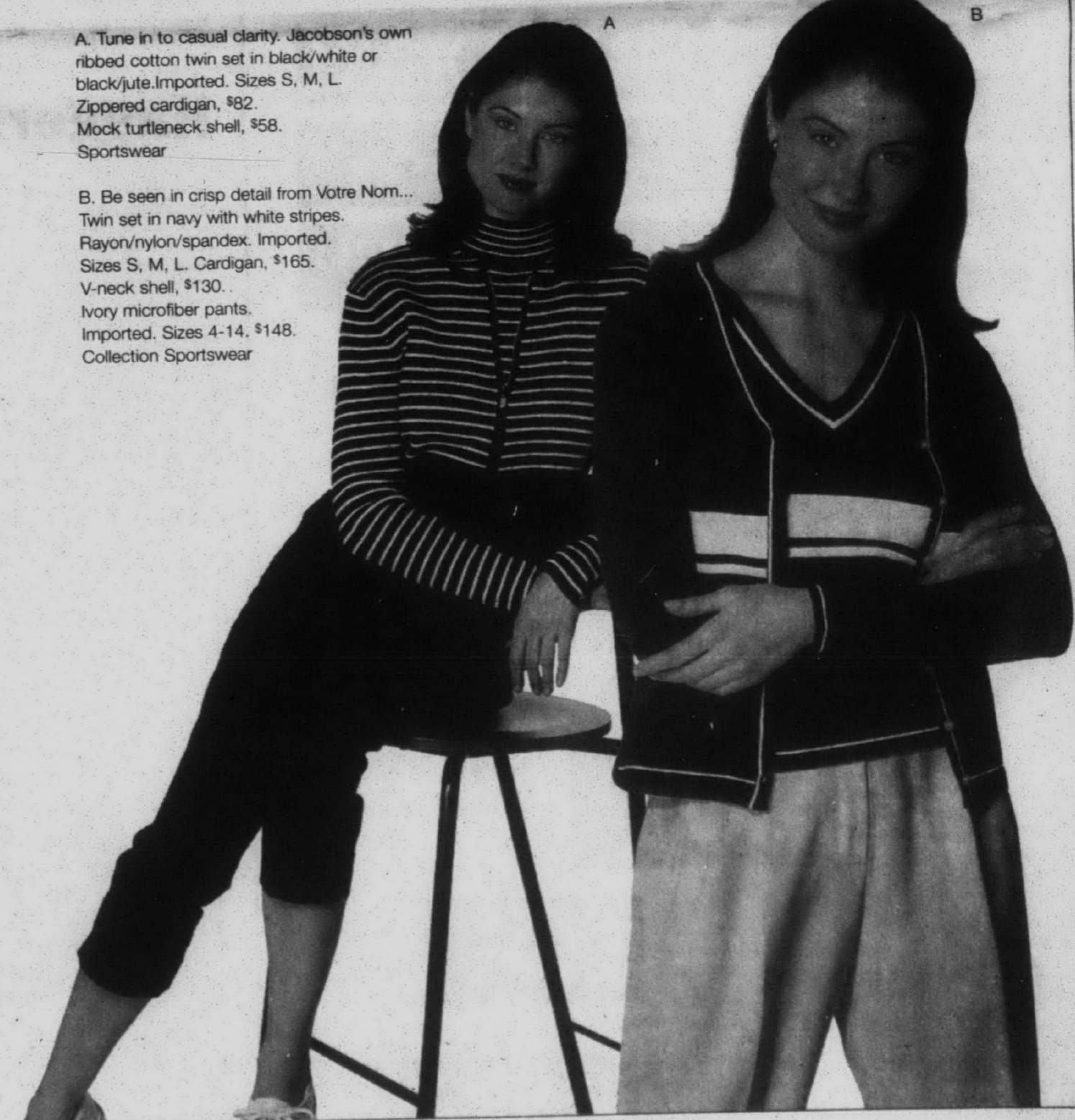
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The father has also been charged with third-degree criminal sexual conduct, plus another of sexually abusive activity, in a separate case in which he's charged with having sex with a girlfriend of both his daughters.

No additional charges were added to the 40-year-old mother, who was originally charged with two counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct and two counts of sexually abusive activity in the case involving her daughters.

"I thought I did (know what was going on), but I had no proof," said a weeping Marie Armatis of Belleville, the mother's sister. "My sister's not guilty. She didn't do anything."

And then a revelation by a niece. "He's a dog. He molested me when I was 14," said Linda Calboun, 25, also of Belleville. "He should rot in jail, molesting innocent children."

## Taped confessions

Less said the prosecution has taped confessions from both parents concerning the sexual activity.

According to Less, the woman said her husband would send her and their son to bed before sexually assaulting the girls. She reportedly became involved in later years by taking photos of the sexual activity.

Less said they have at least two photos as evidence. One shows intercourse with one of the daughters, one shows intercourse with the friend.

The prosecutor said police are looking through Plymouth-Canton high school yearbooks in an attempt to identify additional female victims who were photographed naked. Police say they have identified some additional victims, but won't be able to charge the couple in some of the cases because they



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**Shocked:** The sister of the accused mother in the sexual abuse case reacts in 35th District Court following a preliminary hearing Friday.

are beyond the statute of limitations. Less said the daughters are "mentally impaired children, with the sexual abuse starting at least 10 years ago."

Less noted the 18-year-old daughter had a baby shortly after the arrests. He said the hospital has asked for legal permission to remove the child, born with birth defects, off life support.

"The girl told us her father wouldn't buy any candy or pop if she didn't have sex with him," said Less.

The 19-year-old daughter is approximately six months pregnant.

"The oldest girl told us the abuse started when they lived in Sumpter Township several years ago, and that her father had sex with her about 60 times," said Less. "The wife was involved in taking photos about a dozen of those times."

## DNA testing

Less said DNA testing will ultimately determine the father of the children.

Less revealed the third victim, a 16-year-old friend of the girls, had been sexually

assaulted in 1997. "It appears liquor was involved in seducing the young Plymouth woman when she was 14," said Less.

The case came to light when the 16-year-old son complained to a Plymouth-Canton high school staff person about not being fed enough food. Authorities say when the boy detailed the sexual activity, Plymouth police were notified. The parents were then arrested Feb. 4 at their Main Street home.

The boy was reportedly not physically abused. Authorities say all three children are being cared for by a relative.

"These people are predators, taking advantage of young people," said Plymouth Detective Sgt. Steve Hundersmarck. "There is plenty of evidence to prove there is active participation by both parents."

"We haven't found the bottom of this case yet. It continually gets worse," added Hundersmarck. "We're still trying to identify more victims in this case."

# OBITUARIES

## GENEVIEVE MAE BALASIA

Services for Genevieve Mae Balasia, 85, of Chelsea, formerly of Redford, were Feb. 17 in the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home with the Rev. Rich Pingilley of Temple Baptist Church, Plymouth Township, officiating. Burial was in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens, Novi.

She was born June 18, 1913, in Redford. She died Feb. 14 in Chelsea Hospital. She was a cafeteria hostess for J.L. Hudson. She graduated from Redford High School in 1931. She enjoyed crocheting, reading and playing pinocle.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Alexander; and one grandson, Michael Patrick McGlinnen. Survivors include her two sons, William A. (Beth) Balasia of Munster, Ind., Steve (Donna) Balasia of Lansing; two daughters, Margaret Crane of Canton, Patricia J. McGlinnen of Jackson; one brother, Jack Whiting of Grosse Pointe Woods; one brother-in-law, Stanley Pylar of Farmington Hills; two sisters, Helen Culver of Detroit, Evelyn Robertson of Rochester; 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 17220 W. 12 Mile, Suite, 100, Southfield, MI 48076.

## ANNA M. THOMPSON

Services for Anna M. Thompson, 77, of Westland were Feb. 17 in Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. Dr. Dean Klump officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth.

She was born Sept. 9, 1921, in Flint. She died Feb. 14 in Superior Township. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her two sons, David (Candy) Thompson of Plymouth, Allan (Kathy) Thompson of Chelsea; one brother, David Short of DeWitt; three sisters, Lucille Crough of Lansing, Phyllis Reynolds of Lansing, Ruth Daly of Lansing; and two granddaughters, Courthney Thompson and Susan Thompson.

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial, Plymouth, MI 48170.

## ELIZABETH JOHANNA HARTWICK

Services for Elizabeth Johanna Hartwick, 91, of Plymouth were Feb. 15 at St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church with the Rev.

Paul E. Schaefer officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth. Local arrangements were made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

She was born Aug. 8, 1907, in Plymouth. She died Feb. 12 in Greenville. She was an accountant at Sutherland and Yoe in Plymouth. She was a lifelong Plymouth resident. She was a member of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Plymouth.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Carl and one brother, Robert Beyer. Survivors include her daughter, Mary Lou Hornbrook of Greenville; five grandchildren, Barbara Clark of California, Scott Hornbrook of Washington, Suzanne Chang-Jonfe of Guatemala, Andrew Hornbrook of Greenville, Amy Hornbrook of California; and five great-grandchildren, Benjamin, Wesley, Sammy Lee, Nadia Elizabeth and China.

Memorials may be made to St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Plymouth.

## DON VANATTA, JR.

Services for Don VanAtta, Jr., 77, of Plymouth were Feb. 15 in the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Thomas Began officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth.

He was born Aug. 30, 1921, in Plymouth. He died Feb. 15 in Livonia. He was a tool and die maker at Ford Motor Co. (Rawsonville plant). He retired in 1973 after 30 years of service.

He was a lifelong Plymouth resident. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. He was a member of the VFW Post, Plymouth, the Plymouth Historical Society, and the UAW Retirees. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II in the Philippines.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Shirley. Survivors include his two daughters, Cathy (Richard) Watkins of Lansing, Marjorie Coxford of Plymouth; stepfather, Bert Ruttenbar of Plymouth; and three grandchildren, Scott Watkins, Lori Coxford and Kevin Coxford.

Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice, Livonia.

## KATIE RUSCEAK

Services for Katie Rusceak, 95, of Plymouth were Feb. 17 in the

Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth, with the Rev. J.J. Mech officiating. Burial was in Lapham Cemetery, Salem Township.

She was born Nov. 21, 1903, in Romania. She died Feb. 14 in Plymouth. She was the retired owner/operator of the Rustic Tavern Restaurant and general store on North Territorial Road in Salem Township from 1947 to 1969. She came to the Plymouth community in 1935 from Detroit. She was a member of the Romanian Orthodox Church in Detroit. She was a member of the Romanian Retiree Club. She was a member of the Table Toppers (tavern owner association). She also was the treasurer of her church, St. Simon Romanian Church, Detroit.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Alex, and one son, Georgs. Survivors include one daughter, Margaret (Jerry) Skelly of Plymouth; three grandsons, Jerry Skelly of South Bend, Indiana, Jim Skelly of Dearborn, Randy Rusceak of Brighton; three granddaughters, Kathy Skelly of Virginia, Peggie Maeker of Tennessee, Judy Beer of Livonia; and nine great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Karmanos Cancer Institute or the American Heart Association of Michigan.

## BRUCE D. BERRY

Services for Bruce D. Berry, 52, of Plymouth will be 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, at the Salvation Army Community Center, 9451 S. Main, Plymouth.

He was born March 27, 1947, in Springburn, Scotland. He died Feb. 10. He was a longtime employee of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. A lifelong wordsmith, he was a champion Scrabble player. He was an active volunteer tutor at the Community Literacy Council as well as a member of Toastmasters International.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Jean. Survivors include his father, Tom of Plymouth; four sisters, Eileen of Plymouth, Phyllis (Zana) Easton of Lansing, Sandra (Mark) LaFointe of Plymouth; Marcia (Steve) Coll of Brighton; five brothers, Gordon (Diane) of Ann Arbor, Ron of Plymouth, Stuart of Ann Arbor, Craig of Ann Arbor and Wallace of Plymouth.

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"I think it's certainly to our advantage that a track record between the builder/developer and certain restaurants has been established. Familiarity usually assists when you're looking at new projects. It's good to know each others advantages and shortfalls."

The development will be a unique setup for the township, according to Anulewicz, who feels that the site plan is as good as can be done with the area.

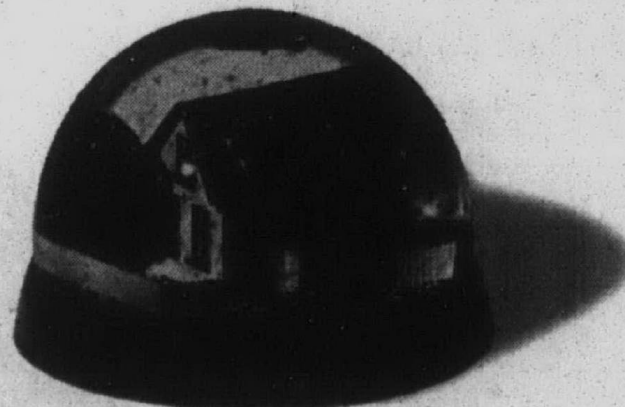
"It's a very, very good transition from commercial to residential," he said. "We are creating an environment that is going to respect the surrounding areas and be unique to what we typically have in the Plymouth community."

Traditionally, restaurant/office developments have had minimal spacing between the front of the property and the parking area for landscaping, said Anulewicz. He pointed out that, with no

parking to the front of the commercial buildings on this design, as much as 60 feet will be used for landscaping and as a buffer along Ann Arbor Road.

A "water fountain feature" and pond is also planned for the front of two of the restaurant/office buildings along Ann Arbor Road.

The design also reflects the blockage of Southworth Road with traffic being diverted to Gold Arbor Road to the north.



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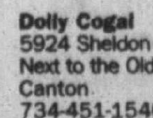
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# Reports offer different views on charter schools

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The public got two different reports on the troubles of Michigan's 183 public school academies, alias "charter schools."

Public Sector Consultants Inc. pictured metro area schools as struggling with startup costs, disadvantaged by inability to sell bonds, closing the gap with traditional schools on MEAP tests, and "having considerable trouble" with federal-state special education rules.

PSC's study was authored in part by Nick Khouri, a former Engler administration Treasury official who called his picture of charter schools as "essentially

positive." Western Michigan University pictured outstate charter schools as "skimming" good students, giving parents little influence, attracting for-profit companies that run "cookie-cutter" operations, failing to offer lunch and special education programs, and suffering "high rate of attrition among teachers, students and even principals."

The WMU report was leaked Feb. 15 to wire services and widely reported. The PSC report wasn't unveiled until the Feb. 18 afternoon meeting of the State Board of Education with few reporters present.

**'Disturbed'**  
"Frankly, I am disturbed by the management company

approach," said Dorothy Beardmore, R-Rochester, president of the eight-member State Board. "It circumvents the intent of the Legislature - power to principals, power to teachers, power to parents."

Beardmore also was unimpressed by charter school complaints about startup costs because they had had state, federal and private help.

"Their (charter schools') statements of philosophy were used as marketing tools," added member Herb Moyer, D-Temperance, indicating he was unhappy with their lack of educational innovation.

The two studies were ordered by the Legislature in its 1996 school aid act. PSC's covered nine counties, including Wayne,

Oakland and Livingston. WMU's covered the rest of the state.

PSAs are organized outside the operating limits of the state's 560 public school districts with charters from universities (109), community colleges (one), intermediate school districts (15) and local school districts (12). Nationally, charter schools are seen as alternative methods of schooling providing educational innovations.

### Little innovation

But not in Michigan. "We've been disappointed when we look at the dictionary definition of innovation," said Jerry Horn, co-author of the WMU study. "They've come up with cooperative learning and uniforms. But a lot of us would

say, 'I've seen this before.'"

WMU's study added, "Many revert to 'canned curriculums.'"

PSC's study agreed: "There have been few pedagogical inventions - e.g., practices found in at least one traditional public school in Michigan - in the study-area charter schools."

The two studies agreed charter school students are performing below traditional public school students on standard MEAP tests in math, science, reading and writing.

PSC admitted: "The percentage of students scoring 'satisfactory' at charter schools is lower than at a majority of local traditional public schools." But it softened the blow by saying, "The rate of improvement in MEAP scores is greater among charter

school students..."

The studies agreed charter schools had many management and startup problems. WMU's found four kinds of groups forming charter schools: converted private schools (most), converted public schools ("a handful"), "Mom & Pop" operations (short-lived) and franchise or "cookie-cutter" schools.

WMU found "extensive nepotism in employment of relatives," teacher salaries as low as one-third of those in traditional public schools, and "poorly prepared" leaders dissatisfied with their lot.

**Church influence?**  
Moyer, a former public school

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## MHS fund-raiser

### Adoptable pets, training tips featured at March 7 event

The Michigan Humane Society will be celebrating the special relationship between metro Detroiters and dogs, cats and other pets with a "Pets of the Century" tribute that will air during the group's Third Annual PETelethon fund-raiser Sunday, March 7.

The PETelethon will feature celebrity hosts and special guests, veterinarian and training tips, and adoptable pets. Donations can be pledged during the PETelethon to the Michigan Humane Society.

In conjunction with the telethon, the MHS is holding a My Pet Is a Hero contest. Your pet doesn't have to be Rin Tin Tin or Lassie to qualify; just being there every time you needed a friend will suffice.

Just write and inform the MHS in 200 words or less why your pet (or the pet of someone you know) is a hero. Include a photo of your pet, along with

your address and phone number with the entry and drop it off at any metro Detroit Pet Supplies "Plus" store or mail your entry to the MHS Community Relations Department, 37255 Marquette, Westland, MI 48185.

The top three entrants in the My Pet Is a Hero contest will be invited to appear with their human companions on the telethon. Broadcast on WKBD-TV UPN 50 between noon and 5 p.m., the PETelethon is the largest television fund-raiser for pets in the country and the first devoted to animals in Michigan.

The top three finishers will receive Pet Supplies "Plus" gift certificates valued at \$500, \$200 and \$100. The fourth- through 10th-place finishers in the contest will receive a one year's supply of dog or cat food.

All entries must be received by 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22. Everyone who drops an entry at Pet Supplies "Plus" will receive a

gift pack. Looking back on the special role that pets have played in people's lives during the 20th century, the "Pets of the Century" tribute will feature fascinating photos of pets throughout the 1900s. Local pet lovers are invited to contribute to this fascinating tribute.

Copies can also be dropped off at any Pet Supplies Plus store. Pet owners are urged to provide copies rather than the originals, since the MHS cannot assume responsibility for the return of photos. Everyone who drops off a photo at Pet Supplies "Plus" will receive a gift bag to make up for the cost of the copies.

Anyone with an interesting historic photo of a dog, cat or other animal is invited to contact the Michigan Humane Society's Community Relations Department at (734) 721-2109.

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Learn how to apply for college, choose classes, get financial aid and what program fits your career plans at Schoolcraft College's open house noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, March 21.

Visitors may take guided tours of the campus and talk with current Schoolcraft students. Prospective students can learn about admissions, financial aid, career planning, tutoring, student activities and athletics, weekend college and distance learning and Continuing

Education Services.

The event includes free information materials and faculty members will answer questions and give hands-on demonstrations to acquaint visitors with degree programs. Computer-assisted drafting and electronics will demonstrate software, computer graphics will conduct a hands-on workshop, biology will demonstrate techniques used in DNA fingerprinting and CES will offer materials on the Talented and Gifted Program for

children.

Schoolcraft offers classes of fewer than 30 students, tuition is half that of four-year colleges and universities and a wide range of class times during days, evenings and weekends so students can work while taking classes.

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The community outpouring has been tremendous and is appreciated by all. We ask you to keep the families of our fatalities, and those who continue the daily struggle for life, in your thoughts and prayers.

Jerry Sullivan, President  
UAW Local 600

I-275 construction

MDOT says expect delays as project gets April startup

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If you are one of the nearly 200,000 motorists who travel on I-275 between Five Mile Road and the interchange with I-96, I-696 and M-5, you should expect traffic congestion and allow yourself more time this spring and summer to get to your destination.

In April, the Michigan Department of Transportation and its prime contractor, John Carlo Inc., will begin the \$49 million freeway reconstruction, calling for the reconstruction of the freeway and entrance and exit ramps, and the repair of bridges over the freeway. The project's completion date is set for October.

"It will be congested, but we have done everything in our power to minimize the impact," said Mike Eustice, MDOT resident engineer, to an audience at the Livonia Civic Center auditorium Thursday during a public information meeting.

The freeway will not be widened from its four lanes in Wayne County in each direction, but auxiliary lanes for entering and exiting the freeway will be lengthened to allow for easier access, MDOT officials said.

State Transportation Director James DeSana said a "great effort will be made" to minimize motorist inconvenience. I-275 is the second-busiest freeway in the state, behind I-75.

"Our contractor will be maintaining three lanes of traffic in each direction in daytime hours, working 24 hours a day, and will maintain access to at least two major interchanges at a time during the reconstruction process."

State officials were pleased that the construction bid came in at \$49 million, less than the earlier estimate of \$80 million. Originally the project was to last two years, but it was compressed into one.

Smooth ride

I-275 will be resurfaced this year between I-696 in Farmington Hills and Five Mile in Livonia.

Motorists and nearby residents can expect to see the following:

- In April, crews will add temporary lanes and pave crossover lanes just north of Five Mile Road in Livonia and just south of Grand River in Farmington Hills. Similar to construction completed last year on I-275 between M-14 and I-94, traffic from the southbound side will cross over to the northbound side with temporary lanes allowing for three lanes of traffic in both directions, separated by a concrete barrier.
- Contractors will remove old pavement and replace it with 12-inch thick concrete. That work will be completed on the freeway itself, the southbound ramp to I-275 from westbound I-696 in Oakland County, and entrance and exit ramps at Six, Seven and Eight Mile roads.
- The "loop" entrance and exit ramps at Six, Seven and Eight Mile roads will be closed for the 180-day duration of the project, but temporary crossover ramps will be built for I-275 traffic to travel through the construction area and directed to exit onto these mile roads.
- The long, "sweeping" entrance and exit ramps on the southbound side for each of these roads will be closed only during their reconstruction. Access is expected on the northbound side of the freeway - the side open to traffic - during the ramp construction.
- No two interchanges will be closed simultaneously; that is when the Six Mile interchange on the southbound side is closed for repairs, Seven and



Eight Mile interchanges will be open.

- Repairs of 12 bridges over the freeway are expected to last through October. Motorists can expect traffic to be narrowed from two lanes to one in each direction. The time frame varies for the completion of bridge repairs, said Robin Pannecouk, MDOT spokesperson.
- The southbound side is expected to be completed in July. Then the freeway traffic will be switched to that side, also with three lanes in both directions, so the northbound side can then be completed. The bridge work will continue, while the ramps on that side of the freeway will be repaired.
- The construction is expected to be finished in October.

Eustice said the design concept helped reduce the costs to taxpayers. "By buying into the design concept, we're able to bring in more ideas from contractors," Eustice said.

Concern about noise

Not everyone at the hearing was happy with the concrete design. Three area residents complained that the freeway should have an asphalt surface to minimize the traffic noise.

David Sharpe from Farmington Hills told MDOT he was concerned about the noise. Eustice told him he didn't expect the traffic to increase. Sharpe also asked whether there would be increases once the M-5 connector was completed between 12 Mile and Pontiac Trail in the upcoming years, to which Eustice also was uncertain.

Eustice said a sound study would be completed once the

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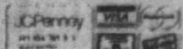
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construction was completed. MDOT officials said a study completed now would not give an accurate depiction of the noise when the road is full of potholes and in disrepair.

But Sharpe disagreed. "Concrete is louder than asphalt," Sharpe said. "You ought to consider using asphalt, not concrete."

"The city has presented a request (to MDOT) that this be looked at further," Eustice responded.

Larry Shoup of Farmington Hills complained that an environmental impact study was not completed to check on decibel levels of the traffic. MDOT officials

responded that one was not required since it was a reconstruction project, not a new road.

MDOT officials did not give any indication the plans would be revised to include an asphalt surface during this year's construction, but they said they would take into consideration the public comments.

"I'm not going to leave here and forget about this conversation," Eustice said.

Livonia City Council President Jack Engbretson said the Livonia council had not received complaints about noise problems. "The city has granted a

waiver of noise abatements to facilitate a completion of the job," Engbretson said. That abatement allowed the nighttime construction.

Engbretson said the freeway was in need of the repairs. "As (Wayne County Executive) Ed McNamara likes to say, 'it's a short-term inconvenience for long-term relief,'" Engbretson said.

MDOT officials expect to complete a map and brochure of the construction project in March for the public. If residents have any questions about the project, they can call Robin Pannecouk at (517) 373-1036.

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superintendent, raised the question of church influence in some charter schools.

"I asked," replied Gary Miron of WMU. "Many students said it was a Christian school. The leaders didn't." Later he said, "There was no evidence of it in the curriculum."

Added Khouri: "In many cases, a pastor was an organizer. That in itself isn't illegal."

Board member Kathleen

Straus, D-Detroit, was concerned about racial diversity within individual charter schools, but the studies didn't help her much.

WMU's study said, "There is support for those who argue that the charter schools are skimming and increasing segregation ... (T)here is a clear trend toward fewer and fewer minorities in the PSAs."

President Beardmore was concerned that many companies view charter schools as chances to make money. WMU's study said some viewed the \$5,600 per pupil in state aid as a chance to clear a profit of \$1,000 per child, particularly since charter schools are weighted toward the lower grades that are cheaper to operate.

**Families needed for exchange students**

Lynne and Gideon Levenbach of Plymouth Township are coordinating a search for 15 local families who would like to host a teenager from a foreign country for the 1999-2000 school year.

Two students seeking homes include Paulina, 16, from Poland and Fabian, 17, of Sweden.

Both students are sponsored by the Program for Academic Exchange (PAX) which will provide medical insurance and money for personal expenses.

Paulina has studied English for four years. She wants to study international politics and become a diplomat. She is studying many languages and loves watching the news and reading newspapers.

"She has a wonderful sense of humor, enjoys music from classical to grunge," says Gideon Lev-

enbach, adding "she swims, plays volleyball and plans to learn to play tennis this summer."

"She is eager to share her Polish culture with her host family and school. She even promises to cook some Polish food," he said.

Fabian enjoys chemistry and physics and plans to become an engineer. He has many sports interests which include soccer, tennis, swimming, skiing and sailing. He has been playing soccer for 10 years. Fabian describes himself as "quite talkative," and is eager to share his Swedish culture. His French teacher describes him as "friendly, polite, always cooperative and helpful." He is described as "honest, trustworthy and responsible."

Fabian has studied French for

three years and English for six years.

The Levenbachs have placed and supervised more than 175 students in Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw counties for the last 11 years.

"Students and families have formed bonds of love that have transcended cultural barriers," says Lynne Levenbach.

This spring, the Levenbachs and their two sons will travel to Paris to attend the wedding of the boy they hosted in 1988-1989.

Couples or singles, with or without children, who have an interest in hosting Paulina, Fabian or any other students, are encouraged to call the Levenbachs at (734) 453-8562 or (734) 453-6851 or e-mail to LLevenbach@juno.com

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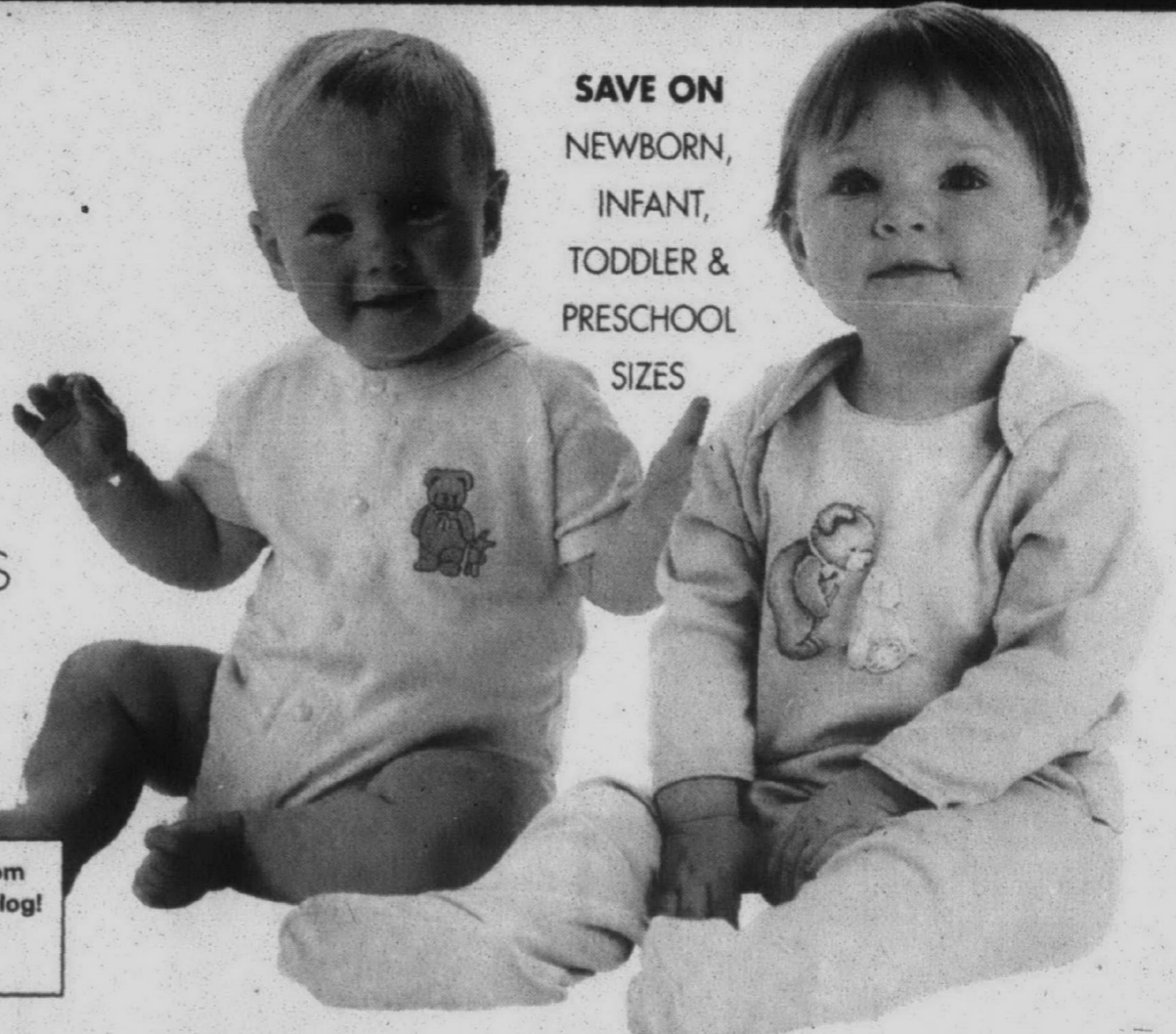
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# Senate bills get tough with Internet predators

BY TIM RICHARD  
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Another "get tough" package of bills has been passed by the state Senate, this time covering sexual predators who use the Internet to target children.

The votes were 33-0 and 34-0 during the Senate's half-hour session Feb. 17. The bills go to the House.

Senators didn't discuss the \$24,000 per inmate cost of

adding two years to a convict's sentence if he used Internet to solicit a minor for sex.

"If you are a sexual predator using the Internet, we are going to find you, we are going to get you, and we are going to put you in jail," said Sen. Mike Rogers, R-Brighton, sponsor of SB 7 defining the crime.

"More than 16 million children use the Internet every day, and this technology gives pedophiles and other predators unfettered access to minors," said Rogers.

"These bills say that we are not going to let these reprehensible people turn the Internet into a weapon to use against innocent children," said Sen. George Z. Hart, D-Dearborn, sponsor of SB 217 setting a two-year prison sentence for use of the Internet. The penalty would be on top of any sentence imposed for the sexual assault.

Repeat offenders would serve an additional five years.

A third bill, SB 117, is aimed at curbing pornography on the

Internet.

All area senators voted yes except the absent John Cherry, D-Clio, and Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion. Bill Bullard, R-Milford, missed one vote.

A week earlier, lawmakers decried Gov. John Engler's proposed 8.6 percent increase in the Department of Corrections prison budget while schools were getting half that increase or less.

But Mary Lannoye, Engler's budget chief, pointed out that

the Legislature itself is defining more crimes and mandating longer sentences.

The Senate Fiscal Agency said the package would have an "indeterminate" cost. About 2,400 cases a year involve child abusive commercial activity, kidnapping, stalking or criminal sexual conduct. About half the offenders get prison sentences or jail time.

The number of convicts who used the Internet is unknown.

It costs the state an average of \$18,000 a year to house an inmate. SFA said that, assuming a prisoner with a two-year sentence actually serves about 16 months, the cost per person is about \$24,000. Assuming 5 percent of the cases involved Internet and minors, prison costs could increase by \$2.3 million.

Under Hart's bill, convicts also could be fined up to \$2,000 for a first offense and \$5,000 for a subsequent offense.

## Sunday fund-raiser will aid girl in battle against leukemia

A fund-raiser for the Leukemia Society of America Team in Training Marathon is set for 6-8 p.m. in Hidden Cove Estates Clubhouse, 15311 Five Mile Road, just west of Haggerty Road (north side of Five Mile).

Cost is \$25 per person and includes a light supper, refreshments, desserts and entertainment.

Contributions are tax-deductible.

Gisele St. Louis-Woolsey and

Diane Miller, employees at Parisian in Laurel Park Place, are participating in a 26.2 mile run/walk in San Diego in May. Their fund-raising goal is \$3,600 each for the Leukemia Society. St. Louis-Woolsey's daughter, Abby, has leukemia. When St. Louis-Woolsey decided to enter the May event in San Diego, her colleagues at Parisian rallied to help out. Miller decided to join the run/walk fund-raising effort. Parisian colleague Martin Bell

is hosting the fund-raiser along with Reuben Sheldon Lambert.

"I know this marathon will probably be the most physically challenging event of my lifetime and yet it seems so small a feat in comparison to the challenges that Abby has faced," writes St. Louis-Woolsey in a fund-raising letter to family and friends.

Tickets for the event "Abby's Road to Success" are available at the door.

## SC students eligible for scholarships

Schoolcraft College students transferring to the University of Michigan are eligible for a scholarship worth a minimum \$700, awarded by the University of Michigan Northville Alumni Club.

To qualify, a current Schoolcraft student must have a 3.0 grade-point average, be accepted by the U-M at either the Ann Arbor, Dearborn or Flint cam-

pus, and submit a statement of no more than 250 words explaining career goals and how a U-M degree will help meet those goals.

Applicants also must include a copy of all college transcripts with the application.

Applications are available at Schoolcraft's Counseling Office in the McDowell Center and must be submitted to the Mar-

keting & Development Office by Friday, April 16. Marketing & Development is located in the Administration Building. For more information, call (734) 462-4417.

Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile Roads, just west of I-275.

## Madonna will honor alumni

Madonna University is seeking nominations for outstanding alumni who have made significant contributions to their profession, the community and the university.

To qualify, nominees must have earned a degree from Madonna University and have contributed to Madonna while a student and alumnus. The award winner will be honored at commencement Saturday, May 8.

"We have many supportive alumni who have remained true to their alma mater and have accomplished a great deal," said Sister Mary Lauriana, vice president for university advancement. "They excel in their careers and in their service to the community, which is an extension of the mission of Madonna University - education for truth, goodness and service."

A brief, written statement of the accomplishment of the alumni should be mailed to Sister Lauriana at Madonna University, 36600 Schoolcraft, Livonia, Mich. 48150. Deadline for nominations is Saturday, March 20. Nominations may be e-mailed to: nodge@smtp.munet.edu

For more information, call the Advancement Office at (734) 432-5603.

## Casino training classes planned

Wayne County Community College District officials and employers from the Greektown Casinos are inviting residents to attend an orientation for casino training classes beginning at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Downtown Campus, 801 W. Fort in Detroit.

Anyone interested in becoming a casino dealer, slot attendant, casino security officer or a casino cashier should attend the orientation meetings, which are offered Feb. 24, March 3, March 10 and March 17. Those attending will be invited to a job fair 3-10 p.m. Tuesday, March 30.

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## Fine wines from Chile reasonably priced

Maipo Valley is Chile's most recognized winegrowing region. Located southwest of Santiago, with the Andes Mountains to the east and coastal mountain ranges to the west, its soils, climate and elevation are well-suited to grapegrowing. Vina Tarapaca's wines showcase these advantages with a New Age twist at very reasonable prices.

The history of Vina Tarapaca dates to 1874, but it was only in 1996 that Beringer Wine Estates began importing these wines into the U.S. for the first time. They've been in our market since mid-1997, but it was only recently that we were able to meet with winemaker Sergio Correa and learn the full story.

**Winemaker**

Correa, a 27-year-veteran of the wine industry, has been a major force in the development of the modern wine era in Chile. He spent several harvests studying in Bordeaux and his regular visits to both France and California keep him up-to-date on the vast wine improvements made in both wine regions.

There are many comparisons to be made between Chile and California, both in climate and experimenting with new grape varieties such as viognier and syrah. Correa's extensive knowledge of Chile's growing regions and high-tech use of satellites, providing soil profiles, allowed him to plant varieties in the places they will grow best.

Rocky soils with round river stones became home to cabernet sauvignon,

Please see WINE, B2



Ideal growing conditions: Proximity to coastal mountain ranges brings multiple benefits to grapevines of Vina Tarapaca in Chile.

**Wine Picks**

Picks of the Pack: 1995 Quintessa \$90. Yes, it's up there in price, but give it a blind taste challenge against a first growth Bordeaux at twice the price and you'll be amazed! Hands down, the best Bordeaux-blend from California we've tasted from the 1995 vintage.

If you're opting for red wines only, you may be missing some very tasty and versatile whites. Try: 1997 Murphy-Goode Pinot Blanc \$14; 1996 Morgan Reserve Chardonnay \$25 (dynamite!); and 1997 Murphy-Goode Fume II \$25 (wow!).

Cabernets and cabernet blends pair with the hearty and more savory foods of winter. Among the best: 1996 Estancia Duo \$25; 1996 Murphy-Goode Cabernet Sauvignon \$20; 1996 Pine Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon, Rutherford; and 1995 Mount Veeder Cabernet Sauvignon \$30.

Best buys at \$10 and under: 1997 Defas Cotes du Ventoux (red) \$7; 1997 Hogue Semillon \$7; 1997 Forest Glen Merlot \$10; and 1997 Veramonte Merlot \$10.

**LOOKING AHEAD**

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Cheers for Beer
- Recipe to Share

**Maple Syrup Festival**

**WHEN:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 27-28.  
**WHERE:** Cranbrook Institute of Science, 1221 N. Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills.  
**ADMISSION:** Included with admission to the Cranbrook Institute of Science, \$7 adults, \$4 children (ages 3-17) and senior citizens (age 60 and over), children age 3 and under, and members, free. Call (877) GO-CRANBROOK for more information.  
**HIGHLIGHT:** All-you-can-eat pancake breakfast Sunday, Feb. 28. Seatings at 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. followed by a 90-minute program. The cost is adults \$10, children (age 12 and younger), \$8. Preregistration required, call (248) 645-3230.

**Tree Tapping Tromp**

**WHEN:** 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27  
**WHERE:** Meet at the Pony Barn on Fairlane Dr., University of Michigan-Dearborn campus, off Evergreen between Michigan Ave. and Ford Road.  
**WHAT:** Learn how maple trees are tapped for sap.

**Maple Sugaring Demonstration**

**WHEN:** 1-4 p.m. Saturday, March 6.  
**WHERE:** Walks leave on the hour from the terrace of the Henry Ford Estate on the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus. Learn how maple syrup is made from maple sap. Call (313) 593-5338 for more information about the Tree Tapping Tromp or Maple Sugaring Demonstration.

**It's a fact**

- Michigan ranks 7th in maple syrup production in the United States behind Vermont, New York, Maine, Wisconsin, New Hampshire, and Ohio.
- The production of maple syrup is the oldest agricultural enterprise in the United States.
- Only about 1 percent of Michigan's maple forest resource is used in maple syrup production.
- In an average year, each taphole will produce 10 gallons of maple sap, enough for about a quart of syrup.
- Maple syrup is the first farm crop to be harvested in Michigan each year.
- A maple tree needs to be about 40 years old before it will be large enough to tap for syrup.
- While the sugaring season may last 6 to 10 weeks, most of the sap will be collected in 10 or fewer days.
- Maple sap is boiled to remove the water and concentrate the sugars in a process called evaporation.
- Pure Michigan maple syrup has 40 calories per tablespoon and is fat-free. It has no additives, no added coloring and no preservatives.

Michigan Maple Syrup Association



**Cranbrook Institute of Science gets**

sap → happy

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Warm days, cold nights, believe it or not, spring is just around the corner. Michelle Goyette and her staff are getting a little sappy at the Cranbrook Institute of Science where they're planning the 25th annual Maple Syrup Festival Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 27-28.

"As soon as the sap starts running the trees will start budding, unless we cool off," said Goyette. "The sap is a sure sign of spring."

Like berries in a berry patch, you can't predict when the sap will start running. "You need warm days 40°F or above, and cool nights 25°F or lower," said Goyette who is head naturalist at the Cranbrook Institute of Science.

If you've ever wondered how maple syrup is made, you'll want to attend the festival.

A maple tree is ready to tap when it is at least 10 inches in diameter. You can add a second collection spout to trees over 18 inches in diameter. According to the Michigan Maple Syrup Association, a single taphole produces a quart to a gallon of sap per flow period (from a few hours to a day or more) with a seasonal accumulation of 10 to 12 gallons per taphole.

"It takes about 40 gallons of sap to produce one gallon of syrup," said Goyette. "Sap is 98 percent water and tastes like water."

Because sap is mostly water, you have to boil it until the water evaporates leaving only syrup. "You have to boil the sap until it reaches seven degrees above the boiling point of water, about 219°F," said Goyette. "It takes a couple of hours to make syrup and the kitchen gets very

steamy, not good for wallpaper."

They don't tap maple trees at Cranbrook Institute of Science for the maple syrup but to show visitors how it's done. "It's a nice family activity," said Goyette. "It gives you a lot of information."

At the festival you will learn about the history and science of making maple syrup, and observe tree tapping along Cranbrook's Nature Trail. There will be maple candy demonstrations, and you'll even get to sample some. Maple syrup will also be offered for sale.

After seeing how maple syrup is made, you might decide to give it a try. You can buy supplies at the Cranbrook Nature Center, or call The Sugar Bush, (517) 349-5185.

The Michigan Maple Syrup Association provides a lot of information about making maple syrup at their web site, [www.mimapplesyrup.com](http://www.mimapplesyrup.com)

The University of Michigan-Dearborn is also hosting some sappy events.

If you want to see how maple trees are tapped for sap, stop by the Pony Barn, just past the Henry Ford Estate on Fairlane Dr., on the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27 for a Tree Tapping Tromp through the woods at the nature preserve on campus.

Maple Sugaring Demonstrations will be offered 1-4 p.m. Saturday, March 6. Groups will leave the terrace of the Henry Ford Estate on the U-M Dearborn campus every hour for a walk to the meadow where sap is collected, to the evaporator where sap is made into maple syrup.

See recipes inside.

## For quick pot roast try heat and serve beef

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
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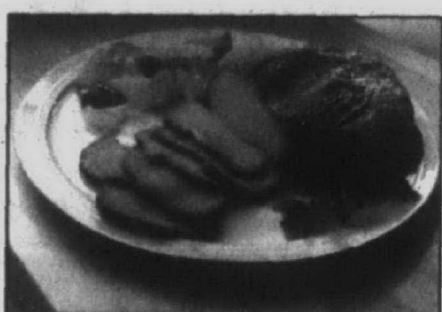
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jer and Kroger. "The manufacturer does all the work," said Feeser. "They're real easy, and they taste really good."

RMH Foods' products are made with Certified Angus Beef. They were among the top five finalists for "Best New Beef Product in America," an award sponsored by the National Cattlemen's Association.

Other products on the market, or soon to be, include Burnett & Son Beef Pot Roast, Mallard's Cooking Made Easy Beef Tips and Beef Pot Roast, Mosey's Time for Dinner Beef Pot Roast, and Lloyd's BBQ Beef. The cost ranges from \$4.99 to \$6.99 a pound. Look for these products in the meat department of your favorite grocery store.

"People are working longer hours than they were 20 years ago and don't have time to cook," said Feeser. "Today, 70 percent of consumers spend 30 minutes or less preparing a meal at home, compared to 2-1/2 hours in 1960. Nearly two-thirds of dinner decisions are made the same day and the majority of consumers wait until 4:30 p.m. to decide what to have for dinner because of their busy schedules."

With little time to cook, convenience has become more important than ever. One-third of all Americans have eaten

some type of ground beef in the past 24 hours, and burgers are the most popular use of ground beef. Steaks account for 17 percent of all beef meals served at home, but Americans are buying fewer cuts from the chuck and round, because they take longer to prepare. Thirty-six percent of consumers surveyed said pot roasts take too much time to prepare.

Fully-cooked, heat-and-serve beef products offer an alternative to people who crave mom's pot roast but don't have the time to prepare it themselves.

Consumers said they would probably serve pot roast once a month if it was fully cooked and only needed to be popped in a microwave for 15 minutes, according to a survey by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

I kitchen tested the boneless Heat N' Serve Beef Pot Roast with Gravy by RMI Foods with good results. Consumers have the option of reheating the meat in the microwave, which takes 10 minutes, or in the oven at 350°F for approximately 30 minutes. I chose the oven.

The meat was juicy and tender and didn't taste salty. While the meat is cooking, you can quickly prepare a potato, vegetable and salad. Start to finish, this dinner is ready in 30 minutes. That includes time for reheating and thickening the gravy with cornstarch and water.

If you're counting calories and fat grams, or concerned about the amount



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**Hurry up dinner:** Quick Beef Burgundy, made with fully-cooked, heat-and-serve boneless beef pot roast, is ready in 30 minutes.

of sodium in your diet, be sure to read the label. These products might not be for you.

A 3 oz. serving of pot roast, but let's be realistic, have you ever eaten a 3 oz. serving of anything? is 190 calories. Total fat is 14g, saturated fat 6g, cholesterol 50mg, sodium 400mg. Total calories from fat 130.

For taste and convenience, heat-and-serve beef products are worth a try. Just be sure to eat lots of veggies. See recipe inside.

# Pure maple syrup makes everything special

See related story on Taste front.

## VERMONT MAPLE SAUSAGE PATTIES

- 2 slices whole-wheat bread
- 1/3 cup low-fat milk
- 1 pound pork tenderloin, trimmed of fat
- 1 cup peeled, grated apple (about 1 large apple)
- 2 tablespoons pure maple syrup
- 1 teaspoon dried rubbed sage
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme leaves
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon ground mace
- Pinch of ground red pepper (cayenne)

Finely crumble bread into a mix-

ing bowl, stir in milk, and set aside to soak.

Finely chop the pork with a large knife. Add the chopped pork to the soaked bread along with apples, maple syrup, sage, thyme, salt, black pepper, ginger, mace and red pepper.

Mix together thoroughly with clean hands (the mixture will be fairly soft.) Form the sausage mixture into 16 patties, using about 3 tablespoons per patty. (Wash hands and everything touched by raw pork thoroughly.)

Heat a large nonstick skillet over medium-low heat. Brown half of the patties until no longer pink in the center, 3 to 4 minutes per side. Transfer to a serving plate and cover to keep warm. Repeat with remaining patties.

Patties can also be baked in the oven at 400°F for 5 to 8 minutes. This keeps more of the flavor in the sausage. Makes 16 patties.

*Recipe from the Inn at the Round Barn Farm/Waitsfield, Vt. featured in "Innkeepers' Best Low-Fat Breakfasts: 60 Delicious Recipes Shared by Bed & Breakfast Innkeepers Across the Country," by Laura Zahn, Down to Earth Publications, St. Paul, Minn.*

## MAPLE-MUSTARD DRUMSTICKS

- 1/2 cup maple syrup
  - 1/4 cup bottled chili sauce
  - 1/4 cup cider vinegar
  - 2 tablespoons prepared white horseradish
  - 2 teaspoons dry mustard
  - 2 1/2 to 3 pounds chicken drumsticks
- Prepare a medium-hot fire in a barbecue grill. Meanwhile, in a small non-reactive saucepan, combine maple syrup, chili sauce, vinegar, horseradish, and mustard. Cook over medium-low heat,

stirring to dissolve mustard, until sauce is hot, about 2 minutes. Remove from heat.

Grill chicken, turning once, 15 minutes. Brush with some of the sauce and continue to grill, turning and brushing occasionally with sauce, until chicken juices run clear when pricked with a knife tip, 20 to 25 minutes longer. Stop basting about 5 minutes before chicken is done. Serves 6.

*Recipe from "365 More Ways to Cook Chicken," by Melanie Barnard, HarperCollins Publishers.*

## MAPLE-BAKED CHICKEN

- 1 (3 pound) broiler-fryer chicken, cut into 10 serving pieces or 3 pounds drumsticks, thighs or wings
- 1/2 teaspoon fried-chicken seasoning or poultry seasoning

- 1/2 teaspoon salt (optional)
- 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/2 cup maple syrup
- 1/4 cup prepared mustard
- 2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons margarine or butter, cut into small pieces
- Optional garnishes: parsley sprigs

Heat oven to 350°F. Remove any visible fat from chicken pieces.

Rinse chicken under cold water; blot dry with paper towels. Rub with seasoning blend, salt (if desired), and pepper.

In large baking dish, arrange chicken pieces in single layer. In medium-size bowl, blend syrup, mustard, and lemon juice; pour mixture over chicken. Dot with margarine.

Cover with foil; bake 30 minutes. Uncover dish; bake basting

occasionally with pan juices, until browned and glazed, about 20 additional minutes. Transfer to serving platter; garnish with parsley. Serves 5.

*Recipe from "Essence Brings You Great Cooking," by Jonell Nash, Amistad Press, New York.*

## ORANGE-MAPLE SYRUP

- 3/4 cup pure maple syrup
- 1/4 cup orange juice

In a small saucepan, bring maple syrup and orange juice to a boil over high heat, stirring frequently. Serve warm. Makes 1 cup.

Make a double batch of this syrup and store in the refrigerator for French toast, pancakes or waffles.

*Recipe from "365 Delicious Low-Fat Recipes," by Phyllis Kohn, HarperCollins Publishers, New York.*

## Wine from page B1

merlot and syrah. Some merlot was also planted in sandy soil while chardonnay and sauvignon blanc were planted in deep, fertile soils.

"There are numerous advantages to grape growing for fine wines in Chile," Correa said. "Among them are low disease pressures because of isolation between the Andes and the ocean. Soils are very acidic, therefore Chile has not experienced the ravages of phylloxera and may never. We are still planting grape vines on their own roots and are not using rootstock."

Most Vina Tarapaca wines range in price between \$7 and \$10. While Correa is introducing new grape varieties to Chile,

wines principally available now are sauvignon blanc, chardonnay, merlot and cabernet sauvignon. Since these are the top four most-requested varietal wines in the U.S., we're all in luck.

## Vina Tarapaca tasting notes

Fruity and crisp, the 1998 Estate Sauvignon Blanc \$7, paired well with a delicate Asian-styled seafood preparation.

The 1998 La Isla Sauvignon Blanc \$10, from a special vineyard parcel, is reminiscent of a French Sancerre. No wonder, 90 percent French clone! It has

**The 1998 La Isla Sauvignon Blanc \$10, from a special vineyard parcel, is reminiscent of a French Sancerre. No wonder, 90 percent French clone! It has a fuller mouthfeel, is rich, balanced and really delicious with broiled fish that shows off its coconut notes in the finish.**

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Among the chardonnays are 1998 Estate \$7 and 1997 Reserva \$10. The Estate is a fruit-driven wine with fresh, fruity finish. The Reserva has very complex aromas and flavors. At

this price it has an amazing finish with loads of finesse.

Merlots are 1996 Estate \$7 and 1996 Reserva \$10. The estate is fruit laden and easy drinking, but the Reserva has more guts in a medium-bodied wine with complex, generous layers of fruit.

In cabernet sauvignon, Vina Tarapaca offers 1996 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon \$7 and 1994 Reserva \$10. Again the Estate is fruit driven and with a medium body, it is a great value at this price. The excellent structure of the Reserva, with its depthful fruit and distinct spicy notes, is well worth the added price.

## New-age Chilean red

The knockout wine, however, is 1996 Vina Tarapaca Zavala Cabernet Sauvignon \$35, a New Age proprietary blend of cabernet sauvignon, merlot and syrah made from grapes grown on the Vina Tarapaca Estate. Zavala is a tribute to the former owner of Vina

Tarapaca, Signora Arturo Zavala, the guiding force at the winery for a half century. Interesting to note: Vina Tarapaca has the largest planting of syrah in Chile.

In Zavala, bright red fruit accents are enhanced by two periods of aging in French oak, eight months as individual wine components, then another 13 months as the blend. "I put my personality in this wine," Correa concluded.

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# Quick Beef dishes

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## QUICK BEEF BURGUNDY

- Total preparation & cooking time: 30 minutes
- 1 package fully-cooked, heat-and-serve boneless beef pot roast (1 3/4 to 2 1/2 pounds)
- 10 ounces uncooked egg noodles
- 1 pound small mushrooms
- 2 small onions, cut into thin wedges, separated
- 2/3 cup Burgundy or dry red wine
- 3/4 teaspoon dried marjoram leaves, crushed
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch dissolved in 3 tablespoons water
- Chopped fresh parsley (optional)

Cook noodles according to package directions; drain and keep warm.

Meanwhile, remove pot roast from package; transfer liquid to Dutch oven. Cut pot roast into 1-inch pieces; set aside.

Add mushrooms, onions, water and marjoram to liquid. Bring to a boil; reduce heat to medium-low. Simmer, uncovered 7 to 8 minutes or until vegetables are almost tender; stir occasionally.

Add beef. Bring to a boil. Cook 2 to 3 minutes or until beef is heated through; stir occasionally. Stir in cornstarch mixture. Bring to a boil; cook and stir 1 minute or until thickened. Serve over noodles; sprinkle with parsley if desired. Makes 4 servings.

## STEAK, PEAR & WALNUT SALAD

- 3 cups cooked tender beef steak strips
- 1 package (10 ounces) mixed salad greens
- 1 firm ripe pear, cut into 12 wedges
- 1/4 cup crumbled blue cheese
- 1/4 cup coarsely chopped toasted walnuts
- 1/4 cup prepared balsamic vinaigrette

In large bowl combine steak, greens, pear, cheese and walnuts. Drizzle with dressing; toss to gently coat. Makes 4 servings.

**Cook's tip:** Strips of ready-to-serve deli roast beef or slices of heat-and-serve beef tri-tip roast can be substituted for the beef steak strips.



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**Main dish salad:** Steak, Pear & Walnut Salad made with strips of cooked beef, packaged salad greens and prepared salad dressing can be on the table in 15 minutes.

## Fashionable, indispensable garlic more than a nutrition accessory

AP - Guess what this one's about: "Garlic, Garlic, Garlic" (Houghton Mifflin, \$16) by Linda and Fred Griffith.

It does indeed offer more than 200 recipes for what its authors enthusiastically dub "the indispensable ingredient, nearly as vital as salt."

They sadly acknowledge a certain resistance or, even worse, indifference on the part of Americans to this pungent vegetable. But they suggest that times are changing and that the clove is coming into its own.

"Today garlic is fashionable, almost everyone likes it," they say, quoting authorities who champion its flavor and its health benefits, and citing the growing cachet of exotic garlic varieties at specialty food stores.

The authors' previous cookbook, "Onions, Onions, Onions," won a James Beard award. In their new book they offer

recipes that range from starters such as Roasted Garlic Pate to Honey-Poached Garlic Sauce for Ice Cream, a provocative idea for dessert. The Creamy Roasted Garlic Soup with Leeks and Potatoes (recipe follows) would be a heartwarming item on a cold day. It really is creamy although it does not have a drop of cream or milk, and it has sautéed, thinly sliced garlic as a crunchy, toasty garnish.

### CREAMY ROASTED GARLIC SOUP WITH LEEKS AND POTATOES

- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 5 plump heads of garlic, roasted (see note), plus 3 plump garlic cloves, thinly sliced
- 4 cups well-washed, thinly sliced leeks, including tender green
- 3 pounds large Yukon gold potatoes, peeled

and cut into 1-inch cubes

- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
- 10 cups vegetable stock
- Kosher salt and freshly ground white pepper to taste
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh chives

Heat olive oil in a small saucepan or skillet over medium heat. Add sliced garlic and sauté just until crisp and golden brown, 2 to 3 minutes. Do not let garlic get too dark or it will be bitter. Using a slotted spoon, transfer garlic to paper towels to drain. Reserve.

Combine hot olive oil and leeks in a large, heavy soup pot. Cover tightly and cook over very low heat until leeks are quite wilted, 15 to 20 minutes, stirring from time to time. Add

potatoes, thyme and stock. Cover and cook over medium heat until stock is bubbling, about 5 minutes. Reduce heat to low and simmer until potatoes are very tender, 30 to 40 minutes. Remove soup from heat. Pour 2 cups of the stock into a measuring cup and reserve.

Working in batches, puree soup and roasted garlic together. Return puree to pot, season with salt and pepper, and stir over medium-high heat until

bubbling. If soup is too thick, thin with as much reserved stock as needed to give the soup a pleasing thickness. Adjust seasonings, adding more salt and pepper to taste.

Ladle into heated soup plates and sprinkle with crisped sliced garlic and fresh chives. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

**Note:** To roast garlic heads, preheat oven to 325°F. Slice off

top of each head; gently remove outer papery skin from sides of head. Place heads in ovenproof dish.

Spoon 1 tablespoon of oil over each head, then drizzle 1 teaspoon of water over it. Cover tightly with foil. Bake garlic for 1 1/4 hours. Uncover, baste with any remaining pan juices, and bake uncovered until golden, about 15 minutes more. Roasted garlic may be stored in the refrigerator up to 10 days.

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## Enjoy a taste of Canada, baked salmon with herbs

BY MELANIE POLK  
SPECIAL WRITER

Like American cooking, the cuisine of Canada originates from a melting pot of ethnic contributions. There are of course the French and English influences, but other traditions, especially Asian foods and flavors, can also be detected. Some foods, like corn on the cob, clam chowder, baked beans and sourdough bread, are as much Canadian as American.

Canadian food has a reputation for wholesomeness and freshness, and specialties vary from region to region, much as they do in the U.S. In Newfoundland, fresh cod and other fish are available year round, and cod tongues are a particular delicacy, offering a delicate flavor and texture much like clams or scallops. Nova Scotia's varied cuisine reflects the contributions of Scottish, English, French and German settlers. Blueberries are also a favorite in this part of Canada, made into preserves, desserts, pancakes, breads and muffins.

New Brunswick is noted for its clams and clam chowder. The province also offers a distinctive vegetable called fiddlehead, as well as an edible seaweed called dulse. Prince Edward Island is known for its potatoes, a staple of the Canadian diet, and for its lobsters and oysters.

Quebec is the heart of a style of rustic French Canadian cooking called "habitant" cuisine, which is like a French peasant fare with thick bean soups and meat pies. Maple syrup is often used in cooking both here and in Ontario where most of Canada's maple syrup is harvested. Ontario has perhaps the most varied cuisine in the country, based on the cooking of early Mennonite and British settlers, but expanded by the presence of ethnic communities from throughout the world.

To the West, Manitoba is known for the cooking of its Ukrainian settlers, including



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**Simple salmon:** If you're hesitant about cooking fish at home, try Baked Salmon with Herbs. Baked in foil, this salmon is easy and delicious.

piroshki, a meat pie. In Saskatchewan you'll find dishes made with native wild berries and meals featuring migratory game birds like partridge.

Alberta is famous for beef, the Yukon and Northwest Territories often feast on wild game, and British Columbia is noted for salmon. Baked Salmon with Herbs features a baked whole salmon that can be served on a platter surrounded by hot cooked vegetables for a sumptuous feast in the Canadian style.

**BAKED SALMON WITH  
HERBS**

- 1 1/4 pounds salmon fillet
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
- 2 tablespoons combination of chopped fresh herbs—dill, chives, chervil, basil, sage (optional)
- Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste
- 1 tablespoon water
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- Garnish (optional)
- Cucumbers slices, parsley, dill or watercress
- Place salmon on foil; measure thickness at thickest part.

Sprinkle parsley and herbs, and salt and pepper to taste. Mix water with lemon juice and sprinkle over salmon. Fold foil over and seal.

Place wrapped salmon on baking sheet and bake in 450° F oven for 10 minutes for every 1-inch thickness of fish, plus an additional 10 minutes cooking time, because it's wrapped in foil, or until salmon is opaque.

Unwrap salmon place it on warmed platter. Garnish with cucumber, parsley, dill or watercress (if using). Alternatively, arrange cooked vegetables on platter with salmon.

Serve warm with lemon wedges.

To serve cold: While salmon is still warm, scrape off any dark fat. Brush salmon lightly with oil and cover with foil. Refrigerate until serving time.

**Nutrition information:** Each of the 4 servings contains 203 calories and 9 grams of fat.

Melanie Polk is a registered dietitian and Director of Nutrition Education for the American Institute for Cancer Research.

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Everybody knows that honey and lemon is good for a chest cold and gargling with salt water soothes a sore throat.

The Observer Health & Fitness staff is planning an issue on folk remedies, those tried-and-true Rx's straight out of your grandma's kitchen. We'd like to know how your folks and grand folks cured what ailed them when the doctor wasn't around. What do you do for your sniffles, bee bites, warts and tummy aches?

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The Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross needs volunteers to assist with blood collection and disaster services. The Red Cross meets nearly 100 percent of the blood needs in our community, providing life-saving blood supplies to hospitals throughout Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

Volunteers assist with registering donors, labeling blood collection containers and serving refreshments to donors. Volunteers never come in direct contact with blood. Training is provided, and no experience is necessary.

Disaster volunteers help on local disasters, mostly single-family home and apartment fires. Volunteers are fully trained by the Red Cross to visit disaster sites, offer support to victims, assess damage and dispense vouchers for food, clothing and other necessities.

For more information, call the Dearborn Service Center at (313) 274-5450 or the Livonia Service Center at (734) 422-2787.

### Prostate screening

If you think prostate cancer is a man's disease, you're half right. Prostate cancer not only affects the grandfather, father, husband or son, but the whole family — emotionally, financially and physically.

St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will conduct free prostate screenings 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 6, in the St. Mary Hospital Pavilion, 14555 Levan. The screening provides a prostate exam by a physician and a blood test to measure the Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) level, as well as educational material.

Preregistration is requested by calling (734) 655-8940 or toll-free 1-800-494-1650.

### Memory quiz

Does memory decrease with age? Read over this list for one minute, then try to recall as many words as you can:

- pickle
- mailbox
- artist
- lipstick
- button
- shovel
- table
- engine
- balloon
- nickel

The average score for each age-group:

- up to age 30 — eight or nine right
- 30-40 — seven or eight right
- 40-60 — six or seven right
- 60-70 — five or six right
- 70+ — four or five

If you did better than your age-group, great! If not, don't panic — there's great variability in how people perform on memory tests. However, if you found it difficult to remember more than one or two words with serious effort, see your doctor.

Source: "25 Tips to Recharge Your Memory," by Rick Chillor as printed in Prevention magazine, February 1999.

### We want your health news

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 Datebook (upcoming calendar events); Medical Newsmakers (appointments/new hires in the medical field); and Medical Briefs (medical advances, short news items from hospitals, physicians, companies).

We also welcome newsworthy ideas for health and fitness related stories. To submit an item to our newspaper you can call, write, fax or e-mail us.

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# TO THE HEART OF THE MATTER

## Center brings care to heart patients

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI  
SPECIAL WRITER

After more than a year of denying she had heart trouble, Sandy Garbarino realized she either had to seek help or die.

"I had trouble accepting it and I didn't go for treatment the first year," Garbarino said.

"It's a very scary feeling. You're listening to what they're saying, but it doesn't hit you right away. Then it got so bad, I went to emergency at Botsford and met Dr. Levine."

That decision marked the beginning of a new life with a new heart for the Redford Township woman, one of the first patients at the Michigan Institute for Heart Failure and Transplant Care at Botsford Hospital.

Dr. T. Barry Levine is director of the institute, which represents a new medium for medicine that brings the experts and facilities out of their ivory towers and big cities to the communities where sick people live.

The institute is the only free-standing heart failure and transplant center in the United States.

Garbarino was able to receive all her preparatory and post-operation care a few miles from her house. The actual heart transplant was June 29, 1998, at the Cleveland Clinic.

"The institute is a dream and a vision in the next step in health care," Levine said.

"It's based on taking centers of expertise and moving them from isolated academic environments and tertiary care facilities and bringing them to the people and doctors."

### Symptoms of disease

In 1996, at 49 years old, Garbarino knew something had gone terribly wrong.

She had trouble breathing and couldn't finish the smallest tasks. After a visit to an emergency room, Garbarino was told she had a bleeding ulcer and congestive heart failure. A heart monitor told doctors that her heart was weak and regularly stopped beating. A transplant was her only hope.

She was immediately admitted to Botsford Hospital and began a series of blood tests, chest X-rays and psychological reviews to make sure she could emotionally handle the trauma of a new heart. Then she was taken by ambulance to the Cleveland Clinic where she waited for one month for the next available heart.

The only information Garbarino has regarding the donor is that her heart came from a woman who lived and died in Chicago.

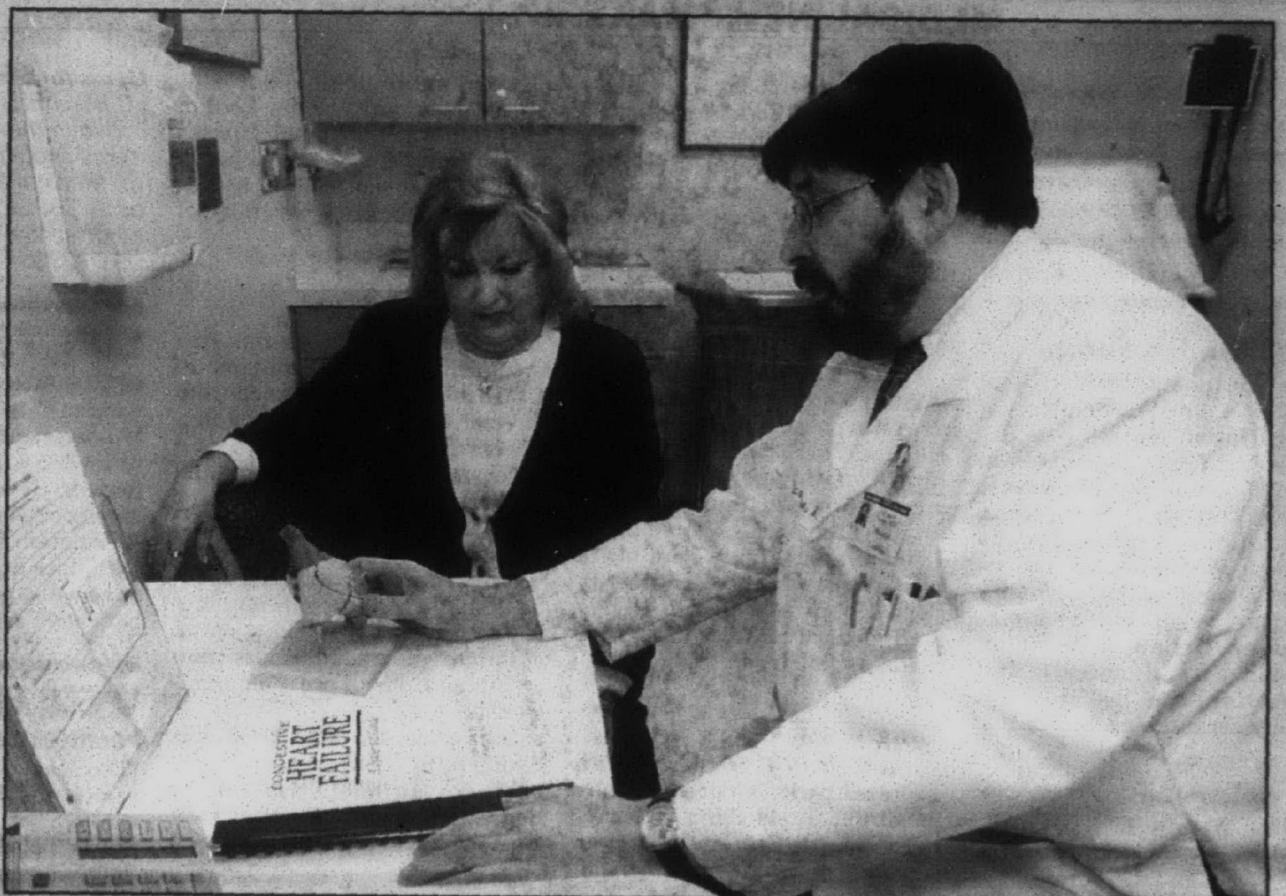
In Michigan last year, there were 60 heart transplants, compared to 120 transplants at the Cleveland Clinic during that same time.

"It took me awhile to accept the fact that that was the way I had to get a heart," Garbarino said.

"I'm very grateful to the donor. I don't think I want to know the age of the patient, I think it would bother me if it was a young donor, but I couldn't be more grateful for what she and her family did for me and my family."

A real estate appraiser, Garbarino returned home and received the remaining of her extensive followup care at the Institute. At first, she had a biopsy done weekly, then every two weeks, then once a month and finally after six months she now needs followup care every two or three months.

Off of work on medical leave, Garbarino plans to return once she gains more strength, especially in



Consultation: Dr. Barry T. Levine of the Michigan Institute of Heart Failure and Transplant Care at Botsford Hospital discusses follow-up care with Sandy Garbarino of Redford Township.

her legs, which are weak and hinder her from going up and down stairs. While she gets stronger, and in fact, for the rest of her life, Garbarino plans to continue going to the institute, which opened in a hospital wing, previously used for the emergency room, in September 1997.

### About the institute

That date marked a dream come true for Levine and Dr. Robert Stomel, Botsford chief of cardiology and director of the Institute of Cardiovascular Health, who wanted to build a bridge between the academic world of studies to the doctors treating patients.

"It is meant to bring our clinical program for heart failure treatment and education facility to the community where the people are," said Levine, a professor of medicine at the University of Michigan who worked for 10 years at Henry Ford Hospital and 10 years at the University of Minnesota.

"New insights develop and never germinate, because of an inherent bias, between academic medicine where you think scholarly thoughts

and physicians on the front line," he said. "There can be a lack of communication between these two environments, because of barriers between the town and the gown. We've taken the best of the academic world and taken it to the best of the clinical world and pushed forward with this concept."

The institute has 500 some patients. Last year, six institute patients had heart transplants.

"Seven out of eight people referred to us for heart transplants don't need transplants," explained Levine, who stresses the importance of exhausting all other treatments first.

In the last seven years, the number of people donating their organs has remained constant, he said. Rather than look to increase the supply, he is working to limit the demand by making his patients' hearts healthier.

"Surgery is one aspect of the solution," Levine said. "There are other ways of dealing with the problem and we're exploring the full gamut."

Consider that some 80 percent of patients who visit emergency rooms

with heart failure are admitted to hospital stays, Levine said, adding that last year, \$40 billion was spent on heart patient treatments in the United States and 60 percent of that represented hospital stays. Limiting hospital stays not only saves money, but keeps his patients happier.

### Treatment options

Referring to a patient who came to his office experiencing heart failure earlier in the morning, Levine said, he was able to adjust her treatment and send her home.

"I said: 'Here's what you can do at home and I'll see you tomorrow.'"

Other members of the institute have launched a home visit program with patients who have a hard time getting around, but still want the comfort of living at home. The institute also conducts research on new treatments with willing patients. In fact, last year 16 papers on research conducted at the Institute were published in medical journals.

"A lot of what we're doing today is based on work that was done 10 years ago," Levine said.

The institute not only offers residents educational programs, like "Heart to Heart" and "Mended Heart," monthly support groups, but last year also provided more than a dozen seminars and lectures for doctors to keep them current about new developments.

"What makes us so unique is the fact that if you talk to transplant centers around the country, they make money doing transplants," Levine said. "We can act as true advocates for the patient offering them the best and most appropriate care without subtle implications of finding people for transplants."

Meanwhile, the institute saved Garbarino long trips seeking treatment in other communities.

"At Botsford, with Dr. Levine, I had excellent treatment," she said. "They knew the ups and downs of it and saw me through it along with my family and friends. I never felt like just a number there, they were very caring. It made me live. The support and the knowledge that the people have, I felt very secure with it."

### MATTERS OF THE HEART

Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States. There are some 4.6 million people in the country who have congestive heart failure, according to the American Heart Association. In fact, every year there are 400,000 new cases.

And the older you are the more likely you will have heart failure. People 70 and older have a higher incidence of heart problems, according to Dr. T. Barry Levine, Michigan Institute for Heart Failure and Transplant Care.

"It used to be that patients would have heart failure and die and now patients are living," Levine said.

Heart failure doesn't mean that the heart suddenly fails or stops, but that the muscle is weakened and works less efficiently, according to Action HF,

an advisory council to improve outcomes nationwide in heart failure.

It usually develops after damage to the heart, from causes like a heart attack and high blood pressure.

The number of deaths from heart failure in the United States has more than doubled since 1979, according to Action HF. In fact, each year 4,000 to 7,000 new heart failure cases are diagnosed.

Every 29 seconds someone suffers from a coronary heart problem in the U.S.

And every minute someone dies from a heart attack. The American Heart Association reported in 1995, the last available statistics, that \$3.4 billion was paid to Medicare beneficiaries to treat congestive heart failure.

# Web is a treasure trove of medical data



PC TALK

MIKE WENDLAND

I spent much of last week in St. Petersburg, Fla., at a place called the Poynter Institute for Journalism Studies. It's a sort of journalism "think tank," if you will, a place where reporters and editors come for intense training on how to do their jobs better.

I'm lucky to go down there several times a year as one of the institute's visiting faculty members, specializing in new media. And last week I was helping teach a group of health and medical reporters how to use the Internet.

As I went through my presentations, a key point I kept making was that the Internet has made reporters more accountable to their readers because the information journalists used to have first and best access to,

is now widely available on the Internet.

Indeed, thanks to the Internet, many consumers have become experts at what I call "do-it-yourself medicine," using the Internet to research health, fitness and disease information.

At the end of my teaching session, one of the participants, a journalist who works in Washington, D.C., came up to share with me his own story. Last year, he said, he was suddenly called home to the Midwest to be with his elderly mother, who was scheduled for emergency surgery.

As he sat in his mother's hospital room, he surfed the Internet, laptop computer attached to her telephone, desperately seeking information about the medical condition that had put her in the hospital.

What he found greatly alarmed him. "The type of surgery she was going to have had a great risk," he told me last week. "It required very

delicate work around her facial nerves. One slip and her appearance would forever be affected."

The doctor planned to get a tissue sample from his mother, freeze it and send it in for analysis. What the journalist found was that such a test in his mother's case was far from reliable.

"The medical Web site I visited said, in fact, that freezing that particular type of tissue brought dubious results. So I printed the Web page out and faxed it to her doctor and, in fact, the surgery was canceled."

The journalist's story illustrated my teaching point perfectly. For what he experienced has been shared by millions and is one of the Internet's most amazing success stories. Indeed, just last week, a new Harris poll reported that 60 million people searched the World Wide Web for health care information in the last 12 months.

That works out to 68 percent of the

estimated 88 million people now online, making health and medical news the Internet's most eagerly sought information.

And here's the most amazing part: Nine out of 10 people surveyed said they found the health information they were looking for on the Internet.

To be sure, there is a lot of quackery on the Internet. People pushing dubious cures, alternative "medicine" that sometimes does more harm than help, dangerous drugs and dietary supplements. In fact, one place everyone should bookmark and use to check out online health and medical information is a place called "Quackwatch" ([www.quackwatch.com](http://www.quackwatch.com)), run by a real doctor and devoted to exposing the dumb and dangerous.

But there are also a whole bunch of terrific medical sites. Here are four favorites we shared at Poynter last week:

■ Medscape ([www.medscape.com](http://www.medscape.com)) — Geared for consumers and searchable.

■ Pubmed ([www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/PubMed](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/PubMed)) — This is a huge database of medical sites and Internet resources maintained by the National Library of Medicine.

■ Healthweb (<http://healthweb.org>) — My favorite. Easy to navigate, created by librarians at university medical centers, it offers current and reliable information.

■ Find a doctor ([www.ama-assn.org](http://www.ama-assn.org)) — This is the American Medical Association's searchable data base that lets you find every licensed doctor in the U.S., by name, specialty or location.

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

## MEDICAL NEWSMAKERS

Items for Medical Newsmakers are welcome from throughout the Observer area. Items should be submitted to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Our fax number is (734) 591-7279. E-mail [kmortson@oe.homecomm.net](mailto:kmortson@oe.homecomm.net)

### Rehabilitation nurses

The Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the Association of Rehabilitation Nurses recently elected the following nurses to its 1999 board of directors: **Debra Dzenko** of Livonia (Health Care Professionals) as president-elect; **Pamela Thomson** of Dearborn (Garden City Hospital) as president-elect; **Kathleen Urban** of Westland (Garden City Hospital); and **Luana Rohlin** of Redford (Garden City Hospital) as director.

### Doc welcomed

Doctor **Wilbur L. Smith** has joined Henry Ford Hospital as chair of Diagnostic Radiology.

Smith is an expert in filmless radiology and is known for his innovative research into residency training programs. He previously served as associate professor of radiology and pediatrics at the University of Iowa College of Medicine.

### Guv reappointed

Doctor **Thomas C. Royer** has been appointed to a second five-year term as chairman of the Henry Ford Medical Group Board of Governors. The 24-member board monitors and establishes policies related to the 1,000-member Henry Ford Medical Group, which staffs Henry Ford Hospital and the Henry Ford medical centers throughout southeast Michigan.

### Tongue twister

Doctor **Kathleen Yaremchuk**, director of the Smell and Taste Clinic at Henry Ford Health System, has been named president of the Michigan

Otolaryngological Society. Yaremchuk joined Henry Ford in 1984 and was appointed director of the Smell and Taste Clinic in 1994. She got her medical degree in 1978 from the University of Michigan.

### Promotions

MEDHEALTH Systems has announced the promotion of **Connie Scaparo** to corporate director of wellness activity programs for the Plymouth and Riverview wellness centers and **Dustin Duryea** to assistant head athletic trainer at the Plymouth facility.

Scaparo joined MEDHEALTH Systems in 1993 as an aerobics instructor. She is working on an associate's degree in fitness leadership at Henry Ford Community College.

Duryea joined MEDHEALTH Systems in 1998 as an athletic trainer. He has a bachelor's degree in sports medicine from Eastern Michigan University.

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](mailto:kmortson@oe.homecomm.net) or faxed to (734) 591-7279.

## SUN, FEB. 21

### OPEN HOUSE

Garden City Hospital's Cardiology Services and Women's and Children's Services host an open house 2-5 p.m. at the hospital. Visitors may participate in cholesterol testing, lectures, massages, blood pressure screening and the American Heart Association's risk assessment. Demonstrations of CPR, kick boxing, yoga and the hospital's Web page will occur. The hospital is on Inkster Road between Ford and Warren. Call (734) 458-4267.

## 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. Registration required. Botsford's Health Development Network, 39750

## MEDICAL DATEBOOK

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.

## FRI, FEB. 26 AND MARCH 5

### PARENT-DAUGHTER CLASSES

Attention, parents of girls age 5-11. Learn strategies to help counter cultural stereotypes. Saint Joseph Mercy Health System is sponsoring "Raising Strong and Confident Daughters," a six-hour, two-part class from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the SJM Canton Health Building, 1600 Canton Center, Canton. The cost is \$65. Class fills quickly. Call (734) 712-5400 or (800) 321-2211 to register.

## WED, MARCH 10

### AGELESS NUTRITION

St. Mary Hospital in Livonia presents a lecture called "Nutrition is Ageless" 1-3 p.m. in the St. Mary Hospital Auditorium. No cost. Registration required. Call (800) 494-1650.

## SAT, MARCH 6

### PROSTATE CANCER SCREENING

St. Mary Hospital in Livonia offers prostate cancer screening 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the St. Mary Hospital Pavilion, 14555 Levan. Screening is free and provides a prostate exam, blood test to measure the prostate specific antigen level and educational materials. Call (800) 494-1650.

## TUES, MARCH 16

### LYME DISEASE

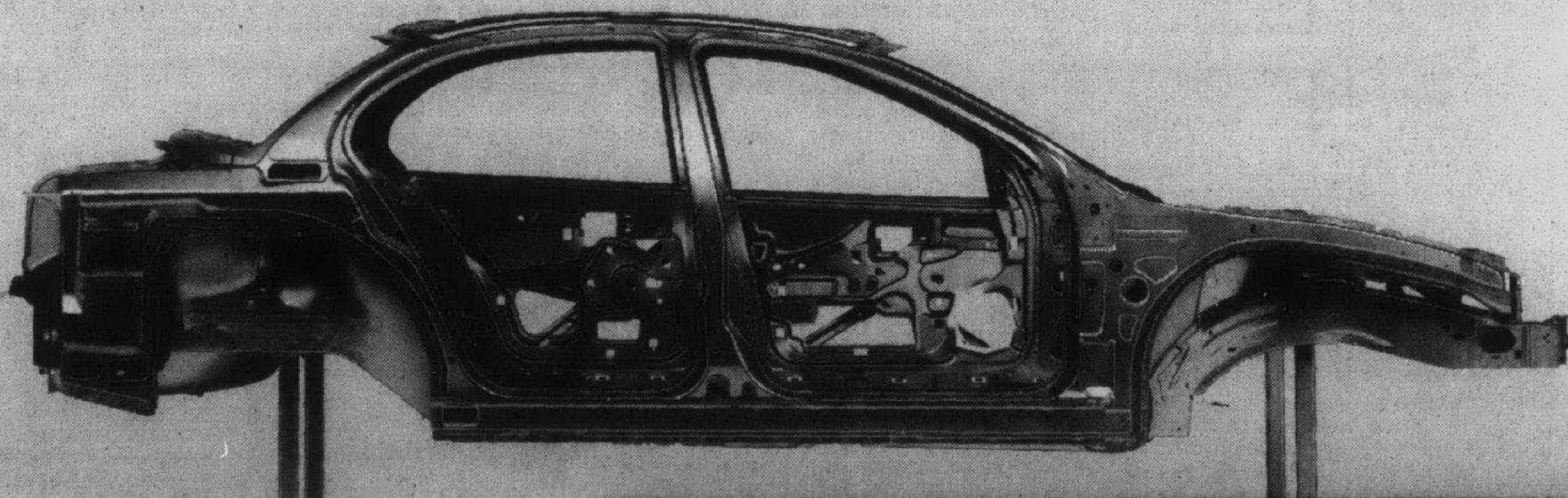
Support group meets 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at First United Methodist Church, 3 Towne Square, Wayne. Call Connie at (734) 326-3502.

### HEALTH-O-RAMA

Oakwood Healthcare System presents "Project Health-O-Rama" 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, March 16-17, at Laurel Park Place Mall. Many health screening tests will be performed: Blood panel testing is \$24. Prostate specific antigen testing is \$25. Colo-rectal cancer screening test is \$8. Bone density screening is \$25. Body composition testing is \$5. Other tests are free. Call (800) 543-9355.

### LUPUS MEETING

The Northwest Suburban Lupus Chapter meets 7:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Farmington Library, 23500 Liberty. Randy Schad, a registered pharmacist from Beaumont Hospital, is the guest speaker. Topic: "Help Me Make Sense Out of All the Medicines I Take for Lupus." Call Andrea Gray, (734) 261-6714.



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**BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS**



Kathleen George

**Event coordinator**

The Talent Network, Inc. of Canton announced that Kathleen George has joined the company as event coordinator and director of corporate development. She will be a liaison between the company and meeting planners, entertainment agencies and party planners.



Antoinette Wirth

**Appointed**

Antoinette Wirth, co-owner of Livonia's ETD Temporary Service, has been named to the Catholic Social Services of Wayne County board of directors. CSSWC is a non-profit, social service organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for individuals and families.

**Jobs commission touts Web site**

(PRNewswire) - A wealth of Michigan labor market information that can be a helpful resource to business people, local government officials, the news media and the general public is now available at the Michigan Jobs Commission Web site. The information includes comprehensive, up-to-date statistics for Michigan and regional areas regarding labor force size, unemployment rates and wages. Also available are employment forecasts by industry and occupation.

"What is especially helpful about this information is that it can be targeted to a specific region or community," said jobs commission director Doug Rothwell in a press release. "If you're a business person considering locating in a particular city and want to know the size of the labor force there, you can find out easily. Or, if you want to know the amount of money you can expect to earn in a certain occupation, you can learn that too."

The information is compiled by the Michigan Jobs Commission - Employment Service Agency's Office of Labor Market Information. It can be accessed at <http://www.state.mi.us/mjc/ceo> under the Michigan: Stats & Facts section.

**Valassis promotion**

Valassis Communications Inc. in Livonia announced the recent promotion of Lori Pepper to manager of its insert publishing department. Pepper began her career at Valassis in March 1987 as a proofreader in the customer service department and progressed steadily. She lives in Detroit and is the external vice president of the Dearborn Heights Jaycees.

**New LSSM director**



Laura M. Pollaccia

Laura M. Pollaccia of Livonia is the new director of the Division of Services for Persons with Disabilities at Lutheran Social Services of Michigan. The division serves more than 260 individuals in 39 homes in the Lower Peninsula and provides community support to people living in their own homes and apartments in Wayne and Gladwin Counties.

She has 22 years experience in her profession and was previously executive director of Alternative Services, Inc.

**Shaw goes Long**

Livonia resident Rick Shaw has joined Long Term Preferred Care, an independent, long-term care insurance marketing company. Shaw will be responsible for marketing long-term care insurance in the Livonia area. Shaw graduated from Spring Arbor College in 1988 with a bachelor's degree in management of human resources.



Andrew W. Zeisser

**Zeisser tapped**

Plymouth resident Andrew W. Zeisser has been named vice president for original equipment technology by the Hankook Tire Co. Zeisser will concentrate on coordinating activities aimed at augmenting the number of Hankook's original equipment relationships in North America.

Zeisser brings 18 years of technical experience to Hankook with a progression of original equipment positions and responsibilities based on accumulated successes in the industry.

**Government contracting**

Schoolcraft College will host a dinner seminar on changes in the government contracting process Thursday, March 4. Col. Paul Dronka, Army Commander of the Defense Contract Management Command, will discuss how partnerships, corporate contracting and electronic commerce mean an expanded government market.

Dronka is responsible for administering more than \$10.5 billion in government contracts among 500 companies in Michigan and northern Ohio.

The seminar begins with appetizers and a networking session at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be prepared by Schoolcraft's Culinary Arts department. The seminar will end with a question-and-answer period.

Tickets are \$45. Reservations required. For additional information, call (734) 462-4438. The event is sponsored by the Schoolcraft College Business Development Center.

**New Plymouth bank**

Republic Bancorp Inc. announced the opening

of its newest banking center at 186 S. Main in Plymouth. The banking center will offer a full line of banking products and a full line of commercial banking services.

Republic Bank specializes in providing personalized banking services in a nontraditional banking environment. Customers conduct business at desks rather than teller windows, and each deposit customer is assigned a personal banker to assist with banking.

**Bodycote acquisition**

Bodycote International PLC announced the acquisition by its materials testing division in North America (Bodycote Michigan Induction in Canton) of two Ontario, Canada-based businesses: Ortech Corp. and Ontario Testing Laboratories Inc. Ortech provides testing and materials evaluation to the automotive, pharmaceutical, aerospace and textile industry. OTL provides materials testing to the steel-making and foundry industries.

The acquisitions open several new markets to Bodycote and provide its North American testing group with a prestigious technological center.

**BUSINESS MARKETPLACE**

**New financial analyst**

Daniel Hawn of Livonia recently joined First of Michigan's Investment Banking Department as a senior financial analyst at its Detroit headquarters. Hawn, a CPA, formerly was a senior associate at PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. He is a member of the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

He graduated from Cleveland State University in 1981 with a degree in chemistry.



**Dentistry in the 90s**

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

**WORD OF MOUTH**

Anyone who views gum disease as an isolated infection that is unrelated to the rest of the body should view the problem within the context of the body's entire skeletal system. Teeth are rooted in bone, and there is a close link between the health of the jawbones and general bone strength. This is of particular importance to older people (especially post menopausal women) who experience weakened bones due to the bone-thinning disease osteoporosis. According to a recent study, women with osteoporosis of the hip were nearly twice as likely to have loose teeth, and were more likely to have lost teeth, than women with healthy bones. Thus, systemic bone loss increases susceptibility to tooth loss due to gum disease.

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P.S. According to the American Academy of Periodontology, about 60% of people in the U.S. over age 12 have some gum disease.



**LEGAL SENSE**

By Mark Slavens, P.C.  
Attorney at Law

**IS IT A CRIME? OR A TORT?**

Some of the confusion that the average person may have in differentiating a crime from a tort stems from the fact that some crimes are also torts. For instance, if someone were to hit you, it would constitute the crime of battery, for which the person doing the hitting could be prosecuted by the state. At the same time, you could sue your attacker in civil court to recover damages. As this illustration shows, tort law deals with individuals who have been wronged. Tort law compensates the victim with a monetary award that is intended to make him or her "whole". Criminal law, on the other hand, involves society and its efforts to punish individuals whose crimes cannot be tolerated. And, even if the defendant has been found not guilty of a criminal charge (which requires that a jury establish guilt beyond a reasonable doubt) the victim may still file a civil suit (in which to establish responsibility for an action requires a much lower burden of proof - a preponderance of the evidence) and win monetary damages.

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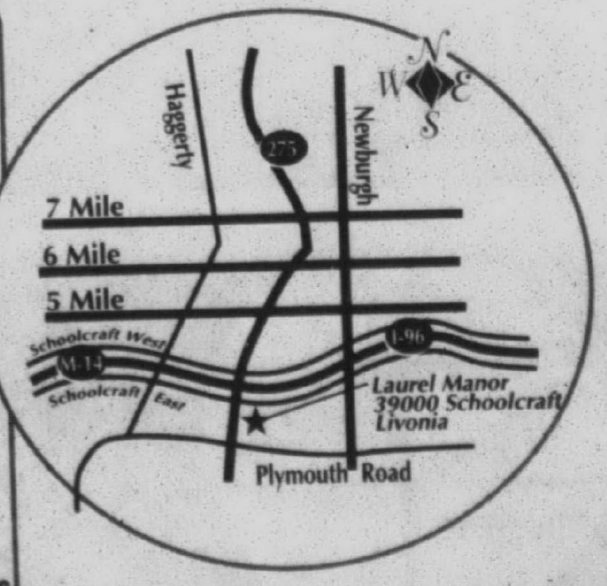
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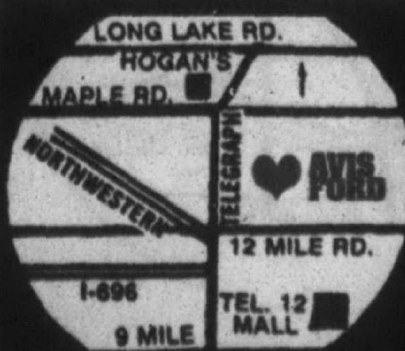
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## ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

### Student tunes in to career in music

Jenine Lawson was barely walking when she knew music would be in her future. Lawson's mom, Linda, taught her the first notes on the violin at age 4. Now a sophomore at Hope College in Holland, Lawson hopes one day to compose classical and new age music for a living.

She's well on her way to that music career. Of Hungarian heritage, Lawson recently won the Hungarian Arts Club scholarship, which she received at the White Rose Ball in early February, and the Endowed Scholarship and Distinguished Artist's Award scholarship at Hope College.

"Music is the way I can express myself," said Lawson, a multi-talented student who received top honors in the Math, Science and Computer program at Churchill High School in Livonia. "It's a way of life for me. I enjoy the gratification of preparing a piece and performing it and seeing how the audience enjoys it."

### Accomplished musician

Lawson honed her orchestral skills while playing with the Livonia Youth Philharmonic in the late 1980s until 1994. She has attended most of the summer music camps including those at Interlochen Center for the Arts, Cranbrook, Wayne State University, the University of Michigan, and Blue Lake.

Although still in her teens, Lawson has already performed with the Oakland Suzuki Chamber Ensemble and the Symphonia Ensemble. In May, she will spend two weeks touring Europe with Hope College's symphonette. Along the way, she will stay with host families in Hungary, Vienna and Romania. One of the highlights for her is meeting relatives in Romania and staying 40 miles away from where her grandmother was born. Unfortunately over the years, her family's connection to distant relatives in Hungary has been lost.

"I'm interested in finding out about the cultures, how they react to the music," said Lawson.

This is not Lawson's first musical experience out of the country. Lawson studied piano with Donald Morelock at Schoolcraft College and in 1997 took part in the annual trip Morelock takes his students on to the St. Petersburg Conservatory of Music in Russia.

"It was a really great experience," said Lawson. "The professor there showed me a lot of great ways to touch the keys and the different expressions that Russians have on music."

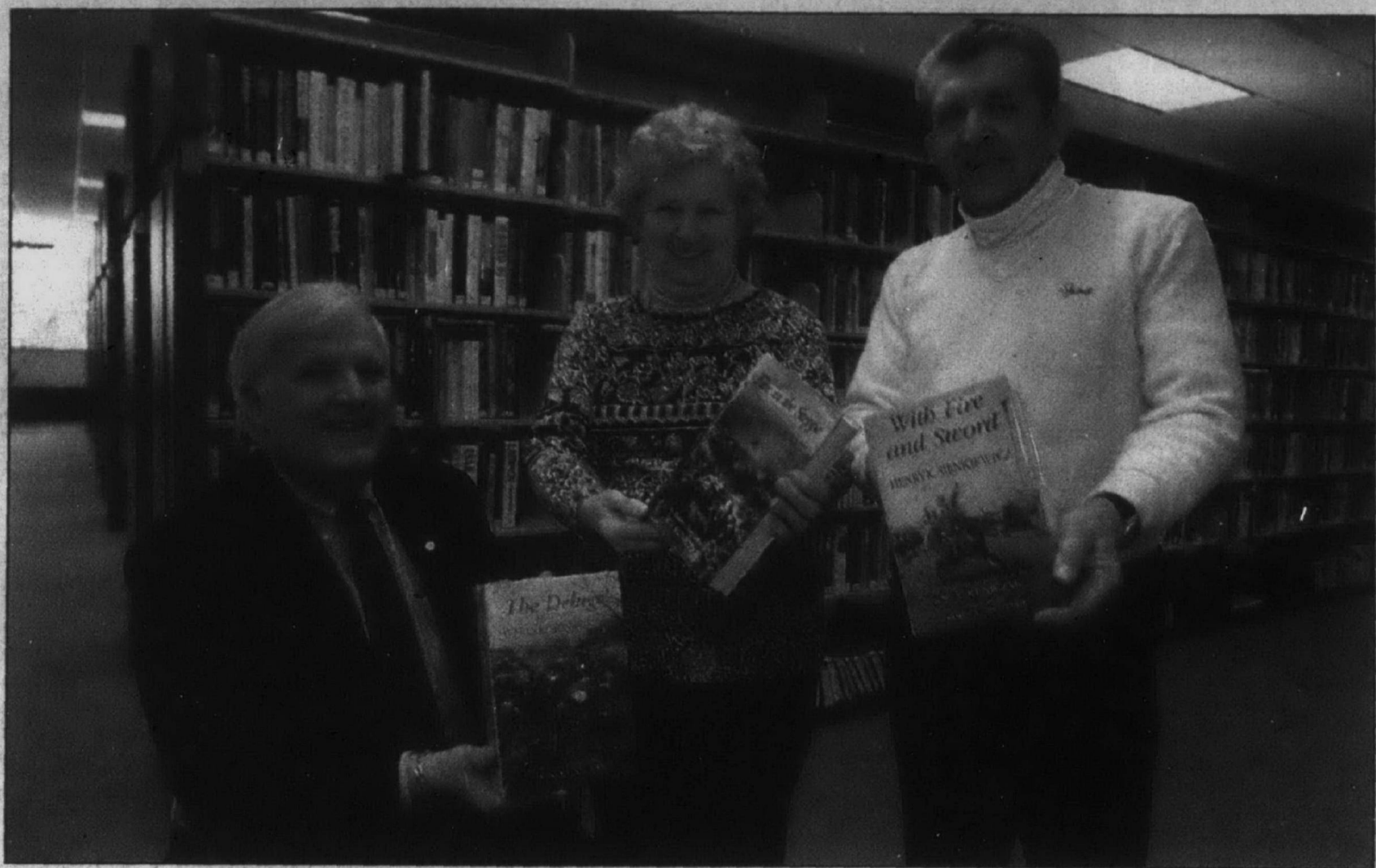
### Family affair

As she was growing up, Lawson and her family frequently played together for their own pleasure. Linda and husband Bill both play violin. In fact, they met while playing in the orchestra at Wayne State University where Jenine's grandfather Robert Lawson formerly was chairman of the music department. Lawson alternates between playing violin and piano.

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Young artist: Jenine Lawson won the Hungarian Arts Club scholarship.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Keeping heritage alive: Jane and Edward Wojtan, on behalf of the Friends of Polish Art, recently presented Michael Deller (seated), Livonia's head librarian, with a trilogy of historical novels by Polish author Henryk Sienkiewicz.

## Friends keep Polish arts, culture alive

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### MAINTAIN YOUR HERITAGE

When Edward Wojtan's father fled Poland to avoid being drafted into the Russian army in 1912, there was little time or money to enjoy the performing and visual arts or read historical novels such as Henryk Sienkiewicz's "Trilogy." He worked seven days a week in his butcher shop in the Warrendale area of Detroit to make a life for his family.

Still, immigrants like him sought to keep their culture and the music of Frederic Chopin, Ignace Paderewski and Arthur Rubinstein alive by forming the Friends of Polish Art. Many years later Wojtan and his wife, Jane, also of Polish heritage, joined the group that sponsors annual visual art competitions in the Galeria of Orchard Lake Schools, a bi-annual short story competition, scholarships and performances by groups such as the Krakow Chamber Orchestra to perpetuate Polish culture. As representatives of the Friends of Polish Art, the Wojtans recently donated Sienkiewicz's "Trilogy" and a companion volume to the Livonia Public Library. The Polish novelist, short story writer and journalist was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1905.

"We want to foster Polish art and culture and preserve it for generations to come," said Edward Wojtan, a Livonia resident who writes

the Friends newsletter. "You should be an American first, but you should know about your heritage and be proud of it."

Halina Ujda, of Birmingham, joined the Friends 40 years ago. Born in Poland, Ujda believes the arts are vital to the human spirit.

"More than anything the arts, whether it's high art or folk art, music or writing, make life worth living," said Ujda, second vice president of the Friends of Polish Art. "It bothers me that when the schools start cutting their budget, the arts are the first to go."

### Friends of the arts

The Friends of Polish Art, by hosting the Youth Art Competition in June and the Richard Kubinski Art Competition in October, is not only keeping the arts alive but encouraging the development of artists of Polish descent. Founded in 1937, the group, an affiliate of the American Council for Polish Culture, has co-sponsored concerts by pianist Leszek Bartkiewicz, and the Warsaw Winds with the Detroit Institute of Arts. They also presented a bust of Frederic Chopin, created by Orchard Lake artist Marian Owczarski, to the American Center of Polish Culture in Washington, D. C. Owczarski will speak about Polish arts, before and after Solidarity, at the next Friends of Polish Art

meeting 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 19, at the American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple in Troy. For more information, call (810) 778-8035.

A professor and artist-in-residence at St. Mary's College, Owczarski is a 1961 graduate of the Academy of Fine Arts in Warsaw. He creates stainless steel sculpture, most recently featured in the exhibit "The Pride of Poland" at the Grand Rapids VanAndel Public Museum.

"The arts are very important because this was part of the information about the culture," said Owczarski, who judges the Friends of Polish Art competitions. "From 1980 to after Solidarity, I will show what's different about art after the Communist influence and before when artists had to hide to do certain work because it was not legal. The art shows the life that was then. The art became more free and the look is different, lighter."

### Preserving culture

To fund the arts competitions, concerts and scholarships, the Friends hold Swieconka, a celebration of Easter and Spring with traditional foods and customs, and Wigilia, an evening featuring the breaking of the bread (oplatek), a meatless supper, and sing-a-long of Polish and English carols just before Christmas.

"To maintain your heritage, it's important to know where you've been to know where you're going"

said Henry Pawlowski, a Farmington Hills resident born in Poland.

### Expanding knowledge

Livonia's head librarian Michael Deller is grateful for the Friends' gift of Sienkiewicz's novels because it allows readers to learn about the nation occupied by Russia, Germany and Austria between 1795 and 1918. Although fiction, Sienkiewicz (1846-1916) based his events on historical fact. Originally written in Polish, the modern translation is by W.S. Kuniczak with foreword by James Michener.

"Our budget never allows us to buy everything we'd like especially when you're dealing with authors from other countries," said Deller.

### Trip to Poland

For those who'd like to learn more about Poland, the Wojtans will give a slide show, "Our Vision of Poland," 10 a.m. Monday, April 12, at the Noble Library in Livonia.

The Wojtans have returned to Poland every year since 1993 taking tour groups with them. Aug. 16-30 they will savor the beautiful garden surrounding Chopin's home, hear a piano recital of his music at Ostrogski Palace in Warsaw, and visit the 600-year-old Monastery of Jasna Gora to see the Black Madonna icon and priceless jewels. For more information about the trip, call (734) 425-2727.

"We try to spread the idea that Poland is a cultural country," said Wojtan.

## ART EXHIBITS

### Arts organizations encourage local talent

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Rick Wedel thinks one painting is worth more than the hundreds of video images he used to create for Ford Motor Co.'s corporate communications department. The "big still," as he likes to refer to the computer graphics he first studied at Eastern Michigan University, is similar to the large-scale abstracts he creates these days. Unlike the medium of video, computer graphics and paintings are capable of holding the viewer's attention for more than just a half a second.

Wedel's paintings, which in most instances hide the identity of figures and environments, are on exhibit at the Plymouth Community Arts Council through Friday, Feb. 26. Wedel is one of



Anonymity by Rick Wedel



Torch Lake by Angie Nagle

two painters being showcased by the Plymouth arts council and the Livonia Arts Commission in February. The realistic landscape paintings of Angie Nagle Miller are on display at the Livonia

Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery.

"Computer graphics was like a 'big still' when I first began my studies at Eastern Michigan University," said Wedel. "Then I took drawing and painting classes and fell in love with traditional media. In my paintings, I have more of an interest in overall patterning. My 'Stance' series continues

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### "Figure This"

WHAT: Abstract oil paintings by Rick Wedel, sponsored by the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

WHEN: Through Friday, Feb. 26. Call (734) 416-4278 for show hours.

WHERE: Joanne Winkelman Huice Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon (at Junction), Plymouth.

### Landscapes by Angie Nagle Miller

WHAT: An exhibit of casein paintings presented by the Livonia Arts Commission.

WHEN: Through Feb. 28. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

WHERE: Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington.

# Gallery offers Y2K art that's flashy, fun, contemporary

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And now, the long-awaited sequel to the optically drippy 1960s extravaganza "pop art." No new school of art or official "art movement" is required, just an acronym - VIA, a short-cut reference to Viewer Interactive Art.

With its distinctively Information-Age name, "VIA - Y2K" is making its word-of-mouth debut at the Uzelac Gallery in downtown Pontiac.

While most exhibits appear for three to four weeks, "VIA - Y2K: The Paintings of Paul Lewis" will receive a three-month opportunity to catch on.

Since gallery owner Chuck Uzelac hasn't found an effective way to advertise the exhibit because of the difficulty of fitting Lewis' stylized VIA on a printed announcement card, he's betting that word-of-mouth might turn "VIA - Y2K" into the major surprise exhibit of the winter gallery season.

The word-of-mouth might go something like this:

Long after Andy Warhol and Roy Lichtenstein transformed celebrities and cartoonish logic into the equivalent of tabloid art comes VIA - the next phase in day-glo and inflated sensibilities. Bell bottoms, lava lamps and incense are optional.

Black lights and a remote control dimmer switch, by the way, are included in the price of the paintings.

## From light to black

"It's totally different, totally new," said Uzelac. "In the art world, those are the qualities that make a difference, especially to trendsetters. Of course,



Feeling gritty: The Uzelac Gallery mixes cutting-edge and traditional exhibits. The staff includes Chuck Uzelac, (left), Larissa Funyak and Lisa Konikow.

(VIA) isn't for everybody, but what kind of art is it?"

Yet, inarguably, VIA is strikingly contemporary.

In a world where consumers want more and more choices, VIA gives control to viewers by running an electrical current through their sensibilities.

Right before your eyes, Lewis' acrylic and phosphorescent paintings are transformed with morphic-like illusion with a simple turn of a dimmer switch.

Moving from light to black and

vice versa is similar to watching the transformation of an image from a negative to a print. Or in some of the paintings, it's like watching a hologram expand and shrink.

Lewis' vibrant colors and easily accessible pop art style evoke a sense of high-energy and ease. There's nothing to "get" about these paintings. They're immediate and engaging.

Several of the paintings depict familiar faces, including an early portrait of Picasso, Michelangelo's

David, a replica of Rembrandt's self-portrait, a magazine-like close-up of Gloria Estafan, and Marilyn Monroe's famous flirtatious pose as she playfully tries to keep her skirt from rising.

Other works are abstract drippings of phosphorescent, acrylic and latex paint combined to have the maximum transformative effect and optical illusion.

## Timeless expression

While watching visitors to his

What: "VIA - Y2K: The Paintings of Paul Lewis"; and, "The Paintings of Allen Berke"

When: "VIA - Y2K," through Friday, April 30; Berke exhibit through Saturday, Feb. 27

Where: Uzelac Gallery, 7 N. Saginaw, downtown Pontiac, (248) 332-5257

Hours: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday & Saturday; 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday

"The connotation of 'local' is that if an artist is from here, then he can't be a significant artist."

That could change through word of mouth.

## Expressionism of Allen Berke

In the front space at Uzelac Gallery, the expressionistic paintings of Allen Berke offer a stark contrast from Lewis' neon-like vibrations, hung in the darkened back space.

Whereas Lewis' work elicits an immediate response, Berke's subtle brushstrokes and compositions require in-depth study.

The 15-piece exhibit reveals a painter who searches to stretch his emotionally-infused canvases in a range of subject-matter, but who's most proficient when painting human forms assembled in a fluid puzzle.

Nearly 20 years ago, Lisa Konikow, director at the Uzelac Gallery, began to represent Berke, who teaches at Wayne State and the Center for Creative Studies. At the time, Konikow was co-director of the now closed Xochipilli Gallery.

"He's been working in the same tradition, but he's continued to get stronger," said Konikow, who also directs the fine art competition in the annual "Arts, Beats & Eats" festival in downtown Pontiac.

Considered together, "VIA - Y2K" and Berke's paintings represent the type of cutting-edge and traditional mix unseen at most other galleries, said Konikow.

"In Pontiac, we have this grittiness," said Uzelac. "There's a feeling that we can take more chances."

gallery marvel as colors rise and fade in response to a dimmer switch, Uzelac said a common VIA experience typically elicits a timeless expression.

"People just stand there and say, 'That's cool.'"

But there's more beyond Lewis' optical trickery, said Uzelac.

"This isn't a gimmick or about bringing the 60s back," he said. "The fact that Paul (Lewis) is a fine artist, and has the ability to literally replicate just about any painting style makes quite a difference."

In the near future, Uzelac expects Lewis to complete a Monet-like landscape painting. By slowly dimming the light to black, the painting will become transformed through the four seasons.

"Can you imagine this show in New York," said Uzelac, who is currently setting up exhibits for Lewis in Florida, and trying to push the work into the cutting-edge circles in New York.

Ironically, Uzelac didn't have to look far to discover Lewis, who's studio was about 100 feet from Uzelac's back door. But Uzelac is cautious about referring to Lewis as a "local artist."

## Mosaic Youth Theatre presents original production

PRNewswire - In celebration of Black History Month, Henry Ford Museum will host the Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit's original production, "heartBEAT," at the museum's Anderson Theater for two performances 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 26-27.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for students/seniors, call (313) 982-6001.

Through the vibrant languages of theater, dance, rhythm, and song, "heartBEAT" creates a moving account of the battles of love and hate faced daily by our youth. The result is a roller-coaster retelling of stories from the teens own lives - powerful, funny, and relevant for theatergoers young and old.

The Mosaic Youth Theatre's participation in Black History Month at Henry Ford Museum

continues with a scheduled performance by the Mosaic Singers on Saturday, Feb. 27, at noon and 2 p.m. The performance is free with admission to the museum.

"We are excited to host the Mosaic Youth Theatre at Henry Ford Museum," said Steven K. Hamp, president. "Henry Ford Museum and the Mosaic Youth Theatre share a common goal of inspiring youth through creative outlets."

Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit is an internationally-acclaimed, multicultural youth theater which won the 1998 Governors' Award for Arts and Culture for its "outstanding contributions regionally and statewide." For more information on Black History Month events at Henry Ford Museum, call (313) 271-1620.

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Brother Tim, who plays trumpet with the jazz band and symphony at Livonia's Stevenson High School, also plays piano.

"We're a musical family and enjoy playing music together," said Linda, who taught in the Livonia Public Schools until the early '90s when strings were cut from the budget of elementaries in the district.

## Preserving heritage

Lawson thrives on winning. From playing varsity soccer in high school and being named Most Valuable Junior Varsity Player two years in a row, to competing with 26 other applicants for the Hungarian Arts Club scholarship of \$1,000, Lawson works hard to achieve her goals. She is exactly the type of student the arts club wants to encourage. From the first scholarship awarded 40 years ago, the Hungarian Arts Club has sought students like Lawson - dedicated, disciplined and involved with the fine arts.

The winner is presented with the scholarship at the annual White Rose Ball, held to introduce young women of Hungarian descent to society. The club has also presented folk ensembles from Hungary at the Hungarian American Cultural Center in Taylor, and exhibits of Hungarian needlework and pottery.

"The club was founded to perpetuate Hungarian culture and art," said Violet Misangy, club president. "The White Rose Ball used to be a tradition in Europe where young women were introduced to society and marriages were arranged. The ball introduces young people to their heritage."

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

## Talent from page C1

with multiple scenes expressed on a single image, fleeting figures, some more focused, a time lapse. These were the things I was interested in video, a statement about a period of time."

In his first non-university solo exhibit, Wedel handles his subject matter, the figure, in a variety of ways. In some of the works, Wedel's figures are little more than a shadowy outline. In others, the figures are vibrant and obvious. His palette varies as well from lightness to darkness.

Wedel never thought about drawing or painting while growing up in Kansas. Now, he can't

get it out of his mind. After graduating in April, Wedel painted full time all last summer to "see if he could work unsupervised." Encouraged by the amount of paintings he sold at the fine art and craft show held as part of Canton Township's Liberty Fest last June, Wedel would like to paint full time, but his financial situation makes that impossible.

By day, he works as an assistant to the director of 16 Hands Gallery in Ann Arbor but at night he layers oil media on canvas, masonite and paper. View more of Wedel's works at his Web site: www.geocities.com/soho/museum/3555

## Landscapes

In an era when artists are struggling to find venues to display their work, the nonprofit arts organizations are doing a fine job of introducing visual artists such as Wedel and Nagle Miller to the community.

Nagle Miller, who began painting full time since 1979, has little trouble selling her work because she's built a reputation over the years by exhibiting and winning awards in shows such as Our Town in Birmingham; Michigan Women Artists at Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn; and the Scarab Club's Silver Medal exhibit in Detroit.

"I paint for the enjoyment and to be able to share it with other people," said Nagle Miller, "not really for the money."

A member of the Ann Arbor Women Painters and formerly on the board of the Michigan Water Color Society, Nagle Miller leans toward Impressionism in some of the paintings. Many are patch-like which is quite understandable because the Ann Arbor artist is a quilter.

Since most of the painting is done in her studio, Nagle Miller takes photographs of landscapes

on trips to northern Michigan, and the western and southern U.S. For one week every summer, she paints with a group of artists at Torch Lake.

"I sometimes paint the same photo like 'Torch Sunset III' which I painted 10 years ago," said Nagle Miller. "The more recent work is a little more detail oriented."

Unfortunately, Nagle Miller's series on Egyptian mummies is not represented in the show. She painted the first works on the unusual subject eight years ago. The wrapped pieces, darker in color, related to the illnesses of friends.

"I was always fascinated by mummies, said Nagle Miller. "As a child the mummies were always the first thing I wanted to see on visits to the Toledo Museum. "Some are actually unwrapped and there's a hint of a figure."

Nagle Miller has been asked to exhibit her mummy paintings in Germany in August.

"The more I studied the mummies the more I became fascinated," she said. "Some of the paintings are spooky and I wouldn't hang it in my own home."

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### ART FAIRS

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Sponsored by the Great Lakes Beadworkers Guild. Featuring 41 vendors from throughout the country. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28. Van Dyke Park Hotel, 31800 Van Dyke, Warren; (810) 977-7043.

### 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. Slides must be received by March 1. Entry fee: \$25. Also seeking dance, music and theater ensembles to perform at the event. Performance artists' applications must be received by April 9. 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 artist permits up to three entries. Deadline: 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, 1999. Applications available from The Arts League, 1528 Woodward Avenue, Ste. 800, Detroit, MI 48226. For information, (313) 964-1670.

**CALL FOR ENTRIES**  
Michigan Watercolor Society's 52nd annual exhibition, to be held May 16-19, 1999. 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.

**HARBOR SPRINGS SUMMER SHOW**  
Applications are being accepted for the 24th annual 4th of July Art Show in Harbor Springs. Deadline: April 10. For an application, call the Harbor Springs Community School office and leave your name, address and phone number: (616) 526-5385.

**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.

**METROPOLITAN SINGERS OF SOUTHFIELD**  
An adult choir of mixed voices is looking for new singers, especially men, to sing blues, pop, 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.

**PAINT CREEK CENTER SCHOLARSHIPS**  
Two \$1,000 merit scholarships offered to graduating high school seniors in Macomb, Oakland or Wayne counties who plan to major in visual arts. Application deadline: April 17. To obtain an application, or for more information, call (248) 651-4110.

### 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.

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The art of Yvaral is on exhibit through March 31 at Masterpiece Gallery, 137 W. Maple, Birmingham; (248) 594-9470.

**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.

**BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER**  
Offers a range of art classes, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham. Call (248) 644-0866 for more information.

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All-day art activities for children April 5-9, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham. Call for more information, (248) 644-0866.

**DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS**  
Classes for adults, educators and youth. Call for details, (313) 833-4249, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

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

**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 Wonderland Day Camp, will be offered for students ages 6-11 during Feb. 15-19, 407 Pine Street, Rochester; (248) 651-4110.

**PEWABIC POTTERY**  
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) 965-4262.

**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. 21 & 25. Call (248) 644-2075.

### CONCERTS

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

**CHRIST CHURCH CRANBROOK**  
Harpsichord 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.

**DETROIT CHAMBER STRINGS**  
"Around the World in 80 Minutes," 3 p.m. Sunday, March 7. Birmingham Unitarian Church, 651 Woodward Ave., at the corner of Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills; (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 CIVIC ORCHESTRA**  
8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28. Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit; (313) 576-5111.

**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**  
"Broadway Today," 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21. Jazz diva Dee Dee Bridgewater and Detroit's own Geri Allen, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26. Yan Pascal Torteiler Leads the DSO, 10:45 a.m. Friday, Feb. 26; 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27; 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28; 8 p.m. Thursday, March 4; 8 p.m. Friday, March 5 and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 6. Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit; (313) 576-5111.

**FRANKLIN COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Dean Rutledge of Focus Hope in concert at "Acts" coffee house, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26. 32473 Normandy Rd., Franklin; (248) 626-6606.

**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.

**JAZZ NETWORK FOUNDATION**  
Generation to Generation Jazz Series presents Baritone saxophonist Cecil Payne, 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28. Serengetti Ballroom, 2957 Woodward Ave., Detroit; (313) 832-3010.

**LYRIC CHAMBER ENSEMBLE**  
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 SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**  
"Broadway All the Way," 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26. Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, at M-59 and Garfield Road, Clinton Township; (810) 286-2222.

**MADONNA UNIVERSITY**  
Classic guitarist Jason Vieux in concert, Saturday, March 6. Kresge Hall, 36600 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia; (248) 975-8797.

**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, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28. 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield; (248) 424-9022.

**UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY**  
Countertenor David Daniels and pianist Martin Katz, 4 p.m. Sunday, March 7. Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, 911 N. University Ave., Ann Arbor; (734) 764-2538.

**DANCE**

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

**LECTURE**

**BBAC**  
Lecture series on the work and life of Picasso: March 12 - "A Portrait of the Artist," 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

**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 Ploshshares 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.

**VOLUNTEERS**

**ANIMATION NETWORK CLUB**  
Looking for artists such as animators or comedians who would like to be featured on cable. For more information, contact Jane Dabish, president, P.O. Box 251651, West Bloomfield, MI, 48325-1651, (248) 626-2285.

**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 the Detroit Institute of Arts, (313) 833-9178.

**FAR CONSERVATORY**

Needs volunteers to assist with leisure, creative and therapeutic arts programs for infants through adults with disabilities, weekdays, evenings, Saturdays. Call (248) 646-3347.

**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: mccb.org, or contact MCBB, Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road; (248) 349-0376.

### 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.

**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.

**DIA**  
Through April 25 - "Half Past Autumn: The Art of Gordon Parks." More than 220 photographs from the legendary photographer. 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-7900.

### GALLERY OPENINGS

**COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY**  
Feb. 26 - "MFA Thesis Exhibition," the art of Jennifer Rosenfeld, Meekyung Shim and Linda Soberman, through April 2. Opening reception 5 - 8 p.m. Wayne State University, 150 Community Arts Building, Detroit; (313) 577-2423.

**CARY GALLERY**  
Feb. 27 - "New Works - Recent Paintings," art by Marcia Freedman, through March 27. Reception 6 - 8 p.m. 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester; (248) 651-3656.

### GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

**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.

**GALERIE BLU**  
Through Feb. 27 - "Best Buddies," featuring works of Britto, Haring, Scharf and others. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 454-7797.

**NETWORK**  
Through Feb. 27 - "Manuel Antonio Baez's 'Phenomenological Garden,'" 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 334-3911.

**N'NAMANDI GALLERY**  
Through Feb. 27 - "Master Painter Norman Lewis, 1909-1979," 161 Townsend, Birmingham; (248) 642-2700.

**UZELAC GALLERY**  
Through Feb. 27 - Oil paintings of Allen Berke. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 332-2527.

**ROBERT KIDD GALLERY**  
Through Feb. 27 - Paintings by Joel Sheesley, Oscar Lakeman and Kikuo Saito, 107 Townsend, Birmingham; (248) 642-3909.

**FAR CONSERVATORY**

**C-POP ART GALLERY**  
Through Feb. 28 - "Art from Concentrate." David Whitney Building, 1553 Woodward, Suite 313, Detroit; (313) 964-0911.

**MOORE'S GALLERY**  
Through Feb. 28 - "Images ex-pose-d," a collection of work by Gigi Boldon, 304 Hamilton Row, Birmingham; (248) 647-4662.

**ELIZABETH STONE GALLERY**  
Through Feb. 28 - "Here is My Heart - Love Poems," the art of Jane Dyer, 536 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 647-7040.

**HABATAT GALLERIES**  
Through Feb. 28 - Leah Wingfield; also new work by Stephen Clements and John Healey, 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 333-2060.

**LIVONIA CITY FINE ARTS GALLERY**  
Through Feb. 28 - Acrylic landscapes of artist Angie Nagle Miller of Ann Arbor. Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road; (734) 466-2490.

**SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY**  
Through March 2 - "Wendy Ewald: Photographs from the Dreams Series," 555 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 642-8250.

**PARK WEST GALLERY**  
Through March 4 - The paintings of Itzhak Tarkay, 29469 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield; (248) 354-2343.

**DAVID KLEIN GALLERY**  
Through March 6 - "Luke Gray: Recent Paintings," 163 Townsend, Birmingham; (248) 433-3700.

**SYBARIS GALLERY**  
Through March 6 - Teapots, 202 E. Third Street, Royal Oak; (248) 544-3388.

**PRESTON BURKE GALLERY**  
Through March 7 - "Historic Photos of Detroit," a look at downtown Detroit, 1888-1920, 30448 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak; (248) 549-5171.

**OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERY**  
Through March 11 - Michigan Water Color Society's 51st Annual Traveling Exhibit, second floor of the Executive Office Bldg., 1200 North Telegraph, Pontiac; (248) 858-0415.

**DETROIT ARTIST MARKET**  
Through March 12 - "Wacky Painters," the work of six artists, 300 River Place, Ste. 1650, Detroit; (313) 393-1770.

**HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
Through March 12 - "Michigan Women Artists," 5101 Evergreen Road, Dearborn; (734) 845-9629.

**ARNOLD KLEIN GALLERY**  
Through March 13 - "30 Prints From The 30s," 32782 Woodward Avenue, Royal Oak; (248) 647-7709.

**SWANN GALLERY**  
Through March 13 - "The Mardi Gras Show," featuring a tribute to the J.L. Hudson Building, 1250 Library St., Detroit; (313) 965-4826.

**ANN ARBOR ART CENTER**  
Through March 14 - "Pushing the Envelope: New Developments in Photography," featuring the work of Marge Pacer, Lisa Steichmann and John Harnois, 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor; (313) 994-8004.

**BIRMINGHAM UNITARIAN CHURCH GALLERY**  
Through March 15 - Landscape paintings and digital collages by Ken Graning, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 299-0677.

**JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER**  
Through March 15 - "Memory and Vision," A Celebration of Jewish Community, 1899-1999. Museum-quality exhibition of artifacts and photos chronicles 100 years of the organized Jewish community of Detroit. 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Docents available for guided tours, call (248) 642-4260, Ext. 271.

**ARTSPACE II**  
Through March 20 - Nick Blosser's egg tempera paintings, 303 E. Maple, Birmingham; (248) 258-1540.

**CREATIVE ARTS CENTER**  
Through March 20 - The art of Ivan Stewart, 47 Williams, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

**SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS**  
Through March 26 - Exhibition of paper weights from the Alfred Berkowitz collection, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield; (248) 424-9022.

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

**MASTERPIECE GALLERY**  
Through March 31 - Artwork by Yvaral, 137 W. Maple, Birmingham; (248) 594-9470.

**ELAINE JACOB GALLERY**  
Through March 31 - "Looking Forward, Looking Back," a group show, 480 W. Hancock, Detroit; (313) 993-7813.

**GALLERY: FUNCTION ART**  
Through March 31 - "Vessels, Boxes and Baskets," featuring more than 100 works, 21 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 333-0333.

**WEARLEY STUDIO GALLERY**  
Through April 3 - "With Hand and Hammer" showcases hand-raised metal vessels, 1719 West 14 Mile, Royal Oak; (248) 549-3016.

GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

Movie listings for various theaters including National Amusements, Star Southfield, Star Winchester, Star John-R at 14 Mile, Star Rochester Hills, United Artists, and Waterford Cinema II. Each listing includes showtimes and ratings.

BOOKS

Leonard brings Chili back, but music detour is deadly

Be Cool
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ESTHER LITTMANN

Conventional wisdom holds that an author must distill personal experience before he can interpret it. Writing requires perspective, which, in turn, requires the passage of time. But the recent hit film "Shakespeare in Love" and Elmore Leonard's latest crime fiction novel "Be Cool" suggest otherwise. Both stories feature protagonists who construct a plot, one episode at a time, by simply recording the events that take place in their own lives as they occur. Accordingly, all an author needs at the outset are believable characters with "an edge, an attitude, and the plot will write itself. It's a good gimmick in a comic film or novel, if not a very convincing one. But the idea of the spontaneous write-as-it-happens script certainly gives Leonard's sequel to "Get Shorty" a jump start. Insouciant hero Chili Palmer, one-time loan shark turned successful movie producer, returns for a repeat performance in "Be Cool." He's earned a name and a legitimate bank account with two films ("Get Leo" and "Get Lost") and wants to keep the momentum going. Creative juices are temporarily on hold, however, so Chili remains open to movie pitches, regardless of their source. One comes from Tommy Athens, former street buddy, one-time racketeer, now in the recording business. Tommy wants Chili to make a movie of his life: "See, I think you're the guy to do it, Chili, 'cause you and I have shared some of the same experiences, you might say. I tell you something, you know what I'm talking about." Problem is, while they're eating lunch at a hip L.A. restaurant, Tommy gets shot. Chili catches sight of the killer, and the killer gets a good look at him. Bingo! A plot is born. Chili Palmer has the beginnings of a movie, that is, if he can stay alive long enough to write the script. New characters enter the protagonist's life and the plot thickens. There's the beautiful Linda Moon, frustrated country-rock singer who wants to make it big but on her own terms. To make Chili her manager, Linda leaves a group called "Chicks International," breaking her 5-year contract with Raji, an ex-pimp who once warned her of "serious trouble" should she ever walk out. Sure enough, Raji doesn't waste time in court; for justice, he turns to Hollywood's "fringe people," including Elliot Wilhelm, his own 260 pound Samoan bodyguard. (E.W. is the name of the Detroit Film Theater curator who, like others, paid big money to charity to get his name in the book.) So now our hero has two parties determined to take him out. When a dead body is found propped up behind his home-office desk, it's clear that the hoodlums know where to find him.

But Chili doesn't flinch. He's too busy garnering experiences for his film plot - or trying to manipulate people and shape events to fit the storyline. Besides, he's learning the music business so he can make Linda a big star. And that's where Leonard, the author of 36 novels, gets sidetracked. "Be Cool" is packed with detail about the music industry - from how recordings are "hustled" by "promo guys," to the practice of dubbing in instrumentation and voice-overs, to discussions of terms like "alternative" and "metal." That's great for music buffs, but what- ever tension Leonard builds - and it is considerable - is dissipated by mega-doses of information. Right after Leonard puts you on the edge of your seat, he invites you to lean back and enjoy bits of movie trivia and instruction in Music Media 101. At the end, the plot has shifted focus and the resolution is anticlimactic. Perhaps, allowing the characters to lead the plot only works for fictional authors. But then, Leonard admits that's the way he usually writes, and there's no arguing with success. Only, this time the characters led the author astray. "Be Cool" turns out leaving some readers lukewarm. "Be Cool" can be purchased at local bookstores. Esther Littmann is a resident of Bloomfield Township and a tutor in English and German. You can leave her a message from a touch-tone phone at (734) 963-2047, mailbox number 1893. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

BOOK HAPPENINGS

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- BORDERS (BIRMINGHAM, WOODWARD) Books with Cook discusses "The Hidden Book of the Bible," 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21; Claire Levine reads from "The Bud That Stays," a collection of her husbands poems and essays, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25; Richard Goree signs his book "Goree Island," 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, at the store, 34300 Woodward, (248)203-0005.
- BARNES & NOBLE (BLOOMFIELD HILLS) The Cinema-Lit Group discusses "A Simple Plan," 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26; Sister and Brother Berenstain for children 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28 at the store.

- 6575 Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills, (248)540-4209.
- BORDERS (ROCHESTER HILLS) Parent Magazine Story Hour features "Hey Look! The Happy Book!," 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21; Winter Romance Group discusses Kathleen Eagle's "The Night Remembers," 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22; Michael Womack and John Sacco discuss finances 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22; Isis Reading Group discusses Marya Hornbacher's "Wasted," 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23, at the store 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills (248)652-0558.
- BORDERS (FARMINGTON HILLS) Peggy Mainati presents a program on garden catalogs for the Gardening Discussion Group, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22; Robert de Valle leads Jewish Authors Book Group discussion of Victor Klemperer's "I Will Bear Witness," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23; Anna Murray signs her book "Sarah's Page," 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27 at the store 30995 Orchard Lake Road,

- Farmington Hills, (248)737-3980.
- SHAMAN DRUM (ANN ARBOR) David Frye reads from his translation of Abilio Estevez's "Thine is the Kingdom," 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24; Frederick Reuss reads from "Horace Afoot," 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, at the store State Street, Ann Arbor.
- BORDERS (DEARBORN) Caldecott Award winner Faith Ringgold signs and discusses "The Invisible Princess," 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23; Harriet Cole signs "How to Be," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23; John Leone performs from his "Seasons of Time" CD 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25; Dr. Ben Carson signs and discusses "The Big Picture," 5:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, at the store, 5601 Mercury Drive, Dearborn, (313)271-4441.
- SOUTHFIELD LIBRARY Angela Patrick Wynn signs her debut novel "Everything She Wants," 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, at the library, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield.

Critic tells how to watch a movie

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To Lawrence Jeziak, the unexamined movie isn't worth watching. "Sometimes, people get a little exasperated," said Jeziak, a writer, editor and media analyst who teaches film at Oakland Community College. "They say 'Can't you just enjoy it?'" Knowing the ingredients of a tasty dish doesn't detract from eating, said Jeziak, who spoke recently to the Plymouth branch, American Association of University Women, at Hoben Elementary School in Canton. He talked about ways to have more fun at the movies. Members and guests peppered Jeziak with questions, asking him about favorites. Jeziak disliked both "Patch Adams" and "Saving Private Ryan," although he liked Tom Hanks' performance in "Private Ryan." "Pleasantville" was his favorite for the last year. "All theaters aren't equal," he said. The AMC 20 in Livonia's great: "It's just a wonderful place to see a movie." The Star theaters are good, too. He urged avoiding places with too-small screens, poor seating and sticky floors. "It's just not as pleasant." Some movies, such as "2001: A Space Odyssey," deserve to be

seen on the big screen, he said. Jeziak's not a fan of the Birmingham Theatre for movies. "I'm convinced that the architects never saw a movie in their life." Seating at the theater is a problem, he said, with two-thirds of the seats poorly placed in relation to the screen. The theater does look attractive, he said. "If you can, go with friends. You've got somebody to talk about the film with." Different people get different impressions of the same movie, he said, explaining he liked "Fargo" but not "The English Patient." "He's also not a fan of most musicals. Movies bring out gender differences among viewers as well. He mentioned couples going to video stores and having difficulty making a choice. The big hits are often gone, and customers are at the mercy of jackets and their descriptions. "They all look good until you get the thing home." At home, good electronic equipment makes movies more enjoyable. Jeziak, who grew up in northwest Detroit, isn't all that concerned about the decline of neighborhood theaters. "A lot of them deserve to be torn down. They just didn't keep up." He encouraged members and guests to see shows at off times

or to look for free-admission radio promotions and press screenings to save money. "You can save it to buy that \$4 bag of popcorn." A good reference book is useful for picking many movies, he said. He encourages those with cable to consider pay per view movies. "You can tape it, you don't have to watch it when it's being shown." Some AAUW members and guests said a good story's what makes a movie, but the speaker disagreed, adding that there are relatively few stories. "It's the way that they tell the story. That's where the director comes in." He mentioned the distinctive work of directors Woody Allen and Alfred Hitchcock. Those at the meeting watched a suspense-filled clip from Hitchcock's "North By Northwest," in which Cary Grant's character is terrorized by a pilot in a crop dusting plane. "It's all a charade by one of the greatest masters of the art," Jeziak said of the scene. Hitchcock had total control over his movie productions, and once said actors should be treated as cattle. Elements such as acting, directing and editing are essential for a good movie. "Cinema if it's anything is a collaborative art." Long credits show that, he said.

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# Great cast, set, costumes in 'Never the Sinner'

Jewish Ensemble Theatre presents "Never the Sinner," through Sunday March 7. Performances 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday, 8 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, at the Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level of the Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road at Drake, West Bloomfield. Community forums follow Thursday evening and

Sunday matinee performances. Featured speakers include Mort Crim, George Canton, and Clementine Barfield of So Sad. Call for details. \$13-\$23, discounts for seniors/students. (248) 788-2900. BY HELEN ZUCKER SPECIAL WRITER

The Jewish Ensemble Theatre has staged a great looking pro-

duction of John Logan's "Never the Sinner." Innovatively directed by John M. Manfredi, the production is sometimes absorbing, sometimes tract-like. The trouble lies in Logan's script. Perhaps it's impossible to take a fresh look at young men who think they're superior enough to murder a child, commit the perfect murder, are accountable to

no one, etc. We've all heard these Wagnerian, Nietzschean philosophies somewhere, and their shadow floats over the play like the image of the hawk Nathan Leopold opens Act 1 with.

David Wolber shines as 18-year-old Nathan Leopold who drives the car while his best friend, 19-year-old Richard Loeb, murders 14-year-old Bobby Frank John Hawkinson as Loeb gives us a nervous, laughing playboy, a ladies man who feels for no one except his best friend.

Leopold agrees to share in criminal acts for sex and the two seal their pact with a ferocious kiss. It doesn't startle anyone; the two seem to have had this pact since early childhood. They both have too much money, no sense of what to do with it, and all the time and freedom in the world. This doesn't have to be grounds for the growth of little murderers, but Logan's script leaves us uncertain about what he thinks of these circumstances.

Hal Youngblood brings a sense of mercy, brains, and world-weariness to the role of Clarence Darrow. The trouble is, we've heard these splendid speeches about great intellectuals who are really 10 year old boys at heart. It all sounds like Germany in the 1930s, rather than Chicago in 1924. Darrow gets Loeb and Leopold 99 years and life, and it gives the author a chance to speculate that these two would grow up to be, as Leopold says, "Comfortable, quite ordinary." It's Hannah Arendt on the banality of evil.

Greg Trzaskoma is strong as Robert Crowe, the State's Attorney who wants the death penalty. Trzaskoma makes quoting the Bible seem naive; he's a perfect foil for Darrow's sophistication, and he knows it.

Carey Crim is very strong as Dicky Loeb's main girlfriend, Germaine, and as Reporter #2. Crim strides across the stage with great confidence and seems

to be in every pressroom in Chicago.

Lewis Bowen is very fine as Reporter #1; he walks like a brash, cocky man. When Bowen thanks Loeb for an interview, his eyes shine at the story he's gotten.

Jim Shanley is quietly terrific as Reporter #3, and as Dr. White who understands why the killing took place, but isn't interested in the sanity of either Leopold or Loeb.

Evelyn Orbach's artistic direction was superb. The set by West End Studios was inventive, so were scenes and props by Monika Essen, lights by Rita Girardi, and sound by Brett Rominger.

Mary Anne Davis was a fine production stage manager and Ernest McDaniel deserves kudos for tech director. But Edith Leavis Bookstein deserves a round of applause for costume design. I loved the clothes. I could almost imagine Dick Loeb "being worried about his suit."

## ART BEAT

Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send Wayne County arts news leads to Art Beat, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

**AUDITIONS**  
Singers/dancers and actors needed for productions of "Medea" and "The Birds" which will be rehearsed and presented in Greece from mid-June to mid-July.

Auditions will be held 8-10 p.m. Sunday-Monday, Feb. 21-22 in the ballroom of the Student Union on the Livernois campus of the University of Detroit Mercy. For more information, call (810) 264-2611.

**MUSICAL AFTERNOON FOR KIDS**  
The Music Lady presents a unique and exciting blend of music and songs, combining charming arrangements of old favorites, on her guitar 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28 at the Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington.

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Admission is \$4. Tickets are available at the City of Livonia Parks and Recreation office 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, or at the door. For more details, call (734) 466-2410.

**ART MEETING**  
Three Cities Art Club holds its monthly meeting 7 p.m. Monday, March 1, in the Plymouth Township Clerk's office at Ann Arbor Road and Lilley. Please bring a sample of your

work. A ribbon is awarded at each meeting to the most popular painting, as determined by a vote. You need not be a member to win.

March's program features award winning Canton artist Connie Lucas who will demonstrate watercolor and explain her vibrant techniques. For more information, call Annalee Davis at (734) 427-6524.

**VOICE SCHOLARSHIPS**  
The Plymouth Community Chorus will award scholarships to students pursuing studies in vocal music, an applied vocational career in vocal music, or voice for the purpose of organized recreational or community singing. Three scholarships will be awarded to deserving high school students—\$800 to a graduating senior, and \$400 each to first and second year students.

Deadline for application is March 8. For an application form or more information, call Sherrie Northway at (313) 533-4796 or write to the Plymouth Community Chorus, P.O. Box 77027, Plymouth, 48170.

In the last 14 years, recipients have gone on to study at music schools such as the Academy of Popular Vocal Arts, Interlochen and Blue Lake Fine Arts Camps.

**ART CLASSES**  
The Art Gallery/Studio is offering classes with Lin Baum beginning 1-4 p.m. Thursday, March 18 at 29948 Ford Road, in Sheridan Square Shopping Center, Garden City.

The fee is \$50 for four weeks. Members of the Garden City Fine Art Association receive a 10 percent discount.

Deadline for registration is

March 15. For information, call (734) 261-0379 or (734) 513-4044.

**CALL FOR ARTISTS**  
Canton township is looking for artists to exhibit in the Fine Art and Craft Show Saturday-Sunday, June 19-20 at Liberty Fest '99 in Heritage Park.

Deadline for entry is April 15. For more information, call Sharon Dillenbeck at (734) 453-3710.

Exhibit hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Categories include painting, prints, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, drawing, pastel, and selected fine crafts. No commercially produced merchandise allowed. Artists can choose to display their work under the big tents or bring their own tent.

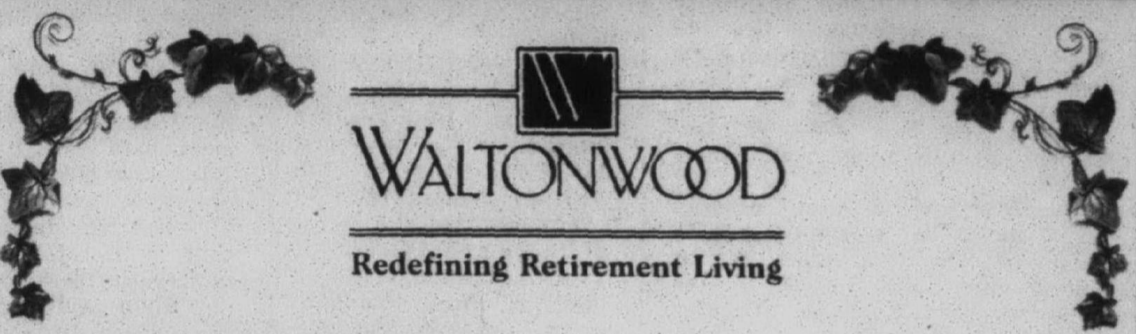
Any art student in middle or high school in the Plymouth-Canton School District can display and sell their art in the student booth. There is no entry fee for students.

**PHOTO SEMINAR**  
The Photographic Guild, based in metropolitan Detroit, holds its 36th annual photographic seminar March 19-21 at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn.

Well-known photographers, including Gordon Brown and Herb Jones, present programs on subjects ranging from digital photography to video imaging, black and white printing, glassware, color slide "sandwiches," and landscape, night and nature close-up photography. Workshops will be held on video, live models, black light, bird and flower photography.

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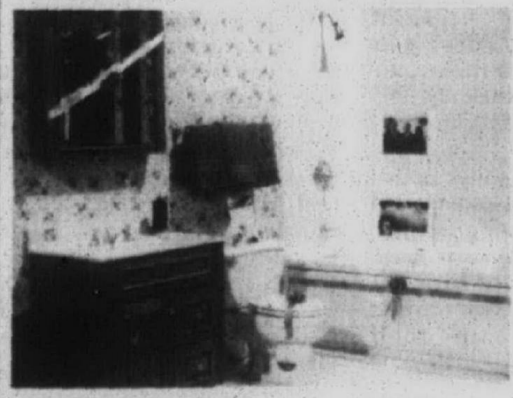
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# Malls & Mainstreets

## Lipstick hues less than pretty

Is it just me or have you noticed that the latest style in lipstick borders on the necrophiliac? Pretty young girls wearing blue, brown and even green lipstick. This is 1999. If we went back to plague-ridden years, we would not hesitate to either make a donation, or start a telethon for them.

William Shakespeare wrote of Juliet: "Beauty's ensign yet is crimson in thy lips and in thy cheeks and death's pale flag is not advanced there." How could he have known that he was predicting cosmetic colors for the millennium? And he was in the 16th century? Talk about foresight!

So what's up? Hero-in chic? Dead-girl chic? Just plain ugly chic?

Or could it be another desperate attempt by the cosmetic companies to resuscitate their youth market? I thought that young girls today were happier with their faces than when I was a kid. They certainly seem to be happier with their bodies.

Remember when we were teenagers "they" used to tell women "be sure to sleep with your lipstick and a mirror under your pillow. Be sure to rise before your husband so he will never see you bare faced."

Yikes! Where could a woman be kissed (don't answer that!)? I learned in the 1950s that lipstick was the true motif of the decade. All women would wear their wonderful red lips with pride and some daring. Was the red of the 50s the death mask of the 90s? The term "teenage" was yet to acquire its own stature and culture.

My grandmother and mother both considered lipstick to be as vital as clean underwear. My sister picked up on that (no, I definitely did NOT!) And she is always "with her lips."

It's interesting that as a makeup artist, when I see a woman without lipstick, she looks dead. Is that her intent? Her anti-cosmetic statement? Lack of knowledge?

I personally believe that it is impossible for the average mother to give advice to their daughters here; experience is wear-dated and, by the time a new generation achieves adulthood, the conditions of their lives have been altered so much that one's experience is no longer applicable.

Remember what you wore? Falsies (on your eyelids and other areas). Pale, pale lipstick. White foundation. No blusher. My God, our mothers were Dusty Springfield!

Back then, women were warned they would never find a husband if they didn't wear lipstick...at least. How nice that women can now say "so what" and not be ostracized.

Our current female generation has been told they will find companionship by the weight of their personality, sense of humor, intellect, sexual versatility, and even income. Isn't it amazing that women were at one time conditioned to connect finding a mate with a single swipe of lipstick?

Even then, they needed me since women only did their upper lips and blotted to transfer lipstick color. Double yikes!

As for guys, what an interesting quandary, both then and now. The "good girls" wore subtle pastels shades of lipstick. The "bad" girls wore red. Guys always wanted to marry good women, but have sex with bad girls. What a hoot to think that the wives would rush into the bathroom when the lights went out, single swipe that upper lip and become the floozies about which their mates always fantasized. Those, my dear, were the good old days! The millennium is 10 months away. Will anyone besides the eternal Joan Collins or Monica Lewinsky be left with that "waxy buildup" look on their lips? Let's hope that women have more sense and realize that you wear the makeup. The makeup doesn't wear you!

In re-reading this, I muse that it might seem odd that a man who has made his living for the past 35 years as a makeup artist would write about such things. I guess that I must be in a philosophic frame of mind. I just returned from a seven-day cruise to the Caribbean where I reflected on my life, my industry, and some of the passengers on the ship. But that's another story!

Jeffrey Bruce will be giving a free lecture/demonstration on Sunday, March 28 in Rochester. For more information about this event, as well as appointments for private makeovers in Novi in April (February and March are sold out), please call 1-800-944-6588. Also, you may e-mail Jeffrey at [jwbb@worldnet.att.net](mailto:jwbb@worldnet.att.net) or visit his web site: [jeffrebrucecosmetics.com](http://jeffrebrucecosmetics.com).



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## The power of jewelry

### Designer channels energy into tailor-made pieces

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If jewelry designer Sandra Xenakis' philosophy on beads, stones, metals and other matter of ornamentation comes into vogue, jewelry is about to get heavy.

"Wars have been won and lost over jewelry," said Xenakis, a Chelsea-based designer who assigns more significance to jewelry than mere adornment.

She sells her handmade, one-of-a-kind pieces at Just For Her, a small woman's clothing boutique in Troy, but also crafts custom jewelry, including some which aim to channel energy forces in the body.

Xenakis will also be available to speak with jewelry lovers and potential customers at a trunk show slated for March 11 from 4:30-8 p.m. at the store.

The self-taught jewelry designer and psychic of 12 years calls these pieces - made of natural stones that some claim have healing and spiritual powers - "channel jewelry."

"I think stones have energy," said Xenakis, who only recently combined her talent for creating jewelry with what she calls her intuitive capabilities.

"Any natural object has energy," she said.

Skepticism about the healing power of stones is beside the point since, said Xenakis, all jewelry works in mysterious ways.

Jewelry is symbolic - consider the power turned over to rosaries and good luck charms.

Jewelry also becomes a part of the person who wears it.

"It's a part of you," said Xenakis. "It really becomes a part of you and has your energy. Whether or not people believe this, (jewelry) has your energy."

Just like a favorite comfort sweater, jewelry can affect mood, state of mind and behavior.

So, mused Xenakis, "it's important for people to think about what they put on their bodies, rather than just grabbing something and going. They should pay attention to how jewelry makes them feel."

That bulky, itchy sweater in the back of the closet doesn't get worn. Why should a piece of jewelry that evokes discomfort?

Likewise, one ought not fret about the loss of a piece of jewelry, said Xenakis.

"People lose jewelry when they're supposed to," she said. "Jewelry knows when it's not supposed to be with its owner anymore. So, don't despair. Some people find it again. But, if you don't, you weren't meant to."

To create her psychic, stone pieces, Xenakis meets with her customers, discusses their current life circumstances, mulls over their appearance and taste, and "channels" - through meditation - an end product.

The process, as well as other custom jewelry orders, takes two to three weeks. Xenakis' pieces range in price from \$18 for pre-made earrings to \$200 for necklaces and larger pieces. "Channel jewelry" starts at \$50 and spirit bundles, bags of gemstones to carry or wear, start at \$80.

A client who, for example, has a broken bone might consider tourmaline beads to aid the healing process. Young hearts in search of love might wish to incorporate rose quartz - the stone of universal love - into their necklace, bracelet or earrings.

Xenakis recommends lapis, clear-crystal quartz, jasper and hematite to clients seeking to reduce stress, confusion

Please see JEWELRY, C7



Handsome work: Jewelry artist and psychic Sandra Xenakis creates objects that harmonize with the person who wears them. She says her bracelets, necklaces and other handmade pieces of jewelry can impart healing and healthful energy to the wearer. Xenakis crafts her works after carefully consulting with her clients to discuss their life and understand their circumstances.

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BY  
JOHN STORMZAND



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#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

##### MASTER GARDENER

Borders Books & Music in Farmington Hills hosts master gardener Peggy Malnati who will present a short program about shopping from garden catalogs. Participants are encouraged to bring their own gardening catalogs for exchange. 7:30 p.m.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

##### SPRING LAUREN SHOW

Hudson's Twelve Oaks presents a spring fashion show featuring looks from Lauren by Ralph Lauren. Reception begins at 6:30 p.m.

##### TRUNK SHOW

The Apple Tree Room, 32749 Franklin Road in Franklin, hosts a Spring trunk show featuring Brighton Leather handbags and the art clothing of Jennifer Sly Kirk, who will attend the event. Light refreshments will be served. Noon-8 p.m.

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

##### A BETTER HOME OFFICE

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Tips for creating an in-home office and enhancing current office environments will be given by professionals from COMP USA and Art Van Furniture. Those attending the event can register to win \$599 of home office merchandise or one of four COMP USA training classes. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Art Van's Royal Oak location at 32301 Woodward Ave.

##### BASEBALL COLLECTIBLES

Wonderland Mall in Livonia hosts a Baseball Card and Collectibles Show through Feb. 28. Cards, coins, stamps, assorted memorabilia and autographs will be available. During regular mall hours.

##### SPRING REFRESHER

Saks Fifth Avenue, Somerset Collection in Troy, offers Estee Lauder facials with a company representative through Feb. 27. Cosmetics department, first floor. Call (248) 614-3363 for an appointment.

##### ST. JOHN'S COLLECTION

Laurel Park Place in Livonia presents St. John spring-summer collection. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in Jacobson's Designer Salon.

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

##### NO MAN IS AN ISLAND

Borders Books & Music in Birmingham pays trib-

ute to island life. Author Richard Goree will read from and discuss his book "Goree Island." A fashion show of island attire with live music from the Super Steel Band follows. 7-10 p.m.

##### LOOK-A-LIKES

If your child looks or dresses like a child star, such as Annie or Cindy Brady, bring your little star to the Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn for the Child Star Look-A-Like contest. Register between 1 and 3 p.m. at the Fountain Court Stage. Contest begins at 4 p.m. For information, call (313) 593-1370.

##### MEET MADELINE

Meet the popular character Madeline and enjoy a reading of one of her adventures at Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection in Troy. 1-4 p.m. in Children's World, second floor.

##### POLO MODEL

Polo Sport super model Tyson Beckford makes a public appearance in the Cosmetic departments of Hudson's, Northland Center in Southfield, 12-1 p.m. and at Hudson's, Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

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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. And 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:**

**Northridge Pharmacy:** (800) 350-7002 or www.northridgegifts.com:

Cologne Guy, www.coloneguy.com: Colonial Drug, Boston (617) 864-2222.

For the **J.L. Hudson demolition video**, you might try any of the television stations, they might sell you one.

A reader called from Florida to say the **original aluminum Christmas tree** with color wheel in its original box was seen at the Great Midwestern Antique Emporium in Drayton Plains on Dixie Hwy.

**Magic Lady** underwear made by Exquisite can be found in the Lane Bryant catalog (800) 248-2000.

A **Jet Stream Convention oven** can be found at Kitchen Glamour stores.

**Ginger Bread cologne** by Demeter's can be bought at Shine on Washington in Royal Oak, (248) 414-5277.

A reader called to say for the **Tec cleaner** use Lysol Extra Strength Toilet bowl cleaner. It whitens the porcelain very well.

The **heating element** that defrosts freezers can be found in the Harriet Carter catalog (800) 377-7878.

Annie called to say **Lenox Golden Winslow silverware** is a current pattern. Lenox bought out the Kirk Steiff Company. It can be found at Heslop's and Jacobson's. And Nat Schwartz, (800) 223-3003, has it reasonably priced.

**Underarm dress shields** can be found in the Lingerie department at Jacobson's in Birmingham and also at any Joanne Fabrics. And through Kleinert's catalog (334) 897-5764 and also in the Vermont Country Store catalog (800) 362-8440.

Found a copy of the **J.L. Hudson demolition, macrame plant holders, 1994 & 1995 Holiday Barbie** and the count down clock.

**WE'RE STILL LOOKING FOR:**

Darlene is looking for **High Karate men's cologne** by Canoe from the 1970's.

Willie is looking for **Dole Pineapple frozen concentrate**.

Sheila wants the 1993 Service Merchandise Collectible Silver Christmas bell.

Chuck is looking for the 1979 glass **Hummel ornament**.

Penny wants **Zena or Britannica jeans**.

Jan wants **Lip Chic** (a liquid that is brushed over lipstick to seal).

Linda from Troy is looking for

**"Focus Art Form, Splash"** hair products and Focus hair shiner.

Mary is looking for **Tulip Town Village**. It has hand painted rabbit figurines and pewter buildings by Anesco from about 10 years ago.

Mike is looking for a **1950 Grosjean Pointe High yearbook**.

Elaine wants white fingertip **terry cloth towels**.

Mary Lou is looking for **leather square or round decorative mat** (used on the top of desks and end tables to prevent scratches). Hudson's carried them, as did a store in Plymouth.

Mary is looking for the book **"The Treasure Chest"** from Harper & Rowe from the 1960's. It is a poetry book. She also wants **Almay's Time Off Make-up Re-texturing Foundation** in Almond Beige and needs an antique dealer to price her antique street lamps.

Daphne is looking for **Yardley Lavender Powder**.

Mrs. Stroh wants the Jan. 1943 **yearbook** from Northern High school.

David is looking for a **PC interface** for Texas Instrument (64K) organizer from about 6 years ago.

Joe is looking for **top fitted sheets**. Sears sold them in their catalog.

Yvonne wants **cake eyeliner** by Avon or Mabeline.

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Melissa wants the 1987 and 1988 **Farmington High school yearbooks**.

Diane is looking for **wallpaper or wall border** of monkeys, chimps or gorillas, and a **coordinating bedspread and sheets**.

Annette is looking for someone to repair a 1956 **Wurlitzer jukebox**.

Karen wants a battery operated **hair dryer**.

John is looking for **Old Tavern Steak Sauce** and **Philadelphia Scrapple** or **Scrapple**.

Joanne is looking for a figurine of **Johnny Pfeiffer**, who was the emblem for Pfeiffer beer.

Mary Lou wants the moisturizing body lotion **Once Upon a Moment** and an electric curling brush less than a half-inch.

Compiled by Sandi Jarackas.

**RETAIL DETAILS**

**BREAD IS LIFE**

Panera Bread, a neighborhood bakery-cafe opened Jan. 31 at Lakeside shopping center in Sterling Heights.

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**FADE TO WHITE**

Call it the new optimism, the new millennium or just call it spring. Everything about the new fashion season looks lighter and brighter, says Gina Tovar, a fashion director with Nordstrom.

"White, shades of white and a

new palette of whitened colors are a refreshing counterpoint to last season's dark shades, and a beautiful way to celebrate spring," she said.

This spring, Nordstrom will carry a spectrum of white, which is not only a mood-booster but also makes for a fresh, modern fashion statement.

An easy complement to darker shades of clothing already in the closet, white is good buy, as well. Combining "shades" of white will also be current this spring. Stone, ecru, cement and ivory complement each other and coordinate well with darker colors. Most importantly, such variety means that there's a shade of white out there for every skin tone.

Generally speaking, brunettes with olive skin look best in true, bright white. Fair skin and light-colored hair are drawn out by warmer whites, like ivory.

White's simplicity and versatility is a perennial classic. And, forecasts indicate fashion will continue to fall towards the light and white side over the next several seasons.

## Jewelry from page C6

and distraction in their lives.

"The colors coming in for spring are very soothing," said Xenakis of current trends in clothing and jewelry. "And, to me, that makes a lot of sense because of the times we're in now. We're in a very chaotic time."

"What I'm saying is, there is an inward component to the way you dress," she said. "And, that is important and figures into buying jewelry, as well."

While Xenakis' offering of psychic jewelry is certainly unique, the rest of her pieces don't slack in the unconventional category.

A recent trunk show of her work at Just For Her - the Space Collection - showed off Xenakis' talent for making use of unusual jewelry ingredients. In this case, she incorporated small, metal parts formerly used in the aerospace industry as components of satellites and rockets.

Another collection melds frag-

ile, Victorian buttons with contemporary beads, metal and stone. Her best-selling necklace centers around the I-Ching, a Chinese good luck coin.

"I think people are looking for permanence and tradition - I take some of that and make it contemporary, make it new" she said.

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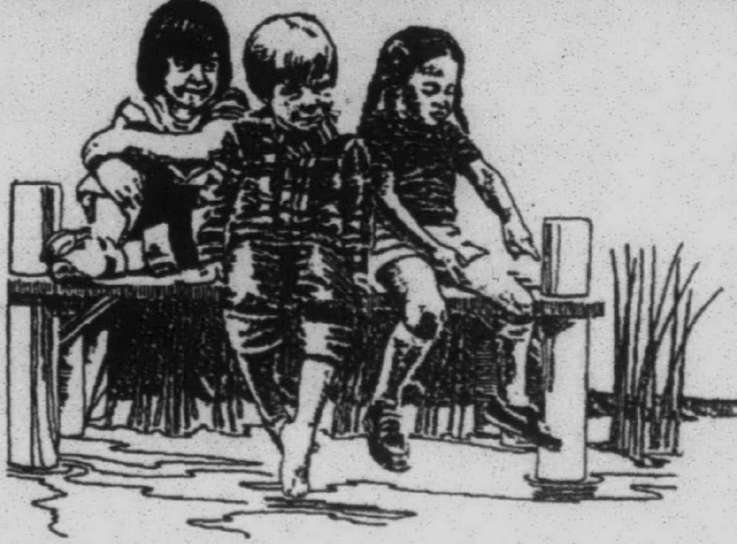
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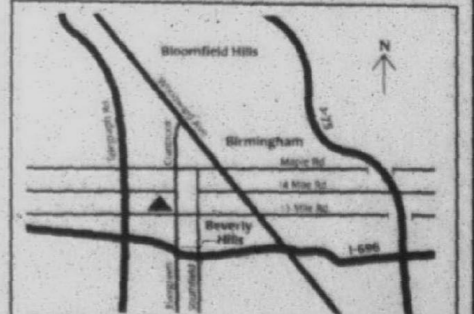
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**Stout-hearted men:** The Lumberjack Spectacular at Outdoorama is March 5-7. From left to right, Dan McDonough, nine-time world champion log roller, Curt Hiser, Pat Ogle and John Hughes, two-time cross-cut saw world champion.

# New travel books fit in a purse

By HUGH GALLAGHER  
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Tiny Lynn Portnoy moved about her small, stylish store at the Claymoor Apartment building in Southfield fixing tea and talking about her love of far-away places.

"My passion is traveling," she said with an enthusiasm that left no doubts. "When I say passion, I don't golf, tennis or go to sports events, but I'm a compulsive traveler. I was born with a curiosity I haven't outgrown."

She said her passion is so great she had to drop her subscription to the National Geographic because she was driven to visit every place they covered.

More than 30 years in the clothing business has given her an opportunity to see many places. As a single woman, she developed strategies for traveling in comfort and safety that she is now passing along to others in what she hopes will become a series of purse-sized guides, "Going Like Lynn." The first is on traveling to Paris.

The books began with a program she did on "traveling with one bag."

"Conversation always developed that they wanted details about my trip," Portnoy said. "And these were secure women, independent women. When it came to vacation travel, they were intimidated to go. So I started planning people's trips. It's a regular part of what I do."

Portnoy's store, which specializes in dressing professional women, opened in downtown Detroit in 1980 where it remained until 1991 when she moved to Southfield. The University of Michigan graduate began her fashion career with Joseph Magnin in San Francisco. She then joined the Claire Pearone store at Somerset Mall.

Portnoy, who lives in Bloomfield, began working on the travel book by sending out a questionnaire asking for ideas on destinations and concerns. She said Paris was the No. 1 choice for destination, followed by New

York and Italy. She said her series will follow that order.

"The No. 1 concern, which surprised me, was safety. I've never felt unsafe," she said.

That doesn't mean she takes the issue of safety lightly or hasn't developed some strong ideas about it, especially her conviction that small hotels offer the safest havens.

"Everyone says it doesn't matter where you stay, and it does. I only stay in small hotels where there's a human there," she said.

The small hotels don't handle the convention trade and they don't provide indifferent one-size-fits-all service.

"I feel more secure in a small hotel, someone knows who I am, and you don't have drunk people," she said.

Her book lists a handful of small hotels in Paris, all within walking distance of museums and shops.

"I'm a workaholic and when I get out on a trip, I want service," she said. "My time is valuable to me. A good concierge is like having a nanny. They make reservations and they tell you where to walk and where not to walk."

Portnoy advises women, and men, too, not to advertise themselves as American tourists.

"Never wear running shoes," she said. "They mark you as a tourist. Wear dark walking shoes."

She also advises that travelers keep a notebook with all their numbers written down such as your Visa or MasterCard number and expiration date, medical numbers, phone numbers, etc. She also advises making a copy of your passport.

"I keep telling people, if you feel unsafe, get off the street, to into a tobacco shop or cafe and they'll call you a cab," she said.

A sense of humor and an expectation that you're bound to make mistakes are also helpful. Portnoy tells some funny stories about herself in her book. For instance, there was the time some smoked fish almost got her arrested as a terrorist in Jordan.

As Portnoy says, these embarrassing moments are later trea-



**A tea break:** Lynn Portnoy (left) and her friend Linda Talbot enjoy tea and coffee at the Glaces de la Maison Berthillon in Paris.

sured memories.

Another concern of women traveling alone is about where to dine and how to cope with dining alone.

"They want to know about dining out in restaurants and how they will be treated," Portnoy said.

She lists her favorite restaurants in a range of prices.

A special feature of Portnoy's book is devoted to shopping in the city that made shopping famous. But Portnoy doesn't send travelers to Dior's. She said a woman is more likely to want to buy some lingerie or French chocolate or "overspend for some lipstick."

Of course, if you go Portnoy's way, you'll only have one bag and won't have room to carry back a lot of souvenirs.

"I only do carry-on. If I can't carry it on the plane, it doesn't go with me," she said.

She went to the back of the store and brought out a blue men's travel bag. On a rack of dresses, she separated a small grouping that she uses in her seminars to show just how little you need to carry.

This kind of light traveling might be harder for a man. Portnoy said men pack more than women.

Her book tells women what to bring that will provide them with enough clothes, accessories and toiletries for a week.

The tiny book includes

itineraries for a two-day trip and a weeklong trip.

"I'm a frustrated painter, I'm a visual person," she said. "I'm eccentric and highly visual. Paris is one of the most visual places. The street markets as much as the museums. Wherever you walk, the whole city, there is something to see. New York is the most interesting city but Paris is the most beautiful."

Her store features displays of the compact book which she has been promoting. A man from Howell came in to buy a copy for his Paris-bound daughter. His wife had heard Portnoy on the radio.

"This is so exciting," she said as she enthusiastically signed the book, obviously eager to share her passion with a young woman off on an adventure.

"The strongest education I've had is what I've learned from traveling," she said. "I've been with descendants of kings and descendants of slaves. I'm richer than people with money in the bank. I'm trying to give women the courage to go."

"Going Like Lynn" can be ordered for \$12.95 plus \$2.75 per book for shipping and handling by writing Lynn Portnoy, 29260 Franklin Road, Suite 123, Southfield, MI 48034 or by calling (248)353-2900. You can also contact Portnoy by e-mail at goinglikelynn@womenbiz.net

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Hours are 4-9:30 p.m. Feb. 26; 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Feb. 27 and March 6; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Feb. 28; 4-9:30 p.m. March 1-2; noon to 9:30 p.m. March 3; 4-9:30 p.m. March 4-5 and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. March 7.

Admission is \$6.50 for adults, \$3 for children 6-12 and free for age five and younger.

For information, call (800)777-6720.

DESTINATION IRELAND

The Community House Travel Department is offering an Irish adventure for May 13-21.

With a tour beginning in Dublin, a luxury coach winds along the west coastline with an Irish guide pointing out the island's scenery. Travelers will enjoy touring historical sites such as St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin Castle, Blarney Woolen Mills and Glendalough. Other hot spots on the trip include tea and scones at an Irish farmhouse and shopping at the Waterford Crystal Factory.

First-class accommodations for seven nights will be provided and a full Irish breakfast served daily. The tour includes roundtrip air between the United States and Dublin, passage on the Shannon Ferry Service and all hotel service charges and baggage handling.

To register for this Irish Adventure or to receive information about other trips through The Community House in Birmingham, call (248)594-6419.

BIKE MAINTENANCE

Get your bike ready for spring with this instructional clinic at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, at REI, 17559 Haggerty Road in Northville. The class teaches the basics of chain, brake and derailleur adjustment and how to fix a flat. Staff will go over the techniques and tools needed for basic bike maintenance. For more information, call (248)347-2100.



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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### NCAA III qualifier

Kari Jackson, a senior at Hope College and a Plymouth Canton HS graduate, came close to a clean sweep of all honors available to her at the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association Swimming and Diving Championships, Feb. 10-13 at Hope.

The Flying Dutch were meet winners, compiling 533 points — 123 more than runner-up Calvin College. Jackson did her part for Hope, earning all-MIAA honors for the second time in her career by finishing first in one-meter diving (407.45 points) and second in three-meter (443.00). Her three-meter score was just 6.7 points behind first-place finisher Kara Davidson.

Nonetheless, both scores earned Jackson a trip to the NCAA Division III Championships, March 11-13 at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio.

### Hoop reversal

What a difference a week makes.

Hope College was trailing MIAA leader Calvin College by three games early in February. In a week's span, the Flying Dutch erased that deficit, in part with a 78-70 triumph over Calvin Feb. 10. They followed that with an 88-69 win over Albion College Feb. 13 and a 85-73 victory over Adrian Wednesday.

In the win over Calvin, Mark Bray, a junior guard and a Plymouth Canton graduate, led Hope with 17 points. Bray followed that with a 15-point performance against Alma. His 32-point week earned him nomination as MIAA player of the week (which went to Calvin's Aaron Winkle).

Hope improved to 13-10 overall, 9-4 in the MIAA. Bray was averaging 7.8 points, 2.4 rebounds and a team-high 3.6 assists through the Albion game.

### Warnke playing tough

Wayne State's women's basketball team has struggled throughout this season, and last Wednesday's game against visiting Ashland was no exception as the Lady Tartars fell 83-74.

Junior forward Sarah Warnke, a Plymouth Canton graduate, led WSU with 20 points and 12 rebounds in 27 minutes. Britta Anderson, a senior forward and another Canton HS graduate, added six points in 13 minutes.

The loss left WSU with a 6-19 record, 4-14 in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

### Bowl-a-Thon

The Independent Order of Foresters are sponsoring the Bowling for Miracles family bowl-a-thon from noon-4:30 Sunday at Taylor Lanes. The benefits from this fundraiser go to the Children's Miracle Network, a non-profit organization whose mission is to raise funds and awareness for hospitalized children.

Cour Benevolence #1136, the IOF chapter sponsoring the event, will have the entire bowling center set aside for Sunday's benefit, which will also include a raffle featuring 150 items and a silent auction offering another 40. Last year, the IOF bowl-a-thon raised \$9,000 for CMN; the goal this year is \$15,000.

More than 12 million children are treated annually at over 170 CMN hospitals across North America. The local CMN hospital is the William Beaumont Children's Center.

For further information, call IOF public relations officer Raymond Klieber at (734) 425-0106.

### 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.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (734) 591-7279.

## Rocks roll to regional

BY DUNCAN E. WHITE  
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### WRESTLING

The Plymouth Salem wrestling team employed a simple strategy to win its team district championship on Thursday: cautiousness.

According to Rocks' head coach Ron Krueger, his team took its time in both dual meets against Livonia Churchill and Plymouth Canton to post big wins when it was said and done.

"We treated the teams with respect and we did not overlook anyone," he said. "I thought we wrestled real well and it resulted in a couple of nice wins for us."

The Rocks downed Churchill 45-26 in a semifinal match before rolling over Canton 61-15 for the championship. Canton won a lopsided match against Livonia Franklin 72-12 to advance to the final against Salem.

Salem (11-1) opened the match with five straight pins by Charles Hamblin (275 pounds), Jeff Bennett (103), Ron Thompson (112), Rob Ash (119) and John Mervyn (125) for early control of the evening.

Canton's Greg Musser (130), Jim

Shelton (140) and Rob Demsick (160) posted the only wins for the Chiefs, with Shelton and Demsick winning by pin.

John Henderson (135), Greg Smith (145), Greg Eizans (152), Mike Popeney (171), Geoff Bennett (189) and Pat O'Connor (215) posted the other wins for Salem. All won by pins except for Henderson and Eizans.

Canton was missing four wrestlers due to injury or sickness but head coach John Demsick felt that his team still would have had a tough time against the Rocks.

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Heavyweight triumph: Salem's Charlie Hamblin (on top) gets the better of Canton's Derek McWatt in the heavyweight weight class of Wednesday's team district final, which the Rocks won.

## Stevenson splashes Salem

BY BRAD EMONS  
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### SWIMMING

The cat-and-mouse game continued Thursday night between two favorites for the Western Lakes Activities Association boys swim championship.

Livonia Stevenson, ranked No. 7 in Class A, came away with a 97-89 dual-meet victory at Plymouth Salem, the WLAA Relays champion.

Salem ended its dual-meet campaign at 7-3, while Stevenson finished 8-3.

Both teams now set their sights on Thursday's preliminary round of the WLAA meet Thursday at Salem.

Among the other favorites is Lakes Division dual-meet champion North Farmington and Plymouth Canton.

"It's always good competition against Salem," Stevenson coach Doug Buckler



A winner: Brian Mertens won the 500 freestyle for Salem.

said. "This is the fourth time we've seen each other and it's great. We just

pound each other up.

"But the two teams get along so well that it's hard to stay on edge. It's like a chess match between both of us and North for the league meet. And you can't forget Canton. They have a fine swim team if anybody falters."

Stevenson captured eight of 12 events and got a state qualifying time in the 400-yard freestyle relay as Justin Ketterer, Mike Malik, Joe Bublitz and Keith Falk posted a time of 3:22.3.

Both Bublitz and Falk were individual double winners.

Bublitz finished first in the 100 butterfly (55.79) and 100 backstroke (56.71), while Falk took the 100- and 200 freestyles in 50.72 and 1:50.35.

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## Precision teams make nationals

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### SKATING

Talk about taking the fast road.

Or maybe a quick skate?

What the Plymouth Figure Skating Club's precision skating teams wanted to do at this year's Midwest Regional, held last weekend (Feb. 13-14) in Huntsville, Ala., was "have clean skates," according to team director Carrie Brown.

If they could do that, things would go well, Brown felt. "I thought every team, if they skated their best,

they could qualify," Brown said. "I didn't really expect that to happen ... but it did."

Brown added, "Everything just came together," which is why Plymouth — a club that has never before sent any team to the National Precision Skating Finals — is sending all four of its teams to this year's nationals, March 10-13 in Tampa.

"Our goal all season was to get to nationals," said Brown. "The skaters who

chose to do this were very dedicated. The girls were very, very focused."

The top four teams in each of the three regionals (Eastern, Midwestern and Pacific) advance. Next year's nationals will be hosted by Plymouth's Compuware Arena.

The Plymouth club's junior team, consisting of 20 skaters 15-18 years old, earned the gold medal at the regionals. If there was a surprise at the regional, this certainly wasn't it. In seven previous competitions this season, the Plymouth Junior team had earned five gold

medals and two silvers. "They're going in as favorites to medal (at nationals)," Brown predicted of their junior team.

The other Plymouth teams that qualified are the Juveniles (11-and-under), consisting of 24 skaters; Intermediates (15-and-under), consisting of 20 skaters; and Novice (14-and-under), consisting of 24 skaters in a more competitive division of precision skating.

Indeed, precision skating might best be described as team figure skating. Groups

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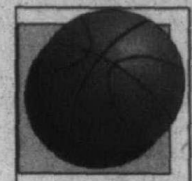


Champs: Skaters with the Juvenile team of Plymouth Gems on Ice work on routines at Compuware Arena. It was one of four Plymouth teams to qualify for nationals.

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## Glenn guns down Salem; Canton clubs Northville

BY DUNCAN E. WHITE  
STAFF WRITER



Right play, wrong sport. But it worked anyway.

Westland John Glenn executed the two-minute drill Friday night to upend Plymouth Salem for a late-season basketball win on the road, 62-59, giving the Rockets confidence heading into the playoffs.

The teams had already played 30 minutes on the night, but the score remained deadlocked at 56-56 with two minutes remaining but Glenn managed to hang on for the win.

Eric Jones hit a leaning jumper in the lane with 1:40 to go for the Rockets and Salem's Mike Korduba knocked down the front end of a one-and-one to make it 58-57 at the 1:27 mark.

Glenn's lead grew to four points, 61-57, as junior forward Ben Harris rolled in a lay-up with 1:15 left and hit one of two free throws with 37 seconds left.

Harris lead the Rockets in scoring, finishing with 18 points on the night.

"Ben Harris stepped up," said Rockets head coach Mike Schuette. "He was not a starter most of the season and Reggie (Spearmon) will not score a lot of points but he will come and a lot of things happen."

Spearmon, a senior guard, scored only two points but handled the ball plenty at critical points in the game for the Rockets.

Jones hit another free throw with 26 seconds to go to before Korduba added a meaningless lay-up for the Rocks with three seconds remaining.

A last-second shot by Salem fell short as time expired.

Schuette said his team's level of confidence has grown and his squad isn't intimidated in big road games.

"We feel very fortunate that we've gotten two wins on the road here and that has helped this team," he said.

Glenn held a single-digit lead over Salem throughout most of the night but couldn't put a run together to blow their lead open. Salem put together a couple of runs but never enough to gain an advantage in momentum.

"To their credit, they never let (our lead) get beyond two points or four points," said Schuette. "But, to our credit, we never let their quick little runs get carried away and get to a six, seven or eight-point run. I think you saw two pretty good ball clubs out here playing smart basketball the entire 32 minutes."

According to Schuette, the win was more important than most.

"We think we beat probably the best team in the league," he said. "Walled Lake Western and North Farmington certainly have a claim to it but, we think we think that Salem is just a great team. For us to beat them on their court, late in the season ... hopefully, it's going to carry over into the next five or six games and get us into our district."

Salem head coach Bob Brodie cited a lack of consistency as his team's main problem Friday night.

"We're playing in spurts and we're not playing consistently at all right now," he said. "Defensively, we didn't do a good job tonight. We tried to up our pressure but when we did, they'd go by us or we didn't rotate quick enough."

Brodie credited Glenn with a solid performance, utilizing their talent in the right way.

"They played smart and they're a smart team," he said. "It's hard to go out and guard them (the guards) when they've got speed themselves in order to get past you."

After the tough loss dropped the Rocks into the midst of a tight playoff picture for next week's

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# Patriots ambush Rocks

Livonia Franklin pulled off a stunning 9-15, 17-15, 15-9 girls volleyball victory Wednesday over visiting Plymouth Salem, the No. 7 ranked team in Class A.

Unranked Franklin, now 29-10-1, will take a 9-1 record into Monday night's showdown with No. 5 Walled Lake Central, the only unbeaten team left in the Western Lakes Activities Associ-

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ation. Game time is 7 p.m. at Franklin.

With the loss, Salem falls to 32-7 and 7-2.

The Patriots received timely hitting from Nicole Boyd, Tera Morrill and Andrea Kmet, along with strong passing from setter

Lyndsay Sopko. Sophomore Kerstin Marshall and Boyd came up with key blocks in the third and decisive game.

Angie Sillmon led the Rocks with 32 kills, while Amanda Suder and Andrea Pruett contributed 12 and 11, respectively.

Setter Laine Sterling had 42 assists. Suder, Sterling and Aleshka Marquez each added 12 digs. Erica Stein had 12 aces.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**BOYS BASKETBALL**  
**Tuesday, Feb. 23**  
 Clarenceville at Luth. North, 7 p.m.  
 Luth. W'sid at Det. Urban, 7 p.m.  
 Huron Valley vs. Macomb Christian at Marshall Middle School, 7 p.m.  
**(C-D Playoffs at H.W. Notre Dame)**  
 St. Agatha vs. St. Clement, 7:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday, Feb. 24**  
**(CHSL Playoffs at Schoolcraft)**  
 East-West semifinal, 6 p.m.  
 Central-AA semifinal, 7:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, Feb. 25**  
**(CHSL Playoffs at Schoolcraft)**  
 East-West semifinal, 6 p.m.  
 Central-AA semifinal, 7:30 p.m.  
**Friday, Feb. 26**  
 Belleville at Wayne, 7 p.m.  
 Luth. W'sid at Harper Wds., 7 p.m.  
 Huron Valley at Roeper, 8 p.m.  
**(Tentative WLA Playoffs-1st Round)**  
 Northville at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.  
 W.L. Central at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.  
 Harrison at Ply. Salem, 7 p.m.  
 Canton at John Glenn, 7 p.m.  
**Saturday, Feb. 27**  
 Borgess at Muskegon Hts., 6 p.m.  
**Sunday, Feb. 28**  
**(CHSL Finals at U-D's Callahan Hall)**  
 C-D Division final, noon.  
 East-West final, 2 p.m.  
 Central-AA final, 4 p.m.  
**PREP HOCKEY**  
**Tuesday, Feb. 23**  
 Stevenson vs. Brother Rice at Compuware Arena, 6 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 24**  
 Franklin vs. Lahser at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.  
**DISTRICT TOURNAMENT PAIRINGS CLASS A**  
**at LIVONIA'S EDGAR ARENA**  
**Thursday, Feb. 25:** (A) Livonia Stevenson vs. (B) Redford Catholic Central, 8:30 p.m.  
**Friday, Feb. 26:** Livonia Churchill vs. Livonia Franklin, 3:30 p.m. Redford Unified vs. A-B winner, 5:50 p.m.  
**Wednesday, March 3:** Championship final, 7:30 p.m. (Winner advances to the Trenton regional final Saturday, March 6 at Kennedy Arena vs. Trenton district champion.)  
**at PLYMOUTH'S COMPUWARE ARENA**  
**Friday, Feb. 26:** (A) Bloomfield Hills Lahser vs. (B) West Bloomfield, 5 p.m.; (C) Southfield Unified vs. (D) Birmingham Unified, 7:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, Feb. 27:** Farmington Unified vs. Birmingham Brother Rice, 11 a.m.; A-B winner vs. C-D winner, 1:30 p.m.  
**Tuesday, March 2:** Championship final, 6 p.m. (Winner advances to the University of Detroit-Jesuit regional final Saturday March 6 at City Sports Arena in Detroit vs. Grosse Pointe South district champion.)  
**ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE**  
**Sunday, Feb. 21**  
 Ply. Whalers vs. London Knights at Compuware Arena, 6:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday, Feb. 24**  
 Ply. Whalers vs. Owen Sound at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, Feb. 27**

Ply. Whalers vs. Kitchener at Compuware Arena, 7 p.m.  
**Sunday, Feb. 28**  
 Ply. Whalers vs. Windsor at Compuware Arena, 6:30 p.m.  
**GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**  
**Monday, Feb. 22**  
 Operation-Friendship Finals at Bishop Gallagher, 5:30 & 6:30 p.m.  
 Luth. W'sid at Inter-City, 6:30 p.m.  
 Churchill at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.  
 W.L. Central at Franklin, 7 p.m.  
 Farmington at Stevenson, 7 p.m.  
 John Glenn at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.  
 Canton at Salem, 7 p.m.  
 Northville at Harrison, 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Feb. 23**  
 Clarenceville at Luth. W'sid, 6:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday, Feb. 24**  
 Wayne at Redford Union, 7 p.m.  
 Garden City at Fordson, 7 p.m.  
 Thurston at Allen Park, 7 p.m.  
 Salem at Harrison, 7 p.m.  
 W.L. Western at Farmington, 7 p.m.  
 N. Farmington at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.  
**Thursday, Feb. 25**  
 Huron Valley at Det. Urban, 6 p.m.  
**Saturday, Feb. 27**  
 Ypsilanti Invitational, 8 a.m.  
 UM-Dearborn Tourney, 8:30 a.m.  
 WLA Tourney at Northville, 9 a.m.  
 Metro Tourney at Luth. North, TBA.  
**TBA** — time to be announced.

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"I've always said that Salem has a well-coached team and a developed system," he said. "We were short handed ... with them we still would have come up short."

The Chiefs improved from 0-10 and 1-8 overall records in the last two seasons to finish at 6-6 this year.

Despite Thursday's loss, Demisick was encouraged by the direction of his program.

"We made some good changes (since last year) and we're working hard to turn things around," he said. "We want (Salem) to be a little nervous, seeing that we're doing good things, but

they're such a well coached team that you don't expect anything less than a walk-over against an organization like (theirs)."

With the win, Salem advances to the regional tournament that ended their season a year ago.

Several Rocks were to wrestle in yesterday's individual district tournament as well but Krueger didn't want to put any added pressure on them beforehand.

"I don't want to jinx anybody," he said. "We've got some kids that can do real well but I don't want to put the kiss of death on anybody. In some of weight classes, some of the kids are real close."

One might think that the deeper you get into the tournament the harder it gets, and that's true, but Krueger said the first round is the most nerve-racking in Saturday's individual tournament.

"It's the first round that's the hardest," he said. "If they lose in the first round, they're out. But, if they lose in the second round, they get a wrestle-back and get into a double-elimination."

"It's tough because if a guy gets a bad draw and has to wrestle the toughest kid right off the bat, they're done."

## STATE DISTRICT WRESTLING RESULTS

**DIVISION I TEAM DUAL WRESTLING TOURNAMENT RESULTS DISTRICT NO. 123**  
**Feb. 21 at TEMPERANCE BEDFORD (CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL)**  
**REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL 54 LIVONIA STEVENSON 17**  
**103 pounds:** Josh Gunterman (LS) dec. Chris O'Hara, 6-1; **112:** Joe Moreau (LS) dec. Tom Buddenborg, 15-0; **119:** Chris Peterson (CC) p. Zack Yaffai, 4-31; **125:** Dustin Obeid (LS) p. Pete Mazzarese, 5-03; **130:** Jason Abshire (CC) dec. Chris Cooperider, 12-2; **135:** Jeff Wheeler (CC) p. Matt Radley, 2-55; **140:** Imad Kharbush (LS) dec. Sean Bell, 9-6; **145:** Ryan Zajdel (CC) p. Joe Jamieson, 2-58; **152:** Ryan Rogowski (CC) dec. Mike Falzon, 8-7; **160:** Mitch Hancock (CC) won by tech. fall over Brian Barker, 23-6; **171:** Ryan Masterson (CC) p. Mike Radley, 4-47; **189:** John Abshire (CC) p. Tim McCarthy, 2-29; **215:** Brocc Naysmith (CC) p. Eric Puninske, 0-34; **heavyweight:** Casey Rogowski (CC) p. Mark Costella, 0-58.  
**Dual meet records:** CC, 99; Stevenson, 11-12.

**103:** Robin Ochalek (WM) won by void; **112:** Roger Chapman (R) pinned Steve Switzer, 1:48; **119:** Micah Wade (R) p. Rob Switzer, 0:45; **125:** Billy Chapman (R) dec. Bryan Marsh, 5-0; **130:** Aaron Brohl (R) dec. Paul Goyt, 9-1; **135:** Romulus won by void; **140:** Steve Polack (R) dec. Melissa Fogarty, 8-0; **145:** Ken Raupp (WM) p. Alex Abdo, 5:47; **152:** Romulus won by void; **160:** Kurt Spann (WM) won by void; **171:** Nathan Thomas (R) dec. Tim Grzecki, 22-7; **189:** Charles Thompson (R) p. Nick Renton, 0:08; **215:** Matt Gibbons (R) p. Nick Smith, 1:46; **heavyweight:** Mike Shaw (WM) p. Ryan Henne, 0:27.

**(SEMIFINALS)**  
**PLYMOUTH SALEM 45 LIVONIA CHURCHILL 26**  
**103 pounds:** Stephen Lenhardt (LC) p. Jeff Bennett, 5:49; **112:** Ron Thompson (PS) won by void; **119:** Rob Ash (PS) p. Adam Goff, 1:31; **125:** John Mervyn won by major decision over Steve Vasiloff, 15-5; **130:** Scott Elstrone (LC) dec. Steve Dendrinios, 7-1; **135:** Josh Henderson (PS) won by void; **140:** Greg Petrovich (PS) won by void; **145:** Steve Abar (LC) won by major dec. over Chris Foor, 19-11; **152:** Mike Carter (LC) won by void; **160:** Brandon LaPointe (LC) won by major dec. over Greg Elzans, 19-6; **171:** Mike Popeney (PS) won by technical fall over Steve Brown, 4:48; **189:** Jeff Sinning (LC) dec. Pat O'Connor, 6-4; **215:** Geoff Bennett (PS) p. Mike Gaffke, 1:36; **heavyweight:** Tom VandenBossche (PS) p. Zach Jensen, 5:35.

**(SEMIFINALS)**  
**LIVONIA STEVENSON 76 SOUTHFIELD 0**  
**103 pounds:** Joe Moreau (LS) won by void; **112:** Josh Gunterman (LS) won by void; **119:** Zack Yaffai (LS) won by void; **125:** Dustin Obeid (LS) pinned Marvin Glass, 3:34; **130:** Chris Cooperider (LS) dec. J. McCowin, 7-4; **135:** Matt Radley (LS) won by major dec. D. Dalton, 12-4; **140:** Imad Kharbush (LS) p. L. Green, 2-30; **145:** Joe Jamieson (LS) won by void; **152:** Mike Falzon (LS) dec. D. Anderson, 5-3; **160:** Francis Kashat (LS) won by void; **171:** Brian Barker (LS) p. D. Ubokudom, 3:34; **189:** Mike Radley (LS) p. C. Carson, 3:59; **215:** Eric Puninske (LS) p. A. Johnson, 3:19; **heavyweight:** Mark Costella (LS) won by void.

**(SEMIFINALS)**  
**PLYMOUTH CANTON 72 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 11**  
**103 pounds:** Kyle Pitt (PC) won by void; **112:** Doy Demisick (PC) won by void; **119:** Lee Warren (LF) dec. Steve Bernacki, 6-0; **125:** Greg Musser (PC) pinned Ari Wicketts, 4:50; **130:** Mike Siegrist (PC) won by void; **135:** John Pocock (PC) p. Steve Doig, 2:21; **140:** Jim Shelton (PC) p. James Azzopardi, 1:38; **145:** Scott McKee (PC) won by void; **152:** Joe Faroni (PC) won by void; **160:** Rob Demisick (PC) p. Brian Rupp, 1:38; **171:** Sheheh Rajee (PC) won by void; **189:** Steve Myslinski (LF) p. Matt Niemiec, 1:59; **215:** Derek Miller (PC) won by void; **heavyweight:** Derek McWatt (PC) won by void.

**DIVISION III DISTRICT NO. 215**  
**Feb. 20 at INKSTER (CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL)**  
**LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 60 INKSTER 21**  
**103 pounds:** Dan Tondreau (C'ville) pinned Mike Merlweather, 0:40; **112:** Eric Burr (C'ville) won by void; **119:** Nick Elam (C'ville) won by void; **125:** Robert Hudson (I) p. Matt Combs, 0:36; **130:** Dave Lemmon (C'ville) p. Taryn Murphy, 0:16; **135:** George Gostias (C'ville) won by void; **140:** Dan LeClerc (C'ville) won by void; **145:** Matt Wehl (C'ville) won by void; **152:** Marlin Franklin (I) p. Robbie Simpson, 1:16; **160:** Ryan Smith (C'ville) won by void; **171:** Keith Jackson (I) dec. Tony Rachoza, 6-5; **189:** Walter Ragland (C'ville) p. Anthony Wimberly, 2:53; **215:** Steve Rotenheber (C'ville) p. Matt King, 1:46; **heavyweight:** Robert Jackson (I) p. Justin Green, 3:30.

**DISTRICT NO. 118**  
**Feb. 21 at PLYMOUTH SALEM (CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL)**  
**PLYMOUTH SALEM 61 PLYMOUTH CANTON 15**  
**103 pounds:** Jeff Bennett (PS) pinned Dustin Armor, 3:35; **112:** Ron Thompson (PS) p. Doy Demisick, 5:25; **119:** Rob Ash (PS) p. Steve Bernacki, 1:10; **125:** John Mervyn (PS) p. Renee Allen, 1:42; **130:** Greg Musser (PC) dec. Steve Dendrinios, 5-4; **135:** John Henderson (PS) won by major dec. over John

**DISTRICT NO. 119**  
**Feb. 21 at WAYNE MEMORIAL (CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL)**  
**BELLEVILLE 36 ROMULUS 21 (SEMIFINAL)**  
**ROMULUS 52 WAYNE MEMORIAL 24**

**(SEMIFINALS)**  
**LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 55 LUTHERAN WESTLAND 21**  
**103:** Dan Tondreau (C'ville) won by void; **112:** Matt Schumard (LW) pinned Eric Burr, 0:58; **119:** Brian Richards (LW) p. Nick Elam, 3:24; **125:** Tim Murphy (LW) p. Matt Combs, 1:09; **130:** Dave Lemmon (C'ville) won by void; **135:** Dan LeClerc (C'ville) p. Andrew Mackenzie, 1:38; **140:** George Gostias (C'ville) won by technical fall over Dan Under, 16-1; **145:** Matt Wehl (C'ville) dec. Brian Soos, 16-4; **152:** Robbie Simpson (C'ville) dec. Jon Kissinger, 10-1; **160:** Tony Rachoza (C'ville) p. James Molnar, 1:25; **171:** Scott Archer (LW) dec. Adam Marcum, 7-6; **189:** Walter Ragland (C'ville) won by injury default; **215:** Kellan McPherson (C'ville) p. Kevin Packard, 1:37; **heavyweight:** Justin Green (C'ville) won by void.

# Whalers blank Toronto, 7-0



The Plymouth Whalers' defense was offensive Thursday against the Toronto St. Michael's Majors in Toronto.

Defensemen Troy Smith and Shaun Fisher accounted for five Whaler goals in Plymouth's 7-0 trouncing of the Majors. Smith recorded a hattrick, scoring twice in the third period, and Fisher had two goals and an assist.

The three goals doubled Smith's season total, bring it to six; Fisher, who scored twice

in the first period, brought his total to nine goals this season.

Fisher's two first-period scores, both on the power play, were sandwiched around Smith's first goal. Randy Fitzgerald got his 11th marker of the season, assisted by Fisher and Paul Mara, on a power play in the second period.

Adam Colagiaco netted his 31st goal of the season, on another Whalers' power-play conversion (their fourth of the game), at 12:13 of the third period. Smith scored his second goal of the game 21 seconds later; he completed his hattrick with 1:14 left in the

game. David Legwand finished with three assists for Plymouth. Mara had two, and Fitzgerald had an assist to go with his goal.

Robert Holsinger turned away 22 shots in picking up the shutout victory, his fourth of the season — tying him for top honors in the Ontario Hockey League with Ottawa's Lavent Szuper.

The Whalers improved to 42-11-3 overall, still best in the OHL's West Division. Toronto is 17-32-5 and fourth in the Central Division.

# Madonna flattened; SC sets team marks

So much for comebacks. Madonna University's women's basketball team came up flat Thursday at Spring Arbor, as the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference leaders put a hurt on the Lady Crusaders, 82-53. The loss left Madonna with a 15-13 overall record, 4-9 in the WHAC; Spring Arbor is 26-3 overall, 12-1 in the conference.

The outcome was decided early in this one. Madonna had won three straight WHAC games coming into the contest, and the Lady Cougars were not about to become No. 4 — they jumped all over the Crusaders, taking a 45-24 lead by halftime. While Madonna was making just 10-of-28 first half floor shots (35.7 percent) and 2-of-2 free throws, Spring Arbor was converting 16-of-31 from the field (51.6 percent) and all 12 of its free throws.

The Crusaders were outplayed in every phase of the game. They finished with 21 field goals in 58 attempts (36.2 percent), compared to the Cougars' 29 makes in 61 shots (47.5 percent); Spring Arbor also made 23-of-26 free throws (88.5 percent), while Madonna was 6-of-9 (67 percent).

The Crusaders had a whopping 31 turnovers to Spring Arbor's 18, while the Cougars enjoyed a 38-33 advantage on the boards. They also limited Madonna's Kathy Panganis, the league's leading scorer averaging better than 19 points in WHAC games, to six on 3-of-8 shooting.

Andrea VanderHorst led the Cougars with 30 points; Courtney Thompson added 20 and 10

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rebounds, and Kristin Dankert scored 12. For Madonna, Chris Dietrich led with 15 points and five rebounds. Michelle Miels added 10 points and six boards, and Katie Cushman had six points and six assists but committed eight turnovers.

**Schoolcraft 58, Alpena 53:** It's school-record time for Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team.

The Lady Ocelots, in Karen Lafata's first year as their head coach, collected their school-record 19th-straight win and their 23rd victory of the season, also a school record (against three losses), Wednesday at Alpena CC. They are 15-0 and winners of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference.

SC gets a first-round bye in the MCCA state tournament, which begins Monday; the Ocelots host the Oakland CC vs.-St. Clair CCC winner Wednesday in a quarterfinal game.

The winner of Wednesday's quarterfinal advances to the state semifinals, hosted by Glen Oaks CC in Centreville Friday. The state championship is Saturday at Glen Oaks.

Samantha Theisen led the Ocelots against Alpena with 18 points. Belinda Reid added 10 points, six rebounds, five assists and four steals, and Jackie Kocis had 10 points and eight boards.

# Trip north is worthwhile for Ocelots

It's never easy going 3 1/2 hours north to play at Alpena CC, and this season's Lumberjacks' team made such a trip even more ominous for Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team.

At one point, Alpena was the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference co-leader, with wins in its first six league games. That streak ended Jan. 23 with a loss to — guess who? — Schoolcraft.

Since then, the 'Jacks have struggled. Entering Wednesday's home game against SC, they had lost six of their previous eight conference games.

Can you think of a better basis for vengeance?

Perhaps not, but the Ocelots were certainly prepared for it. They carried the fight to Alpena, leading 41-32 by halftime en

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route to a 91-82 triumph.

The win clinched second place in the conference for SC, 21-4 overall and 11-4 in the conference. Flint Mott has clinched first with a 13-2 record; Alpena slipped to fourth in the conference with an 8-7 record (14-12 overall).

The Ocelots have a first-round bye in the MCCA Tournament, which begins Monday. On Wednesday, they host the winner of the Delta-vs.-Henry Ford CC game at 7:30 p.m.

The winner of that game advances to the MCCA Semifinals at Kalamazoo Valley CC. The championship game is Saturday at KVCC.

Derek McKelvey, who has struggled a bit offensively the last few games for SC, discov-

ered his three-point scoring touch against Alpena, nailing six of them in a 30-point performance. Lamar Bigby added 17 points, Dashawn Williams had 15 and David McGlown scored 10.

Jeremy DeLaughter's 28 points topped Alpena. Jamal Edwards added 19.

**Spring Arbor 73, Madonna 68:** It was a game Madonna University wanted very badly, but couldn't get.

Spring Arbor moved into a tie for sixth in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference by edging the Fighting Crusaders Wednesday at Madonna. Both teams were 4-9 going into yesterday's WHAC finale; Madonna slipped to 8-21 overall, while Spring Arbor improved to 7-24.

The game was tied at 34-all at the half, but Madonna's shooting accuracy slipped in the second half — the Crusaders were 10-of-31 from the floor (32.3 percent) over the final 20 minutes, while Spring Arbor made 13-of-30 (43.3 percent).

A three-pointer by Madonna's Chad Putnam (from Redford Thurston) knotted the score at 57-all with 7:15 left. The Cougars, however, scored five-straight points — including including one of seven triples by Bryan Gordon — to open up a 62-57 lead, an advantage that was threatened but never eliminated by the Crusaders.

Mike Massey's 30 points and five assists paced Madonna. Putnam added 17 points, and Mike Maryanski had 12 points and 12 rebounds.

Gordon's 31 points, seven rebounds and three steals topped the Cougars. Shawn Brown contributed 20 points, seven assists and four steals.

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of 20-to-24 skaters execute exact routines, and are judged for their preciseness and ingenuity. Although fairly new in the world of figure skating — indeed, precision skating began as entertainment between periods of the University of Michigan hockey games in 1956, by a group

known as the Hockettes — it could soon be an Olympic sport.

First competed on a national level in Canada in 1983 and in the U.S. in 1984, the inaugural Precision Skating World Tournament is slated for Minneapolis-St. Paul next year.

"Skating is usually so individ-

ualistic," said Brown. "You're going for yourself. This offers skaters an opportunity to learn

about team concepts."

Obviously, it's a lesson the Plymouth teams have learned well.

**Correction Notice**

In our February 21<sup>st</sup> ad, we advertised a Sprint PCS phone (model QCP2700) and promotion which included a \$30 mail-in rebate, 500 bonus minutes and free long distance.

Unfortunately, this phone and service plan are unavailable due to manufacturing delays.

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# Shamrocks clinch league title, set sights on state

Redford Catholic Central wrapped up the Michigan Metro Hockey League championship and now it can concentrate on a bigger prize.

The Class A state championship. The Shamrocks finished the regular season league schedule with a 13-1 whipping of Ann Arbor Huron on Friday at Redford Arena. The win came two days after CC beat Allen Park Cabrini, 5-1.

CC, which begins post-season play on Thursday against Livonia Stevenson in the first round of the districts at Eddie Edgar Arena, finished the Metro with a 14-1 record.

The Shamrocks are 20-1-1 overall.

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"I'm pleased but the big honor comes on March 13 (the date of the state championship game)," CC coach Gordie St. John said. "(The Metro) is a league that has some very tough teams and some that aren't so tough. There's not as much balance as I'd like to see in the league. I'd rather be 12-12 (in the league) and have real tough competition than be (nearly) undefeated and not get challenged every night."

Brad Holland, David Moss and Brandon Kaleniecki scored two goals each for

the Shamrocks. Todd Bentley, Chris Morelli, Matt Van Heest, Joe Moreau, Rick Buttery, Derek Genrich and Pat O'Dea scored one goal apiece.

Keith Rowe and Ryan Yost had four assists each. Shawn McGowan and Jeff Good contributed three assists apiece.

Chipping in two assists apiece were Brandon Kaleniecki, Bentley, Holland and Nathan LeWane.

Ben Dunne played the first two periods in net and Andrew McCoy finished the third.

The Shamrocks had a 75-9 shots on goal advantage.

Against Cabrini, the Shamrocks jumped to a 5-0 lead before Cabrini

scored with three seconds remaining in the game.

Rowe scored two goals and Bentley, David Moss and Pat O'Dea had one goal each.

Moss and Moss also had three assists each. Derek Genrich, Holland and Erik Hawkins assisted on one goal apiece.

St. John used the same goalie rotation that he used against Huron.

**Franklin 3, Lapeer West 0:** Livonia Franklin (7-13-2 overall) gained its first shutout in four seasons Wednesday as goaltender Chris Garbutt made 18 saves in a non-league victory over Lapeer West (10-7-2) at Edgar Arena.

"The team played exceptionally well on the offensive and defensive end," Franklin coach Terry Jobbitt said. "We put three solid periods together rather than having a breakdown somewhere in between."

Franklin scored once in each period — Frank Geluso from Tony Saia at 9:52 of the first; Saia, his 50th career goal from Brandon McCullough and Adam Sexton at 5:49 of the second; and Saia, his 28th of the season from Corey Garbutt, a power-play at 9:12 of the third.

Saia also has 18 assists this year. "He's just had a fabulous year," Jobbitt said.

# New baseball league aims to attract top collegians

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There is a new baseball team in town, and if all goes as planned, it will make a name for itself out of town as well.

The Michigan Panthers are expansion members of the Great Lakes Summer Collegiate League and intend on making their home this summer at Livonia's Ford Field and Bicentennial Park.

Former Redford Catholic Central and University of Detroit-Mercy pitcher Steve Ross, 25, is the team's president and minority owner. Ross, a Garden City native, owns the Sports Academy, an indoor baseball and softball facility in Novi.

The majority owner is Bill Clark, who owns Quadrants Construction Co.

What makes the Panthers unique from others that have played out of Livonia is they will truly travel out of town, making overnight visits, when playing away from home.

Eight of the 10 teams in the Great Lakes are based in Ohio. The wooden bat league is one of eight sanctioned nationally by the NCAA and partially funded by Major League Baseball.

The 13-year-old league has a long list of alumni in the Major Leagues, including current Tigers pitchers A.J. Sager and

Brian Moehler. There are no age limits but players must have completed their freshman year in college but still have college eligibility remaining.

Most of the Panthers' 25-man roster will be made up of NCAA Division I players. At least 15, according to Ross, will come from outside the Detroit area or out of state. Players from as far away as West Virginia University and University of Cincinnati dot the roster.

Some will stay with area residents or be put up in corporate housing and have day jobs, Ross said.

Admission to games is free this year, according to Ross.

Ross' goal is to "bring quality baseball to the Detroit area. When you get 25 Division I of II players on one team it's inherent that the ball is going to be better. It's a pro organization from top to bottom."

Except for the fact that the players aren't paid. According to NCAA rules, the clubs can only pay for the players' meals and their motel room on trips.

The franchise fee cost \$3,000 and Ross estimates expenses for the first year to approach \$25,000. The team is seeking sponsorships.

Ford and Bicentennial fields could be temporary homes for the team, which is hoping to build its own facility for the year 2000 in Livonia, according to

<p>Who: Michigan Panthers (Maybe that's a good omen. The last team called that won a United States Football League championship in 1983, their inaugural season).</p> <p>Home fields: Ford Field and Bicentennial Park, Livonia.</p> <p>Team colors: Black and red.</p> <p>Affiliation: Great Lakes Summer Collegiate League.</p> <p>League members: Michigan Panthers, Michigan (Monroe, Mi.) Monarchs, Grand Lake (Salina, Ohio) Mariners, Sandusky (Ohio) Bay Stars and Lima (Ohio) Locos will play in the West Division; Youngstown (Ohio) Express, Stark County (Canton, Ohio) Terriers, Northern Ohio (Strongsville) Baseball, Columbus (Hilliard, Ohio) All Americans and Delaware (Ohio) Cows are in the East Division.</p> <p>Some famous league alumni: Shane Reynolds, pitcher (Houston Astros), A.J. Sager, pitcher (Detroit Tigers), Brian Moehler, pitcher (Detroit Tigers), Dustin Hemanson, pitcher (Montreal Expos), Matt Mieske, outfielder (Chicago Cubs), C.J.</p>	<p>Nitkowski, pitcher (formerly with Detroit Tigers, now with Houston Astros).</p> <p>Length of season: 40 games (20 home, 20 away).</p> <p>Playoff qualifiers: Top two teams in each division.</p> <p>Post season reward: league champion qualifies for National Baseball Congress World Series in Wichita, Kan.</p> <p>Panthers' Observers connections: Ron Blackmore (Livonia Churchill/U-D Mercy), infielder; Steve Ross, 25, from Garden City and Detroit Catholic Central, president and minority owner.</p> <p>Panthers' manager: Randy Marshall, former Tigers farmhand.</p> <p>Majority owner: Bill Clark.</p> <p>General manager/minority owner: Stan Eldridge.</p> <p>Assistant coach/minority owner: Ben DiPonio.</p> <p>Assistant coaches: Anderson Brown, Don Racine.</p> <p>Website address: www.michiganpanthers.com</p>
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Ross.

## An expanding league

The league was formed in 1986 with Columbus, Ohio, and Lima, Ohio remaining charter members. Sandusky and Salina, both also from Ohio, have been members since 1990. Delaware, Ohio, has been in the league since 1992.

Also joining as expansion teams are the Michigan Monarchs, out of Monroe, and three

teams from Ohio: Youngstown, Canton and Strongsville.

Jim DeSana, who had an unlimited-age team in the Livonia-based Adray Metro Baseball Association last year, is running the Michigan Monarchs.

"Everyone is ecstatic," league commissioner Brian Sullivan said. "The new teams all seem very solid, are recruiting players from quality Division I programs. It's just going to enhance our reputation nationally. This

is the highest level of amateur baseball. You'll see some in the pros."

The rental of both Ford Field and Bicentennial was met with approval by Lyle Trudell, administrative assistant for the Livonia Parks and Recreation, as long as scheduling wasn't made at the expense of other leagues.

Great Lakes games will be scheduled on Tuesday and Thursday nights as well as Saturday afternoons and evenings. The Adray Metro Baseball Association, down to four teams from eight last year, plays games at Ford Field on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. DeSana's team, along with unlimited age teams from Warren and two from Canada chose not to return to the Adray circuit.

High school aged teams and over 30 leagues also use Ford Field and Bicentennial Park.

"We don't want to displace anyone that's been a good customer," Trudell said. "(The Panthers) are considered a renter, anyone can apply to use the fields."

Opposing teams will stay at area hotels when playing the Panthers.

Trudell said the league is "absolutely a good thing for the city. It's something good for residents to see."

## Talent for everyone

Trudell isn't worried the new

team will stockpile players also courted by the Adray Metro Baseball Association, which includes 20-under teams Hines Park, Decision Consultants Inc., Michigan Lake Area Rams and Adray.

Ross, who played in the Livonia league, said the Panthers won't target that talent pool. He may be interested in players who have graduated from the Adray league, however.

Ron Blackmore, a Panthers' acquisition who graduated from Livonia Churchill and now plays at the University of Detroit-Mercy, is a good example.

He played for DCI in the Adray loop last year.

"I spent three years in that league, went to Johnston (Pa.) for the national tournament with Walter's Appliance and to Altoona (Pa.) for the regionals with Hines Park," Ross said. "I don't want to do anything to that league."

The recent renovation of Bicentennial Park's No. 1 diamond helped the Panthers' chances of calling Livonia home. Lights, a sodded infield, home run fence, scoreboard and new bathrooms were added in the last couple years, according to Trudell.

"It's become quite the quality field," Trudell said, "arguably as good as Ford Field's. There aren't a lot of bleachers at Bicentennial but that can be fixed."

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conference tournament, Brodie knew that each game is big in the Western Lake Activities Association.

"Every game you play in this conference is a rivalry," he said.

Senior forward Aaron Rypkowski led all scorers in the game with 19 points for the Rocks, including all three of Salem's three-pointers (all in the opening quarter). Salem's junior forward Matt McCaffrey added 12 points while senior forward Mike Korduba and senior center Tony Jancevski each had 10 points.

Senior guard Bill Foder scored 13 points and senior center Ty Haygood had 12 points in the win for Glenn.

**Plymouth Canton 69, Northville 56:** Canton's Joe Cortellini drained five three-pointers (four coming in the second half) to finish with 19 points for the Chiefs, leading all scorers.

Scott Somulski, Mike Major and Jason Waidmann each had 10-point evening in support of Cortellini.

Northville (????) was led offensively by Marshall Knapp who had 12 points in the loss. Brett Allen and 11 points and Ryan Eller has 10 for the Mustangs.

"It was a close game most of the way," Canton head coach Dan Young said. "We had a good balance of scoring inside and outside. We were good from the line and it was a good win for us."

Canton (10-7, 8-3) hit 19 of 24 free throws in the game after going 10 for 22 in Tuesday's game.

The Chiefs held a one point lead, 27-26 at half-time but used quarter scores of 19-14 and 23-16 to blow the lead open late in the game.

**Plymouth Christian 61, Oakland Christian 59:** Plymouth Christian hung on for the win to remain undefeated in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference

at 10-0 (17-1 overall).

Plymouth's Jordan Rose fouled Oakland's Josh Means on a last second half-court shot but Means couldn't send the game to overtime, making only one of three shots with one second left on the clock.

Means led all scorers in the game with 20 points.

Dave Carty led Plymouth with 16 points while Rose and Derric Isensee each had 15 for the Eagles. Rose also finished with four assists and seven rebounds while Isensee had seven assists and 13 rebounds.

**Franklin 84, Churchill 67:** Put one in for the win column — finally — for the Livonia Franklin boys basketball team.

The Patriots, starting three sophomores and two juniors, earned their first victory of the season Thursday at home against Livonia Churchill.

Franklin is now 1-15 and 1-10 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Churchill drops to 4-13 and 1-10.

Junior guard Derek Schema played a strong all-around game for the Patriots with 21 points and seven rebounds. He made eight of 10 free throws and hit a pair of three-pointers.

Junior forward Jason Micallef added 17 points, while sophomore center Mike Copeland snared 15 rebounds to go with six points.

Jamie Kuras, playing in only his second varsity game, added 11 points, while Ian Reid had 10.

"We did things more fundamentally sound on a consistent basis and made good decisions attacking their press when we needed to," Franklin coach Dan Robinson said. "And we knew when to pull it out."

Churchill, which couldn't overcome a 39-25 halftime deficit, was led by junior forward John Bennett's team-high 18 points.

Juniors Randall Boboige and Brandon Garlac contributed 12 and 11, respectively.

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respectively.

Other Stevenson individual winners included Malik in the 200 IM (2:07.3); Kevin Van Tiem in the 100 breaststroke (1:04.97); and surprise win by diver Mike Baskin (173.10 points).

Salem, meanwhile, made a state cut in the 200 freestyle relay as Andrew Locke, Aaron Shelton, Mark Witthoff and Matt Casillas finished in 1:31.93. The Rocks edged Stevenson in that event for second with a time 1:35.2.

The Rocks also won the 200 freestyle relay as Shelton, Locke, Paul Perez and Witthoff finished in 1:44.28.

Locke won the 50 freestyle in 22.19, while Mertens took the 500 freestyle in 5:00.24.

"We're trying to get all our relays qualified and our medley was a little disappointing," Salem coach Chuck Olson said. "We had one good swim out of four."

"We had several good swims, but there were more not so good."

"Mertens had a good swim in the 500 and Perez did a good job in the 100 butterfly."

Olson can now turn its attention to the WLAA meet.

Thursday's prelims are important," Olson said. "We've got to be ready and I think they understand what they have to do. Our guys got to step up, but if we're tired and don't step up, we don't win. It's going to take a little more to get over the top."

Salem honored its six seniors

— Locke, Casillas, Kevin Crabill, Jim Peace, Fred Klein, German exchange student Stephan Gammel and the late Mike Kilgore, a member of last year's Salem team who died of a heart attack last March.

### LIVONIA STEVENSON 97 PLYMOUTH SALEM 89

Feb. 21 at Salem

**200-yard medley relay:** 1. Salem (Aaron Shelton, Andrew Locke, Paul Perez, Mark Witthoff), 1:44.28; 2. Stevenson, 1:46.37; 3. Salem, 1:48.61.

**200 freestyle:** 1. Keith Falk (LS), 1:50.35; 2. Matt Casillas, 1:53.44; 3. Brian Mertens (PS), 1:55.63.

**200 individual medley:** 1. Mike Malik (LS), 2:07.3; 2. Michael Nemer (LS), 2:09.82; 3. Eric Lynn (PS), 2:11.63.

**50 freestyle:** 1. Locke (PS), 22.19; 2. Brad Buckler (LS), 23.93; 3. Mike Johnson (PS),

24.15.  
**Diving:** 1. Mike Baskin (LS), 173.90 points; 2. Greg Kubitski (PS), 168.35; 3. Jason Zykowski (LS), 164.30.

**100 butterfly:** 1. Joe Bublitz (LS), 55.79; 2. Perez (PS), 56.13; 3. Brandon Truscott (LS), 59.6.

**100 freestyle:** 1. Falk (LS), 50.72; 2. Casillas (PS), 51.96; 3. Witthoff (PS), 52.33.

**500 freestyle:** 1. Mertens (PS), 5:00.24; 2. Malik (LS), 5:11.64; 3. Justin Ketterer (LS), 5:16.93.

**200 freestyle relay:** 1. Salem (Locke, Shelton, Witthoff, Casillas), 1:31.93; 2. Salem, 1:35.2; 3. Stevenson, 1:35.55.

**100 breaststroke:** 1. Bublitz (LS), 56.71; 2. Shelton (PS), 58.93; 3. Lynn (PS), 1:00.05.

**100 freestyle relay:** 1. Stevenson (Ketterer, Malik, Bublitz, Falk), 3:22.3; 2. Salem, 3:24.04; 3. Salem, 3:33.11.

## BEST BOYS SWIM TIMES

Following is a list of boys Observerland best swim times and diving scores. Coaches can report updates to Dan O'Meara by faxing information to (734) 591-7279 or calling (734) 953-2141.

### 200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY (state cut: 1:42.99)

North Farmington 1:42.19  
Plymouth Salem 1:44.28  
Livonia Stevenson 1:44.30  
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  
Mike Malik (Stevenson) 2:07.30  
James McPartlin (John Glenn) 2:07.36  
Paul Perez (Salem) 2:09.59  
Mike Nemer (Stevenson) 2:09.82

Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 2:11.06  
Aaron Reeder (Canton) 2:11.63  
Eric Lynn (Salem) 2:11.63  
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 2:12.05

### 50 FREESTYLE (state cut: 22.99)

Matt Zaid (N. Farmington) 21.68  
Andrew Locke (Salem) 22.19  
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 Lovovic (N. Farmington) 261.75  
Chris McFarland (John Glenn) 257.20  
Greg Brazunas (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  
Mike Baskin (Stevenson) 173.90  
Kory Stevens (Redford CC) 172.10  
John Chase (Salem) 168.95

### 100 BUTTERFLY (state cut: 55.99)

Keith Falk (Stevenson) 54.00  
James McPartlin (John Glenn) 54.55  
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 55.45  
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 55.68

Paul Perez (Salem) 56.13  
Adam Farber (N. Farmington) 56.59  
Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 57.45  
Mark Wachsberg (N. Farmington) 57.84  
Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 59.10

### 100 FREESTYLE (state cut: 49.49)

Matt Zaid (N. Farmington) 48.17  
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 48.92  
Ryan Meekins (Redford CC) 48.97  
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 49.66  
Jim McPartlin (John Glenn) 49.81  
Andrew Locke (Salem) 49.95  
Don LeClair (Canton) 50.59  
Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 50.94  
Mark Wachsberg (N. Farmington) 51.04

### 500 FREESTYLE (state cut: 4:57.39)

Keith Falk (Stevenson) 4:51.40  
Brian Mertens (Salem) 5:00.24  
Paul Perez (Salem) 5:07.47  
Ryan Meekins (Redford CC) 5:07.81  
Mike Malik (Stevenson) 5:08.46  
Justin Ketterer (Stevenson) 5:09.06  
Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 5:10.60  
Ed Lesnau (Redford CC) 5:12.90  
Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 5:18.05

### 200 FREESTYLE RELAY (state cut: 3:31.99)

North Farmington 1:29.69  
Plymouth Salem 1:31.93  
Plymouth Canton 1:33.38  
Livonia Stevenson 1:33.78

Redford Catholic Central 1:35.35

### 100 BACKSTROKE (state cut: 56.39)

Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 55.66  
Jim Gabriel (N. Farmington) 57.15  
Devin Hopper (Farmington) 57.39  
Aaron Reeder (Canton) 58.06  
James McPartlin (John Glenn) 58.42  
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 58.77  
Matt Casillas (Salem) 59.46  
Justin Allen (Canton) 59.62  
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 59.69  
Eric Lynn (Salem) 1:00.05

### 100 BREASTSTROKE (state cut: 1:03.19)

Adam Farber (N. Farmington) 1:02.68  
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 1:03.76  
Mike Nemer (Stevenson) 1:04.97  
Kevin VanTiem (Stevenson) 1:05.13  
David Hartmann (Farmington) 1:05.58  
Josh Markou (Redford CC) 1:06.01  
Sonny Webber (Wayne) 1:06.91  
Jon Zaid (N. Farmington) 1:07.27  
Mike Kruszewski (Redford CC) 1:07.30  
Aaron Shelton (Salem) 1:07.90

### 400 FREESTYLE RELAY (state cut: 3:23.09)

North Farmington 3:21.17  
Livonia Stevenson 3:22.30  
Plymouth Salem 3:24.04  
Redford Catholic Central 3:24.16  
Plymouth Canton 3:29.29

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# Youth prevails against seniors

## In Mayflower challenge event

Almost five years ago, Eleanor Hill, the youth league director and coach at Mayflower Lanes approached Ron Lancaster, then president of the Senior Men's Classic League with the notion that her kids were always trash talking that they could beat the seniors classic league bowlers in a head-to-head match.



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The idea soon became reality as committees were formed and the owner pledged full support of such a plan.

In the fourth annual Senior Youth Challenge Feb. 6 at Mayflower Lanes in Redford, and to nobody's surprise, the kids again beat the seniors in a really nicely run event.

It was again emceed by Michael Barr of WJR.

Opening ceremonies included introductions of Kevin Kelly, Redford Township Supervisor; Henry Miste, proprietor of Mayflower and Beech Lanes; American Bowling Congress and Greater Detroit Bowling Association Hall of Famer Tony Lindemann; GDBA President Richard Reading.

Also introduced was Lou Saad, the oldest entrant at 95, and Colby Gill, the youngest at the age of six.

Tammy Plofchan sang the National Anthem and Barr then rolled the traditional first ball, a strike to launch the tourney.

The tourney committee and bowlers wish to thank the following donors who contributed door prizes: DiLaura Bros., Township Hardware, Pro-Arm Bowling Supply, Redford Coin & Jewelry, John Laffrey's Steak House, Murray's Auto Supplies, Red Robin Restaurants, Performance Tool Co, Linda's Hair Salon, The Looney Baker, Quick Stop Oil Change, Family Video, Redford Bowling & Trophy, D.B. T. Awards & Graphics, Sports Mania, The Outback, AMC Wonderland Theaters and Bread Basket Deli.

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The event also raises several thousand dollars each year for various charities and a youth scholarship fund in which the youth participants are able to win money for their higher education.

Mike Lucas was the highest scoring senior with games of 243-203-257 and a 703 actual.

Bud Kraemer finished second with 195-267-221 and 683 followed by Ed Patrick with 205-248-223/676.

The 95 year old Lou Saad finished with 144-186-146/476, something some 20-year-olds couldn't do.

Jean Cobane was the top scoring lady senior with 148-175-153/476.

Gina Devlin, averaging 88, became the top scorer among kids with 157-102-131 (plus a handicap of per game giving her a top total of 717). Bryan Foley was second with 201-156-221/578 (plus 46 per game giving him a 416 total). Robert Lawrence took third with 78-117-164/359 (plus 113 per game handicap for a total of 698).

Others in the top ten include Dave Bockelman, 694; Tim Rambert, Nicole Stevens and Robert Farris, 683 each; Lloyd Praedel, 681; Kourtney Hannan, 672 and Rickey Vaughn, 668.

In doubles, the team of Bockelman and Lucas took first with a 1,439 total.

The bowling was followed by pizza, along with free cosmic bowling.

As we close out this century, one that has become well founded is that many organizations and civic groups have taken to bowling as an outlet for friendly competition among their members.

A perfect example is the B'Nai Brith Bowling Association, which will host its national championship with the first phase March 13-14 at Century Bowl in Waterford and Super Bowl Lanes in Canton. It is a six-game format with optional doubles.

Teams from out of town will compete on March 20-21 at the same two houses. There will be over 100 teams from all over the U.S. and Canada.

The banquet will beat the Novi Hilton, where most the out of state bowlers will be housed.

There will be over 100 teams from all over the United States and Canada.

Co-sponsoring this year's event are Pepsi Cola, Hebrew National Meats and Big Daddy's Restaurant.

This is a tournament with both cash and trophies, but the little jackpot action can add up to a lot of smiling faces among the winners.

One of the chapters which will be well represented is the Downtown Fox. Among it's members are both the presidents of the U.S. and the Canadian I.B.B.B.A.

They also have the only female member of B'Nai Brith Bowling Association, Nancie Rakotz, who along with her father, Sheldon, make up the nation's only father-daughter combination.

Livonia Parents of the Visually Impaired will stage their second annual Bowlathon, Saturday March 6 at Woodland Lanes in Livonia.

All money the raised will provide programs and technological equipment for children in Western Wayne County.

Local businesses, families and friends are invited to contribute \$100 to sponsor a lane or provide gift certificates.

Last year, the group raised over \$4,000 and provided a summer day camp that taught living and social skills that children must learn to lead an independent life.

For more information, call Lucy Fritz at (248) 471-3940 or Bonnie Sheridan at (734) 459-3439.

### HONOR ROLL

**GARDEN LANES (Garden City)**  
St. Louis Classic: Jim Barina, 26P 265-279/912; John Adomitis, 243-254-233/730; Dennis Rocheleau, 214-264-234/712; Dave Clark, 248-236-212/696; John Miller, 220-236-236/692; Dan Bollinger, 236-221-225/694; Bill Parris, 299.

**MAYFLOWER LANES (Redford)**  
Friday Seniors: Howard Davis, 236/703; Stan Gagacki, 245/690; Cass Pogoda, 299/435; Lloyd Thompson, 267/681; Phil Wojcik, 256/668.  
Monday Seniors: Jim Priebe, 266/685; Paul Temple, 244/679; Jack Dahlstrom, 242/671; George Kompoltz, 248/668; Tony Golichuk, 2789/653.  
Good Neighbors: Gail Galtz, 202/554; Yvonne McCarthy, 190; Dot Haggard, 199; Gloria Mertz, 215/582.

**Wednesday Men's Senior Classic:** Rich Zacheranik, 290-203-222/715; Bob Sherwood, 203-208-258/669; Howard Davis, 211-244-234/689; Mike Lucas, 243-203-277/723; Tom Pawlowski, 219-223/634.

**TOWN & COUNTRY (Westland)**  
Thursday Morning Men: Lloyd Kowalik, 300.

Friday Men: Gary Duard, 300; Don Parks, 300; Arnie Goldman, 300/815.

First Baptist: John McKimmey, 300.

Sunday Youth-Adult: Bev Bugaja, 226/609 (her first 600).

**Western Wayne Youth Traveling Classic:** Roy Hixson, 226-219-257/702; C.J. Blevins, 247-268/697; Steve Bates, 256-203-237/696; Scott Barnak, 257-237/676; Tony Vitale, 233-244/652.

**WESTLAND BOWL**  
Sunday Sleepers: Don Parks, 280/759; Craig McCain, 267/740; Mike Chapman, 278/737; Charlie Riffe, 255/705; Terry Tesar, 256/738; Ken Fiskler, 300/711.

St. Mel's Men: Rob McAllister, 239/610; Mike Kalem, 233/616; Al Barter, 257/691; Mike Cavicchio, 257/683; Rich Kosinski, 265/645.

**Monday Morning Men:** James Green, 263/730; Bill Eggenberger, 289; Mike Wrobel, 268/687; Mickey Herrick, 718 (166 over average); Tom Disney, 257/706.

**Monday 6:30 Men:** Tony Shackelford, 247/633; Gregory Tachor, 247/608; Carl Kuehnel, 243/627; Dan Cybulski, 226/637; Jim Graves, 240.

**Fearsome Foursome Ladies:** Toni Smith, 214/598; Kathy Bates, 205/586.

**Monday 6:30 Ladies:** Bev Bugaja, 232/570; Karen Brown, 253/613.

**CLOVELANES (Livonia)**  
St. Aidan's Men: Dave Weber, 236; Chris Skuggs, 225/609; Mark Wagner, 225; Forrest Ault, 219; Conrad Sobania, 233.

**FoMoCo Thursday Night:** Steve Gutesky, 277/701; Bob Ashcraft, 259/685; Steve Bester, 256; Dave Diomed, 652; Cal Collins, 650.

**All-Star Bowlerettes:** Virginia Austin, 278/762; Michelle Anger, 277/702; Kim Kopf, 254/654; Patsy Wray, 252/659; Deb Blalock, 244; Gwen Finley, 242.

**Suburban Proprietor Travel (men):** Lou Ivancik, 279/683; Bill Jacobs, 258; Bob Chubs, 253; Dave Richardson, 250/669; Darryl Wilson, 246/633.

**Suburban Proprietor Travel (ladies):** Pat Garry, 223/561; Bernice Anthony, 213/563; Pauline Jacobs, 212/602; Debra Johnson, 203.

**WONDERLAND LANES (Livonia)**  
Saturday Nite Live: Keith Rys, 300-290/787.

**Classic:** Larry Franz, 278-257/777; Scott Webber, 279/737; Mike Kuspa, 300/735; Eric Kuspa, 257-258/736; Barry Schlussel, 290/733; John Hurley Jr., 279/732.

**Westside Senior Men's:** Cliff Usher, 278 (108 pins o/a); Toddy Floyd Morris, 280/677.

**All Bowlerettes:** Judie Waynard, 582; Patty Mullins, 262; Sally Mott, 208.

**MERRI BOWL (Livonia)**  
Scores: Doug Lobbs, 300/782; Frank Hoffman, 743; Rick Olsen, 737; Dave Mischovich, 300/692; Wayne Lanning, 279/672.

**Rite on Time:** Bill Fife, 253; Bill Ferguson, 259/719; Jack Osborne, 284/758; Phil Scarye, 278/780; Scott Moore, 266.

**Senior Merry Bowlers:** Evelyn Villarot, 201/539; Dory Priebe, 215/531; Ben Krupp, 212/589; Andy Sawulski, 214/548; Roy McMahon, 210/528.

**Men's Senior House:** Steve Klein, 199-226-297/722; Dennis Archer, 299-279-22/800; Steve Haeger, 211-278-258/747; Stan Mardusz, 265-278-196/737.

**Big 10:** Juilli L, 300.  
**Guys & Dolls:** John Runney, 299.

**Wednesday Toast & Coffee:** Shellie Dundas, 217/554; Rosie Kasparian, 204/534; Karen Milligan, 614; Gloria Carter, 205/506.

**St. Aidan's Mixed:** Jim Nawrocki, 258-211-212/681; Charles Williams, 239; Gary Steel, 224; Susan Stencel, 204; Joanne Block, 194.

**WOODLAND LANES (Livonia)**  
Friday a.m. Kings & Queens: Don Chambers, Sr., 199-263/700; Jason Loller, 219-216-224/660.

**Catholic Central Father & Sons:** Coy Cardone, 30-234-247/781; Bob Sadler, Sr., 279/678; Bob Sadler, Jr., 239/665.

**Family Pinbusters:** Brian Solt, 202 (115 average).

**Morning Glories:** Margaret Von, 212.  
**Monday Specials (seniors):** Chuck Simpson, 212; George Gundlach, 204.

**Swelling Seniors:** Bob Wilhelm, 212; Ed Glauz, 212.

**Old Aun' Greg Colling,** 300.  
**Midnight Mixed:** Dave Parker, 299/737.

**Midnighters:** Greg Poore, 257/667; Walt Zielski, 235/570; Mike Zielski, 221/647; Chuck McGeorge, 225/569; Evans Brown, 215/597.

**Gay 90s (seniors):** Bob Radtke, 217; Joe Palen, 211; Paul Brewer, 205; Norm Zifkin, 203; Billie Gundlach, 200.

**Morning Stars:** Lois Terry, 206.  
**Kofee Kitchers:** Larry Norville, 608.

**Afternoon Delights:** Phyl Long, 206-232/598; Sue Kulha, 221; Michel Huakens, 205; Jesse Clemens, 200.

**Men's Trif:** Mark Payne, 750; Paul Gadomski, 269; Jim Strerben, 717; Scott Linsaar, 267/723; Steve Hubble, 267/740; Mike Travis, 713; Ev Watson, 714.

**Guys & Dolls (seniors):** Li Brown, 225; Edith Polask, 202.

**Senior House (Premium Bowling Products):** Dennis Seeman, 279/678; Mike Larocca, 275/667; Scott Linsaar, 300/756; Art Chojnecki, 299/684; Par-rush Capel, 268/671.

**Landon Meadows:** Gwen Fedrigo, 200.  
**Local 182 Retirees:** Frank Bertani, 24-216/637; Bob Monie, 226; Bill Kappen, 212.

**Ford Parts:** Rob Krause, 686; Chuck Sprosek, 682; Scott Begin, 676; Cliff Cavender, 676; Vitas Bagdonas, 672.

**PLAZA LANES (Plymouth)**  
St. Colette's Men: Clem Diglio Sr., 266; Clem Diglio Jr., 258/704; Mike Kisiazek, 245/713; Ron Hurley Jr., 248/719; Paul Davis, 267.

**Sheldon Road Men:** Dave Kowalski, 289; Charlie Riffe, 257; Daryl Alexander, 265; Fred Leach, 266; Sandy Cook, 268.

**Plaza Men:** Dave Jones, 279/760; Dave Jack, 246/718; Mark Johnson, 257; Brian Snapke, 279/729; John Gureghian, 269.

**Guys & Dolls:** Bobby Thompson, 277; Kevin Pappia, 257.

**SUPER BOWL (Canton)**  
Saturday 9 a.m. Majors: Tony Vitale, 233/629; Pat Brown, 225/652; Justin Horvath, 234/567; Ken Bazman, 235/644; Brian Dezynski, 238/639.

Saturday 9 a.m. Juniors: Steve Jacobs, 224.  
Friday Juniors: Matt Horvath, 197; Matt Hipford, 220.

**Thursday Junior Majors:** Jason Bonkowski, 230/537.

**COUNTRY LANES (Farmington)**  
Sunday Goodtimes: Stu Taub, 234; Bill Vida, 228; Lou Konopko, 211-203; Mike D'Angelo, 2; Tony Aluto, 210.

**University Men's:** John Wiliamowski, 279; Butch Cook, 268/726.

**Greenfield Mixed:** Vern Goodling, 267/629; Steve Myers, 258-20-645; Tom Cadeau, 233-237/649; Sandy Weed, 213-566; Lynne Wegner, 224/589.

**Wednesday Knights:** Rich Grossman, 279/721; Dave Fehrenbach, 258/707.

**B'Nai Brith Brothwood (Edin Jacobson):**  
Tuesday Mixed Trio: Joe Stankis III, 258/718; Craig Williams, 257; Kevin Landrae, 203/564.

**Sunday Comics:** Jim Bainbridge, 246; Frank Patrick, 223/568; Jeri Steffen, 225/536.

**Loon Lake:** Robert Stadler, 278; Doug Hess, 246/655.

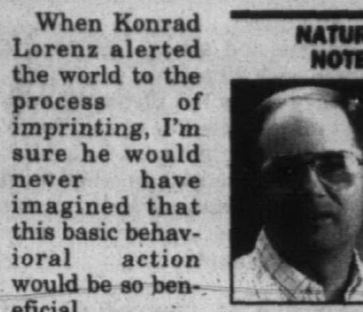
**Monday Nite Men:** Jim McPhall, Jr., 279; Mark Gladden, 277/735; Dave Tome, 737.

**B'Nai Brith Piagah:** Jeff Eisenberg, 213-221-211/645; Rob Greenfield, 244/838; Jerry Rose, 227-225/614; David Lazarus, 221/601.

**All Over Mixed:** Jim Morris, Sr., 258; Ron Wells, 224; Maggie Olchanski, 204.

**Monday Midnight Men:** Jerry Kassa, 249; Rafio Yalid, 247.  
Ever-7: Dave Spitz, 300/718; John Berling, 253; Bob Stewart, 252/672; Craig Montie, 244/656; Jim Rantiszewski, 244.  
Wednesday Knights: Rip Gagnon, 279/694; Steve Lingert, 267/673.  
Wednesday Nite Ladies: Karen Henderson, 228/587; Sandy Regan, 216.  
Advanced Youth: Gordon Gregoroff, 247/619; Fred Piercey, 219/594.  
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Westside Lutheran: John Grimm, 663; Kevin Chambers, 647; Lynn Lewis, 616; Tim Collins, 612; Steve Patti, 608.

# Trumpeter swams move into new surroundings



TIM NOWICKI

When Konrad Lorenz alerted the world to the process of imprinting, I'm sure he would never have imagined that this basic behavioral action would be so beneficial.

Imprinting is the process where birds identify the first thing they see as their "parents" and follow it.

In the case of Konrad Lorenz, he was the first thing the young goslings saw, so they proceeded to follow him. When he walked down the trail they followed, he swam in the lake they followed and even rode on his back.

In a natural situation, the first living thing a young bird would typically see, would be their parents.

Following them is very beneficial to their survival. Researchers have capitalized on this natural behavior.

Scientists have arranged it so sandhill crane adults hatched and raised endangered whooping crane young.

When the sandhill cranes were ready to migrate to their winter site, the young whooping cranes followed. The purpose behind this kind of program is to establish a new wintering and breeding population of whooping cranes.

Modest success has resulted. A modification of this imprinting process was used this past fall to take three trumpeter swans from southern Canada to southern Indiana.

Young trumpeter swans were raised with other swans so they

did not become dependent on humans. But as part of their training, they were taught to follow a small ultra-light plane, like that used in the movie "Fly Away Home."

Four trumpeter swans were raised near Sudbury, Ontario for this pilot project.

On Dec. 4, 1998, all four started to follow the ultra-light on their way to Indiana.

One decided to turn back after less than ten miles into the journey. The three remaining birds flew 48 miles the first day and close to 80 miles the nest two days.

Flight for swans is helped by their 6 1/2-foot wingspan. Such a large wingspan is necessary because they can weigh up to 30 pounds.

They flew from Sudbury, Ontario south past Detroit and continued toward Cincinnati. Just north of Cincinnati they moved into southern Indiana behind the ultra-light plane.

They will spend the winter in ideal conditions at the Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge. Researchers are hoping they will fly north in spring to the march in which they were raised.

Michigan has a population of about 150 trumpeter swans that have been introduced through several releases within the state. Swans can survive the cold temperatures as long as they have some open water in which to feed.

Some trumpeter swans have been seen on the Huron River during the winter.

As more and more trumpeter swans make the Great Lakes area their new home, chances are good that we will see this once native species.

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#### SHOWS

**CAMPER AND RV**  
The annual Detroit Camper and RV Show will be through Feb. 23 at the Novi Expo Center. The show features all types of 1999 recreational vehicles including folding campers, motor homes, travel trailers, truck campers, fifth wheels. Over 300 models will be on display ranging in price from \$3,000 to over \$200,000. There will also be RV and campground information, family entertainment and more. Show hours are 2-9 p.m. weekdays. Admission is \$6.50 for adults and children under 12 will be admitted free. Two-for-one coupons are available at participating RV dealers. Call (517) 349-8881 for more information.

**SPORTFISHING EXPO**  
The 10th annual Greater Detroit Sportfishing and Travel Expo will be March 4-7 at the Palace of Auburn Hills. The show will feature a special appearance by national walleye angling champion Ted Takasaki on Friday, March 5.

Other speakers of national renown scheduled to speak at the show include walleye pros Mike McClelland and Keith Kavajecz, bowhunting expert Chuck Adams, In-Fisherman Magazine editors Dave Casanda and Matt Straw, and Michigan's own Tom Huggler.

**OUTDOORAMA**  
Outdoorama '99 Sport and Travel Show will be Feb. 26-March 7 at the Novi Expo Center, (800) 777-6720.

The show includes nearly 450 exhibits featuring the latest in fishing, hunting and camping equipment; recreational vehicles; boats; conservation clubs; and travel and outfitting destinations throughout North America. There will also be a reptile and amphibian display, live animals, a trout fishing pond, musical and variety acts, an archery range, hunting and fishing seminars, and much more.

Show hours are 4-9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, Monday and Tuesday, March 1-2, and Thursday and Friday, March 4-5; 10 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27 and March 6; 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28; noon-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 3; and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, March 7.

Admission is \$6.50 adult, \$3 for children ages 6-12 and children five and under will be admitted free.

#### SEASON/DATES

**CROW**  
The late crow season runs through March 31 in the Lower Peninsula.

**COYOTE**  
Coyote season runs through April 15 statewide.

**FOX**  
Gray and red fox season runs through March 1 statewide.

**RABBIT/HARE**  
Rabbit/hare season run through March 31 statewide.

**STURGEON**  
Sturgeon spearing season runs through Feb. 28.

#### CLUBS

**METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS**  
Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

**MICHIGAN FLY FISHING**  
The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

**FOUR SEASONS**  
The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Visitors are invited and refreshments will be served. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for more information.

#### METROPARKS

**METROPARK REQUIREMENTS**  
Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

**1999 PERMITS**  
The 1999 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching perm its are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information

### PRO TIP OF THE WEEK

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Women Seeking Men

Ad of The Week

MISSING INGREDIENT  
DWF, 28, 5'4", HW proportionate, blonde/green, likes animals, snowmobiling and keeping active. Seeking handsome, fit S/DWM, 27-33, with similar interests, for friendship, possible LTR. #2537

To place your own free ad, call 1-800-518-5445

BROWN-EYED GIRL  
Attractive SWF, 28, brown hair, enjoys skydiving, camping, casinos. Seeking attractive SWM, 25-33, who knows what they want and is willing to try anything once. #2777

A STEP AHEAD  
Cute, fit, honest SWF, 30, 5'2", N/S, rarely drinks, enjoys animals, sports, outdoors, humor, the zoo and romance. Seeking similar qualities in a SWM, 28-40, for LTR. No present/future kids. #2193

DOCTOR WANTED  
Very pretty SWF, mental health care technician, youthful 48, 5'1", slightly overweight, blonde/blue, seeks attractive SW medical doctor, 40-60, for companionship. Troy area. #2720

NO COUCH POTATOES  
DWF, 33, 5'10", blonde/blue, slim, mother of three, smoker, social drinker, enjoys dancing, hockey, darts, art gazing, and travel. Seeking SWM, 32-42, with similar interests, HW proportionate, honest, faithful, trustworthy. #2410

SILLY HEART  
Happiness makes me better. Funny, free-spirited, successful SWF, 30, 5'7", blonde/blue, two sons, seeks humorous, truthful, free-spirited SWM, 35-50, for eternal happiness and LTR. #2084

LETS PLOW TOGETHER  
This flirtatious blue-eyed blonde would love to take a ride in your truck. There is something about a man in a truck, 30-43, who loves kids, is and is attractive and easygoing. #2455

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT  
DBCF, 44, looks 28, green eyes, enjoys walking, reading, going to plays, dancing and basketball. Seeking financially secure S/DBM, under 50, 6'-4". Must have God first. Children ok. #2724

ALLURING BRUNETTE  
Attractive, very fit, busy fun-to-be-with professional, 35, 5'11", seeks caring confident, stable, open-minded, honest and humorous man, 35-50. Hoping for mutually satisfying relationship. #2536

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT  
Easygoing SWF, 31, 5'7", medium build, dark/hazel, never married, two daughters (4 and 9). Seeking clean SWM, 25-35, for friendship, possible more. Must enjoy being around children and animals. #2456

A NEW BEGINNING  
Widowed lady, young 63, blonde/blue, enjoys movies, theater, dining in/out, animals, walking, swimming. Free to spend time with loving, caring white gentleman, 60s, #1657

STOP LOOKING  
Cute SWF, 28, 5'5", brown/blue. Seeking active SWM, 28-36, who enjoys music, animals, for possible LTR. No games, no lies or Nitroge. #2268

FLY ME TO THE MOON  
Attractive SWFP, 30, social drinker, enjoys snowmobiling, sports, boating, travel. Seeking attractive, fit SWM, 28-35, for LTR. #2262

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. #2174

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. #2081

LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER  
Attractive SWF, 38, 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. #2052

TEACH ME SOMETHING NEW  
Attractive SWF, 27, N/S, social drinker, a little heavy, enjoys travel, movies, theater, seeks attractive financially/emotionally secure SWM, 28-38, N/S, with similar interests. #1967

EASY ON THE EYES  
Keep me laughing and I'm yours. Blue-eyed blonde, 30, 5'6", 118lbs, attractive with a sharp mind and quick wit. Looking for the same. #2638

BEST FRIEND AND MORE  
College-educated, financially secure SAFP, 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. #2452

READ THIS AD  
SWF, 32, 5'2", brown/brown, blue-eyed, likes movies, reading, dancing, birds and writing letters. Seeking a SWM, 32-44, under 5'10" and 250lbs, N/S. #2356

5'7" AND PRETTY  
Pretty, fun loving, easygoing, brown-haired, green-eyed gal, 34, medium build, full-figured, would like to start exercising, enjoys many things in life. Seeking attractive SWM, financially/emotionally secure, HW proportionate, Dexter Pinchney Area. #2171

DOWN-TO-EARTH  
Attractive, fit, fun-loving, outgoing SWFP, 27, enjoys traveling, working out, movies, Ried Wings, quiet nights, much more. Seeking confident, average/attractive SWPM, 25-35, with sense of humor. #2086

SEEKING TALL MAN  
SWF, 5'7", 126lbs, blonde/blue, nice figure, seeks funny, down-to-earth man, 36-42, strong physique, who can handle life's little ups and downs. #2600

I HATE PICKLES!  
SWF, 24, 5'3", blonde/blue, enjoys music, movies, just hanging in. Seeking honest, smart male, 23-30, for casual dating, possibly more. Must possess nice smile and friendly eyes. #2690

IRRESISTIBLE  
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. #2633

ENTREPRENEUR  
Pretty, successful, humorous, charming, interesting, giving female, 52, enjoys movies, plays, concerts, fine dining, cooking, boating, loves people. Seeking soulmate in a successful, sincere WM, 45-75. Please reply. #1162

FIT AND FIFTY  
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. #2630

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 proud of, unique, loving. Seeking N/S, soul connection SWM, 38-48. #2923

UNCHAINED MELODY  
Slim, attractive DWF, 51, N/S, seeks professional S/DWM, 50-60, 5'10", for C&W dancing, rollerblading, hanging out. Levonia area. #2534

STARTING OVER  
Ruberisque SWF, a young 50, 5'5", auburn/green, N/S, N/O, seeks SWM, 40-60, N/S, for companionship. LTR. No games. #2533

MAKE BEAUTIFUL MUSIC  
DWF, 44, financially secure, professional musician, sexy, classy, blonde/blue, romantic. Seeking an outgoing, secure, college-educated S/DWM, 35-50, casual or flir, for a possible LTR. #2160

HUGGABLE & LOVABLE  
Attractive SFL, 44, 5'3", blonde/blue, medium build, with passion for life, seeks kind-hearted SWPM, 40-55, with good sense of humor, who is ready to enjoy life. #2412

VINTAGE WINE  
Visionary dreaming, optimist, music is sweeter shared, slim, blue-eyed, blonde, with distinctive qualities, 5'7", educated, rilly 50s and financially secure. Seeking active, gentleman who is sweet and warm. 40-60. #2089

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/fun head of hair, friendship first. LTR. #2187

HELLO, FRIEND  
I'm pretty, slender, tall, very intelligent, refined, fun, smoker, 52. Seeking intelligent, tall, articulate, classy, confident, gentleman, 52-65, wanting someone for cozy dinner dates laced with good conversation. #2320

IN SYNCH  
Pretty, slender, warm-hearted, humorous sales professional, 117lbs, enjoys running, warm weather, music, biking. Seeking nice, financially secure SWM, 40-55, N/S, to enjoy life together. #2629

FROM THE HEART  
Attractive, kind, affectionate, down-to-earth DWF, 36, 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. #2629

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, painting, hiking, travel, and having good conversations about it. #2269

LOOKING FOR YOU  
Easygoing, overweight DWF, 43, 5'10", N/S, N/D, enjoys swimming, walking, bowling, cards, pets, traveling. Seeking cute, tall, sexy, fit SWM, N/D, N/R, 38-45, for LTR. #2371

LEGGY, SLENDER & STYLISH  
Blue-eyed, like movies, 40s, 5'8", active, independent, Birmingham resident, looks 30s, intelligent, sexy, fun, warm, uncumbered, tall, handsome, part, 6', for a romance, adventure. #2538

YOU'VE GOT MAIL  
Chemistry-seeking, attractive, family-oriented, emotionally secure, financially secure, blonde S/PF, 40, 5'8", with traditional values, good moral, enjoys nights out, evenings at home. Seeking SM for friendship, possible LTR. #2414

BLUE EYED BLONDE  
Fun-loving, DWF, 44, blonde/blue, curvy, 329 14, enjoys movies, dining out, traveling. Seeking DWM, 40-55, financially stable, with similar interest. Friendship first, possible LTR. #2287

BEST FRIENDS  
Attractive, easygoing, humorous DWF, 52, 5'5", 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. #2415

INTERESTED IN ART?  
Pretty SWF, early 40s, seeks sincere, sensitive, art-inclined SWM, 40-50, for possible relationship. #2632

SEEKING SENSE OF HUMOR  
DWF, 43, medium build, N/S, seeks a S/DWM, 43-50, N/S, employed, who likes children, outdoors, sports, for a possible LTR. #2188

GOOD THINGS/ SMALL PACKAGES  
Well-packaged emotionally, spiritually and intellectually, DWF, 38, charismatic, adventurous, passionate, caring, likes the sublime to outrageous. Seeking a SM, for a monogamous relationship. #1997

TALL, ATTRACTIVE  
DBF, 39, 5'8", enjoys dancing, jazz, affection. Seeking SWM, 40+, 6', who wants more than just the physical, for LTR. Serious replies only please! #1995

GENTLY USED  
Blonde lady, late 50s, 5'3", 125lbs, enjoys life. Seeking gentleman, mid-50s/60s, to enjoy life with, friends first. #1906

SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT  
SF, 36, loves animals, gardening, spectator sports, laughing, seeks SM, N/S, no kids, for new start, possible LTR. #1865

PASSION FOR LIFE  
Classy, spirited, poised DWF, 59, 5'2", seeks man of integrity, 58-65, N/S, romantic and firm to share interests which include: dancing, traveling, movies, dining out. For friendship, leading to LTR. #1908

HONOR AND CHERISH  
Never married, attractive, tall, sensitive, committed, Christian SWPM, enjoys hiking, travel, skiing, adventure, fun. Seeking attractive, slender, committed, never married SWCF, 30-40, for friendship, dating, possible LTR. #2539

BLUE-EYED BLONDE  
Young, attractive WF, 50, 5'7", medium build, seeks down-to-earth, romantic, commitment-minded WM, 45-60, for LTR. #2444

WAITING FOR LIGHTNING...  
To strike! An appealing DWF, 50ish, seeks a gentleman, 50-61, to enjoy dancing, dining out, casinos, and a good friendship leading to possible relationship. #2445

DRAWN TO WIDOWERS  
Real, pretty, smart, attractive female, 51, red/blue, educated, values family, honesty, morals, dignity, interests: sports, dining, gardening, reading, walks. Seeking a family-oriented male. #2446

DELIGHTFUL AND DOWN-TO-EARTH  
SWCatholic, 38, 5'7", brown/brown, smoker, social drinker, mother of three, enjoys shopping, fireplace, dancing and dining. Seeking a SWCatholic, 38-48, with a love for family life, and a good sense of humor. All calls answered. #2448

ANSWER MY AD  
You'll be glad you did. Looking for educated, fun-loving, happy, intelligent, 33-58, for wonderful times together. I'm adventurous, attractive, worldly, considerate, fit, smart, sincere. Please call. #2448

CLASSY LADY  
Blonde-haired, blue-eyed, petite SWF, 43, honest, sincere, enjoys dancing, traveling, dining, walks, romantic evenings at home, seeks gentleman, 30-50. #2322

LITTLE RED  
Spontaneous SF, 5'3", 130lbs, brown/blue, socially outgoing, honest relationship with SM who doesn't want to play games. Dark eyes and long hair a plus. #2442

LOOKING FOR BRIGHT EYES  
Very caring, attractive, outgoing, giving SWM, 46, with a variety of interests, loves to be romantic and cook. Seeking same in petite SWF, for friendship, maybe more. #2363

CANTON WESTLAND AREA  
Cute, educated DWM, 48, 5'3", 160lbs, fit, enjoys travel, art, adventure, family. Seeking cute, sincere SWF, 35-45, for friendship, possible LTR. #2693

INTEREST IN GARDENING?  
DWM, 38, 5'10", 170lbs, brown/green, works full time, loves children, enjoys bowling, movies, camping, travel. Seeking honest, caring, single, fit, 30s, for LTR. #2721

A QUALITY GUY  
Cute, romantic DWM, 52, 5'10", seeks honest SWF, woman, 30-40, who likes hanging out, going to parties, dancing, playing, weekend getaways, travel. Seeking special friend to share quality times with. #2200

CHRISTIAN MALE  
Down-to-earth, sincere, widowed BGM, 47, 6'4", 220lbs, father of twins, enjoys movies, martial arts, walking. Seeking attractive young woman, 30-40, who has God first in your life. #2218

ROMANTIC OUTDOORSMAN  
Adventurous, humorous, spontaneous DWM, 41, enjoys dining out, theater and exercising on the town. Seeking SWF, 30-45, for possible LTR. #2717

GEMINI ONLY  
Aquarius DWM, 37 (looks 27), 5'10", 165lbs, hazel eyes, seeks beautiful Gemini lady for dating possible monogamous relationship with right person. #2686

CARING-SINCERE  
SWPM, 36, average build, N/S, enjoys dining out, traveling, reading, seeking SWF, 30-40, N/S, for serious LTR. #2631

LOOKING FOR LOVE  
SWPM, 37, 5'9", 162lbs, N/S, enjoys tennis, dining out, movies, trips. Seeking SWF, under 40, medium to full-figured, proportionate, N/S, for friendship, fun and LTR. #2627

PART-TIME GROWNUP  
Sincere SWM, 35, 5'9", 160lbs, fit, MBA, fun, positive, attractive, active, seeks fit SWF, musician, teacher, travels, friends and fireplace. All replies answered. #2543

MAN SEEKS MR. RIGHT  
Handsome, rugged, athletic, financially secure, trustworthy, fit SWM, 38, 6'1", 220lbs, has Herpes (wants to be honest), seeks old-fashioned, attractive girl. Children ok. Let's talk. #2454

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. #1904

HAPPY NEW YEAR  
Attractive SWM, 36, 6', 190bs, brown/blue, professionally employed, enjoys dining out, movies, traveling, seeks attractive SWF, for dating, friendship, possible LTR. Garden City. #1534

HAPPY-GO-LUCKY  
Sensitive, honest, 35 year-old SWM, who's athletic and outgoing, likes all outdoor and indoor activities. Seeking S/DWF, who is also sensitive and honest, with similar qualities for LTR. No baggage. #2441

SEEKS CONFIDENT, SECURE MAN  
Pretty, classy, slim, secure, upbeat, hip gal, 5'7", no children, seeks SWPM, average/attractive, trustworthy, emotionally/financially stable, fun, hip guy, 40-52, 5'8"-5'11". No games. You won't be disappointed. #2457

ITALIAN PRINCESS  
Fun-loving SWF, 32, 5'8", brown/amber, seeks romantic, energetic, professional man, 25-35, 5'10", for possible serious relationship. #2451

OUTGOING FEMALE  
Sensitive, social, sincere, humorous, loving, positive, upbeat, fit, 48, medium height/weight, seeks same in man. Call soon. #2139

NEW TO REDFORD  
Tall, affectionate, attractive SWF, 28, 5'7", 240lbs, brown/blue, nice physique, enjoys working out, cooking, outdoors, sports, movies, music. Seeking SWF, 21-35, looks unimportant for LTR. No games and fun times together. #2256

SOMEONE SPECIAL  
SWM, 28, 5'11", 200bs, dark blonde/blue, likes long walks, cuddling with someone special. 23-year-old, honest, fun, like the same and more, for relationship. #2502

SINCERE, EASYGOING  
Handsome, degreed, humorous, reliable SWM, 40, 5'8", seeks slim, attractive SWF, who enjoys theater, foreign films, symphony, cultural events, weekend getaways, dining out, long walks, opera, romance. #2502

VERY PERSISTENT  
Attractive, intelligent, financially/emotionally secure SWM, 37, 6'2", 213lbs, seeks an attractive, emotionally secure, open-minded SWF, 25-35, for LTR. #2483

YOUR SMILE WILL  
start my days, and fill my nights. SWM, father of one. Seeking active, in shape SWF, 30-45, who is fun, outgoing, fun. Must be honest, warm-hearted, love children. Novi area. #2699

REDWINEY  
Dashing, auto mechanic, 45, wants to spend quality time and busy together in a calm, trim, happy lady with no dependents, and lots of love. #2722

CAN I HAVE THIS DANCE...  
for the rest of my life? Attractive SWF, 41, never married, no kids, seeks cute SWF, 32-38, for friendship first, then hopefully a lifetime. #2719

LOOKING FOR FUN  
Financially secure SWPM, 33, 5'10", 150lbs, enjoys listening to music, snowmobiling, beaching. Seeking fun, trim SWF, 22-29, with whom to share fun times and travel. #2636

NEW ON THE SCENE  
Hardcore, outgoing, nice-looking DWM, 40, 6'1", 220lbs, athletic, loving, genuine SWM, 38, 6', 180lbs, never married, seeks attractive woman, with good taste, for dating, possible LTR. Please call. #2715

SEEKING AN ANGEL  
Attractive SWPM, 36, 5'5", N/S, N/D, financially stable, never married, no dependents, enjoys a variety of activities. Seeking SWF, similar qualities, for friendship, possible LTR. #2173

FUN GUY  
SWM, 27, 5'10", average weight, light brown/hazel, enjoys music, tv, skiing, boating, bowling. Seeking SF for fun, conversation, dating, possible relationship. Race unimportant. #2599

COWBOY HIPPIE  
Honest, easygoing, nice-looking DWM, 6' 170lbs, seeks honest, sweet, kind, slender female, 25-40, for LTR. #2688

HANDSOME, KIND TEACHER  
DWM, 46, 6', 200lbs, long hair, with full-time, wonderful, 10 year-old daughter. Plays guitar and loves Northern Michigan. Seeking SF. #2635

A 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. #2535

RELATE THAT IT'S A DATE  
Slim, sensual, spiritual, successful SJM, 46, 5'9", 162bs, seeks relationship-oriented SF, 30-45, who enjoys Borders, Royal Oak art firm, dance clubs, delis to Middle Eastern cuisine. Jazz, classical, contemporary music. #2177

NO CLEVER AD  
Outgoing DWM, mid-50s, seeks kind-hearted lady for LTR. Will answer all. #2628

NEW TO THIS  
Active, self-employed, athletic, funny SWM, 34, seeks relationship with outgoing, attractive SWF, 27-33, for LTR. #2540

DOES DEAMURE...  
mask your kind, sensual soul? SWPM, 40, 6'1", 190lbs, athletic, sincere, romantic, thoughtful. Seeking very slim, trim, Spice Girl type who enjoys romantic weekend getaways, theater, family/friends, for possible LTR. #2501

TALL, HANDSOME KNIGHT  
40, 6'3", 190bs, 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! #2725

WANTED: BEST FRIEND  
DWM, 37, 5'10", 170bs, enjoys outdoors, and being active. Seeking affectionate, fit, loving sweetheart, to share music, reading, and romantic, quiet times. Wisconsin. #2166

SINGLE IN DETROIT  
Honest, down-to-earth SBM, mid-30s, would like to meet someone, 25-35, for friendship, possible relationship. I like movies, concerts, special times together. #2126

NEW TO REDFORD  
Tall, affectionate, attractive SWF, 28, 5'7", 240lbs, brown/blue, nice physique, enjoys working out, cooking, outdoors, sports, movies, music. Seeking SWF, 21-35, looks unimportant for LTR. No games and fun times together. #2256

SOMEONE SPECIAL  
SWM, 28, 5'11", 200bs, dark blonde/blue, likes long walks, cuddling with someone special. 23-year-old, honest, fun, like the same and more, for relationship. #2502

SINCERE, EASYGOING  
Handsome, degreed, humorous, reliable SWM, 40, 5'8", seeks slim, attractive SWF, who enjoys theater, foreign films, symphony, cultural events, weekend getaways, dining out, long walks, opera, romance. #2502

VERY PERSISTENT  
Attractive, intelligent, financially/emotionally secure SWM, 37, 6'2", 213lbs, seeks an attractive, emotionally secure, open-minded SWF, 25-35, for LTR. #2483

YOUR SMILE WILL  
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Cassette/CD, 7 speaker, leather trim, driver's seat memory, mud guards, power sun roof, carpet mats, power windows & locks, tilt, cruise. — Was \$31,478 —

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