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THE WEEK AHEAD

Art in the Park: The 19th annual show continues today from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. in downtown Plymouth near Kellogg Park.

MONDAY

Blood drive: St. Johns Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, is holding a blood drive for the American Red Cross from 2- 8 p.m. Appointments encouraged, although walk-ins welcome. Call (313) 255-4319 for more information.

TUESDAY

School board: The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education meets at 7 p.m. at the E.J. McClendon Educational Center, 454 S. Harvey.

WEDNESDAY

Harpbeat: Harp and percussion music will entertain children at noon in Kellogg Park during the weekly Music in the Park series.

City Plan: The designs for the new retail/ office/ condo project planned for the Mayflower Hotel site will be the top item of discussion by the Plymouth City Planning Commission 7 p.m. at City Hall, 201 S. Main.

THURSDAY

Children's event: Gordon Russ, a comedian and magician, will be featured at 1:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Cost is \$3 for children and \$4 for adults (Discount of \$1 for city residents).

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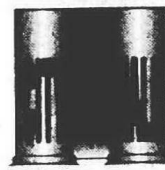
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Officials raise objections to mayor's deal



■ A deal negotiated by the mayor to keep the current city law firm on retainer for the next 12 months irked commissioners on Monday. The mayor shot back with a quick gavel and sharp words.

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After months of relative calm among Plymouth city commissioners, elected officials took a few steps backward after a discussion turned into arguments concerning out-of-control city attorney fees.

Mayor Joe Koch took exception to a motion by Commissioner Dennis Shrewsbury that would have terminated the current city attorney agreement, forcing Koch to send out bids in a search for a new law firm to represent

the municipality.

Koch, who by city charter can recommend to the city commission who he wants for city attorney, agreed to search for a new law firm, but wanted it on his terms.

"I will do it (seek bids) because I want to do it, not because you're forcing me to do it," said Koch. "It wasn't necessary to jam it down my throat."

Koch slammed the gavel down on Commissioner Colleen Pobur during heated debate and at one point ruled Shrewsbury out-of-order for making

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Vos, Byers vie for 2-year term

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Only two Plymouth city residents have filed to run for the unexpired term of former mayor Don Dismuke.

John Vos III, who was appointed by the commission May 7 to fill the position until the November 2 special election, has decided to seek re-election for the two-year post.

Vos was a commissioner from 1989-1997. When he was appointed, Vos

said he considered himself a "middle-of-the-roader, I get along with everyone. I don't separate issues between Democrat and Republican because this is really non-partisan."

David Byers, 44, said he's running because his neighbors thought he would make a good leader on the commission.

"I'm just a concerned citizen that wants to make a difference," said Byers, a corporate lawyer for Ford

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District receives \$700,000 more in state funding

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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The Plymouth-Canton school district is receiving \$700,000 more in state funding than expected after the Michigan legislature voted to increase school aid funding.

John Birchler, the district's executive director of business and operations, said the district was expecting a \$190 per pupil increase in the state founda-

■ The school district currently receives \$5,986 per pupil from the state. The additional money will raise that to \$6,220 per student.

tion grant. However, with the additional \$44 granted by the legislature, Plymouth-Canton schools will receive an increase of \$234 per pupil in state funding for the coming school year.

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\$5,986 per pupil from the state. The additional money will raise that to \$6,220 per student.

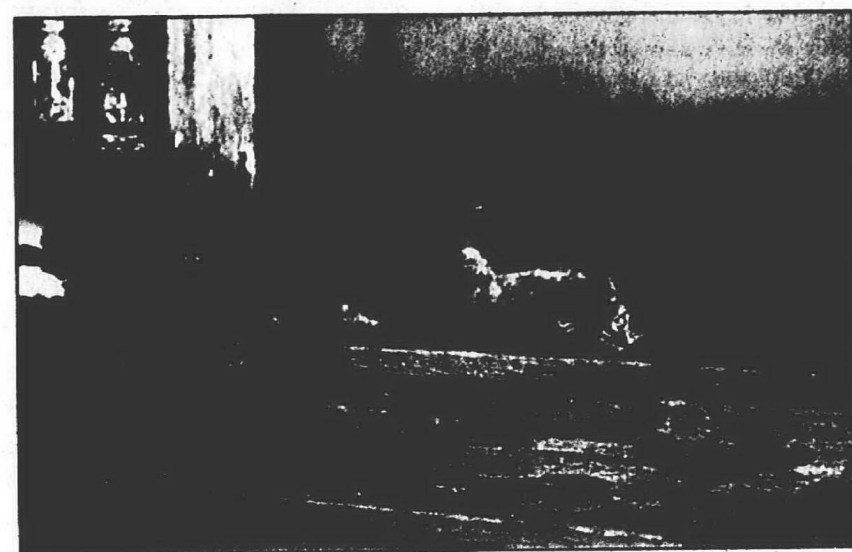
"That certainly is good news," said Birchler. "This year there was about \$70 million more than originally pro-

jected in the revenue dedicated to the state school aid fund. Next year there is expected to be \$225 million more."

The \$224 per pupil in the coming year means the district will get approximately \$3.8 million additional in state funding. Birchler is expecting to see an increase of \$170 per pupil the next year, which will generate more than \$2.7 million for the district.

While Plymouth-Canton is getting

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSHMANN

Prowlers: A mama cat and two of her kittens play lazily on the steps of a home on Spring Street in Plymouth.

Cat tales Old Village upset by feline prowlers

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Lynn Gill lives in Plymouth's Old Village, a move made partly because there's a park nearby for her 2-year-old daughter, Sasha, to play in.

However, now Gill won't let Sasha play in the park behind the Old Village Community Center because it's overrun with cats, who use the sand in the playground as a litter box.

"I've spent a lot of time raking sand filled with cat feces," said Gill. "A week after I cleaned up the sand, the cats were back at it. It's a big problem."

Gill isn't the only Old Village resident who is concerned by nearly a dozen cats running loose in the neighborhood.

Susan Clark was watching 2-year-

old Carly on the playground equipment and wondered where her daughter found the grease which was all over her hands.

"When I looked closer, I realized it wasn't grease, but cat feces," said Clark, chairwoman of the Old Village Development Authority. "I was worried about disease. We need to get those cats out of here."

However, it appears the feline problem is one that can't be handled by the city because there's no ordinance against cats roaming the streets.

"We just passed an updated animal ordinance, but it deals mainly with dogs," admits Assistant City Manager Paul Sincok. "The city clerk and police chief are currently reviewing ordinances and regula-

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From Plymouth to Cannes, Paris walks distance



Going the distance: Rachel Paris stands in front of a television screen featuring a scene from her short film, "Walking Distance," with Lisa Overwater as "Katie," who is looking out through a steamed window on the screen. At right, Overwater and her real-life sister Theresa as "Sissy," play Monopoly in a scene.

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Plymouth resident Rachel Paris could visualize her first film, "Walking Distance," for months before she produced it.

Paris plans to enter the 25-minute film in the Sundance, Academy Awards, and Cannes film competitions in the short dramatic category. She expects to complete the film soon.

Through a 1960's film style, Paris, who also wrote the script and produced it, tells the story of the loss of the "magical thinking" of youth.

"Seldom is the distance between people geographic," said Paris, who grew up in Plymouth. "People repeat what they cannot resolve."

The project was accomplished with comparatively little money, Paris said. "I provided about 85 percent of the funds using a two-story house set that I built myself, a donated space with a kid's gym and a stamping plant on either side of us," Paris said. "I used donated equipment, an entirely volunteer crew which changed daily and sometimes hourly, carried by two kids who had never acted before let alone been in front of a camera. We blasted through 27 pages in seven, seven-hour days and shot in the completely unforgiving style used in the 1960's using only

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prime lenses, dolly moves, and long, uninterrupted takes."

Northville set

The footage was shot at the Water Wheel Center on Main Street in Northville where she uses the space gratis for months through the generosity of owners Rick Cox and Bob Siemen. "There was no heat and one electrical outlet," Paris said. "I could see my breath when I built the set."

She garnered the volunteer support of many members of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees. "I have been lucky enough to get support from not only the Detroit film community and half the production companies in town, but also such companies as Kellogg, Necco Candy, Kiwanis, Wrigley, IBM Music, and CBS News Archives."

Paris' script was considered

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSHMANN

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the motion. Shrewsbury won his "out of order appeal" on a 4-2 tally by fellow commissioners (Koch didn't vote), but lost his effort to pass the motion on a 4-3 vote.

According to Finance Director Mark Christiansen, the city will pay out approximately \$170,000 for legal services to Plunkett & Cooney when the final 1998-99 fiscal year figures are tallied. The city originally budgeted \$52,000 for legal fees.

All the commissioners agree the legal service is good, but the fees are outrageous. And, all but Dave McDonald believe the current commission should find a new attorney before the next election.

The meeting went sour quickly after Koch announced he negotiated an agreement with the city's current law firm of Plunkett & Cooney, which would have given the city a rebate of \$33,686 in exchange for a 12-month contract for legal services at \$46,200, based on a retainer fee schedule.

However, commissioners didn't like extending a contract for a

law firm that helped put them nearly \$118,000 over budget.

"The \$30,000 (they want to give us back) is a drop in the bucket," said Pobur. "It's clearly a deal; we'll give you money back if you give us a contract for a year. I vehemently oppose this."

"The March bill had a \$2,000 credit on it because the city attorney wrongfully billed us ... not to mention two other times," said Commissioner Ron Loiselle. "I feel it's imperative we go out for proposals. I'm not comfortable with our city attorney."

Jim Lilly, a Plunkett & Cooney partner who met with Koch, Commissioner John Vos and City Manager David Rich, said his firm will respond to bid proposals in an effort to keep the City of Plymouth as clients.

"We did try to come up with a retainer agreement that recognized the budget problems of the city," said Lilly. "There were a lot of lawsuits the city didn't expect, which drove up the costs. We want the city to be comfortable with its legal representation, whether it be us or another

firm." Shrewsbury insisted the commissioners, in a closed session June 21, agreed to go out for bids.

"You kept telling us you can negotiate a better deal, and we said 'no, go out for proposals,' because that's what the sense of the commission was," said Shrewsbury.

Koch, who said he had no problem with going out for bids and negotiating with a new firm, said he believes the attacks against him were political in nature.

"This has turned into a political football because you guys want to beat me up ... because I'm up for re-election," said an angry Koch.

Koch also made it known he wasn't one of the votes on the commission that decided to hire Plunkett & Cooney.

"I'm trying to fix the mess some of you commissioners approved," added Koch. "I don't know why I'm spending my time spinning my wheels."

Torches are passed at district

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON SCHOOLS

Plymouth-Canton Schools will see the passing of the torch this coming week on two fronts, as the district gets a new superintendent and a new school board president.

Interim superintendent Ken Walcott, 58, begins his new post Monday, as current Superintendent Chuck Little prepares to leave for a position at Indiana University on Thursday.

Walcott said he plans to spend the week with Little to receive insights on the issues facing the district, and then move ahead.

"I don't plan on being a lame duck superintendent," said Walcott. "I would like to do as much as I can for the district in the coming six months to make Plymouth-Canton schools a better place."

Walcott said one of his first orders of business will be to call every administrator in the district to introduce himself, and will eventually get into every school building on a

rotating basis to talk with teachers and students.

"I want to show everyone that the most important work being done in the district is in the classrooms for kids," added Walcott. "I would like to see principals in the hallways, around kids and helping teachers."

Walcott said he plans to talk with school board trustees and the area's power brokers to continue relationships in the district.

Walcott was named interim superintendent by the Board of Education June 22. He spent 10 years in the Mona Shores School district in Muskegon County, the last seven as superintendent.

"Ken has the right kind of background and personality that will fit right in," said Trustee Roland Thomas. "He'll be a new set of eyes that will be able to look at the issues and give us a fresh perspective. This could be a valuable experience for us."

Walcott's six-month contract, which at \$10,000 per month is the same as Little's salary, is expected to be approved by the board at Tuesday night's meeting.

Trustees are hoping to have a permanent superintendent in place by January.

Meanwhile, Tuesday's meeting is the school board's reorganizational meeting. Two new board members, Steve Guile and Mark Slavens, will participate for the first time since being elected June 14.

Odds-on favorite to become the next board president is current vice-president, Susan Davis, who is in her second four-year term.

"I think it's the next logical step for Sue," said Trustee Judy Mardigian. "She's chaired a number of meetings over the past year, has held every other board position, and brings a lot of knowledge about kids and kids' issues to the board."

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON SPECIAL JOINT BOARD OF TRUSTEES PROCEEDINGS
A Special Joint Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Canton, Northville, and Plymouth Townships and WTUA was held Tuesday, June 30, 1999 at 48000 Summit Parkway, at Summit on the Park. Canton Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:20 P.M.
ROLL CALL - CANTON
Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, Ladjoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack
Members Absent: None
Staff Present: Machnik, Kelly, Wrubleski, Zevalkink
Also Present: Tim Faas, WRUA Operations Manager, Joe Hefferman, WTUA Finance Manager
Tim Faas presented the WTUA Business Plan Update. WTUA goals and objectives, historical capacity needs, key issues for capacity needs, service levels, degree of control over rates, sale of capacity to other Rouge Valley Interceptor System customers, and options for acquiring additional capacity were presented.
Joe Hefferman reviewed the cost trends for wastewater treatment rates paid to RVIS and YCUA. RVIS has lower costs beginning in 1990 and have steadily increased. He noted that the under-usage of YCUA drove start up costs. As usage of YCUA increased, the rates have spread out and the costs have decreased. The wastewater treatment rates paid to RVIS and YCUA have recently been about the same at a little more than \$1 per thousand gallons.
Key issues included: Financial impact of the DWSJ Combined Sewer Overflows (CSO) Correction. Degree of Control Over Future Rates and Operation; Potential for Sale of Capacity in the RVIS to Other Communities.
Tim Faas reviewed options for acquiring additional capacity based on the criteria of capital cost, operating and maintenance cost, level of service, degree of control over rates, feasibility, time frame, and environmental impact. The options were 1) Maintain the Status Quo, 2) Expand RVIS and Continue flow to YCUA, 3) Expand YCUA, 4) Build Our Own Wastewater Treatment Plant, or 5) Retain Our Capacity in RVIS Permanently and Build a Smaller Treatment Plant. Expanding the YCUA plant or building their own WTUA plant were highlighted at the most feasible alternatives.
Discussions occurred regarding location of a new plant; the allocations to users for the CSO clean up cost by the DWSJ; rate charges for continuing water use from DWSJ with no flow of sewerage to DWSJ.
Mr. Faas recommended that the member townships give careful considerations to the two most feasible options. WTUA commissioners offered to meet with all township boards individually to review their assessments and answer any questions. Mr. Faas stressed the urgency of a united decision in order to meet the future wastewater needs of the communities.
The above is a synopsis of discussion taken at the Special Joint Board meeting held on June 30, 1999. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular meeting of the Board on July 13, 1999.
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No more used cars:
The City of Plymouth is closing down the unofficial used car lot on the corner of Ann Arbor Road and Main Street, in the parking lot of the former Daly Drive-in restaurant. The building has been vacant since Rite Aid bought it several months ago.



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HIRSCHMANN

Daly lot is a lemon for used car sales

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The City of Plymouth is closing down the unofficial used car lot on the corner of Ann Arbor Road and Main Street, in the parking lot of the former Daly Drive-in restaurant.

During the past few weeks, as many as a dozen privately-owned cars for sale have been parked in the lot by owners looking for potential buyers.

Building official Jim Penn gave the new owners of the property, which are planning a Rite-Aid Drug Store for the site, until Friday to block off the street entrances to the parking lot.

"The city doesn't currently have an ordinance that prohibits car owners from selling their vehicles from parking lots," said Penn. "We gave the property owner until Friday to block off the parking lot from traffic. Other-

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erwise, the city will do it on Monday."

Penn said the city has received several complaints about the eyesore, including from Dick Scott Dodge, located across the street from the parking lot.

Meanwhile, Penn said he has not yet received any updated plans for a new Rite Aid at the site.

Company representatives said last winter they expected to demolish the current building and begin construction on the corner during the spring.

Oyster bar owner to shell out \$700,000 on new digs

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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With a new liquor license in hand, the owner of Tom's Oyster Bar restaurants is hoping to soon build an eatery in Plymouth.

"We're shooting for the end of the year, but that's being fairly optimistic," said Tom Brandel, who currently has restaurants in Grosse Pointe Park, Royal Oak and Southfield.

Brandel owns a vacant building across from the post office on Penninfan Street. He's already gutted the structure, and is making plans to update the electrical, plumbing and other mechanicals before starting on the design.

"When the project is complete, I expect the final cost to be somewhere in the range of \$700,000," said Brandel. "We'll probably hire in the neighborhood of 60 full and part-time employees."

While Brandel has owned the

building since 1995, he said it was the liquor license which has caused the delay.

"I bought the building because I was positive I wanted to open in Plymouth," Brandel added. "The delay has been in transferring a liquor license. Last year the state made changes, so I was able to transfer a Class C liquor license I had from a previous restaurant in Grosse Pointe Park."

Brandel said he was driven to Plymouth because he likes down-

town areas, and in particular, downtown Plymouth.

"While the I-275 corridor is alive and well for restaurants opening in Novi and Northville, there's room for more restaurants in Plymouth," said Brandel.

Brandel has hired Leonard Else Design Associates of Waterford Township to lay out the new restaurant.

"We're going for a more traditional look for the exterior so it will blend in well with the other

buildings," said Else. "I know Tom would like to put in an outdoor cafe if we can get city approval. We want to make the interior a cozy, friendly atmosphere."

Tom's Oyster Bar will join a growing list of restaurants which are opening or renovating in downtown Plymouth.

Paisano's is planning to open on Main Street, across from Kellogg Park; E. G. Nicks is scheduled to open on Forest; developer John Vincenti is hoping to put a

restaurant in his three-story building which will replace the Mayflower Hotel; and renovations are continuing at the Box Bar.

"It's wonderful to see all the new restaurants coming to town," said Melanie Purcell, director of Plymouth's Downtown Development Authority. "Downtown is going to have a nice blend of places to eat."

District seeks volunteers for 2 planning committees

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is seeking community members for two district committees: the Citizens Finance Committee, and the Long Range Planning committee. The Board of Education will

select the committee members at an upcoming meeting by a random draw.

The district is seeking committee members that are parents of students at the elementary, mid-

dle and high school levels; residents without children in school, business people, and individuals interested in serving on committees that will impact the district's future.

The committees meet regularly throughout the school year and bring special reports to the Board of Education on pertinent topics and issues.

Individuals interested in serv-

ing on one or both of these two committees should contact the District Community Relations Office on or before Tuesday, July 13. Please submit your name, address, phone number and the committee you wish to serve on

and send it to the Community Relations Office, 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, or call Community Relations at 416-2755 or 416-2757.

Downed line caused power outage

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Power was expected to be restored to 250 residents and businesses in Plymouth Township late Friday afternoon, according to Carl Just, Detroit Edison spokesman.

"A line was down because of the trees and wind," Just said.

Tom Nunez, general manager of Parker Hannifin on Plymouth Road sent two shifts of employ-

ees home Friday. Power was restored about 3 p.m., he said.

The company manufactures hydraulic and pneumatic cylinders for the automotive industry.

Nunez said that power loss is an ongoing problem. The most recent power loss began about 11 p.m. Thursday, he said.

This outage meant that a \$100,000 shipment of parts couldn't be delivered to clients like Ford Motor Company, General Motors, and Ingersoll Rand

because the parts couldn't be made, he said.

"We go down regularly," Nunez said. We've talked to both Plymouth and Plymouth Township officials. They thought that they had the problem solved with the new substation at Seven Mile and Haggerty."

Homes in Lakepointe subdivision also were without power.

Obtaining current, useful information during outages is also an issue, he said.

COP CALLS

Shattered police window

A Grosse Pointe woman faces a preliminary exam July 19 before 35th District Judge John MacDonald on charges of destruction of police property and driving on a suspended license.

Leisa Christine Smith, 29, stood mute at her July 8 arraignment before Judge Ron Lowe and a plea of not guilty was entered for her. She was released on a \$100 personal bond, according to a court spokesman.

If convicted, she could spend four years in prison and/or be fined \$2,000 on the property charge. The driving on a suspended license charge is a 90-day misdemeanor.

Police said that a Grosse Pointe man, 27, complained that his live-in girlfriend tried to run him over about 5 a.m. July 7 in the Shell gas station parking lot, 47381 Five Mile.

When Plymouth Township police arrived, he was picking up the clothes that his girlfriend threw out of her Jeep Cherokee.

Police arrested the woman following a traffic stop on Beck, north of Five Mile. Afterward, the woman shattered the rear passenger window of the police car, the police report said.

Police removed her onto the road shoulder and "hog-tied" her, according to the police report.

Youths ticketed

A patrol officer cited three people about 2:15 a.m. July 3 on drug and alcohol violations.

A police officer detected the odor of burning marijuana when he was on patrol in the parking lot of the Red Roof Inn, 39700 Ann Arbor Road.

Two people sitting in a car, one under age, had consumed almost all of a 40-ounce Coors, police said. When the officer went to a hotel room, he found two more 40-ounce beer bottles. He also found a plastic bag of suspected marijuana, three rolling papers, and several roaches in an ashtray, said Plymouth Township police Officer Jamie Senkbeil.

A Detroit man, 21, was cited for furnishing alcohol to a minor and was released at the scene, she said. A Plymouth woman, 18, "admitted that it was her dope," and was cited for Violation of the Controlled Substance Act, Senkbeil said. A Northville Township woman, 18, was cited for being a minor in possession, she said.

Prowler patrol

Two Ann Arbor teens, both 16, were released to their parents by police pending issuance of a citation for a prowling incident 3:10 a.m. July 3 on Fellows Creek Drive north of Ann Arbor Road, Senkbeil said.

Police used their night vision glasses to investigate a pair of single track marks that led into a nearby wooded area, where they found one of the youths, she said.

When police arrived at the scene, they found the other youth sitting in the driver's side of a dark colored car with the passenger door ajar. He began to pull away, when he saw police, Senkbeil said.

After stopping the car, the teen told police that his friend "wanted to steal stuff from cars," but he didn't do anything, Senkbeil said.

—By staff writer Sue Buck

PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY'S
POPULAR PICKS

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

FICTION

- **Hannibal**
Thomas Harris
- **White Oleander**
Janet Fitch
- **Mother of Pearl**
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John Grisham
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Tom Brokaw
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Tom Clancy
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Mitch Albom
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Avi
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Credit. "I'm interested in looking at the budget and making sure the city has planned ahead, so we don't have problems like we did with the significant increase in water bills."

Because only two candidates have turned in nominating petitions for the position, there will not be a special primary election on the Aug. 3 ballot.

However, there will be a primary Aug. 3 as there are 11 candidates vying for four, four-year seats on the commission. Voters will choose eight, who will face off in the Nov. 2 general election.

Stella Green, Ron Loiselle and Dennis Shrewsbury will be leaving the commission because of term limits. Mayor Joe Koch is seeking re-election.

Others running include Kevin Decker, Daniel Dwyer, Sean Fitzgerald, William Graham, Michele Potter, Sally Repeck, Penny Rowland, Paul Schulz, Albert Thomas and Jerry Vorva.

William Case will have his name on the ballot; however he has dropped out of the race for personal reasons.



Say it with Flowers

by Steve Mansfield

A VISION IN WHITE

When asked to draw flowers, school children usually reach for the red and orange crayons to create multi-colored petals. As we grow up, we may likely develop an appreciation for more restrained, but no less beautiful floral displays. And none is more beautiful than an arrangement of all-white flowers. Such arrangements have a timeless grace that never goes out of style. In fact, some say the green foliage-white flower arrangement is the floral equivalent of the little black dress. It is never out of place, and it never fails to draw attention. White flowers of varying textures invite us to scrutinize them and compare their subtle differences. Under moonlight, white flowers and foliage glow as if illuminated from within.

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NORLIGHT TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
PERMIT APPLICATION**

PLEASE take notice that a public hearing as required by the Plymouth Township Telecommunications Ordinance will be conducted regarding the Telecommunications Permit Application filed by Norlight Telecommunications, Inc. at the regular Plymouth Township Board Meeting to be held on July 20, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. at Plymouth Township Hall located at 42350 Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC
Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

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**CITY OF PLYMOUTH
LEGAL NOTICE
PRIMARY ELECTION, AUGUST 3RD, 1999**

Notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held in the City of Plymouth on Tuesday, August 3rd, 1999 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time. At that time candidates for the following offices will be voted on in the City of Plymouth.

CITY COMMISSIONER (FOUR POSITIONS)

Also to be voted on will be separate ballot issues for the following:

VACANCY POSITION FOR CITY COMMISSION (2 years)

Absentee ballots may be requested from the Clerk's office, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI, 48170. Telephone number is 453-1234, x225 or 234. Absentee ballots will be issued to qualified absentee voters in person in the Clerk's office from 8:30 to 2:00, on Saturday, July 31, 1999. On Monday, August 2nd, qualified voters shall receive their ballots and vote them in the City Clerk's office until 4:30 p.m.

All polling places in the City are accessible to the elderly and the handicapped (ADA Requirements). You are further notified that the City's two (2) precinct locations are as follows:

(please be aware that the school and city precinct locations are different, check your voter registration card or call the Clerk's office to verify)

PRECINCT	LOCATION
1, 2, 4	PLYMOUTH CULTURAL CENTER 525 FARMER STREET
3	CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL 650 CHURCH STREET

If you are a qualified voter and find it necessary to require an absent voter ballot and have not applied for one, applications are available for pickup or mailing at the front office or Clerk's office from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC/AAE
City Clerk

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Cats from page A1

tions from other cities that deal with cats and exotic pets."

Residents say during the day the cats aren't generally in the park. But, during the early morning and late evening hours they flock to the playground.

At other times, the cats can be seen trying to get into the Community Center, into cars with windows left open and of porches of neighboring houses.

One place the cats call home is the dwelling of Diane Micol, who lives on Spring Street, next to the Community Center.

"I've been told about the problem and I have to agree there is a valid complaint about soiling the park, and the flies," said Micol. "But, they just come from all over. I take some away to the Humane Society, and others just keep showing up."

Micol said it started with "feeding one stray cat, and then another, and the next thing you know..."

Sherrie Pryor, OVDA planning and development coordinator, said the cats roaming around the park has been likened to the Alfred Hitchcock movie "The Birds."

"There's not a day there aren't cats roaming the park," said Pryor. "And, when we have the bays of the Community Center open, they just come right in. There are a lot of health concerns with being exposed to cat feces."

Residents should be concerned about the problem, said Dr. Charles Craig, who practices infectious and tropical diseases medicine at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ypsilanti.

"Cat feces carries toxoplasmosis, which is generally diagnosed as a fever and swollen glands," said Craig. "While most cases are mild, serious cases can damage the brain."

The problem isn't only in the park, but has spread throughout the Old Village neighbor-



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

Cat walk: A cat makes its way down the steps of a home on Caster Street in Plymouth.

hood as the cats roam around for blocks.

Ginny Eades lives on Caster Street, and admittedly has a phobia. She's terrified by cats. And, while Eades respects a homeowner's right to have pets, she is concerned about cats running wild in the neighborhood.

"I've found cats on my porch, and have had to call a neighbor to help me move them," said Eades. "One time I was in my house and I found a cat in the dining room. I could have

had cardiac arrest right there."

Eades said despite her phobia, she's found other residents who agree with her about the problems associated with the cats breeding and using the park as their litter box.

Mayor Joe Koch thinks cats should be treated like dogs.

"Cats should be licensed like a dog, and should be on a leash," said Koch. "Dogs and cats should be equally controlled."

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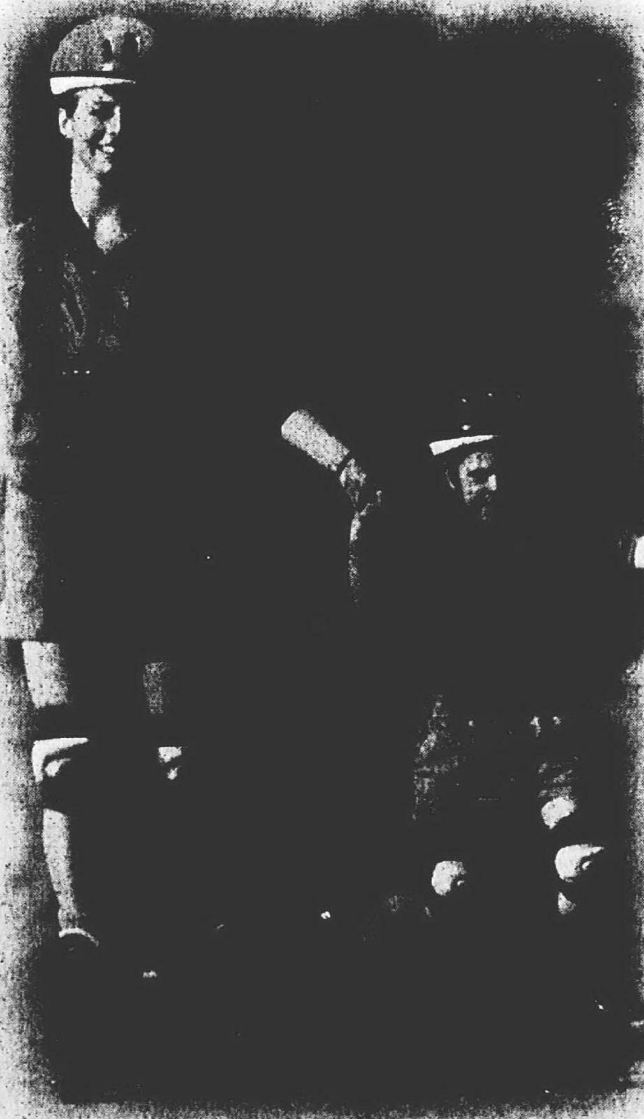
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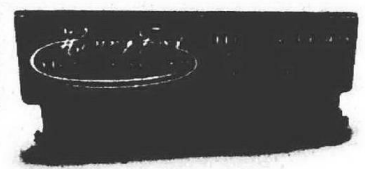
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Phone 'slamming' may cost you if you're not careful

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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Pat Johnston's problems started in February.

The Livonia resident received a phone call from AT&T to "welcome her back" to the company and its long-distance services, she told a House Republican Task Force on Consumer Issues on Thursday.

Johnston wondered why that phone company would be calling her because she never authorized a change from AT&T to another carrier in the first place.

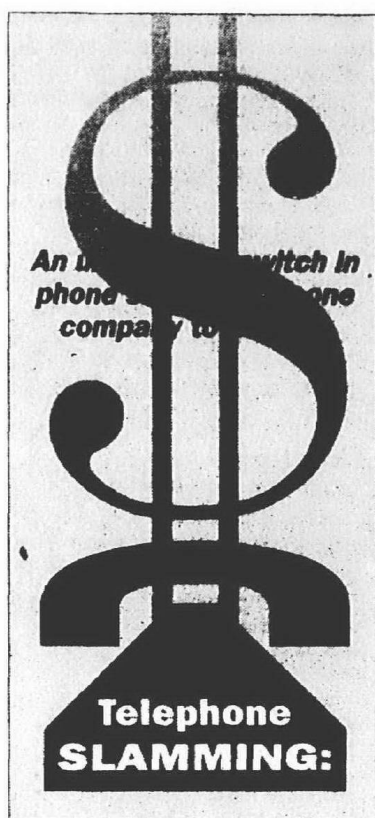
"Welcome us back? We never left," Johnston said.

The Johnstons later were told that they were "slammed" — known in the telecommunications industry as an unauthorized switch in phone service from one company to another.

It happened again later that month, and a third time in March. The Johnstons had to call AT&T to inquire about the bill, then a 700 number to find out who the long-distance carrier was that changed their service without their knowledge and permission, then call AT&T to be switched back to that company.

They discovered a \$5.20 connecting fee on one bill that they refused to pay, and they had been switched to another carrier by a computer, all without their authorization.

"I feel as a resident and a citizen, that we should have some



rights as to who can be our carrier," Johnston said.

Johnston and about 20 area residents attended a public hearing at St. Mary's Cultural Center in Livonia with a few airing their complaints about telephone slamming. State Rep. Laura Toy, R-Livonia, chaired the task force, which included Reps.

Nancy Cassis, R-Novi; Rep. Joanne Voorhees, R-Wyoming, and Jennifer Faunce, R-Warren. State Rep. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, also joined the group of lawmakers.

Ameritech reports that 53,000 people have been slammed this year out of its 3 million Michigan customers. In 1998 approximately 68,000 customers were slammed.

Richard Price, a treasurer of Redford Interfaith Relief, told the task force that the church noticed a switch in a long distance carrier without authorization from the director, pastor or Price.

He found the church was billed \$8.43 for five minutes of long distance. He checked with the billing company but could not find the slamming carrier.

"I do not yet know who the long-distance carrier was who authorized this slam," Price said.

Livonia businessman Ken Lawrence said he threatened to report a carrier to the Federal Communications Commission and state Attorney General Jennifer Granholm for slamming after he received about \$15 in charges on his bill.

"I was willing to play hardball, and it was taken off," Lawrence said. About a month ago, Lawrence received a phone call from someone inquiring about his phone lines and his business.

Lawrence asked to speak with a supervisor, who asked him how

to spell "Livonia" in preparation of a switch — and probable slam — of Lawrence's phone service. Lawrence then asked where the company was located and was told Minnesota.

"I asked what Ameritech (Lawrence's actual phone company) was doing in Minnesota, and then I heard a 'click' on the other end," Lawrence said.

Rose Fowler of Redford said she was slammed in February, March and May.

Fowler tried to telephone a relative in Illinois but could not because she was not authorized to call that number as the new "carrier" went out of business. She eventually called her old company to be reinstated after a lot of phone calls and aggravation.

"That angered me. In case of an emergency, we couldn't have gotten through."

The public hearing attendees did not complain about Ameritech, which had a representative at the hearing.

Maryanne Zavagnin, director of regulatory policy for Ameritech, said the issue was causing consumers "a lot of grief and a lot of pain."

Part of the problem is created by phone companies that send electronic transmissions to Ameritech's computers authorizing a change, Zavagnin said.

What is slamming?

Slamming is the practice of switching a person's telephone service to a different company without their knowledge or permission.

The practice is illegal. Both federal and state governments have taken steps to curb slamming, including fining perpetrators.

Telephone service providers found guilty of violating state law regarding proper and legal procedure for switching consumers from one phone company to another can be fined by the Michigan Public Service Commission up to \$20,000 for the first offense and up to \$50,000 for repeat offenses.

"There is actually no one who looks at it," Zavagnin said. "It's all done electronically, similar to what banks do electronically at night."

Consumers may talk to these companies when they call, but many do not agree to change companies. "Nevertheless, that company may not be on the up and up and they send that change to our computer," Zavagnin said.

Zavagnin said Michigan has some of the stiffest penalties in the country for slamming. In April, the Michigan Public Service Commission fined Brittan Communications International Corp. \$660,000 for 33 unauthorized switches, and ACI Communications was fined \$940,000 for 47 unauthorized switches.

For its part, Ameritech recently changed its bills' appearance to make them easier to read. "Customers must have a better understanding of what they are being billed," Zavagnin said.

A new section on the bill will tell customers when a provider is being changed, Zavagnin said.

Residents who examine their bills closely can tell if they've been slammed. While Price may not have known where a charge of \$8.42 originated on his bill, he did see it listed. Price wondered how much money had been scammed out of others who don't examine their bills.

"If we look at bills, we might find more mysteries, and not just

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The hospital is located at 6245 N. Inkster Road between Ford Road and Warren Road.

10:00 AM	Festival Opens
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10:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Rock-n-Roll DJ
	Memories in Motion
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Information booths
	Pet-a-Pet
11:00 AM - 11:30 PM	Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Clowns & Face painting
	Police K-9 Unit and Motorcycle
	Dan Dan the Choo Choo Man
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	Westland Wizards Basketball
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Employee Stretcher Races
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	"Rockin' Rhythm" Clog Dancers
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Garden City Fire Department
	Sweet Adeline - Vocal Point
	Barbershop Quartet

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more money, so are the other districts statewide. That means the local district is still lagging behind others in the area, and that has been Plymouth-Canton's main argument to the state in outlining inequities in

the present system. Birchler is quick to point out that while the amount of money appears large, it's only a small portion of the nearly \$109 million budget. He notes salary-related costs are approx-

imately \$70 million, with a 3 or 4 percent increase each year. "Salaries and the cost of doing business go up by millions of dollars each year," said Birchler.

Much of the new money will go to the general fund as the district continues to build its fund balance to open an elementary school in 2001 and a third high school in 2002.

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for production by Egg Pictures, actress Jodie Foster's company. Jerry Fredericks, who did the sound for "Young at Heart," Sue Marx' Oscar-winning film, is mixing the sound for Paris' film, she said.

Paris won a \$7,000 Michigan ArtServe grant for film in 1997. VHS work-in-progress copies have been requested by both The Shooting Gallery, of "Sling Blade" fame and Tribeca, Robert De Niro's company, Paris said. Cash and in-kind donations total \$300,000; about \$50,000 is needed to complete the film, she said.

The story

The film opens on a character named Katie, in her late 30's, who is straightening up after her birthday party. As she clears away the dishes, the audience hears pieces of party conversation from earlier that evening. Washing dishes, she thinks about the three days before her 11th birthday.

"(The camera) pushes in on her swirling dish water and pulls out from swirling mashed potatoes," Paris said. "It's now 1963 and Katie sits at the dinner table with her sister, nicknamed Sissy. The sisters are played by Lisa and Theresa Overwater of Dearborn.

Katie's parents are unhappy married. Her father travels a great deal. She believes her "magical" notes keep her father safe. For some unknown reason, she constantly watches her father's feet, much to the annoyance of her older sister.

As Katie and Sissy set the table, her father gets a phone call and must leave on another business trip. Katie rushes up the stairs into her bedroom closet, pulls out her secret box of writing supplies and lucky charms, scribbles a note to her father and, shaking her snow dome for luck, slips the magic note into his open suitcase.

Katie, infatuated with her father's feet, is further infatuated by the path of footprints her father has left from the night before. She slips off her boot and places her foot in the snow beside her father's large footprint.

"It is this act of tiptoeing shoeless in her father's footsteps that

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will ultimately change Katie's childhood forever," Paris said. "Now, day's later, Katie is sick from walking in the snow. She lies sleeping as her father departs for Ohio, leaving before she wakes, leaving before she can place her magical notes in his suitcase."

With afternoon sunlight spilling into her room, Katie finally wakes and trundles downstairs, Paris said. "As she begins pouring out her cereal a horrible coincidence occurs. Just as she realizes her father's absence she hears the shocked gasp of her mother from the living room. Katie is convinced it's about her father. Running to the TV set, her mother sobs in disbelief as Walter Cronkite solemnly announces the death of President John F. Kennedy."

Terrified and confused, Katie runs to her father's closet, stuffing the notes into his empty shoes when the phone rings. Still clutching a shoe to her chest Katie hesitantly picks up the receiver and silently listens as her mother accepts the long distance charges and she suddenly hears her father's voice. She is relieved.

As the film ends, Katie is back in the present day, still at the sink, Paris said.

"A bittersweet look is on her face as she watches her husband walk to the phone, following his feet," Paris said. "As he slips off his shoes, Katie's childhood voice says, 'When Dad takes his shoes off, he doesn't leave.'"

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The Plymouth District Library will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tape of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon seven (7) days notice to the Plymouth District Library. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Plymouth District Library by writing or calling the following:

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Plymouth District Library
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LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC
City Clerk

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR TENTATIVE PRELIMINARY PLAT PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Commission has received a request from the DeMattia Group, Gary Roberts and Dembs Roth Group, Leonard Gyselinck to approve the Tentative Preliminary Plat for Metro-Plymouth Business Park, a proposed industrial subdivision, pursuant to Zoning Ordinance 83 as amended. The subject property is located south of Zoning Ordinance 83 as amended. The subject property is located south of CSX Railroad, north of Plymouth Road, west of I-275 Expressway and east of Haggerty Road and is zoned IND, Industrial District. Application No. 1587A.

Public Hearing is required by Ordinance No. 83 and/or Subdivision Ordinance No. 32, of the Charter Township of Plymouth. (Application No. 1587A/0699) Parts of Tax I.D. Nos. 025-99-0006-00, 025-99-0008-700, 025-99-0009-000, 026-99-0001-000 and 026-99-0002-000.

Questions regarding the application may be directed to the Community Development Department, Department of Public Services Building, during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Planning Commission will consider the application at its regular meeting on July 21, 1999, commencing at 7:00 p.m. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting. The address for application review and written comment is: Plymouth Charter Township, Community Development Department, 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Telephone No. 734-453-4372. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall. The address of Township Hall is 42350 Ann Arbor Road.

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MARCIA SAYLES, Secretary
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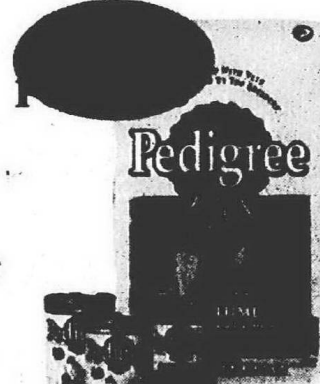
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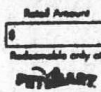


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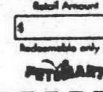
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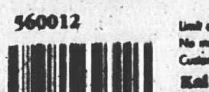
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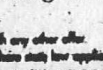
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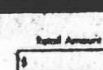


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Consumers should know that a phone company cannot switch their telephone service from one company to another without a customer's direct approval.

Consumers should also realize they have the option of selecting three different telephone companies — one to serve local telephone calls, a second to serve long distance calls within their area code, and a third to handle all other long distance calls.

Telephone customers wanting to switch telephone companies should make sure they understand the service the new company is providing and that that new company uses one of the following methods to initiate a switch.

■ The company obtains your authorization on a "Letter of Agency" form provided by the new company, which indicates in writing that you want to switch telephone companies;

■ The company has an independent third party verify your authorization to switch;

■ The company provides you with a toll-free (800) number to call to confirm the request to switch companies;

■ The company sends you an

information packet within three business days of your request to switch companies, which includes the name of your current and new company, a description of any terms, conditions or charges incurred; your name, address and telephone number and that of the new company; and a postage-paid postcard for you to use to deny, cancel or confirm the switch; or

■ The company obtains your verbal authorization through use of a three-way conference call with the local telephone company in which no confidential or proprietary information is disclosed.

Your local telephone company is prohibited from trying to persuade you not to switch telephone companies or from marketing other services.

Educate yourself

Consumers can avoid slamming by using the old adage, "Let the buyer beware."

Consumers should be skeptical of "cash bonus" checks or contest entry forms. They should never sign anything without reading all documentation and check the fine print.

Here are some other tips:

■ If telemarketers call asking to switch your service and you are not interested, be sure and tell the caller that. If you hang up without stating that fact, you may be slammed.

■ If you are interested, get the offer in writing. If a company isn't willing to do that, you probably don't want to do business with them.

■ Read your phone bill carefully each month. If you see unfamiliar names or charges you can't identify, call the company issuing the charges or call your local phone company right away. (Ameritech now lists all companies whose services appear on the bill on the front page of the bill.)

■ If you are unsure of the identity of your long-distance provider, call (700) 555-4141. For the local-toll provider, call your area code and 700-4141.

Consumers who have concerns or questions about telephone slamming may call the MPSC, which is an agency within the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, at its toll-free number, 1-800-292-9555.

The Federal Communication

Commission also can be contacted at 1-888-225-5322. Its mailing address is Federal Communications Commission, Common Carrier Bureau-Consumer Complaints, Mail Stop Code 1600A2, Washington, DC 20554.

If you are slammed

Under the FCC rules, if you are slammed you are not obligated to pay the slammed charges for the first 30 days after the illegal switch occurs.

Call the customer service number on your bill to get your service switched back or call the company you were switched from and report that you were switched from without your permission. Ask to be reinstated on any calling plans.

If you cannot resolve your complaint, file a complaint with the MPSC at <http://ermisweb.cis.state.mi.us/mpsc> or FCC electronically at www.fcc.gov/lcbl/enforce/complaints.html. Consumers can also contact their state representatives.

Source: Ameritech and The Michigan Public Service Commission.

Fairy tales come to life

Children can expect to see a musical fairytale revue starring many famous storybook characters at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Hines Park-Waterford Bend Picnic Area in Northville.

The group, Nelson's Off Broadway Productions, offers this unique program to give a new twist to the everyday fairytale. Magic, comedy and audience participation will entertain children of all ages.

Characters will be available

for photos after the show.

This free performance is part of the Kids Kaleidoscope Series sponsored through Wayne County Parks and Recreation. The series has been made possible through parks millage funding.

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Slamming

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the lucrative business of slamming," Price said.

The lawmakers listened and hoped some legislation could be introduced this fall.

Patterson said lawmakers may look into legislation to create a pool of funds from the fines collected against slammers to reimburse consumers to help them "deal with aggravation."

Toy called telephone deregulation a "trial-and-error" process.

Toy has received about 75 calls in the last six months from residents complaining about slamming. She hopes to have a report done by the beginning of September on consumer complaints.

"We hope to have some legislation in place," Toy said.

LEGAL SENSE

REPRESENTING YOUR INTERESTS

When money, power, and/or legal rights are at stake, you want to make sure that your interests are well represented by a knowledgeable and experienced attorney. Good legal representation assures you that your case will be judged on its merits. To this end, it is important to select an attorney with whom you are comfortable sharing all the facts of your case so that he or she may make an appropriate assessment of your ability to win. Beyond that, clients should be able to sense an air of confidence in their attorneys that comes with experience. A reasonable expectation of winning combined with a willingness to do the necessary work is the basic recipe for good representation.

Some people just accept losses incurred in accidents that involve another party's liability because they fear they can't afford legal representation needed to sue. In personal injury cases, attorneys will take a case and charge you fees contingent on winning the case. This is done to ensure that everyone can seek redress for damages done.

HINT When selecting a lawyer to represent you, ask about experiences he or she has in dealing with the particular issues involved in your case.

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EMU opens center in Livonia

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER
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Many years ago the University of Michigan opened campuses in Flint and Dearborn to supplement the Ann Arbor campus.

Wayne State University extended its academic reach from downtown Detroit to a campus in Farmington Hills.

And now, Eastern Michigan University has opened an instructional site in Livonia, on the fourth floor of the Cambridge Center at Six Mile and I-275, for the university's Continuing Education and Centers for Corporate Training.

EMU administrators decided to create classroom space in western Wayne County after a regional survey found strong area interest.

"The survey indicated that this was the best location," said Don Loppnow, associate vice president for extended programs at EMU. "It's a high-traffic area in western Wayne County and southwestern Oakland County is nearby, and it is in a high-population area."

EMU will offer graduate programs in communication, public administration, human resource management, educational leadership, secondary education, nursing, CAD/CAM, construction management, liberal studies



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

New site: The Cambridge Center at Six Mile and I-275 in Livonia sports a sign for Eastern Michigan University that went up this spring.

in technology and engineering management. Undergraduate programs include hotel and restaurant management, nursing, quality and manufacturing technology.

The site expands Eastern's current graduate programs from the main campus, said Carolyn Dahl, dean of continuing education. The graduate programs at the Livonia site are aimed at working adults.

Eleven classrooms will be housed on the fourth floor at Cambridge. They include a com-

puter lab and an interactive video room for distance learning. EMU is leasing 13,000 square feet of space from Blaine & Associates for \$250,000 a year.

Noncredit training through EMU's Centers for Corporate Training will be available for companies in the automotive and health care industries.

"One of the disadvantages of having these conferences at a hotel is the hotels are not set up with computer labs," Loppnow said. "This site provides them with a setting that is a little clos-

er to home and are designed for computers."

Even though the campus is around the corner from Schoolcraft College and a short drive from Madonna University, Loppnow said the site is not expected to compete with those institutions. EMU will promote graduate programs and undergraduate programs for college juniors and seniors.

"It will be done so as to not compete with Schoolcraft," Loppnow said. EMU officials have discussed their plans with Schoolcraft and Madonna officials, but they have not articulated any agreements for courses or programs, Loppnow said.

Schoolcraft President Dick McDowell believed EMU's programs do not present a problem in competing with Schoolcraft and taking prospective students from them "as long as they aren't offering what we're offering."

"It's more of an opportunity for them to offer advanced studies," McDowell said. "It's more convenient for those graduate students than to have to drive to Ypsilanti."

EMU campus officials have scheduled open houses for prospective students from 5-8 p.m. Aug. 4 and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 14 at the Livonia site.

For information about the Livonia instructional site, call (734) 542-4368.

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Across the country, people are popping capsules, sipping teas and changing their diet to ward off flu, brighten their moods and rev up their romantic life.

In addition to all the bottled herb concoctions and health potions, there is a whole line of so called "functional foods" popping up at a grocery store near you.

Fruit juices laced with ginger, corn chips with Kava, food to pick you up as well as food to bring you down. Many of our national food chains and drug companies are finding their way into the health food game.

It is estimated that 60 million Americans are now swallowing herbal doses of some form regularly. Americans are rediscovering the healing power of plants and home-grown produce, making the return to an ancient form of medicine that was our mainstay for thousands of years — and that remains so for 80 percent of the world's people.

My sister and I have a small booth at the Royal Oak Farmer's Market, where I have been afforded a bird's-eye view of what local farmers grow.

Greg Marciszewski of Blooming Farms in Grand Blanc, a regular at the market, said his business that he started 11 years ago as a hobby of sorts has turned into a thriving 31-acre vocation for himself and his wife, Diane.

He grows a large variety of culinary, medicinal and aromatic herbs as well as other produce, including baby greens.

Many of his customers are buying green foliage, including St. Johns Wort, Echinacea, Skull Cap and Ginger Root, to have a potted pharmacy and culinary cabinet at their fingertips.

Greg suggests tossing herbs such as basil, sorrel, caraway, salad burnet, lovage and dill into your next salad. These herbs promise to perk up your taste buds as well as your feeling of well-being.

Another Royal Oak Market favorite of mine are Heather and her chef husband, Bob Rosencrantz.

They are cultivating an array of medicinal and culinary herbs and are known for their special ointments, salves and powders. They also offer some of the best Chai and Farm blend tea that I've had the good fortune to sample.

Heather said all of their culinary herbs have health and healing properties. She suggests growing your own herbs, potted or directly in the soil.

"Remember during the growing season to trim buds and leaves to zip up your salads, summer vegetable dishes as well as fun treats such as herb pizza!"

To harvest herbs at the end of the growing season, hang and dry them in a dark place, such as a closet, for a week. Pick leaves and store in an airtight glass jar and live the freshness of your garden in your winter fare.

Glen, my produce purveyor, reports the following up-and-coming Michigan produce.

Local crops are rolling in by the truckload: lettuces, spinach, cucumbers, strawberries, cherries, cabbage, kale and the famous Michigan morels and chanterelles.

Expect awesome fresh corn by next week. By mid-July, anticipate peppers, all stone fruits, Honey rock, blueberries, raspberries, watermelons, a variety of squashes, tomatoes of every shape, size and color, local asparagus and more!

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

See recipes inside.

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Ice cream
- Focus on Wine

WHEN TRAVELING

Stay ON THE road TO good health



BY PEGGY MARTINELLI-EVERTS
SPECIAL WRITER

Staying faithful to a healthy diet can be a challenge when you travel.

A puzzled observation from Europeans is that we Americans eat in our cars. Eating on the road is commonplace. For me, it is an everyday occurrence. I stash food in my glove box where others keep maps and pens.

We often don't take time to sit down at a table and eat — there are too many things that need to be accomplished. But besides food spills in the car, the problem with eating on the run is that we may not make good food choices.

When we're on vacation many of us don't have as many healthy foods as we should. We stay up late, and eat the foods that we enjoy but aren't necessarily nutritious. Vacations last only a short time.

If your job frequently takes you away from home, you may need to develop some good eating strategies. For instance, take advantage of local specialties that are good and fun for you to eat. Going to the East Coast? Try lobster at a lobster pound. To the West Coast? Enjoy Dungeness crab and salmon.

If you are driving, stop at roadside markets. Cherries in Traverse City; peaches in Romeo, Ontario and Georgia; melons in Texas; oranges in Florida. You get the idea. Some hotels have a bowl of apples right at check-in!

Convenience stores have started selling fresh fruit. You can fill up your car tank with gas and buy yourself a banana for the road.

Foreign versions

Every foreign country has its version of fast food. In England it's called a "take-away." They have small sandwiches prepared "to go." English bakeries make up sandwiches on multi-grain rolls and sell bananas, apples, bottled water and juices.

In Mexico City, fruit stands on the street offer juices and cut-up fruit in cups. Sometimes you can't tell by looking whether it is sanitary. The safest place to buy is in a store front or restaurant with modern facilities. Street-side stands aren't worth the risk. In the Third World it may be wisest to buy fruit and vegetables yourself, clean them with disinfectant and peel just before eating.

However, if you're unsure, stick to cooked foods. Drink coffee, bottled water, beer or soda without ice. Cooked vegetables, soups and stews are better choices than a fresh salad. Brush your teeth with bottled water even if the sign says the water is "potable."

Ordering a freshly prepared dish from the restaurant menu may be a better choice than eating from the buffet if your travel takes you to a hot climate in a foreign country. Refrigeration might be less regulated with rules for keeping food "hot" or "cold" frequently lax.

High altitudes cause you to become tired more quickly and eat-

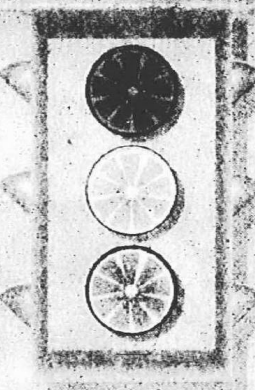
ing lighter is a wise choice until you become acclimated to altitude and the time zone change. Note — the effects of alcohol are more pronounced as well.

Be creative. Quick, tasty and nutritious food can be found in convenience stores, service stations, grocery stores as well as restaurants. Choose wisely and you can stay healthy as you travel.

Coffee pot cuisine

When staying in a hotel, usually you are forced to dine out, because the room offers no kitchen. However, if yours has a coffee pot, you're in luck! We've developed some "coffee pot cuisine" recipes to make right in your suitcase (they're light, portable and nutritious) then enjoy a hot meal anywhere a coffeemaker is available! These economical recipes are great for anyone who is watching their calories and their cash! See recipes inside.

Peggy Martinelli-Everts, R.D., a Clarkston resident, is a registered dietitian and director of clinical operations for HDS Services, a Farmington Hills based food service and hospitality management and consulting company. Look for her article on the second Sunday of the month in Taste.



Make ahead Oriental chicken salad a cool company dish

MAIN DISH MIRACLE



MURIEL WAGNER

I envy cooks who seem so calm when company arrives for a meal. I've given-up trying to uncover their secrets. Instead, I concentrate on developing my own strategy.

One of my ploys is to develop a repertoire of delicious recipes that can be prepared ahead of time and that actually improve on standing.

Of course, they must meet my criteria for smart eating as well — low-fat, high fiber, and taste tempting. This recipe for Oriental Chicken Salad is just that. It actually needs to be prepared ahead. The flavor improves while it waits to be served. It combines low fat, high fiber ingredients with my favorite Chinese sweet-sour flavors.

I poach my chicken breasts for the recipe in one of those prepared herb-seasoned broths. I'm a lazy cook, remember? For this salad the roasted garlic flavor enhances the final taste. Be sure to keep the broth at a simmer temperature when you're cooking the chicken. Boiling toughens the meat. If you're planning to use the broth again,

bring it to a full rolling boil to be on the safe side.

I like my chicken breasts torn in large pieces, rather than cut into strips or chopped. You'll note from the ingredient list that most of the ingredients are also in large recognizable pieces. One of the advantages of overnight marinating is that the ingredients become flavored throughout.

The Italian dressing may seem a strange choice for a salad with Oriental flavors, but I like a dressing that adheres to the ingredients. That's difficult to achieve unless you use lots of oil. If you want to reduce the sodium content, a fat reduced, low sodium broth can stand in for the Italian dressing. The other flavors, particularly the Chinese Five Spice Powder, soy sauce and ginger will add the flavor accents that say Chinese. You can call it my version of "fusion" cooking.

The Chinese Five Spice Powder is a blend of star anise, Szechwan pepper and fennel or anise seeds with cinnamon and cloves and possibly licorice root, cardamom or ginger. It has a licorice accent. You could make it yourself but I buy mine in the Oriental food section of my favorite supermarket. The toasted sesame seeds add an interesting flavor accent. Don't skip them.

ORIENTAL CHICKEN SALAD

- 5 chicken breast halves, cooked and torn into strips
- 1/2 cup baby carrots, washed and peeled.
- 1 cup broccoli florets, washed
- 1 cup pea pods, washed and trimmed
- 6 green onions, washed and slivered
- 3 stalks bok choy or celery, washed and cut into 1-inch pieces.
- 1 can (8 oz.) sliced water chestnuts, drained
- 1 can (9 oz.) mandarin orange sections, drained
- 2 tablespoons sesame seeds, toasted
- 1 recipe nonfat Oriental dressing

Cook carrots on HIGH in microwave for 1 minute. Chill immediately in ice water. Repeat process for broccoli. Microwave pea pods for only 1/2 minute on HIGH and chill immediately in ice water. Drain all ingredients and combine. Pour Oriental dressing over all ingredients and marinate at least 4 hours in refrigerator. Arrange on leaf lettuce and sprinkle with sesame seeds that have been lightly browned over low heat in a skillet treated with nonstick spray. Serves 6.

NONFAT ORIENTAL DRESSING

- 3/4 cup nonfat Italian dressing
 - 1 tablespoon dry sherry or orange juice
 - 1 tablespoon low sodium soy sauce
 - 2 cloves garlic, minced
 - 1 teaspoon fresh ginger, peeled and minced
 - 1/2 teaspoon Chinese Five Spice Powder
- Mix all the above ingredients well. Refrigerate.
- Nutrition Facts: Calories 210; Fat 3.1 g; Saturated Fat 0.6 g; Cholesterol 62 mg; Sodium 586 mg
- Food Exchanges: 3 lean meat, 2 vegetable.

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

Home-grown produce makes it better

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COOL AS A CUCUMBER SOUP

4 medium cucumbers, trimmed, peeled and cut into 1-inch chunks.
1/2 cup half & half or whole milk
1 tablespoon fresh mint
1 teaspoon fresh dill
1/2 cup fresh cream or 1 cup plain yogurt

Garnish
2 tablespoons freshly toasted chopped walnuts
1/4 cup yogurt
8 slices of paper thin sliced cucumber

Place cucumbers, half-and-half, mint, dill pepper and 3/4 teaspoon salt in large blender or food processor and blend on high until smooth.

In medium bowl mix whisk together sour cream, creme fresh and or yogurt
Stir in half of puree, blend then fold in the rest.
Ladle into bowls, top with yogurt, a teaspoon of walnuts and a few slices of cucumber. Serves 4 to 6.

HERB GARDEN PIZZA

1 whole garlic bulb baked until caramel color in 1/4 cup olive oil (reserve oil)
1 pound of your favorite pizza dough or try frozen dough from your grocery freezer section
6 plum tomatoes sliced thin
12 whole basil leaves

1 tablespoon chopped oregano
1/2 teaspoon chopped rosemary
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
1 tablespoon chopped thyme
1 cup grated Mozzarella
1/2 cup good quality hand grated Parmesan or Romano/ Parmesan blend
1/2 cup Monterey Jack cheese

Roll pizza dough to 10 by 12-inch oblong size
Take 1/2 of soft caramel colored garlic cloves and mash with reserved olive oil and smear unto raw pizza dough
Top with thinly sliced plum tomatoes (overlapping)

Sprinkle with chopped herbs and arrange whole basil leaves
Arrange fresh sliced mozzarella. Arrange extra garlic cloves and top with grated cheese.
Season top of pizza generously with course black pepper and a pinch of salt.
Preheat oven to 400°F. Bake cookie sheet turned upside down with a little cornmeal sprinkled over top for ten minutes (or bake on pizza stone)
Put pizza directly onto hot sheet tray sprinkled with cornmeal and reduce heat to 375°F and bake for approximately 12-14 minutes until golden brown and cheese is bubbly. Slice into 8-12 squares

BLUEBERRY-RASPBERRY SOUP

1 pint blueberries
2 oz. Blueberry Schnapps
2 oz. White wine
1 oz. Olive Oil
Sugar to taste
1 pint Raspberries
2 oz. Chambord
2 oz. White wine
1 oz. Olive oil
Sugar to taste

Saute blueberries in oil two minutes. Add Schnapps and white wine and cook for 10 minutes. Run Through food mill. Adjust consistency with sugar. Repeat same procedures using raspberries.

To Assemble:
In wide soup bowl ladle a scoop of each soup at the same time into the bowl. Make sure both soups

are of the same consistency. Sprinkle with chopped walnuts as garnish.

STRAWBERRY RHUBARB PIE

1 1/2 cups sugar granulated
1 cup Michigan Rhubarb
1/2 cup raisins
1 Orange, segmented

Mix the ingredients together and let the mixture stand overnight on the refrigerator
1 cup chopped Walnuts
2 cups sliced strawberries
1/2 cup flour

Add these to the above mixture and place in a 9-inch pie shell. Place a top crust on the pie and bake at 375°F for 45 minutes to an hour until rhubarb is tender. Let cool. Serve.

These recipes will help you down the road to good health

See related story on Taste front.

Coffee Pot Cuisine

Making food in a hotel room can be difficult, unless you come prepared. Most hotels and motels now provide a coffee

pot in each room. You can use this handy appliance to make much more than coffee.
The HDS test kitchen successfully made seasoned rice in our very own Mr. Coffee. It took a bit of time — about an hour — but the rice was light, fluffy, and flavorful.

To cook Rice-A-Roni, or other packaged rice, first wash the coffeemaker parts thoroughly, then simply empty the rice and flavor packet into the coffee pot. Pour the water (amount according to package instructions) into the coffeemaker. Turn it on. The water will heat up and cook the rice in about an hour.
Here's a more creative recipe that is easy to pack, requires no refrigeration, and cooks in about the time it takes to make a pot of coffee.

MR. PASTA

(Recipe is per serving, you can make up to 2 servings)

at once in a coffeemaker)
1 serving (2 nests) of Angel hair pasta (we used Delverde Capelli d'Angelo pasta, that comes dry, swirled into a nest)
1/4 cup dried vegetables (available in camping supply stores, some health food stores and grocery stores)
1/4 teaspoon Mrs. Dash
1/8 teaspoon coarse Kosher salt (or less)
pepper to taste
1 packet Kraft "Handi Snack" cheese and cracker combo

Thoroughly clean automatic drip style coffeemaker (like a Mr. Coffee). Put a coffee filter in place.
Put the pasta nest on the coffee filter, where coffee usually goes.
Fill the coffee pot 3/4 full with water and pour into coffeemaker. Put vegetables into empty coffee pot. Position pot in place and turn on coffeemaker.
When all the water has run through, pasta should be cooked. If its not quite done, place it in the

coffee pot with the veggies and water for a few minutes. Drain pasta and veggies by removing the coffee filter and filter holder and putting it into the sink. Pour the coffee pot contents into the coffee filter a little at a time. When drained, put pasta and veggies on a plate.
Toas with spices and mix in the cheese from the Handi Snack. Eat the crackers with your meal. If you want to lower the salt content of this meal, don't add the cheese and crackers.
Nutrition information per serving: Calories 323, Protein (g): 10, Fat (g): 7.4, Sodium (mg): 822, Carbohydrates (g): 13, percent of calories from fat: 21

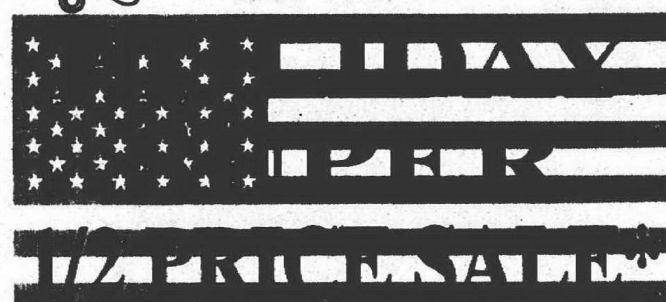
GRAB & GO ENERGY COOKIES

1 cup dates (cut up in small pieces and soaked in hot water)
3 tablespoons hot water
3/4 cup sugar
1/2 cup butter or margarine
2 eggs (beaten)
1 1/4 cups flour
1/2 cup soy flour

3/4 teaspoon cinnamon
3/4 teaspoon baking soda
3/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup almonds
1/4 cup pine nuts
1/4 cup sunflower seeds
1/4 cup dried cherries
1/4 cup walnuts, coarsely chopped

Preheat oven to 375°F
Soak dates in hot water
Cream butter and sugar together until fluffy. Beat eggs and add to sugar and butter. Sift together the flour, cinnamon, soda and salt. Add to the sugar, butter and egg mixture. Mix in dates with water, and remaining ingredients.
Drop in tablespoon-size portions onto cookie sheet sprayed with non-stick cooking spray. Bake for 10 minutes. Cool. Makes 28 cookies. Store in a covered tin.
Nutrition information per cookie: Calories 112, Protein (g): 2.7, Fat (g): 4
Sodium (mg): 82, Carbohydrates (g): 16. Percent of calories from fat: 32

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Information from Kelli Lewton

Peach melba is famous - and deservedly so

BY DANA JACOBI
SPECIAL WRITER

It's time to observe the centennial of Peach Melba. Renowned Chef Auguste Escoffier created this luscious combination of peaches poached in vanilla syrup, served over vanilla ice cream and drizzled with a sauce of pureed raspberries to honor Dame Nellie Melba, an Australian opera diva with a passion for peaches.

First served in London sometime between 1898 and the turn of the century, Peach Melba soon came to the U.S., where it became an American favorite. Edith Wharton even mentions it in her 1906 novel, The House of Mirth.

Sublime when made with mature, ripe fruit, Peach Melba also brings out the best from the prematurely picked peaches prevalent these days in stores even at peak season. It is even delicious when made entirely with frozen fruit.

In fact, I often use frozen raspberries for the sauce. Not only are they more economical and convenient, but frequently they taste better, as well.

For peaches that taste best, follow your nose. Select fruit exuding a rich, seductive fragrance and glowing with golden color. A rosy cheek is not an indication of ripeness, while any tinge of green should be avoided. Pick fruit that yields somewhat when pressed gently along its suture. Even if the rest of it is hard, these peaches can become soft and juicy when held two to three days, especially if stored in a paper bag.

PEACH MELBA

- 1 1/4 cups sugar
- 4 fresh peaches, halved and pitted, or 20-ounce bag frozen unsweetened sliced peaches
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 pint fresh raspberries or 12-ounce bag frozen unsweetened raspberries
- 1 pint low-fat vanilla ice cream

In a deep saucepan, combine 1



Special dessert: First served in London sometime between 1898 and the turn of the century, Peach Melba soon came to the United States, where it became an American favorite.

cup of the sugar with 2 cups water. Bring to a boil, reduce the heat, and simmer 3-5 minutes to thicken the syrup slightly.

Add the peaches, cut side down. When the peaches are still firm, about 3 minutes, remove the pot from the heat. Add the vanilla.

Cool the fruit in the syrup. If using fresh peaches, lift the skins from the fruit. The peaches can sit in the syrup for up to 2 days, refrigerated in a closed container. Puree the berries in a food processor. Strain the puree through a sieve; there should be about 1 cup. Mix in 1/4 cup of the peach syrup. Add up to 1/4 cup of the remaining sugar, according to taste.

To serve, with a slotted spoon, lift a peach half from the syrup. Place it, cut side up, in an individual dessert dish or shallow

bowl. Top with a scoop of the ice cream. Place a second peach half, cut side down, on top of the ice cream. Pour over a quarter cup of the raspberry sauce. If using sliced peaches, start with the scoop of ice cream. Arrange a quarter of the peaches over and around the ice cream in each bowl and top with the raspberry sauce.

Repeat to make four servings. Serve immediately.

(Note: Save the syrup to pour over strawberries and other fresh fruit and to sweeten iced tea.)

Nutrition information: Each of the four servings contains approximately 230 calories and 2 grams of fat.

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

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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Gift of Life run

The 6th annual "Just Zoo It," Gift of Life 5K run and 1.5 mile fun walk is scheduled for Saturday, July 17 at the Detroit Zoo. To register call (877) 966-6263. This family-style event held inside the Detroit Zoo, is an opportunity to celebrate the "gift of life," and learn more about organ and tissue donation.

Immunization clinic

Immunizations provided except chicken pox. Bring your child at the most convenient time from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, July 14. No pre-registration required. Bring child's immunization records with you. Clinic held monthly at Saint Joseph Mercy Arbor Health Building, 990 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Call (734) 414-1010.

Lyme disease

The Lyme Disease Support Group of Western Wayne County will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 20 at the First United Methodist Church (3 Towne Square, Wayne). Call Connie, (734) 326-3502 for information. All are welcome.

Senior health

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System and Bharati Srivastava, M.D., will be presenting a series of free lectures devoted to seniors and their health. These informative programs will answer questions about specific health-related issues. The next lecture will be from 1-2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 11 at Canton's Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway. The topic will be health issues of women, including osteoporosis, breast cancer, uterine cancer, nutrition and exercise. For more information or to register call (734) 397-5444.

Respite program

Marquette House in Westland is pleased to announce the expansion of their Respite (short term stay) Program. They now have six rooms available to older adults allowing caregivers the chance to vacation or simply take a break. For information call (734) 326-6537.

Camp 9-1-1

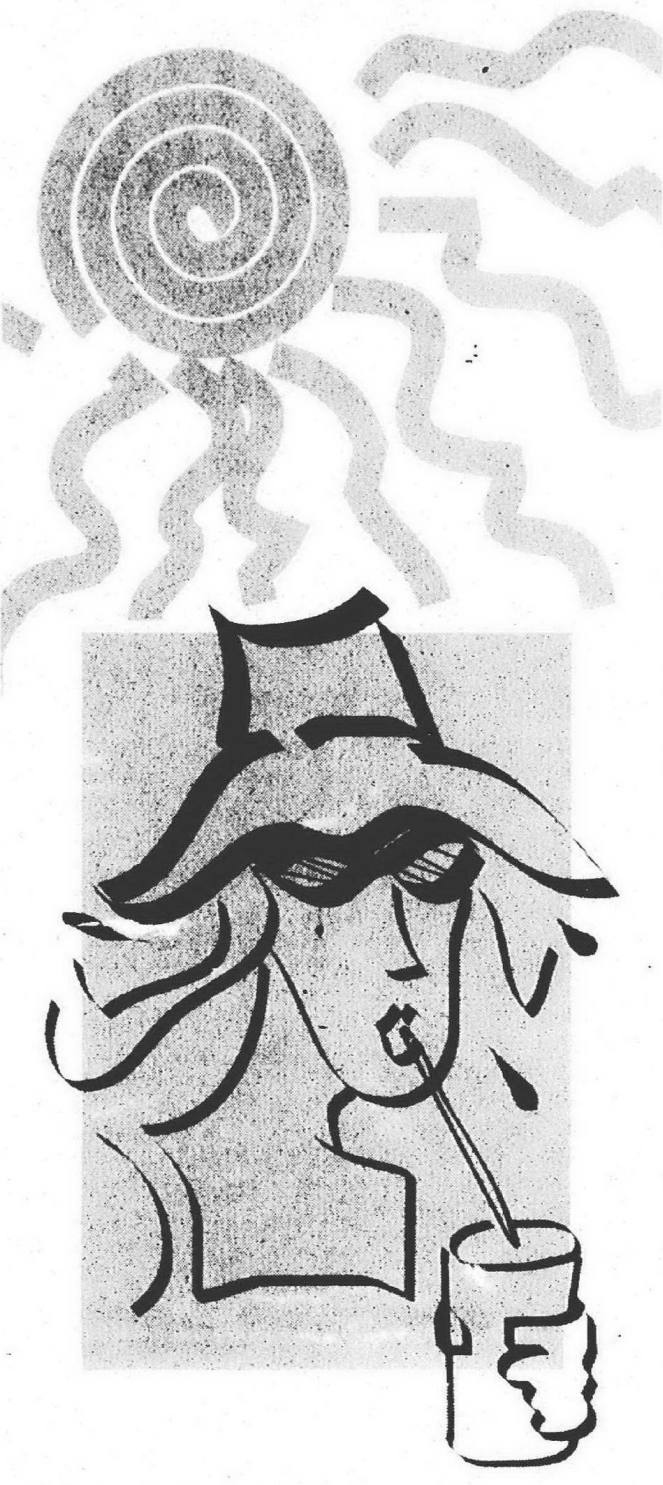
Huron Valley Ambulance will host a free 9-1-1 Camp for children ages 10-13 in Plymouth on July 27 and 28. Activities will include touring an ambulance, learning CPR and first-aid, and taking a tour of a local ER. Interested children are asked to write a short letter explaining why they would like to attend the camp. For a registration form or more information call Julie Saksewski at (734) 482-6259.

Weight control

The Mission Health Medical Center in Livonia will host a weight control class from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Aug. 12. This program combines behavior modification techniques with the power of self-hypnosis to help change your way of thinking regarding weight loss. First forty-five minutes is a free orientation. \$59. Call (877) 345-5500 to register.

Alcohol and heat don't mix

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
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AS much as a cold beer or a tall Long Island Iced Tea may sound quenching on a hot summer day — alcohol in general isn't the wisest choice when it comes to staying cool.

According to Dr. Gary Christopher, chief of emergency services, Oakwood Healthcare Center-Canton and Oakwood Hospital-DeARBorn, the effect alcohol has on an individual's body is opposite of their desired goal of drinking to stay hydrated or cool.

"Alcohol interferes with the body's ability to cool itself by shifting blood flow and constricting blood vessels," said Christopher. "Your best choice would be to consume sports drinks like Gatorade. A whole host of other similar brands have cropped up in the last few years."

What works best?

The Oakwood physician said sports drinks can be likened to "flavored sweat." The manufacturers, according to Christopher, calculated the number of electrolytes people lose when they sweat and created a drink that equals the contents of critical fluids lost when someone exerts themselves to the point of perspiration.

Medical experts suggest removing yourself from the heat source by getting out of the sun or seeking shade from direct exposure. Other recommendations include:

- Remove unnecessary clothing
- Position yourself in front of a fan to cool down rapidly
- Spray person with lukewarm water
- Apply cold compresses to the wrists, ankles, groin, armpits and neck
- Have the person drink cool water, juice or soda

One of the most serious medical issues that arise out of drinking alcohol when it's particularly hot is people not being able to judge the difference between the effects of the alcohol and heat stroke.

"Some of the early signs of heat stroke and illness include confusion, headache and disorientation. People mistake this for the person being drunk. It's more serious than that, though."

The Wayne County Health Department is offering tips on how to avoid heat-related ill-

nesses associated with hot weather.

"Be alert to forecasts warning of a heat wave to prevent a condition known as hyperthermia, which is when the body is unable to perspire and dispel heat," says Dr. Donald Lawrenchuk, Wayne County Medical Director.

Signs of hyperthermia include clammy skin (cold, sticky moisture), headache, dizziness, extreme fatigue and nausea. In extreme cases of a heat emergency, a person can suffer a heat stroke which can cause vision impairment, disorientation, loss of consciousness and possibly death.

To avoid hyperthermia during extremely hot weather, you should:

- Limit your physical activity to cool morning or evening hours
- Spend more time in air-conditioned rooms
- Drink plenty of water for proper hydration
- Wear lightweight and light-colored clothing
- Wear a hat and sunglasses to shield your eyes from the sun

Counterbalance

Christopher said if your going to consume alcohol, drink an equal amount of other liquids at the same time to balance your body's ability to stay cool and avoid dehydration. Juice, soda and sports drinks all contain sodium that causes the body to retain the necessary fluids to support hydration. While water is a good choice, it lacks the sodium content the other examples contain.

One drink per hour will also help balance out the alcohol in your system and have less of an impact on the average individual than consuming beer or hard liquor drinks successively.

"Eating also helps abate the effects of alcohol. Starches and carbohydrates are some of the best sources," added Christopher.

If you suspect someone has consumed an excessive amount of alcohol, Christopher said sleep is a good remedy but the person should be kept under direct observation. "Essentially a person could throw up and suffocate on their own vomit."

People at increased risk for hyperthermia are senior citizens, overweight individuals, mental health patients, laborers and athletes.

For more information on hyperthermia and heat-related illnesses, call Wayne County Health Department at (734) 727-7000 during regular business hours.

BE SMART WHEN FIRING UP THE GRILL

Have fun barbecuing outdoors during the hot summer weekends, say emergency medicine doctors at William Beaumont Hospital, but avoid common injuries by following these safety tips:

- Keep children a safe distance away from the grill when in use.
- Never leave lighter fluid within a child's reach.
- Establish a "safe zone" around the grill and instruct children to avoid the zone.
- Check tubes that lead into the burner for any blockage from insects or food grease. Before starting grill, use a pipe cleaner or wire to clean tubes

and push blockages through the main part of the burner.

- Check grill hoses for cracks, brittleness, holes and leaks. Make sure there are no sharp bends in the hose or tubing.
- Move gas hoses as far away as possible from hot surfaces and dripping grease. If you can't move the hoses, install a heat shield.
- If you detect a leak, immediately turn off the gas. Do not attempt to light the grill until the leak has been fixed by a trained and authorized repairman.

Keep lit cigarettes, matches and open flames away from the grill.

- Keep the grill at least 10 feet away from your house, your car, and any dry vegetation. Never use a grill indoors, in a garage, breezeway, carport, porch or under any surface that can catch fire.
- Keep propane gas tanks upright while transporting them. Never store a spare tank under or near a grill or indoors.
- Always read and follow the manufacturer's directions.

Take precautions to avoid food-borne illness

There's nothing like the taste of a juicy hamburger or a succulent steak on a warm summer night. Now, imagine the experience of eating these tasty foods ruined by food not handled or cooked properly.

It's a frightening thought. In the past few years, we've heard more and more about food poisoning and illnesses related to undercooked or mishandled food.

Food poisoning or "food-borne illness" is a very common problem and many times can be avoided by simply handling food properly. Outbreaks of food poisoning that have caused death and illness in other parts of the country underscore the importance of proper food handling.

"Each year, thousands of people become ill because of mishandling food," said Susan Ryskamp, M.S., R.D., director of medical nutrition therapy for Oakwood Healthcare System. Ryskamp says food illnesses occur because bacteria develop, which at the right temperature, can multiply in very large numbers in a few short hours.

"These bacteria are tricky because you cannot see, taste or touch them," said Ryskamp. She continued to explain that food which is left unrefrigerated, particularly in the summer, can produce the dangerous toxins which cause food poisoning.

"It's important to remember to keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold," she said. "When you are storing foods you can keep them safe by refrigerating them."

Ryskamp offers the following tips, to ensure that you are aware of what may lead to food poisoning:

- **When preparing foods, keep everything clean and thaw in the refrigerator**
"Make sure that you keep everything that touches food clean, including your hands, utensils, bowls and even counter tops," said Ryskamp. "Make sure to use separate platters, cutting boards, trays and utensils for cooked and uncooked meat, poultry and fish."
- **Cook food thoroughly**
"Ground meat contains more bacteria that thrives inside of the meat, therefore it should be thoroughly cooked so that it is no longer pink," said Ryskamp. "Also, use a meat thermometer for certain meats and don't leave meat out overnight, because it doesn't take long for bacteria to grow on meat."
- **Safe microwaving: Stir and rotate food to avoid cold spots where bacteria can thrive.**
It's important when you use the microwave to avoid partially cooking the food and then finishing it later. Partially cooked food may not reach a temperature to sufficiently destroy any potentially harmful bacteria."
- **When you serve food never leave it out for more than two hours.**
Food has the potential to spoil if you leave it out at room temperature for longer than two or more hours. Make sure to use those extra plates or plat-

ters to keep foods from touching each other.

- **When in doubt, throw it out**
"If you have some food left in your refrigerator that you think may be old or you can't remember when you originally had it, it's probably best to throw it away," she said. "You're better off ordering a fresh, piping hot pizza than to take a chance of getting sick from old food." Ryskamp points to the preparation of particular foods to make sure they are cooked properly.
- **Poultry** - make sure its cooked until its white ... don't eat it if you see blood or pink meat.
- **Hamburger** - look out for traces of blood or pinkness in the center.
- **Steaks** - harmful bacteria on steaks are usually found right on top, therefore should be cooked at least at medium to make sure that any potential bacteria are killed.
- **Fish** - cook until it flakes and is translucent in the center.
- **Eggs** - make sure to cook eggs and egg dishes thoroughly. It's not even wise to sample uncooked dough, cake batter or anything else with uncooked eggs in it.

In these situations it is out of our control. We need to be aware of the texture and taste of the food. For example, with the recent Listeria scare in some Michigan based food plants, it was definitely a situation out of control. There are times when we may have to deal with having a food-borne illness. We

may have them more often than you think, said James Sunstrum, M.D., an infectious disease specialist with Oakwood Healthcare System.

One common question, according to Sunstrum, is how do I know if I have a food-borne illness? "We may acquire a food-borne illness, but our bodies have an amazing ability to fight it off. Most food infections and illnesses can be fought off in a few days without ever having to see a doctor," explained Sunstrum. "Thankfully, the body can produce diarrhea, which is very beneficial in ridding threatening organisms from our bodies."

However, if you are very ill you should see a physician, especially if you have frequent diarrhea, a high fever, diabetes or other medical problems.

Often times when people have food-borne illnesses such as E. coli or Salmonella, they won't need much time to rebuild their cells. Drinking water and plenty of fluids can be very helpful in fighting food-borne illness.

Food-borne illness occurs when a person gets sick by eating food that has been contaminated with an unwanted micro-organism or bacteria. Many cases of food-borne illness go unreported because their symptoms often resemble the stomach flu. The most common symptoms include stomach cramps, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea and fever.

"There are millions of food-borne illness investigations, but only 1-2 percent of food-borne illnesses are actually reported," said Sunstrum.

Can't afford a computer? Try one of these free ones



PC MIKE
MIKE WENDLAND

The "Free PC" trend shows no signs of waning, suggesting that, like cellular phones, computer hardware may be routinely given away as lures to get users to sign up for

\$19.99 a month.

The catch? Customers agree to the \$19.95 Internet access fee for four years. That works out to just a little under \$1,000. If a customer wants to buy the whole system outright without the Net service, they can do so for \$799.

Is four years too long? Then check out Gobi (www.gobi.com). They offer Internet access and a PC equipped with an Intel Celeron 333 MHz processor, a 15-inch color monitor, Windows 98 and Corel WordPerfect Suite, Version 8. You pay them \$25.99 a month for three years and when it comes time to sign up again, they'll send you a brand new replacement system.

Want something for less of an Internet commitment? No problem. There's the iToaster from MicroWorkz (www.microworkz.com). Pay them \$19.95 a month for a year and you get unlimited Net access and a free PC.

The same thing is happening overseas, too.

I just returned from a three-week business trip to Europe. Over there, America Online just announced that it will give away free computers to new subscribers. In France, England and Germany, Dell Computer is already giving away free computers to new subscribers of its Internet service. If it works there, Dell plans to bring it to the U.S.

All this has major implications for the technology industry.

It used to be we bought computers to run spreadsheets, word processors and other stand-alone programs. But with the Internet, the primary

focus has changed.

Market surveys now reveal that access to the Internet is the primary factor in the purchase of a computer. In other words, as the online news service CNet pointed out recently, PCs are increasingly being viewed not as individual machines but as appliances that let users access another product — the Internet.

Do these promotional offers sound like a good deal to you? They may be. And indeed, customers have been quick to take advantage of these cheap or free PC offers.

But before you jump on the freebie bandwagon, be aware there also have been a lot of complaints about some companies that take their credit card numbers and then don't deliver PCs for weeks. And if things go wrong with these freebie PCs, customer support is often impossible to find.

But what should we expect? Free service with free PCs?

The free PC for Net service trend is not going to go away. Right now, I wouldn't recommend one of these freebie systems if it is to be your only computer. Most have only limited expansion capabilities.

But as a second system, hey... free is good.

Just don't expect too much. Remember, as my Daddy used to say, "You get what you pay for."

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extended communications services. If you've been shopping for a computer and visited either a CompUSA, Best Buy or Circuit City store lately you surely saw the promotion signs offering \$400 discounts on loaded desktop systems. All the customer had to do was sign up for three years of Internet service at \$21.95.

In fact, Circuit City has been specifically promoting a cut-rate 333 MHz system made by Emachines (www.e4me.com) which normally sells for \$475 in the store. With the \$400 rebate that comes if the customer signs up for CompuServe Internet access, along with an additional \$75 rebate from Emachines, the system is basically free.

The promotions by the big retail stores follow the much-publicized PC giveaways on the Net by web-based companies that send them out free to new long-term Internet subscribers.

Take a company called Enchilada (www.enchilada.com). Enchilada offers a desktop system equipped with a 300-MHz AMD K6-2 processor, Windows 98, a 15-inch monitor, and unlimited Internet access for

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

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

Wayne County will meet at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the First United Methodist Church (3 Towne Square, Wayne). Call Connie, (734) 326-3502 for information. All are welcome.

WED, JULY 21

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT

This course is intended for those 12 years and older interested in learning basic life support and knowledge of the heart and lungs, signs and symptoms of a heart attack and stroke, adult CPR and choking rescue skills. Does not meet requirements for daycare providers. \$25. Class runs from 6-9 p.m. at the Livonia Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road at Newburgh. Call (877) 345-5500.

THUR, JULY 22

NUTRIBABY

This class can help your child get a healthier start towards a lifetime of good eating. Learn how to feed your baby, when to introduce different foods, and how to make feeding time fun for your baby and relaxing for you. Class includes cooking demonstrations, recipes and food tasting from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Canton Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. Call (734) 397-5110.

MON, JULY 26

INSTRUCTOR LIFE SUPPORT

This course provides updated information and teaching techniques for holders of a current BLS Instructor Card. Course will also include BLS-HCP recertification. Must have taught two BLS courses over the past two years. Please bring instructor manuals to class. \$40. Class runs from 8 a.m. to noon at the Livonia Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road at Newburgh. Call (877) 345-5500.

WED, JULY 14

INFANT CPR

Course intended for people age 12 and older interested in learning basic knowledge of the heart and lungs, household safety tips, CPR and choking rescue skills for people age 1-8. Does not meet requirements for day care. \$25 includes manual. Class runs from 7-10 p.m. at the Livonia Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road at Newburgh. Call (877) 345-5500.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

Immunizations provided except chicken pox. Bring your child at the most convenient time from 4-7 p.m. No pre-registration required. Bring child's immunization records with you. Clinic held monthly at Saint Joseph Mercy Arbor Health Building, 990 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Call (734) 414-1010.

TUE, JULY 20

CARBOHYDRATE COUNTING

Learn how to read labels, adjust recipes and incorporate more variety into your diabetic meal plan. Information regarding complex vs. simple carbohydrates and using more fiber. Farmington Hills/Northwestern Providence Medical Center, 30055 Northwestern, Farmington Hills. Call (877) 345-5500.

TUE, JULY 20

LYME DISEASE

The Lyme Disease Support Group of Western

MEDICAL NEWSMAKERS

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

Top award

Sheena Aurora, M.D., a senior staff neurologist at Henry Ford Hospital, received the top research award from the Ameri-

can Association for the Study of Headache.

The award was presented at the annual scientific meeting of the association. The Harold G. Wolff Award is given annually to a researcher for a significant contribution in the understanding of headache. Aurora's research was co-authored by Henry Ford medical physicists Susan Bowyer, Ph.D., and Yue Cao, Ph.D. as well as K.M.A. Welch, M.D., former department chair of Neurology.

Dr. Aurora is a resident of Livonia.

New Livonia office

Unlimited Medstaff of America Inc., a temporary medical staffing firm, has opened its eighth office at 38705 Seven Mile Road (Suite 435), in Livonia. The office will match experienced nurses, medical assistants, and other clinical staff with positions in hospitals and nursing homes in Livonia and surrounding areas.

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ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL
Gorgeous, down-to-earth SWF, 34, 5'7", 130lbs, blonde/green, seeks financially secure, successful SWM, 42+, for possible LTR. #4626

WHERE'S MY KNIGHT
Attractive, kind, affectionate, down-to-earth SWF, 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 with. #2629

PASSIONATE & PRETTY
Patric, well-educated SWF, 46, slender, blonde, N.S., no children, enjoys golf, traveling, humor, life. Educated interests in music, art, entertainment. Seeking handsome, successful, playful SWM, tall, N.S., LTR. #4535

SENSUAL LADY
LOVES CHEVY
DWF, young-looking, 44, 5'2", 126lbs, strawberry blonde/green, seeks SWM, 40-50, who is attractive, honest and attentive. I enjoy fishing, camping, dancing, concerts, movies, and traveling. Seeking SWM, tall, N.S., LTR. #4531

QUALITY
Attractive, professional, blonde, 40s, medium build, enjoys weekend getaways, adventure. Seeking quality, stable relationship. SWM, 40-50, successful, financially secure, intelligent SWM, 45-55, N.S. #2304

NO PICKUP TRUCKS...
For the classy, degreed, attractive blonde, 46, N.S. who likes Pine Knob, Meadowbrook, fine dining, travel, and shopping. Seeking SWM, 40-50, 5'4", brains, no bores. Livonia. #4327

LOVES LIFE
Attractive, outgoing, humorous, financially secure DWF, 42, mom, tall, N.S., seeks male counterpart 38-45, who enjoys life, sports, football, shooting pool, romance, and more. North Oakland County. #4233

LET'S ENHANCE OUR LIVES
Very pretty, energetic, spontaneous, blonde DWF, 36, 5'2", blonde hair, N.S. ND, loves horses, nature, hiking, traveling, the arts, reading, dancing, conversations. Seeking same and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

AMERICA'S ANGEL
Slim, educated, financially secure blonde DWF, 41, 5'0", blonde hair, N.S. ND, seeks quality, successful, intelligent SWM, 40-50, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS
Attractive lady, 40, blonde, seeks quality male, 50+, N.S. social drinker, who enjoys life, sports, and dancing. Let's meet for coffee and chat. #4319

LOOKING FOR A FRIEND
Widowed, retired, white lady looking for a special, down-to-earth guy, 65+, with sense of humor, intelligent, and fun. #4233

ATTRACTIVE, BLONDE LADY
Smart, sexy, selective, blonde DWF, 35, 5'2", blonde hair, N.S. ND, seeks quality, successful, intelligent SWM, 40-50, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

NEW RECRUIT
Outgoing DWF, 46, blonde, medium build, N.S. social drinker, enjoys dancing, dinner, movies, out, seeks fun, outgoing, successful SWM, 40-50, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

THE BEST IS YET TO COME
Attractive, outgoing, energetic, humorous, seeks tall, fit, attractive, intelligent, successful, intelligent SWM, 40-55, N.S. sense of humor, for friendship first, possible LTR. #3928

PRETTY FEMME FATALE
DWF, 40, blonde, 5'7", 120lbs, professional, seeks tall, fit, attractive, intelligent, successful, intelligent SWM, 40-50, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

SOMEONE SPECIAL
Do you open doors? Help with her coat? Let her know her favorite places? Writing to go forward with life? If so, she's the attractive DWF, 36, 5'2", blonde hair, N.S. ND, seeks quality, successful, intelligent SWM, 40-50, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

VERY ROMANTIC
Attractive, outgoing, humorous DWF, 40, blonde, 5'4", medium build, likes water up north and Florida. Seeking tall, handsome, successful SWM, 40-50, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

ALL WORK...
Attractive, college educated DWF, 33, looking to share dinner, dancing, and spontaneous activities, when time allows. Seeking SWM, 50-60, who needs to relax and enjoy life. #3693

ROMANTIC REALIST
Attractive, intelligent, educated, creative, fun-loving DWF, 40, blonde, 5'4", medium build, seeks SWM, 40-50, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

FRIENDS FIRST
Attractive SWF, 30, seeks gentleman, who demands honesty in a relationship. I'm very caring and fun-loving and enjoy the outdoors, romantic evenings, and generally enjoy people. #4530

IS IT TRUE?
Sincere SWF, 44, enjoys art, tennis, horse markets, concerts, hockey. Seeking companion with SWM, 40-50, with similar interests. #4432

SHORT & SWEET
Pretty, passionate, smart DWF, 44, seeks attractive, smart, humorous, successful SWM, 40-50, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

LET'S MAKE LIFE COMPLETE
Pretty, health conscious, blonde, 40s, medium build, enjoys weekend getaways, adventure. Seeking quality, stable relationship. SWM, 40-50, successful, financially secure, intelligent SWM, 45-55, N.S. #2304

PARTNER NEEDED
Sports enthusiast needs partner for tennis, golf, volleyball, dances, dinner, more. SWF, 48, medium build, never married, no dependents, seeks tall SPW, N.Drugs, for friendship first. #2460

PRETTY WIDOW
Slender, tall, intelligent, retired, well-to-do, blonde, seeks an intelligent, successful, professional, single man, 53-60, for cozy dinner dates, local, with good conversation. #2470

SPECIAL LADY
DWF, 52, comfortable in jeans or formal, seeks quality, caring male, 47-57, N.S. for LTR. Golfing, dancing a plus. #4463

MAD ABOUT YOU RELATIONSHIP
Sought: Slender, physically fit attractive SWF, 47, likes sports, seeks divorced or single WPM, 35-50, for committed relationship. Must like animals, soccer, etc. #4271

LADY IN WAITING
Beautiful BCF, 47, mahogany complexion, N.S. enjoys fun activities, seeking gentleman, Christian male, 40-55, N.S., who also enjoys fun activities, for friendship or possible LTR. #4343

BLUES FOR YOU
West coast DWF, 50, 5'6", blonde hair, N.S. ND, enjoys dining, dancing, concerts, sunsets, and stargazing. Seeking nice, successful, intelligent SWM, 45-55, N.S. for friendship or possible LTR. #4309

HIPPIE AT HEART
Attractive DWF, 45, 5'7", 145lb, who loves music, no country, nature, movies, camping, seeks tall, fit, fun, passionate SWM, 40-50, 5'4", brains, no bores. Livonia. #4327

LOT TO OFFER
SWF, 23, 5'0", full-figured, blonde/green, looking for sweet, successful, caring male, 22-30, successful, intelligent, to spend free time with. #4331

TRUE BLUE AND FUN TOOI!
Attractive DWF, young, 50, 5'4", blonde hair, N.S. ND, emotionally/intellectually secure, seeks fun, outgoing, successful SWM, 40-50, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

SMART, SEXY, SELECTIVE
Blonde DWF, 30, 5'0", 118lbs, who's blunt but diplomatic, witty, happy, fit, confident, seeks tall, fit, attractive, intelligent, successful, intelligent SWM, 40-50, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

STATUESQUE BRUNETTE
Female, 35, with good, seeks tall (6'1"), intelligent, successful, intelligent SWM, 40-50, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

SWEETHEART AVAILABLE
Attractive, intelligent SWF, 46, has strong moral values/spirituality. Seeking SWM, 43-52, to share same. #4628

LIVE, LOVE, LAUGH...
Pete SWF, 50, 5'7", brown/blond, enjoys reading, jazz, baseball games, nature, and good conversation. Seeking SWM, 46-54, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

WHERE IS THE ONE FOR ME?
Professionally employed SWF, 32, no dependents, enjoys SWF, 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

SEEKING A REAL MAN
Full-figured DWF, 42, loves life, nature, animals, card games, the theater, music, and more. Seeking normal, 40-50, guy, happy to be dating, not thinking is not. Let's talk. #4022

SERIOUS INQUIRIES ONLY
WF, single mother with 11 year old daughter, seeks a man not a boy, 34-40, with no dependents, responsible behavior, need only apply. #4023

GIVE ME A CALL
Beautiful, intelligent BF, enjoys movies, reading, and good conversation. Seeking tall, fit, attractive, intelligent SWM, 40-50, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

SINGLE DAD OR GRANDPA!
Attractive, blonde, red-headed DWF, 51, 120lbs, N.S. loves camping, hiking, golf, and more. Seeking tall, fit, attractive, intelligent SWM, 40-50, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

CAUT BUY ME LOVE
Fun, fit DWF, 48, 5'0", brunette, Auburn Hills homeowner, seeks honest, stable companion, 44-52, 5'8", heavy build, for fun this spring and summer. #3048

ATTRACTIVE WOMAN
SWF, 48, with varied interests, needs friend and companion to share life with, possible LTR. Give me a call. #3889

WANTED: ROMANCE SPECIALIST
Easygoing, talkative, friendly, romantic, attractive SWF, 44, 5', redhead, N.S. social drinker, enjoys home owner, no dependents, with many interests. Seeking attractive, honest, sincere, romantic, taller SWM, 40-50, for friendship leading to passionate LTR. #2991

CHRISTIAN CUTIE
Cute SWF, 33, medium build, seeks attractive, well-built, tall, professional, marriage-minded, intelligent SWM, 28-43, I live near water, so bring swimsuit. Sincere Christian need apply. #3333

BEAUTIFUL
This spunky, unique, loving SWF, 44, 5'7", long naturally curly hair, steel blue eyes, self-growth, media savvy, enjoys nature, natural health, laughing, speaking truth and life. Seeking tall connection SWM, N.S. #9723

LOVE TO LAUGH
Handsome SWM, 42, 5'10", muscular, seeks slim, affectionate SWF, social drinker, no dependents, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

ONE GOOD MAN
SWM, 59, electronic enjoys golfing, seeking widowed or SWF with no children and good sense, who enjoys travel. #4110

FIRST TIME AD
DWF, 53, 5'10", 180lbs, playing hot nice hair, looking for nice, no dependents, N.S. light drinker, employed, homeowner, enjoys movies, gardening, dining out. Seeking slim, good-looking, dark haired woman. #4111

LOOKING FOR A SMILE
Open-minded, warm-hearted SWM, 30s, with a smile to fill my day, to share laughs, boating, travel, motorcycles and workouts. None. #4320

MISFITS AND MISADVENTURES?
Turn-to be the youthful gent, SWM, 46, I can cope with mood swings, peculiarities, etc. Seeking interesting SWF for possible romantic future and meeting the needs of most body and spirit. #4709

HONEST AND REAL
Slender, funny, intelligent SWM, 42, 5'10", 160lbs, seeks SWF, 35-50, N.S. who is fun to be with, enjoys comedy clubs, coffee, houses, jazz clubs, good restaurants, architecture, and art. Seeking SWF, 35-50, N.S. who is fun to be with, enjoys comedy clubs, coffee, houses, jazz clubs, good restaurants, architecture, and art. #4474

DREAMS
I can dream about you if I can't hold you. You're at night DWF, 48, 5'7", 190lbs, long brown hair, N.S. social drinker, seeks lady, 40-50, petite/medium build. #4110

ARE YOU TALKING?
Honest, sincere, romantic DWF, 41, 5'7", 120lbs, N.S. fanbase of one, seeks SWF, 23-28, for friendship first, possible LTR. #4329

ACTIVE, RETIRED WOODWORKER
Financially stable, honest, fit SWM, 62, 220lbs, N.S. fanbase of one, seeks SWF, 23-28, for friendship first, possible LTR. #4329

SEEKING A FRIEND
Easygoing, semi-athletic DWF, 26, 5'7", 120lbs, N.S. fanbase of one, seeks SWF, 23-28, for friendship first, possible LTR. #4329

THE RIGHT ONE
Wm, 45, 6'2", 200lbs, police officer, in great shape, seeks N.S. female, 25-40, who is a great shape, for possible LTR. #4341

REGULAR GUY!
Responsive, fun-loving, honest, genuine SWM, 46, 5'7", 170lbs, N.S. fanbase of one, seeks SWF, 35-45, N.S. for friendship first, possible LTR. #4341

ATTRACTIVE MALE
SWM, 27, broad shoulders, very fit, enjoys movies, dining out, romance, outdoors. Seeking friendly attractive SWF for friendship that could lead to LTR. #4337

SINCERE ONLY
Dignified, cultured, articulate SWM, 48, 5'8", 140lbs, seeks sincere, affectionate, very feminine SWF, or brautelle, 35-45, N.S. to medium build, for LTR. #4342

COMMUNICATION IS EVERYTHING
Honest, sincere, romantic DWF, 41, 5'7", 120lbs, N.S. fanbase of one, seeks SWF, 23-28, for friendship first, possible LTR. #4329

HAVING FUN YET?
Hello! Call this cool, handsome SWM, 42, who seeks a romantic connection with a positive-thinking, enjoyable SWF, 32-47, to break the mystique. #4619

OUR NEW BEGINNING...
starts here. DWF, 43, 5'10", HW proportionate, N.S. attractive, fun, outgoing, athletic, intelligent, honest, sincere. Seeking female equal with similar qualities, who is looking for that special relationship. I still believe. #4713

ARE YOU TALKING?
of being lonely, let down by phony ads or broken promises? Are you looking for a new beginning? Are you seeking a quality, good conversation partner? #4628

FINE ARTS, NO SPORTS
Are you a slender SWF, 29-36, no dependents, who is into the art scene, good restaurants, architecture, and art? #4628

TRAVEL COMPANION WANTED
Attractive, retired Wm, 55, 5'6", 150lbs, N.S. fanbase of one, seeks SWF, 35-45, N.S. for companionship, possible LTR. #4333

HAVE FUN WITH US
Do you like weekends out north? Like a motorcycle? Mountain biking? Being in shape? Then have fun with the SWM, 38, you're in your 30s, fit, and you love kids. #4020

WIDOWER
CPA, 60, medium build, blonde hair, enjoys outdoor activities, dining out, museums, and more. Seeking SWF, 35-45, N.S. who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

NEW BEGINNINGS
DWF, 5'6", 150lbs, blonde hair, N.Drugs, smoker, enjoys camping, hiking, swimming, and more. Seeking SWM, 40-50, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

WHERE ARE YOU?
Bright, outgoing, good looking, well-established SWM, 45, 5'9", 150lbs, with many interests, including music, exercise, and movies, out doors, dancing, seeks intelligent, good-hearted, relatively slim and attractive SWF, 30-40, who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

VERY ATTRACTIVE AND ATHLETIC
Healthy, honest, romantic, intelligent, kind-hearted, outgoing, fun-loving SWM, 40, 5'10", 160lbs, seeks SWF, 35-45, N.S. who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

LET'S PUT THE GLOVES ON
Handsome, Catholic SWM, 49, 6'2", 220lbs, motorcycle, looks for a lady who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

SEEKING FRIENDSHIP
SWM, 28, 5'10", 180lbs, blonde hair, enjoys movies, dining out, museums, and more. Seeking SWF, 35-45, N.S. who is fun, outgoing, and more in handsome, intelligent man. #4151

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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Artist wild about her garden

Westland artist Sandra Weed is not shy about saying her garden is wild and wonderful. In fact, she prides her garden "on being as natural as it can get." She's the first to point out the rose mallow growing in the middle of the evening primrose as she leads Cheryl Guck on a tour of the garden. Guck is chairing the Garden City Garden Club Walk 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, July 17. Weed's garden is one of six that visitors can walk through for ideas to incorporate in their own yards.

Tickets are \$5 and available at Barson's Greenhouse, 6414 Merriman, (734) 421-5959, and Garden City's City Hall, (734) 525-8800. For more information about the sixth annual walk, call Guck at (734) 525-7299.

"I think artists think differently about their gardens," said Weed. "This will give people a chance not to be afraid next year. My garden is wild and wonderful. I left the rose mallow in the middle of the evening primrose because I didn't know what it was until it bloomed. Many times plants will come up and I don't know if they're weeds or

what, but I let them go till they bloom and then decide if I like them.

"Sometimes, if it's a Queen Anne's Lace, I'll keep them because I think they're pretty. I also collect seeds from places



Sandra Weed

where I teach like Arrowmont in Tennessee. I get my plastic bag out and put them in and sometimes don't even know what they are. I just know I like seeing it in my garden."

Weed walks over to one plant with red flowers that she hopes someone will one day identify, but if not, well, she's happy just to enjoy its beauty.

Like Weed, the birds don't care what the names of plants are that grow here. They just love the natural habitat. A black bird flies through the yard with a cherry in his mouth. Weed shares the cherry and apples trees with a neighbor she's come to know well during the 27 years she's lived in her Westland home.

Even though the spring blossoms are long gone, visitors will be able to see what Weed's garden looked like in early May. The daffodils, tulips and grape hyacinths take on new life in an album of Weed's photographs. At walk time, hollyhocks, day lilies, daisies, and hostas will rim the deep rectangular yard.

"I have a secret garden where I go to paint and draw," said Weed, who's been creating art for most of her 60 years. "I love color, anything and everything. I mix it up in my garden."

Unlike her garden, Weed is selective about choosing the colors of flowers to use in her paintings. Visitors will be able to tell from the oriental brush, quilt and silk paintings on display that Weed favors harmonious palettes. Her studio will also be open to anyone interested in a more in depth look at how a gardener recreates nature in art.

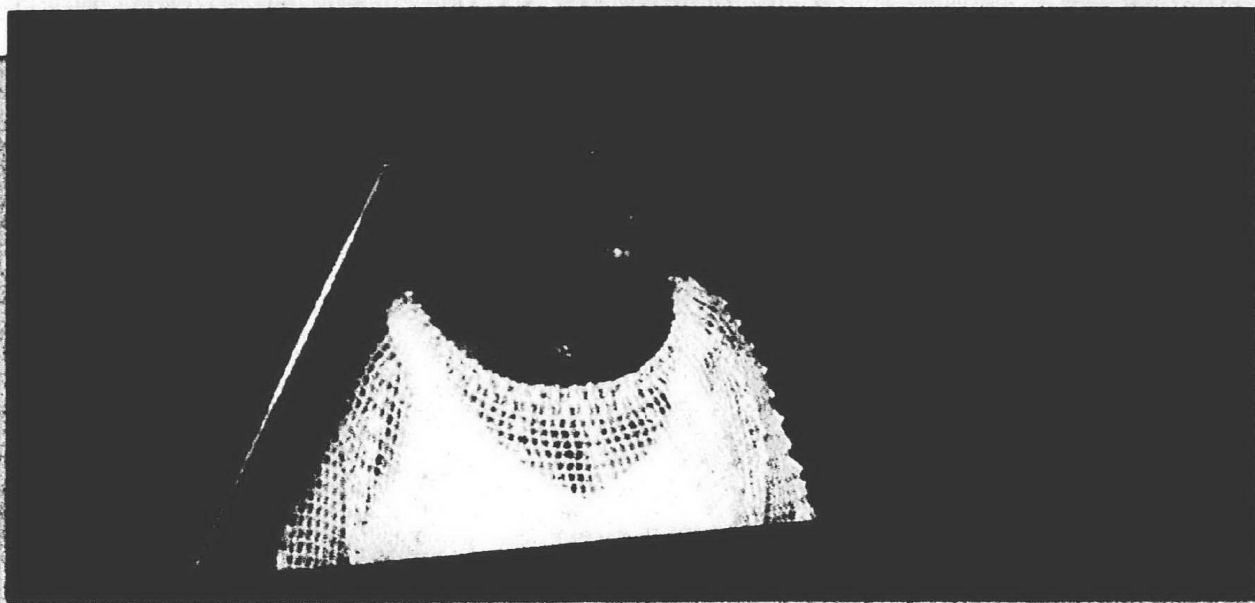
"I plan the color in my paintings, but I think of my garden as tubes of paint rather than a palette," said Weed, a long-time painting instructor at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Weed will begin teaching classes at the Plymouth Community Arts Council in September.

Garden delights

In addition to viewing the gardens, visitors will be able to buy perennial plants, garden signs and sachets on the walk. Proceeds from ticket and merchandise sales will go to buy daffodil bulbs club members will path around the walking paths in Garden City Park. Last year, more than \$600 was raised.

"It's nice to show what the community is doing to their yards," said Guck. "And they do it for a variety of reasons including relieving stress. For me gardening and collecting plants is a hobby, plus I get to meet a lot of nice people."

If you have an interesting idea for a story involving the visual or performing arts, call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@oe.homecomm.net



Veteran musician: Alma Smith brings her quintet to Lear Stage 3 p.m. Sunday, July 18.

LOCAL JAZZ JAM

A BEAUTIFUL THING

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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Jazz purists like Ron Kischuk think the beauty of the Michigan Jazz Festival is that it features local musicians who are veterans

of the genre. Never mind that the day-long festival still doesn't have the reputation of the Detroit Montreaux Jazz Festival about to celebrate its 20th year. After all, at five years old, the Michigan Jazz Festival is just beginning to build a following that one day may rival Detroit Montreaux.

In the meantime, the Michigan Jazz Festival has come a long way from the first event at Freedom Hill when 200 people showed up. Held at the Botsford Inn for the last three years, the festival promises to grow in size at its new digs on the campus of Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Crowds numbering around 5,000 annually enjoyed the sounds of jazz in the intimate setting of the historic inn. Organizers expect attendance to top that this year because parking is unlimited. Festival goers won't have to park and then take a shuttle to reach

their destination. And because the festival is by invitation only, the musicians are every bit as good as those who play at Detroit Montreaux. Kischuk, a Bloomfield Hills trombonist, and his Tartarsauce Traditional Jazz Band to the Michigan Jazz Festival.



Dixieland: Ron Kischuk leads his Tartarsauce Traditional Jazz Band to the Michigan Jazz Festival.

now. There are fewer and fewer places people can go to hear jazz. At the Michigan Jazz Festival they can hear all different styles of jazz."

Kischuk, along with 20 other groups and four big bands, take to four stages at the Michigan Jazz

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Michigan Jazz Festival

WHEN: Noon to 10:30 p.m. Sunday, July 18.
WHERE: Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia.
TICKETS: Free. For more information, call (248) 474-2720 or (734) 459-2454.

LEAR STAGE (TENT)

- SCool Jazz/Prime, noon
- Tom Saunders & The Detroit All-Stars, 1:30 p.m.
- Alma Smith Quintet, 3 p.m.
- Steve Wood Quintet, 4:30 p.m.
- George Benson Quartet, 6 p.m.
- Jam Session, 7:30 p.m.
- Janet Tenaj Quartet, 9 p.m.

INMART STAGE (FORUM BUILDING F-530)

- Matt Michaels/Jack Brokensha Quartet, 12:15 p.m.
- Barbara Ware Quartet, 1:45 p.m.
- Dennis & April Tini Quintet, 3:15 p.m.
- Louis Smith Quartet, 6:15 p.m.
- Paul Vornhagen Quartet, 7:45 p.m.

MAGNA/WOODBRIDGE STAGE (LOWER WATERMAN CENTER)

- Pistol Allen Quintet, 12:30 p.m.
- Larry Nozero Quartet, 2 p.m.
- Ron Kischuk & The Tartarsauce Traditional Jazz Band, 3:30 p.m.
- Jim Stefanson's Latin Jazz Combine, 5 p.m.
- The World's Oldest Living Saxophone Octet, 6:30 p.m.
- Bess Bonier Quartet, 8 p.m.
- Sheila Landis Quintet, 9:30 p.m.

COMEN/MORO STAGE (UPPER WATERMAN CENTER)

- New Generation, 12:45 p.m.
- Ed Nuccilli & The Plural Circle, 3 p.m.
- Brookside Jazz Ensemble, 5:15 p.m.
- Jim Wyse Jazz Quintet, 7:15 p.m.
- Johnny Trudell's Big Band, 9 p.m.

ART

"Gina Ferrari: Garden"

WHAT: An installation of nearly 900 cast piglets and snakes by the emerging artist. Museum admission is free.

WHEN: Through July 25. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, until 9 p.m. Thursday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

WHERE: University of Michigan Museum of Art, 525 S. State Street, Ann Arbor. For more information, call (734) 764-0395 or visit the Web site at www.umich.edu/~umma/

RELATED ACTIVITIES:

• Discussion with Ferrari and museum director James Steward about the installation and the broader issues of installation art and its place in the context of contemporary art. 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 15, in the museum's Apsse and Media Room. Free.

• Participate in events for all ages, focusing on Ferrari's installation, during the Ann Arbor Art Fairs Wednesday-Saturday, July 21-24. View the "Garden" and read a guide containing information about it and questions for discussion, then listen to story telling or create origami/Japanese paper folding) in the shape of animals.

Emerging artist lets work speak for itself

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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Standing on the edge of a sea of nearly 900 piglets and snakes, Gina Ferrari is pensive, almost reticent to relay any of the history behind her installation in the Apsse of the University of Michigan Museum of Art.

The Southfield artist spent the better part of a year casting the glossy pink bodies in plaster, resin and rubber, but she will reveal little else about the work or herself.

If you missed seeing Ferrari's "Garden" installation in 1998 at Revolution Gallery in Ferndale, this is your chance to decide for yourself what this emerging artist and her art are all about. Was there a method Ferrari used to arrange the piglets in garden-like rows on the pale pink raised platform? Some of the piglets lie snuggled together almost as if their togetherness will create a barrier to

keep out the snakes.

"I wanted to deal with the whole nature of gardens," said Ferrari. "It's a metaphor for the cyclical process, and it's the idea of landscape. It's about finding a sense of order — order and chaos. It deals with fragility and ambiguity and has a high-gloss porcelain feel."

Comments written by visitors show the work makes a definite impact on the psyche of everyone who sees it. People seem to love solving mysteries. As Ferrari bends over to read each of the remarks, she smiles at one that says the installation is

better than one created by New York artist Sol Lewitt at the museum last year. For another viewer, Ferrari's "Garden" is a reminder of the Holocaust: The snakes are predators. A colleague notes Arkansas farmers used pigs to rid their properties of snakes, so

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Tenormania takes over Motown

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There was a similar invasion in 1964, if anyone noticed.

This one about to commence, however, doesn't have any quick-witted mop tops, shrieking teeny boppers or threats of the British storming the guards.

Except for the more cosmopolitan musical repertoire, not to mention the receding hairlines and bulging midriffs of the performers, it's really just another form of mania.

Tenormania, to be exact.

It's less than a week before Luciano Pavarotti, Jose Carreras and Placido Domingo perform at Tiger Stadium, and there's an unmistakable sense of history and euphoria surrounding the Three Tenors concert on Saturday.

"The Three Tenors is a universally acclaimed phenomenon," said David DiChiera, managing director of the Michigan Opera Theatre, which attracted the legendary operatic singers to help raise money for their endowment.

"This concert is a tremendous symbol about the dramatic renaissance of Detroit," he said. "Consider us a major cultural city that commands the attention of the premier performers of our time."

Even skeptics would be impressed. The Three Tenors haven't toured in two years, and their only North American stop this year is in Detroit, where they'll be greeted by 34,000 fans, who have paid \$50 to \$750 to hear maestro James Levine lead the singers in a performance of operatic, folk and pop songs.

"We've heard from people who've said they've always loved opera and others who want to be part of a landmark event," said Bill Lee, senior director of marketing at Olympia Entertainment, which is promoting the event.

Before ticket sales were open to the public, MOT had sold 20,000 to subscribers. Of the remaining 14,000 seats, fewer than 3,000 remain, said Lee, a Birmingham resident.

"Only superstars fill a stadium," he said. "For this show, we have broad demographics — four operators from all over the Midwest, corporations, senior groups."

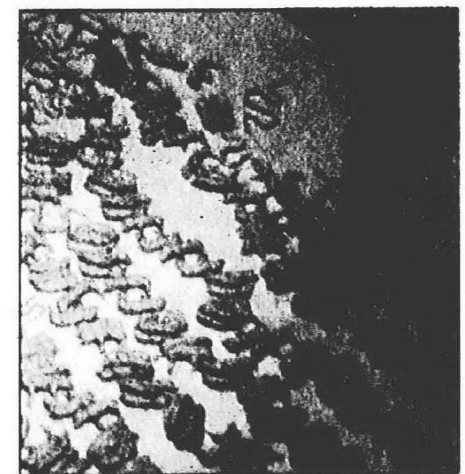
Members of the orchestra have been hired by MOT, including accordionist Peter Soave of Farmington Hills. Soave, who has won world-wide accordion competitions, is expected to be a featured musician during the performances of Italian folk songs.

In the last several years, Kiss, The Eagles and Rod Stewart have performed at Tiger Stadium.

For the Three Tenors, the soulful symbol of Motown, Aretha Franklin, will be on hand. Franklin, who lives in Bloomfield Hills, will sing the national anthem and is expected to perform with Pavarotti, Carreras and Domingo during their encore.

Right up until show time, Lee expects tickets to be available.

"There's a perception that this is too expensive for most people," he said. "There are still good seats for \$50. Tickets at most stadium shows are about \$75."



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Fragility and ambiguity: Gina Ferrari talks about wanting viewers to come to their own conclusions about her installation at the University of Michigan Museum of Art.

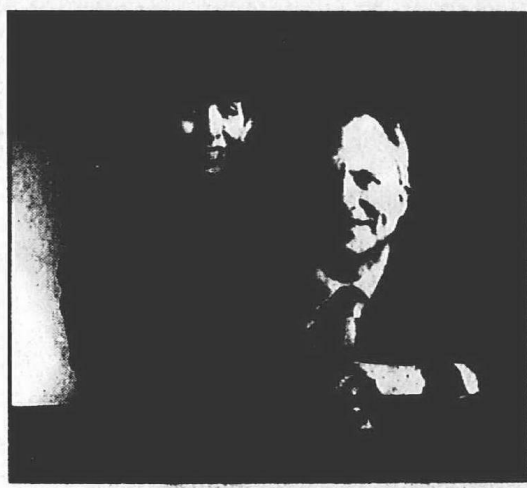
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Festival, proving the festival organizers' premise that traditional, straight-ahead jazz is alive and well. Seasoned groups led by George Benson, Matt Michaels and Jack Brokensha, Alma Smith, Bess Bonier, and Johnny Trudell join with emerging artists Janet Tenaj and the SCool Jazz/PRime vocal jazz groups on the nearly 11-hour program.

"These people are all stars in their own right and they play for scale because of their love for jazz," said festival committee member Midge Ellis of Livonia. "The festival gives them exposure and gives people who don't normally go to hear jazz the opportunity to get to hear it for free."

Thanks to sponsors, fundraisers, and money from the Music Performance Trust Funds through the U.S. Recording Companies as arranged by Local No. 5, American Federation of Musicians, the festival, expected to cost \$25,000, remains free.

Ellis is excited about the fact, there will not only be a variety of jazz but food as well. The American Harvest Restaurant in the Waterman Center will tempt jazz lovers with gourmet food prepared by Schoolcraft College's world-renowned Salon Competi-



Jazz couple: Dennis and April Tini bring their quintet to the Michigan Jazz Festival.

tion Team. The Food Court on the grounds, south of the Waterman, offers visitors everything from hot dogs to dinners, popcorn, pizza and ice cream provided by the Schoolcraft College Food Service Department.

So listen to the Dennis & April Tini Quintet in the intimate Recital Hall of the Forum Building, then grab a bite to eat and head over to hear the World's Oldest Living Saxophone Octet in the Lower Waterman or the jam session in the Lear tent. The Michigan Jazz Festival is bigger and better than ever.

Ron Kischuk & The

Tartarsauce Traditional Jazz Band

Kischuk and his band—Charlie Gabriel, clarinet; Nate Panicacci, trumpet; Chuck Shermetaro, piano; Paul Finazzo, bass and Bill Cairo, drums, will literally come straight to the Lower Waterman from playing the Summer Festival at Greenfield Village. The band plays at the Dearborn historical site seven days a week through Aug. 22. Expect to hear Dixieland sounds such as "Sweet Georgia Brown" and Louie Armstrong's theme, "When It's Sleepy Time Down South." Each of the tunes are on their first CD titled after the band.

"They'll hear really lively Dixieland jazz," said Kischuk, an instructor at Wayne State University and owner of Percussion World in Ferndale.

Dennis & April Tini Quintet

Farmington Hills musicians

Dennis and April Tini and their quintet—Chris Collins, saxophone; Dan Jordan, bass; and Rich Mikels, drums, mix standards and contemporary jazz with Dennis's original compositions from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. Sunday, July 18. From Duke Ellington to Jobime, the audience is sure to enjoy the music of the married couple who've been playing professionally for decades. Dennis is chairman of the music department, co-founder/co-director of Jazz Studies & Contemporary Media, and director of choral activities at Wayne State University. As a jazz pianist he has performed throughout Europe, Africa, Canada, and the U.S. during the last 25 years. He's conducted orchestras and album soundtracks for Hollywood movies, composed music for documentaries and commercials, and appeared with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Buddy Rich and J.C. Heardl.

April also teaches in the music department at Wayne State University. She recently directed Oakland University's show ensemble, Meadow Brook Estate, and has held faculty positions at Berkeley College of Music, Northwestern University and Western Michigan University. Even though the Michigan Jazz Festival is close to home it is no less respected by the Tinis.

"The Michigan Jazz Festival offers musicians a wonderful forum to showcase their talents and contributions to continuing the art," said April Tini. "These are all dedicated, seasoned jazz musicians. Now they're going to

be the torch bearers into the new century along with a lot of new players with a lot of fire."

Alma Smith

Every other Tuesday night for the last seven years, Alma Smith's been playing traditional jazz at Sweet Lorraine's in Southfield. The veteran pianist brings her quintet—saxophonist Vincent York, bassist Will Austen, trumpeter Felton Jones, and former Motown drummer Pistol Allen to the Lear Stage.

Smith chuckles when it's mentioned that over the years, she's played with everybody. The memories flood back as she talks about her more than 40 years in the music business—playing organ for Lou Rawls, vibraphone with Jimmy Dorsey, and opening

Detroit's Music Hall for Ella Fitzgerald. It's a rare treat to hear this Countess of jazz belt out songs by Ellington and Porter.

Smith laughs, "does this date me? The first TV show I did was with Jimmy Dorsey. I started out as a teenage pianist and used to have to sit in the dressing room between sets until I was 21. When I joined the union, my father had to sign for me because I was too young. I'm as nervous as a cat before I hit the stage."

Smith started composing her own tunes, many of which can be heard on her CD "Time Won't Stop," as a kid.

"The most important thing about the business is to stay humble," said Smith.

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he sees the reverse of the viewer who saw the snakes as predators. Another viewer thinks the work looks like Silly Putty.

"Compelling," "gross," "unnatural" are just some of the reactions to the work cast from several piglet corpses and plastic foam taxidermist snake forms.

"I think that's pretty interesting, to be so extreme," said Ferrari.

Where does Ferrari's art come from? The emerging artist's years at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills? Her undergraduate days at Wayne State University? Graduate studies at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond and the Studio Arts Center in Florence, Italy, or even earlier than that?

Ferrari explains it's been a life-long evolution. But more important, it is the viewer's own history that triggers their

response to the "Garden." "It's open to multiple interpretations," said Ferrari. "People bring their own interpretations. It's about looking and seeing."

Upcoming lecture
Ferrari and museum director James Steward will talk about the installation as well as the history of installations, why they continue to fascinate artists and viewers alike on Thursday, July 15. Why would Ferrari rent additional space alongside her Detroit studio and enlist her Wayne State University students to join in the production and spray painting of hundreds of piglets and snakes?

"Creating an installation is a liberating and freeing experience," said Ferrari. "It's freeing not to be limited and to have the inclusion of video and photography if you should so want."

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Royal Oak Memorial Park, corner of Woodward Avenue and 13 Mile Road, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, July 11. (248) 547-2344.

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EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE

Auditions for high school age dancers on Sunday, July 18 and Sunday, August 1 at 1 p.m.

Auditions for M.Y. Move, a company for dancers in grades 6-8, will take place on Sunday, July 18 at 11 p.m. Held at the EDE Center for Dance, 1541 W. Hamlin, Rochester Hills. (248) 362-9329.

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Artists and craftspeople wanted for "100 Creative Hands" Oct. 23-24. To apply, send a self-addressed envelope stamped with 55-cent postage to "100 Creative Hands," P.O. Box 760569, Lathrup Village, Mich., 48076-0569.

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Applications available for artists interested in exhibition fine arts or crafts at Franklin's juried "Art on the Green," held Sept. 6. Send application and slides to: Franklin Arts Council, P.O. Box 250683, Franklin, Mich., 48025. (248) 851-5438.

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Auditions for the children's chorus in Werther, which will run for six performances, October 29 through November 14. Positions for boys with unchanged voices and girls ages 10-17, under 5'2" tall. Audition is July 13 at the Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. To schedule an audition, call (313) 237-3274.

"OUR TOWN" CALL FOR ARTISTS

Michigan artists invited to submit work for jurying in the 1999 "Our Town Art Exhibit and Sale," held Oct. 13-17. All work must be submitted on slides by July 30. For application: The Community House, 380 S. Bates St., Birmingham, Mich., 48009. (248) 594-6403.

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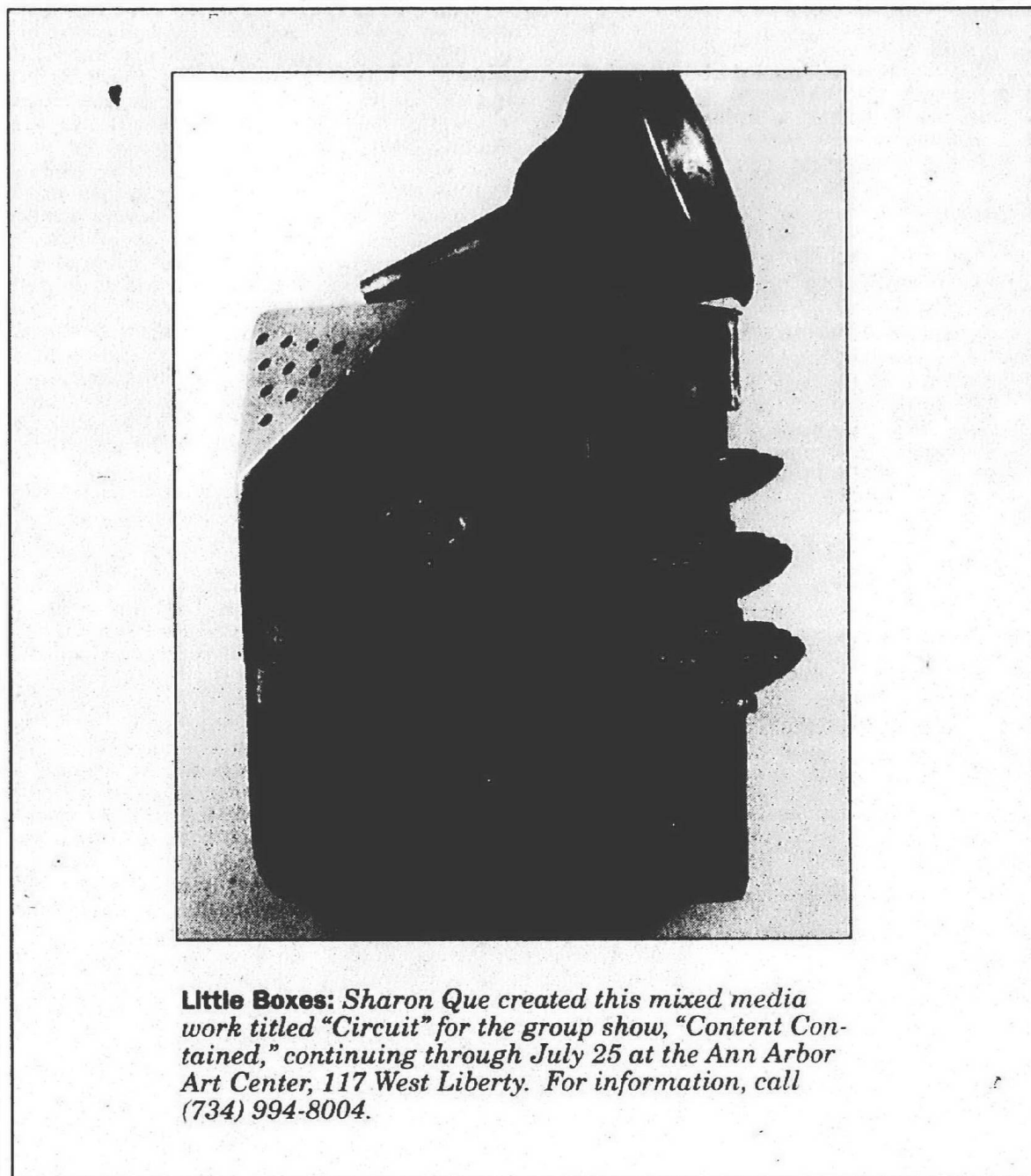
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Little Boxes: Sharon Que created this mixed media work titled "Circuit" for the group show, "Content Contained," continuing through July 25 at the Ann Arbor Art Center, 117 West Liberty. For information, call (734) 994-8004.

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Actor Alliance Summer Theatre Conservatory for ages 7-18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., July 12-23. Get Up and Move Camp for ages 4-6, 10-11-30 a.m. Tues. & Thurs. July 6-29 at the Southfield Center for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield. (248) 424-9022.

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Faculty at the Retreat for Writers present their work from July 11-17, 8 p.m. at the Cranbrook Schools Thornlea House, 550 Cranbrook Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3664.

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"Contemporary Art from Cuba: Irony and Survival on the Utopian Island," through Friday, Aug. 13. Cuban film "I am Cuba," 8 p.m., Friday, July 16, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3361.

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ANN ARBOR ART CENTER

Through July 25 - "Content Contained," Lecture on "Little Boxes," 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 7; box assemblage workshop 1-4 p.m., Saturday, July 10 at the Ann Arbor Art Center, 117 West Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 994-8004.

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Through July 21 - "The Romance Collection" of oils by Jeremy Jarvis, sculptures by Martin Eichinger and glasswork by Laurel Eyle, 33216 West 14 Mile Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 539-0262.

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Through July 16 - A photography exhibit - "Shot at Mario's" 2840 Biddle Road, Wvondotte. (734) 281-4779.

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Through July 24 - "On the Verge of Abstraction," 301 Frederick Douglass, Detroit. (313) 664-7800.

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Through August 28 - "Regional Art: A Legacy to Acquire," 47 Williams Street, Pontiac. (248) 333-7849.

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Through July 31 - "Promising Abstractions," Opening reception, 6:30-9 p.m., Thursday, July 8, 162 North Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 647-3688.

DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET

Through July 16 - "Containers of Memory," 300 River Place, Detroit. (313) 393-1770.

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Through August 12 - Exhibition and sale of works by Jay Lefkowitz. Opening reception 6-8 p.m., Thursday, June 24 at the Jewish Community Center, 6600 West Maple Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-7641.

HABATAT GALLERIES

Through July 24 - works of Judith LaScola, 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 333-2060.

SUSANNE HILBERY GALLERY

Through July 17 - Works of emerging New York artist Melissa McGill, 555 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 642-8250.

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY

Through July 31 - Glass sculpture by Chris Hawthorne and "Construction: Shields" by Danielle Bodine, 107 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-3909.

DAVID KLEIN GALLERY

Through July 17 - "Interiors," a solo show of Paris artist Kathleen Marshall within a group show of Roy Lichtenstein, Nicholas Maravell and Kara Hammond, 163 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 433-3700.

MANISCALCO GALLERY

Through Aug. 15 - An exhibit of works by Tyree Guyton and Sam "Grandpa" Mackey, 17329 Mack Avenue, Detroit. (313) 886-2993.

G. R. N'NAMDI GALLERY

Through July 30 - "Art of the City," 161 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-2700.

NETWORK

Through Aug. 21 - "Incomplete Notebooks," functional art created by Cranbrook Academy of Art alumni and students, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-3911.

OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERIA

Through August 19 - "View and Visions," an exhibit of the Milford Village Fine Arts Association, 1200 North Telegraph, Pontiac. (248) 858-0415.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Through July 23 - "Art & Nature" an exhibit using natural and handmade materials, 407 Pine Street, Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

PEWABIC POTTERY

Through July 17 - "Incubation: Works by Emerging Graduate Students," 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 822-0954.

REVOLUTION

Through July 31 - "Aqua/Agua," a multi-artist presentation, 23257 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 541-3444.

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Through July 30 - Art created by Hashim Al-Tawil, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield. (248) 424

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NP ARLINGTON ROAD (R)
11:20, 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:45
NP STAR WARS: EPISODE I - THE PHANTOM MENACE (PG)
10:35, 1:15, 4:00, 6:45, 9:30
NP SOUTH PARK (R)
10:45, 12:30, 2:50, 5:00, 7:30, 9:30
NP WILD WILD WEST (PG13)
10:30, 11:00, 12:30, 1:00, 1:30, 3:00, 3:40, 4:20, 6:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 9:30, 10:15

AN IDEAL HUSBAND (PG13)
11:00, 1:10, 3:20, 5:30, 7:40, 10:00
NP SUMMER OF SAM (R)
10:30, 1:15, 4:00, 6:50, 9:40
BIG DADDY (PG13)
10:30, 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:10, 7:20, 9:35
GENERAL'S DAUGHTER (R)
10:45, 1:10, 3:50, 6:40, 9:10
AUSTIN POWERS: THE SPY WHO SHAGGED ME (PG13)
10:40, 12:50, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 9:55
TARZAN (G)
10:50, 12:55, 3:10, 5:20, 7:25, 9:20

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11:30, 1:45, 4:30, 7:30, 9:50
NP SUMMER OF SAM (R)
10:40, 1:20, 4:10, 7:00, 10:00
NP WILD WILD WEST (PG13)
10:50, 11:00, 1:30, 2:10, 4:15, 7:15, 8:10, 9:40, 10:20
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BIG DADDY (PG13)
10:40, 12:50, 3:00, 5:10, 7:40, 10:00
TARZAN (G)
10:30, 12:30, 2:30, 4:35, 6:50, 8:50
THE GENERAL'S DAUGHTER (R)
10:45, 1:20, 4:00, 6:40, 9:20
AUSTIN POWERS: THE SPY WHO SHAGGED ME (PG13)
10:30, 12:20, 4:20, 6:25

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NP AMERICAN PIE (R)
11:30, 1:45, 4:30, 7:30, 10:00
NP ARLINGTON ROAD (R)
11:45, 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40
NP STAR WARS: EPISODE I - THE PHANTOM MENACE (PG)
11:00, 1:30, 4:10, 6:50, 9:25
NP BIG DADDY (PG13)
11:15, 1:20, 3:25, 5:30, 7:40, 9:50
TARZAN (G)
11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00

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NP SOUTH PARK (R)
11:00, 1:00, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30, 9:50
NP WILD WILD WEST (PG13)
10:30, 11:10, 11:30, 12:50, 1:30, 2:00, 3:40, 4:10, 4:45, 6:45, 7:20, 7:50, 9:15, 9:45, 10:15
NP SUMMER OF SAM (R)
10:35, 1:15, 4:00, 6:50, 9:40
AUSTIN POWERS: THE SPY WHO SHAGGED ME (PG13)
11:30, 1:10, 4:30, 7:20, 9:35
THE GENERAL'S DAUGHTER (R)
10:45, 1:10, 4:05, 7:00, 9:30

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THRU THURSDAY
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NP AMERICAN PIE (R)
11:45, 2:10, 4:40, 7:15, 9:20
NP ARLINGTON ROAD (R)
11:20, 1:50, 4:30, 6:55, 9:50
NP SOUTH PARK (R)
11:50, 1:30, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30, 9:50
NP SUMMER OF SAM (R)
10:45, 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45
AUSTIN POWERS: THE SPY WHO SHAGGED ME (PG13)
10:30, 1:10, 3:20, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00
THE GENERAL'S DAUGHTER (R)
12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:40, 10:00

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THRU THURSDAY
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NP WILD WILD WEST (PG13)
10:30, 11:00, 1:00, 3:30, 5:45, 8:15, 8:45, 9:15, 9:45, 10:15
NP STAR WARS: EPISODE I - THE PHANTOM MENACE (PG)
10:45, 1:35, 4:10, 6:55, 9:40
BIG DADDY (PG13)
10:40, 11:10, 12:50, 1:20, 3:00, 3:30, 5:10, 5:40, 7:10, 7:40, 9:20, 9:50
TARZAN (G)
SUN 10:50, 11:20, 11:50, 12:55, 1:25, 1:50, 2:50, 3:20, 3:50, 4:50, 6:15, 6:50, 8:50
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NP AMERICAN PIE (R)
10:10, 11:40, 12:40, 2:10, 3:20, 4:30, 5:40, 7:15, 8:15, 9:30, 10:30
NO VIP TICKETS
NP SUMMER OF SAM (R)
11:55, 12:55, 3:00, 4:00, 6:10, 7:10, 9:10, 10:10
NO VIP TICKETS
NP AN IDEAL HUSBAND (PG13)
11:00, 1:45, 4:50, 7:55, 10:15
NO VIP TICKETS
NP WILD WILD WEST (PG13)
10:15, 10:45, 11:45, 1:15, 2:15, 3:25, 3:45, 4:45, 5:50, 6:15, 7:30, 8:30, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00
NO VIP TICKETS
NP SOUTH PARK (R)
10:05, 11:05, 12:05, 1:05, 2:05, 3:05, 4:05, 5:05, 6:05, 7:05, 8:05, 9:05, 10:05
NO VIP TICKETS
BIG DADDY (PG13)
10:55, 11:50, 12:50, 1:50, 2:00, 2:00, 3:15, 3:40, 4:15, 5:25, 6:00, 6:30, 7:40, 8:20, 8:50, 9:55, 10:40 - NO VIP TICKETS
NP STAR WARS: EPISODE I (PG)
10:20, 11:30, 12:35, 1:25, 2:30, 3:35, 4:25, 5:15, 6:35, 7:35, 8:25, 9:40, 10:35
NO VIP TICKETS
TARZAN (G)
10:00, 10:40, 11:20, 12:10, 1:00, 1:40, 2:20, 3:10, 3:50, 4:40, 5:30, 6:25, 7:25, 9:35
THE GENERAL'S DAUGHTER (R)
10:25, 11:35, 1:10, 2:25, 3:55, 5:00, 6:40, 7:45, 9:20, 10:20
AUSTIN POWERS 2 (PG13)
11:10, 1:50, 4:10, 6:50, 7:50, 9:15, 10:25
NOTTING HILL (PG13)
12:15, 2:50, 6:45, 9:25
THE NUMBLY (PG13)
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NP ARLINGTON ROAD (R)
11:30, 2:00, 5:10, 7:40, 10:20
NO VIP TICKETS
NP WILD WILD WEST (PG13)
10:50, 11:40, 1:20, 2:10, 3:00, 3:50, 4:40, 6:20, 7:10, 8:50, 9:40, 10:30
NO VIP TICKETS
NP IDEAL HUSBAND (PG13)
1:30, 4:00, 6:50, 9:20
NO VIP TICKETS
NP BIG DADDY (PG13)
11:20, 12:00, 2:00, 3:35, 4:30, 5:30, 7:00, 8:55, 9:30
NO VIP TICKETS
TARZAN (G)
11:00, 12:40, 1:40, 3:30, 4:20, 5:40, 6:40, 7:50, 8:40
NO VIP TICKETS
THE GENERAL'S DAUGHTER (R)
11:50, 12:50, 1:50, 5:00, 6:15, 7:30, 10:00
AUSTIN POWERS (PG13)
1:10, 3:20, 6:00, 8:30, 10:50
NP STAR WARS: THE PHANTOM MENACE (PG)
11:10, 12:10, 2:30, 3:10, 5:20, 6:10, 8:10, 9:10, 10:10
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11:30, 2:00, 5:10, 7:40, 10:20
NO VIP TICKETS
NP WILD WILD WEST (PG13)
10:50, 11:40, 1:20, 2:10, 3:00, 3:50, 4:40, 6:20, 7:10, 8:50, 9:40, 10:30
NO VIP TICKETS
NP IDEAL HUSBAND (PG13)
1:30, 4:00, 6:50, 9:20
NO VIP TICKETS
NP BIG DADDY (PG13)
11:20, 12:00, 2:00, 3:35, 4:30, 5:30, 7:00, 8:55, 9:30
NO VIP TICKETS
TARZAN (G)
11:00, 12:40, 1:40, 3:30, 4:20, 5:40, 6:40, 7:50, 8:40
NO VIP TICKETS
THE GENERAL'S DAUGHTER (R)
11:50, 12:50, 1:50, 5:00, 6:15, 7:30, 10:00
AUSTIN POWERS (PG13)
1:10, 3:20, 6:00, 8:30, 10:50
NP STAR WARS: THE PHANTOM MENACE (PG)
11:10, 12:10, 2:30, 3:10, 5:20, 6:10, 8:10, 9:10, 10:10
NO VIP TICKETS

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1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:55
SOUTH PARK (R) NV
12:30, 2:45, 4:50, 7:05, 9:20
BIG DADDY (PG13) NV
12:15, 2:30, 4:35, 7:25, 9:45
THE GENERAL'S DAUGHTER (R)
12:45, 4:15, 7:15, 10:00
STAR WARS EPISODE I: THE PHANTOM MENACE (PG) NV
12:00, 3:00, 6:30, 9:30

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AMERICAN PIE (R) NV
12:45, 2:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:05
SUMMER OF SAM (R) NV
12:30, 3:35, 6:45, 9:45
NP SOUTH PARK (R) NV
11:45, 1:40, 3:30, 5:20, 7:45, 9:50
WILD WILD WEST (PG13) NV
11:30, 2:15, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15
BIG DADDY (PG13) NV

SOUTH PARK (R)
11:15, 1:10, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:10
BIG DADDY (PG13)
12:00, 1:24, 5:15, 8:45, 11:00
THE GENERAL'S DAUGHTER (R)
12:15, 3:30, 6:40, 9:15
AUSTIN POWERS: THE SPY WHO SHAGGED ME (PG13)
12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 7:45, 10:00
NP STAR WARS: EPISODE ONE, THE PHANTOM MENACE (PG)
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NO VIP TICKETS
NP ARLINGTON ROAD (R)
10:30, 12:30, 1:15, 3:15, 4:15, 6:15, 7:15, 9:15, 10:15
NO VIP TICKETS
NP WILD WILD WEST (PG13)
10:30, 11:30, 12:15, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 3:30, 4:30, 5:30, 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30
NO VIP TICKETS
NP SUMMER OF SAM (R)
10:30, 1:45, 5:00, 8:15, 9:40
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NP SOUTH PARK (R)
11:20, 12:20, 1:50, 2:45, 4:10, 5:15, 6:30, 7:35, 8:45, 9:50
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BIG DADDY (PG13)
10:45, 11:20, 12:30, 1:10, 1:45, 3:30, 4:15, 5:20, 5:50, 6:45, 7:45, 8:20, 10:10
NO VIP TICKETS
THE GENERAL'S DAUGHTER (R)
10:45, 12:45, 1:45, 3:45, 4:45, 6:45, 7:45, 9:45, 10:45
TARZAN (G)
10:45, 11:45, 1:30, 2:20, 3:50, 4:50, 6:20, 7:20, 8:45
AUSTIN POWERS: THE SPY WHO SHAGGED ME (PG13)
12:40, 3:00, 5:15, 7:50, 10:10
STAR WARS EPISODE I: THE PHANTOM MENACE (PG13)
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TARZAN (G)
11:00, 11:50, 12:40, 1:20, 2:10, 3:00, 3:40, 4:30, 5:20, 6:00, 6:50, 7:40, 8:20, 9:10
RED VIOLIN (NR)
12:50, 3:30, 6:15, 9:00
NOTTING HILL (PG13)
11:10, 1:40, 4:10, 7:10, 9:45
ELECTION (R)
12:20, 2:40, 5:30, 8:00, 10:15
THE NUMBLY (PG13)
3:10, 9:30
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SUMMER OF SAM (R) NV
12:30, 2:00, 4:00, 5:00, 7:00, 8:30, 10:00
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SOUTH PARK (R) NV
12:30, 2:45, 4:50, 7:05, 9:20
BIG DADDY (PG13) NV
12:15, 2:30, 4:35, 7:25, 9:45
THE GENERAL'S DAUGHTER (R)
12:45, 4:15, 7:15, 10:00
STAR WARS EPISODE I: THE PHANTOM MENACE (PG) NV
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AN IDEAL HUSBAND (PG13)
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ARLINGTON ROAD (R) NV
10:30, 1:10, 3:40, 6:50, 9:40
SUMMER OF SAM (R) NV
10:00, 12:45, 3:50, 7:10, 10:20
SOUTH PARK (R) NV
10:05, 12:00, 10:15, 10:15, 10:30, 10:55
WILD WILD WEST (PG13) NV
10:05, 11:35, 12:20, 1:50, 2:45, 4:10, 5:20, 6:20, 7:40, 8:40, 9:55, 10:55
BIG DADDY (PG13) NV
10:10, 11:05, 12:15, 1:30, 2:25, 3:55, 4:40, 6:05, 7:00, 9:20, 10:45
TARZAN (G) NV
10:20, 11:30, 12:30, 1:45, 2:50, 4:05, 5:15, 6:30, 7:20, 9:25
THE GENERAL'S DAUGHTER (R) NV
11:15, 2:05, 4:45, 7:30, 8:20, 10:10
AUSTIN POWERS: THE SPY WHO SHAGGED ME (PG13) NV
10:00, 12:10, 2:20, 4:35, 7:05, 9:30
STAR WARS EPISODE I: THE PHANTOM MENACE (PG) NV
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NOTTING HILL (PG13)
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BIG DADDY (PG13)
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12:15, 2:20, 4:50, 7:35, 9:45
TARZAN (G)
12:00, 1:45, 3:35, 5:25, 7:00, 8:45
NP STAR WARS: EPISODE I, THE PHANTOM MENACE (PG)
12:30, 3:15, 6:30, 9:00
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12:00, 1:45, 3:30, 5:15
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NP SOUTH PARK (R)
11:30, 1:30, 3:30, 5:30 @ \$3.75, 7:45, 9:45
BIG DADDY (PG13)
11:45, 2:00, 4:15 @ \$3.75, 6:50, 9:20
TARZAN (G)
11:50, 2:20, 4:40 @ \$3.75, 7:10, 9:15
THE GENERAL'S DAUGHTER (R)
1:10 @ \$3.75, 7:10, 9:50
NP AUSTIN POWERS: THE SPY WHO SHAGGED ME (PG13)
12:30, 2:45, 4:50 @ \$3.50, 7:15, 9:45

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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.

FINAL DAYS

This is your last chance to see two black-and-white photographs by Livonia resident Alice McGee in an exhibit at the Biddle Gallery, 2840 Biddle, Wyandotte. For hours and information, call (734) 281-4779.

"Shot at Mario's," a group show including McGee's work, continues through July 16 at the Biddle Gallery. The juried show of fine art photography was shot at Mario's Mannequin Studio in Detroit before it closed. Barbara Abel of Birmingham; Elaine Redmond and Patricia Izzo are among the other artists exhibiting.

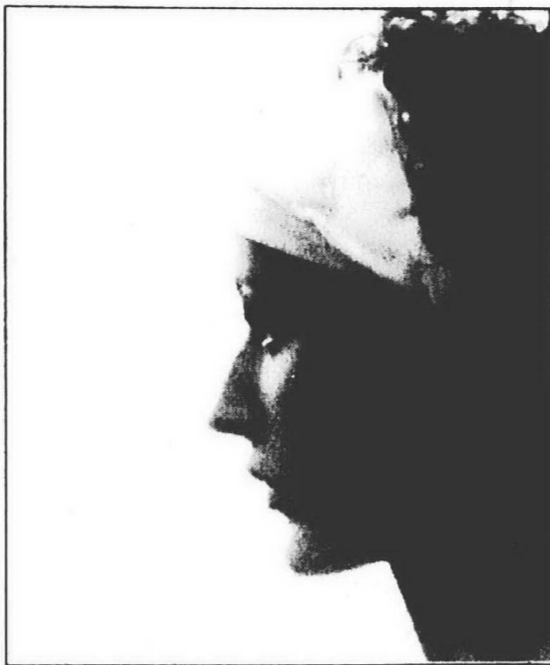
EXHIBIT OPENING

The Plymouth Community Arts Council opens an exhibit of lacework by the Great Lakes Lace Group Monday, July 12, at the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon at Junction, Plymouth.

The exhibit, continuing through July 25, features handmade bobbin lace and tatting projects made by members of the nonprofit lace organization.

Michiko Yasuda will give a free demonstration of the decorative art form 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, July 19.

Bobbin lace is one of the two main types of lace, the other



Lost in time: Alice McGee took this photograph at Mario's Mannequin Studio in Detroit before it closed.

being needlepoint. Other types of lace include crocheting and tatting.

Denise Knight will teach basic weaving technique (ages 6-12) that will enable students to take home a project such as a snake-shaped bookmark 10 a.m. to noon Friday, July 23. The price is \$16. To register, call (734) 416-4ART.

Viewing hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, and Thursday, until 9 p.m., and Friday until noon.

PIANO ACADEMY SCHEDULING INTERVIEWS

Students interested in joining Schoolcraft College's Piano

Academy in the fall must schedule interviews beginning the week of July 12

Interviews for elementary and intermediate students will be conducted in August.

To schedule an interview, call (734) 462-4400, ext. 5218.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Canton Project Arts is looking for artists to apply for entry in its Fine Arts Exhibition Oct. 8-15 at Summit on the Park. Juror is Sharon Dillenbeck.

Deadline for entry is Aug. 25. Only slides will be accepted for review. All media will be accepted. A non-refundable fee must accompany each entry. Canton

Project Arts does not take a commission on sales. For more information or an entry form, call Maureen Karby at (734) 397-6450.

SEASON SUBSCRIBERS WIN BIG

Subscribers for season tickets to the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra win in more ways than one. In addition to hearing five concerts and meeting the artists at the afterglows that follow, subscribers receive one chance in a drawing to win tickets to anywhere in the continental United States on Northwest Airlines.

The price is \$55 adults, \$45

seniors/ college students and does not include special-event concerts (Nutcracker Ballet and Cabaret/ Auction). However, subscribers receive a discount on special-event concerts.

For more information about subscriptions for the 54th season, call the symphony office at (734) 416-4ART.

REGISTRATION BEGINS

Village Music in Plymouth is taking registrations for fall Kindermusik classes, which begin Sept. 6.

The classes are aimed at children from newborn to 7 years. Village Music is at 130 E. Liber-

ty. For more information, call Norma Atwood at (734) 354-9825.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Ann Arbor Street Art Fair is looking for volunteers to staff the information booth, managed by the Ann Arbor Art Center, Wednesday-Saturday, July 21-24.

As a volunteer, you will receive a free Ann Arbor Street Art Fair T-shirt and earn volunteer credit toward a free class at the art center.

For more information or to volunteer, call the Ann Arbor Art Center at (734) 994-8004.

Van Gogh exhibit on its way to DIA

In June of 1890, during his convalescence in Auvers and just one month before his suicide, Vincent van Gogh (1853-1890) wrote: "What fascinates me much, much more than does anything else in my metier is the portrait, the modern portrait...I should like to do portraits which will appear as revelations to people in 100 years time."

Taking this famous passage as a point of departure, the Detroit Institute of Arts (March 12 to June 4), the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston (July 2 to Sept. 24) and the Philadelphia Museum of Art (Oct. 22 to Jan. 14, 2001) will present "Van Gogh: Face to Face," a major exhibition that will tour the three organizing

institutions in the year 2000.

Featuring some 50 paintings and drawings from an international array of public and private collections, "Van Gogh: Face to Face" will focus, for the first time, on van Gogh's evolving approach to the portrait throughout his tragically brief life.

"Van Gogh's portraits resonate with personal compassion and the conviction that, when thoughtfully observed, nature reveals profound truths," explained Maurice D. Parrish, DIA interim director. "These qualities, along with his great talents, inspired this ambitious undertaking."

The permanent collections of

the DIA, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston and the Philadelphia Museum of Art are graced by a total of five major portraits of the Roulin family. Joseph Roulin, a postman, showed great and consistent kindness to van Gogh during his sojourn in Arles in 1888. Roulin, together with his wife Augustine and their three children, were the artist's most frequent and loyal models during this period. These pivotal works, representing van Gogh at his most innovative, will be joined by important portraits from every stage of the artist's career.

For more information about van Gogh exhibition tickets for the DIA, call (313) 833-8499.

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CARI WALDMAN

Don't you dread doing your hair in this summer heat? Standing in front of the mirror holding a hot blow dryer is anything but fun.

Sometimes, by the time you're done drying and styling, you feel as if another shower is order!

To make matters worse, there currently is a heightened desire to have perfectly straight hair. But since the heat and humidity are here to stay for another seven weeks or so, we might as well make the best of it.

Fortunately, there are dozens of products out there to help us obtain the look we desire and prevent a succession of bad hair days. Here are a few products I, along with local hair care experts, recommend:

■ For those of you who like clean hair, but want your hair to have that "slept-in," "pieceny" look, rub a small amount of Bumble and Bumble's "Brilliantine," \$13 at Salon Clique in West Bloomfield, into dried hair. It puts natural oils back into the hair and adds weight.

■ To relax and straighten thick and coarse hair, Bashar, of Bashar Salon in downtown Birmingham, suggests Phytodefrisant "Relaxing Balm," \$17 at Bashar Salon. He says it tames hair cuticles and smoothes out the top layer of hair to achieve a straight look.



PHOTOS BY TOM HOFFMEYER

■ Men who admit to bad hair days, like my husband, might try Sebastian's "Crude Clay," \$17.50 at Toni's Main Street in Rochester. It's a new product that holds hair in place but doesn't feel greasy.

■ Those who prefer fragrance-free products, might try Aveda's "Pure-fume Brillante" anti-humectant pomade, \$12 at Aveda stores at the Somerset Collection in Troy. Derived from plants and flowers, the hair polisher inhibits the surface moisture that causes frizz, and Aveda promises you won't get a whiff of any synthetic aromas with use.

■ If your hair is puffy, try "Secret Weapon" styling creme from John Frieda's Frizz-Ease line, about \$5 at area drug stores. It's one of my favorite drug store products. Applied to dry hair, it produces smooth and shiny locks and tames static and fly-aways.

Other products to try include:

■ "Get It Straight" by Sebastian, which maintains body for curly and wavy hair, \$21.50 at Bashar Salon.

■ "No Frizz" gel by Rene Furterer, which helps maintain the integrity of your curls, \$16.75 at Bashar Salon.

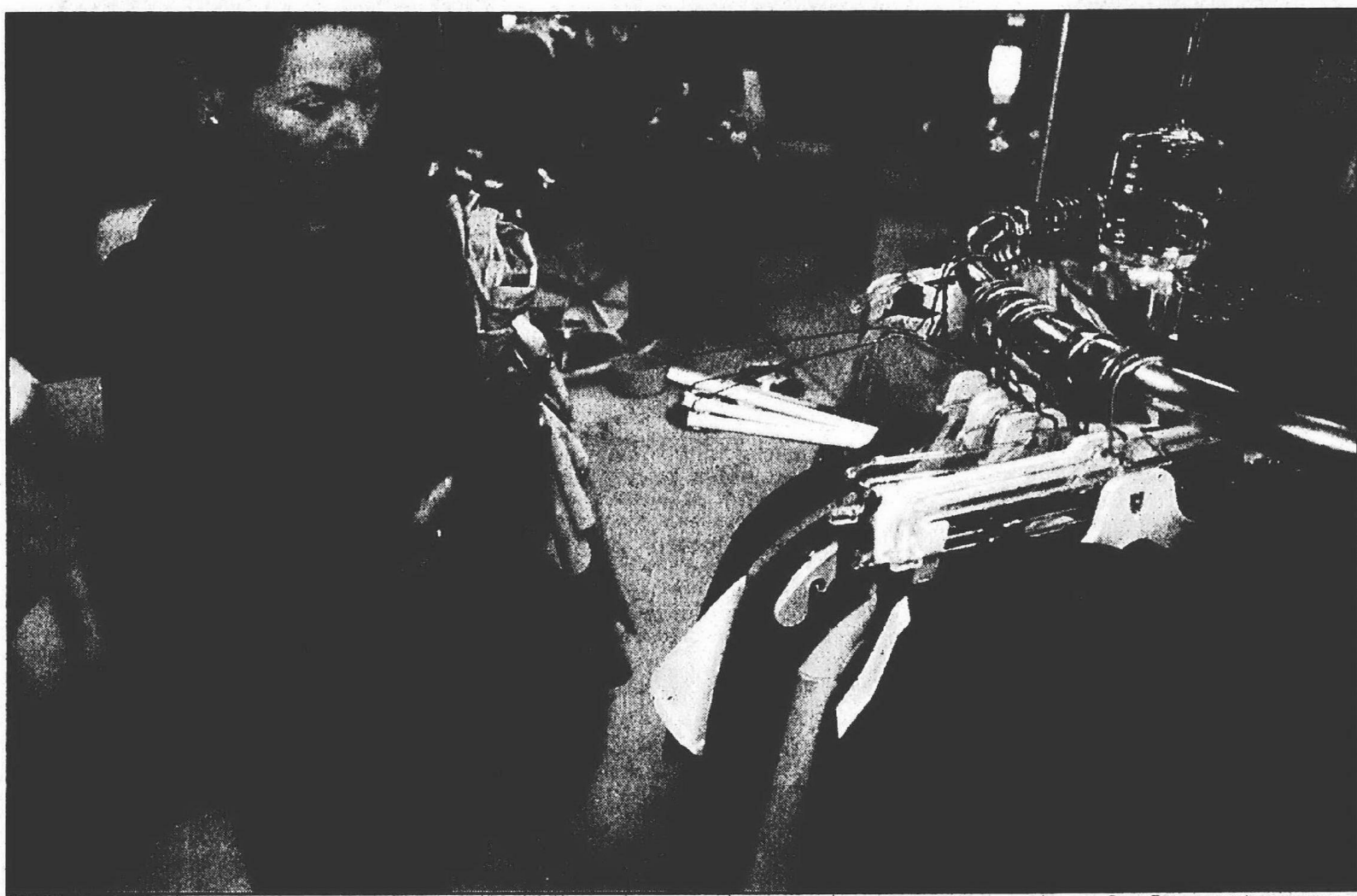
■ KMS "Stay Smooth" spray, which adds shine and maintains a soft hold, \$9 at Ninetieth Floor Salon in downtown Birmingham.

Also, try drying your hair in sections during the summer months. Use clips to section off hair and dry one section at a time. Hair must be completely dry before styling, since any leftover dampness will lead to big hair by lunch time. For more specific needs, ask your stylist for information and tips.

Please send your style and shopping questions to Cari at OERealDeal@aol.com

Go lightly

Local clothier teaches women to travel with style and ease



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When it comes to travel, fashion can be a real downer.

One never knows exactly what to pack and inevitably ends up struggling to answer a host of troubling questions: what if I don't pack enough, what if the weather turns sour, what if an occasion arises for which I have nothing to wear, am I packing too much, do I have enough room for everything?

As troubling as packing for a vacation can be, clothing boutique owner and women's travel guru Lynn Portnoy considers the process an opportunity for women to hone their skills at assembling wardrobes.

One bag: Lynn Portnoy demonstrates how an entire wardrobe for 10 days of travel fits in a single carry-on bag.



"When you're buying your clothes, think of how they go together, even if you're just staying here and not going anywhere," says Portnoy, 61, who has helped professional women assemble wardrobes in the metropolitan-Detroit area for decades as the proprietor of Lynn Portnoy Women's Clothier, a 20-year-old business now located in Southfield.

As a former clothing buyer for the now-closed Claire Pearone, an upscale women's fashion boutique that was located in the Somerset Collection, Portnoy has traveled extensively.

Having long ago mastered the art of packing just enough and never too much, Portnoy gives seminars on how to "travel with one bag." Promoting her recently released book, "Going Like Lynn," a women's travel primer for Paris, Portnoy will be giving a series of packing demonstrations on July 19 and 20 at her store in conjunction with a fall trunk show of wearable, easy-to-pack clothing by YEOHLEE.

"It's not the bag, it's thinking out the clothes you'll be wearing," says Portnoy, as she rifles through a rack of clothing in her store for shirts and tops, demonstrating her planning techniques. "Six, seven, eight tops ... that's too many," she says. "This is only a 10-day trip. ... See, I have three colors, black, cranberry and beige. ... Every piece here works with every other piece."

In general, says Portnoy, women should apply the same principles to packing a vacation wardrobe that they use when assembling a fall or summer wardrobe: only select pieces that coordinate with others.

"More is not better," says Portnoy. "Less is better, if it's thought out and works well together." The mistake most women make when packing is "nothing goes together. That's why they're packing so much."

Portnoy also insists "you have to be very practical."



Taking inventory: Women's clothier Lynn Portnoy selects clothing pieces to pack for a 10-day trip. She'll pack an entire travel wardrobe in one carry-on bag.

Plan first: Travelers over-pack because they don't assemble clothing pieces that coordinate, says 61-year-old Lynn Portnoy, a clothing boutique owner and former clothing buyer who teaches women how to travel lightly and still dress in style.

Practically speaking, one can't pack a closet's worth of clothing or every favorite pair of pants, so don't try, she says.

Likewise, don't pack linen and other fabrics prone to wrinkle. Instead, take knits and synthetic fabrics that resist wrinkling. "I never take an iron," adds Portnoy. "I hang everything up in the shower. I don't even own an iron."

If you insist on packing a linen suit or taffeta dress, don't bring an iron, pay to have the item pressed, says Portnoy.

Portnoy also suggests:

■ Take destination-appropriate clothing. You won't need a bathing suit while sightseeing in New York City. Likewise, you probably won't need a dress while vacationing in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

■ Wear the heaviest clothing you wish to take and layer several pieces for your day of travel in case the weather changes.

■ Keep in mind that jackets, sweaters and cosmetics are the bulkiest items you'll pack (buy trial-size cosmetics and toiletries for travel).

■ Select a variety of clothing pieces; pack a long and a short skirt, for instance, and make sure you have sporty and dressy pieces.

■ Always bring tops in black and white or other neutral tones.

■ Add color to your travel wardrobe with tops and scarves, rather than jackets, sweaters and other bulky items.

Lynn Portnoy's "Travel With One Bag" demonstrations are slated for 1 p.m., 1:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Monday, July 19, and 11 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 20, at Lynn Portnoy Women's Clothier, 29260 Franklin Road east of Northwestern Highway in Southfield. For additional information, call (248) 353-2900.

Sidewalk sales promise bargains for savvy shoppers

Finding a bargain shouldn't be difficult in coming weeks since the season for sidewalk sales has arrived. Here are a few to keep in mind:

■ The Best of Birmingham sidewalk sale runs 6-11 p.m. July 16 in conjunction with Night on the Town.

■ Merchants in downtown Rochester

take their wares to the street and extend shopping hours July 15-17.

■ Bargain prices and sidewalk sales are slated July 15-17 at the Northland Center in Southfield.

■ The Livonia Mall's Shoot for Savings Sidewalk Sale, held inside the center, runs July 15-18.

■ Also in Livonia, Wonderland Mall will host a Sale of the Century Sidewalk Sale July 15-18.

■ Tel-Twelve Mall in Southfield will hold a Construction Clearance Sidewalk Sale July 15-18.

■ Sidewalk sales at MeadowBrook Village in Rochester Hills run July 22-

25. Many malls and downtown shopping districts also plan to offer entertainment and shopping giveaways, including coupons, goody bags and gift certificates. Call mall and downtown association offices to find out about extended hours and special offers.

Retail, style and special store events are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax: (248) 644-1314. Information must be received by 5 p.m. Monday for publication the following Sunday.

COLLECTIBLES SHOW

Tel-Twelve Mall in Southfield holds an antique and collectibles show throughout the center with antique appraisals and china and glass repair services available, 12-5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

HERRERA SPECIAL ORDER COLLECTION

Carolina Herrera makes a personal appearance and presents her Fall 1999 special order collection at Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 10-11:30 a.m. Collection available for viewing through July 15, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Designer Salon, second floor.

THURSDAY, JULY 15

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

HINO & MALEE SHOW

View the complete Fall 1999 line of Hino & Malee and meet design team representative Elaine Louie through July 17 at Roz & Sherm in Bloomfield Hills, Thursday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

GIVE BLOOD, WIN THREE TENORS TICKETS

Art Van Furniture, at 5053 Dixie Highway in Waterford, sponsors an American Red Cross blood drive to help replenish summer supplies, 2-8 p.m. Blood donors may register to win a pair of tickets to the July 17 Three Tenors concert.

FRIDAY, JULY 16

BLUES IN DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH

As part of downtown Plymouth's Friday Night Fun series of free concerts, blues act Pete "Mad Dog" Fet-

ters plays at the corner of Main Street and Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth, 7-9 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 17

ROYAL OAK GARAGE SALE

The Greater Royal Oak Chamber of Commerce presents the 24th Annual Antique & Garage Sale in the Center Street parking garage, between S. Washington and S. Main on Center Street at Second, through July 18, Saturday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

YO-YO COMPETITION

MeadowBrook Village in Rochester Hills hosts the Second Annual Champion Spinners Yo-Yo Classic II with yo-yo entertainment and demonstrations between competition sets, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 18

WORTH COLLECTION SHOWING

View the Fall 1999 Worth Collection through July 26 in the Birmingham-Bloomfield area by appointment. Call (248) 540-4981 or (248) 865-0553.

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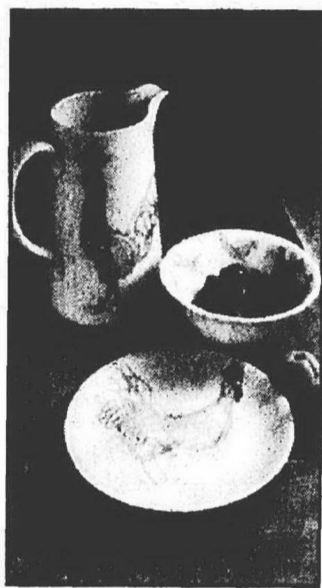


Cool blue: The milky blue Chalcidony stone takes center stage in jewelry designer David Yurman's new Blue Ice collection, with pave diamonds in sterling silver and 18K gold, \$995-2,300 exclusively at Neiman Marcus.



Golf guides: Don't lose stray balls, track them with a hand-held golf scope, \$50 at Brookstone. Rand McNally's Golf Road Map, a guide to golf courses in southeastern Michigan, will help get you there on time, \$4.95 at Rand McNally. All at the Somerset Collection in Troy.

Little lamb: It's Mary's Little Lamb in washable purse form, by North American Bear Co., \$28.50 at the Union General Sweet Shop and Cafe in Clarkston.



Rise and shine: Tiffany & Co.'s Roosters collection of English earthenware adds vibrant color and a dash of country charm to summer picnics and casual gatherings, \$20-100 and in stock again at Tiffany & Co., the Somerset Collection in Troy.

Where can I find?

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate merchandise that's difficult to find. If you've seen or are looking for an item, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number. We publish readers' requests for merchandise twice. If you don't hear from us or see information about the item within a few weeks, we were unable to locate it.

WHAT WE FOUND:

- Quilts with photographs are available at **Quilted Life**, (734) 722-6766 or 1-877-MY-QUILT.
- Cabinets that open into dining tables are available at **Cost Plus World Market** and at **Resell It Estate Sales**, at 34769 Grand River in Farmington, (248) 478-7355.
- Sheet straps can be found in the **Harriet Carter catalog**, (800) 377-7878.
- To replace Revlon's feathering color lock product, try **Coty "Stop It"** in a tube.
- Missing parts for broken appliances may be available through **Culinary Parts Unlimited** in Pacheco, CA., (800) 543-7549 or at www.culinaryparts.com.
- "The Great Mouse Detective" will be released again by **Disney** on August 31, 1999 and can be ordered through a **Disney company catalog or store**.
- A picture of dogs playing poker can be purchased at the **Meijer** store in Northville in the picture department.
- Natural Exfoliating body bar soap might be available through **Avon**, (800) 500-AVON.
- Eyebrow stencils can be purchased through the **Beauty Boutique catalog**, (440) 826-3008.
- We also found a WWII uniform.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

- A place in **Oakland County**, preferably near **Clarkston**, that recycles cakes boxes, cereal boxes and the like for **Lori**. (SCOCRA only does recycling in the general area of Royal Oak.)
- **Revlon Fine Line Natural brow pencil refills** in light brown color for **Lorraine**.
- A **Ziggy doll** (made in 1986 or 1987) dressed in a nightshirt and nightcap for **Jim**.
- A **Mickey Mouse waffle iron** for **Lucy**.
- A **replacement glass carafe for a coffee server** that tilts and has a place to light a candle underneath.
- A **1968 Clarkston High School yearbook** for **Gary**.
- **Thermo-Serve coffee mugs** for **Maggie**.
- A **large black plastic hook with adhesive backing** for **Gloria**.
- A **catalog for mastectomy patients**.
- **Revlon color lock eyelid shadow base** for oily lids.
- A used **"Little Tyke" Playhouse log cabin** for the backyard and a **Childcraft Changing Table** in honey oak finish for **Leslie**.
- **Ultima II lip liner** in "Tawny" color for **Carol**.
- **Rose Milk Skin Care lotion** for **Vivian**.
- **Stamped, cross-stitch baby quilt material** (not pre-quilted) for **Marie**.
- A used **baritone musical instrument case** for **Norma**.
- A **1960 Highland Park High School yearbook** for **Carol**.
- **Coty La'SLEUR cologne** for **Joanne**, a resident of Southfield.
- **Rockford socks with red heels and toes** (to make monkey toys) for **Noreen** of Livonia.
- A **1953 Central High School yearbook** for **Faye** in West Bloomfield.
- A **person who refinishes rocking chairs** for **Barbara**.
- **Schlinkhaus German cabinet white wine** for **Barbara**.
- A **Doubleday cookbook**, as seen on "Cooking Live," for **Teresa**, who lives in Livonia.
- **Vietnam and WWI uniforms** for **Sheila**, an American history teacher who wants to use the items in her classroom.

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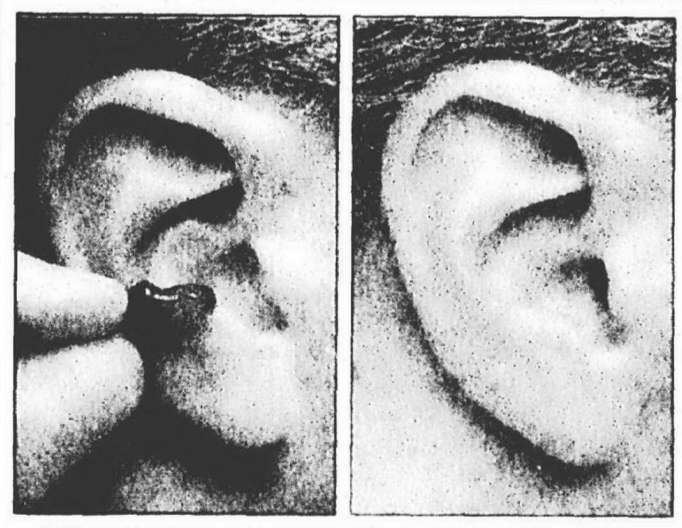
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BY SANDRA ARMBRUSTER
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Remember those popular movies like "South Pacific" and "Jurassic Par"? Ever think you'd like to see where they were filmed? Then visit Kauai, the garden island, the location of the original "Fantasy Island" television series.

Kauai was the first stop on America Hawaii Line's S.S. Independence as we cruised to four islands in the chain. It was also one of the islands touted as the "best" on our return flight home. See if you agree.

Unlike the populated Oahu, which we explored last week, much of Kauai is inaccessible. There is just one paved road, and a round-trip drive is about 90 miles. If you've got the stamina, backroading is popular on unpaved trails to see sugar cane plantations and mountain formations missed on other tours. Whatever tour you take, be prepared for some rain — all the better to see rainbows and waterfalls.

A rainbow can be seen from the top of Mt. Waialeale, the wettest place on earth; it gets 451 inches of rain each year, with frequent rainbows.

But, no problem. Hawaiians have a way of dealing with every



Cooling shade: Visitors to Lahaina on Maui take shelter under a banyan tree whose arms stretch out over an acre in the city.

situation. There is a universally understood gesture among islanders: With thumb and little finger raised, the hand is waved gently signaling others to "Hang loose!"

I took a helicopter ride over the famed "Grand Canyon of the Pacific," a 12-mile-long rift of striated stone with some vegetation. The chopper climbed over the mountains and moved into the canyon as our pilot/guide glided us through the canyon, then up the face of Mt. Waialeale and over the steep Na Pali cliffs, which resemble an accordion. Concluding the trip was an exciting descent as the pilot spiraled us into the Kawaikini volcano, which formed the island. The cone is now covered with

vegetation.

The trip has been rated as the No. 1 tour in the world by National Geographic.

Surprising Maui

There is much else to be said for Maui: beautiful beaches and resort areas, opportunities for snorkeling, a variety of vegetation, cowboys and the dormant volcano Haleakala.

For me the best part of the trip to Maui was seeing a humpback whale breach not more than 100 yards from me. That means the 40-foot-long behemoth playfully propelled itself completely out of the water. Everyone screamed in delight, including me. Only problem was I got so excited I forgot to take a picture.

We were on watch for the humpbacks during a tour sponsored by the Pacific Whale Foundation. Adding to the memorable trip aboard a two-masted sailboat was the lowering of a microphone into the deep, clear waters so we could listen to the whales calling out to each other.

Or were they inviting us to follow their lead?

With us was a naturalist provided by the foundation, who had spent several days on board ship regaling us with tales during whale sightings. It had been the best sightings of the season, she said. The season runs from December through March.

Joining in on the fun was our amiable captain, who said he would use the ship to "sneak" up

on the whales. By law, all water craft must stay 150 yards from the whales or cut their engines. In this case, the whales seemed to willfully violate the law and delight in performing. It was their time of year to frolic in the waters off the islands for mating season.

A clear day on Maui

At nearly 10,000 feet, the views from the peak of Haleakala are spectacular — as was the ride up. Switchbacks up the volcano showed the variety of vegetation, a one point looking like northern Michigan with its pine trees. But looking into the crater, clearly we were in another world in which pink mounds contrasted with the hazy blue of distant walls and the beige floor of sand.

We walked slowly up the short path to the overlook site: Oxygen deprivation made breathing and walking difficult.

Pineapple fields spread out in all directions. Sampling some of the golden, melt-in-your-mouth pineapple showed the difference between fresh and the pale, canned varieties found at home.

After spending hours at the seaquarium or shopping, many visitors liked to cool off under the shade of a remarkable banyan tree in Lahaina that spreads its sheltering limbs for an acre in the center of town.

It offered a good chance to regroup before heading for the other big island on our cruise, the Big Island of Hawaii which we were to visit a live volcano.

The Big Island

The largest of the islands, Hawaii, offers two distinct climates — extremely wet and extremely dry on opposite sides of the island. Consequently, the landscape and activities vary from 13,700-foot Mauna Kea, which is the tallest mountain in the Pacific, and the still-active

volcanos Mauna Loa and Kilauea to tropical gardens.

We sailed at night past the lava flow from Kilauea with molten lava and billowing steam clearly seen where the volcano meets the ocean. Listening to our ship-board kumu (teacher) tell the story of the fire goddess Pele, we could hear the chants and drum beat of native Hawaiians. Pele is to be appeased, Hawaiians remind us, knowing full well the destruction she has wrought in eruptions that have wiped out villages.

Somehow we understand the magic of the islands that keeps drawing people back to the islands.

The Hawaiian experience is as much offshore as on the islands, as those of us who wanted to learn to snorkel enjoyed a new adventure. Supported by inner tubes and donning prescription swim masks, we floated over a fish preserve off the Captain Cook monument. The preserve, in which we were not allowed to touch the bottom, was filled with multi-hued coral and fish. Kelley, who guided me throughout the excursion, judged me "the most improved passenger" after a few false starts. I won't say how many.

I didn't want to get out of water, but it was time to leave for our ship, which was to sail to Honolulu for our trip home.

The whirlwind tour of the islands had been like traveling to a foreign land. It was an adventure I wouldn't soon forget.

As the debate grew during the trip home on which was the "best" island, I found myself unable to argue for just one island in the chain.

Hmmm, perhaps it will take a return trip to paradise for me to decide.

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Pearl Harbor memorial teaches many lessons

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The history of war times often is blurred. Places and names of wars vary, but reasons and results often seem obscured by political posturing as nations ready for the next battle.

That posturing is pummeled into reality off shore the island of Oahu, where the USS Arizona

came to rest on Dec. 7, 1941, in Pearl Harbor. Such a lovely name; such a vile deed when Japanese pilots bombed the Arizona and other ships in the harbor.

What really happened that day and why? A trip to the famous monument tells the somber story. It began with trade disputes. Sound familiar?

The story of that terrible day

is told in a 20-minute film shown to visitors. It is not for the faint of heart.

During the boat ride to the monument, we listen to an explanation of how the low center of the white monument represents the United States in its darkest hour, while the uplifted ends of the monument recalls the nation's return to greatness.

A nun quietly tells a passenger she frequently comes to the memorial to pray.

We disembark, and all are quiet, except for some teens yet untouched by war's devastation. We hang over the open sides of the memorial, waiting for a cloud

to pass.

When it does, we see the rusting tomb lying in shallow water.

In the shrine room of the memorial is a stone wall with the names of those who died when the USS Arizona went down.

As we near shore on the return trip, we hear former President George Bush tell us: "I bear no grudge toward the Japanese.

None at all."

Those words echo as I recall a family I observed before seeing the film. The husband, wife and their young child were waiting to enter the theater, along with extended families on both sides. There was no doubt that all doted on the child. It mattered not that the father was of Japanese heritage and the mother of some other European her-

itage.

Would that we all could bear no grudges — to anyone, anywhere.

Joining the Arizona in the Pearl Harbor area is the USS Missouri, on which the Japanese government surrendered at the end of the war. It's wise to get tickets ahead of time for both tours.



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Stars sweep

Plymouth Canton Stars made their trip to Adrian a successful one, beating Adrian's Connie Mack team 8-4 and 8-6 Thursday. The sweep improved the Stars' record to 4-8.

Andy Baigrie worked 6 1/3 innings to win the first game, allowing six hits and striking out three. Brad Kaufman got the last two outs.

Baigrie then came back and go the last two outs in the second game for Matt Moraca, who worked 2 1/3 innings in relief and benefitted when the Stars rallied for six runs in the fifth.

John Loveland went 6-for-9 and drove in three runs, Ellie Jimenez went 4-for-7 and drove in seven runs, and Kaufman, a freshman at Canton HS, went 3-for-5 and drove in a run. Bryon Kindernay walked six times in the two games, and Derek Diedrich was 2-for-6, walked and scored three times.

The Stars made just one error in the two games. They play next at Ypsilanti Lincoln Tuesday.

Diamondbacks win 1st

The best-of-three World Series between the Diamondbacks and the Blue Jays started with a tight game Thursday, one that went the way of the Diamondbacks, by a 4-1 margin.

The two teams meet in game No. 2 of the Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association World Series at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the high school. If a third game is necessary, it will be played Thursday on the high school fields.

The Diamondbacks won the opener behind the strong pitching of Lauren Delapaz, Laura Schroeter solid play defensively at catcher and her two RBI, and the two hits apiece supplied by Amanda Leon, Nora Neher and Natalie Maurer.

In the one-game elimination tournament, the White Sox advanced with a 19-3 victory over the Tigers; the Athletics moved up with an 11-10 win over the Cardinals; the Phillies reached the semifinals with a 7-4 triumph over the Braves; and the Devil Rays edged the Marlins, 10-9, to advance.

Twietmeyer commits

Janell Twietmeyer, Plymouth Canton's leading scorer in girls basketball last season, has opted to attend Alma College in the fall and continue playing.

An all-Observer first-team selection, Twietmeyer was a versatile all-around performer for the Chiefs, leading them to a 16-6 record. The 5-foot-9 forward averaged 13 points and 8.5 rebounds a game for Canton, together with four assists per contest.

"Janell was solid — that was her strength," said her coach at Canton, Bob Blohm, when she was selected to the all-Observer team. "She was a hard worker, very dependable. She was real versatile. If they took away the inside, she could go outside and score."

"Coaches are always looking for a player who can shoot, and she can."

Salem boys soccer

Plymouth Salem's boys soccer team will begin optional conditioning from 5-7 p.m. Monday, July 19, on the fields located behind Salem HS. These sessions are for all interested athletes entering grades 9-12; they will continue every Monday, Wednesday and Friday through July 30.

Official tryouts begin Monday, Aug. 16, with 9-10 graders from 5-7 p.m. and 11-12 graders from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

For more information, call (734) 416-7774.

Chiefs boosters meet

The Canton Chiefs Football Booster Club will have its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the AutoNation Car showroom, located on Ford east of I-275. This is for July only. Fundraising and ads for the fall program will be discussed.

All parents of Canton football players are encouraged to attend, including incoming freshmen. For further information, call Dan Murphy at (734) 416-8117.

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) 891-7279.

Pietila's hat trick propels Huskies



It was as it should be when two frontrunners meet — a close, defensive game. The biggest lead for either the Huskies or the Bulldogs was only two goals, which is what the Huskies' margin of victory proved to be.

Phil Pietila scored three times for the Huskies, but it was Jay Storm who gave them the cushion they needed to slip past the Bulldogs, 5-3 Wednesday in a Metro Summer Hockey League game at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Pietila's second goal, scored with 9:10

left in the second period, put the Huskies (now 4-1) ahead to stay. Pietila's first goal had given his team a 1-0 lead at the 8:56 mark of the first period; the 'Dogs, however, countered with first-period scores by Darin Fawkes (from Livonia) and Matt Prater.

The Huskies took control with three

unanswered goals in the second period, the first by Dwight Helminen and the next two by Pietila. The Bulldogs (5-2) closed to within 4-3 on a goal by Corey Swider (Livonia) with 8:50 to play, but Storm countered to make it 5-3 with 6:59 remaining.

J.J. Weeks turned in a solid performance in goal for the Huskies. Will Hamela was in goal for the 'Dogs.

Eric Bratcher added two assists for the Bulldogs.

Wildcats 10, Lakers 8: Four consecutive goals in the third period gave the

Wildcats a come-from-behind MSHL victory over the Lakers Wednesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Mike Swistak (West Bloomfield) accounted for two of the 'Cats' third-period goals, including the game-tying marker (at the 8:40 mark) and the go-ahead score (at 5:28). Brent Thomas scored his second of the game with :05 left to insure the Wildcats' win.

Brent Bessey led the 'Cats with three goals; Paul Khanam and Bob Abbate

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Rising star

Splitz gymnast gains gold at U.S. club finals



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Trying to withhold progress is often a fruitless proposition. The line between attempting to impede it and/or just slow it down a bit can be a fine one indeed.

The last stop Jenna Lande made before arriving at Splitz Gymnastics in Canton was at Mills Gymnastics in Brownstown Township. Lande spent a year at Mills, competing at Level Six; she felt she was ready to move up to Level Seven.

The coaches at Mills thought otherwise. They wanted to keep Lande at Six for another season. That was something Lande did not find particularly appealing.

So she switched. She joined Splitz and Eileen Spicher, who opened the school 18 months ago.

The rest, as they say, is history. The 13-year-old Lande made the switch smoothly, rolling to first-place finishes in the Level Seven all-around competition at six different invitationals, including at a regional meet in Cleveland in late May.

Lande has a better position for the U.S. Association of Independent Gymnastic Clubs finals, which were June 12-18 outside Orlando, Fla. A total of 180 gymnasts from across the country gathered for the biggest gymnastics meet of the year at that level.

And Lande was a double-winner.

She finished first in the all-around competition in Senior Group B, scoring a 9.775 on the vault, a 9.45 on the uneven parallel bars, a 9.625 on the floor exercise and a 9.275 on the balance beam for a 38.10 total. In individual competition, Lande also captured top honors in the vault with a 9.525.

"She's strong (at vault), but she's pretty good at floor, too," said Spicher, noting Lande's solid dance skills.

Her performance in Orlando, combined with her showings at the previous meets earlier in the season, have given Lande's self-confidence a boost. But that's something she's striving to keep in check.

"Once you start thinking like that, you start blowing it off," Lande said. "Being confident is good, but being too confident isn't."

Her confidence has a solid foundation. Lande practices five days a week at Splitz, each session lasting about four hours. Outside of schoolwork, that leaves her with little time for anything else — although she did try playing soccer "a while ago." Her pursuit of that sport further is, at this point, uncertain.

Which really shouldn't be too surprising. Gymnastics has been Lande's life for nearly all her life. She took her first gymnastics class when she was 18 months old.

Before finding Spicher and Splitz Gymnastics, Lande had moved around a bit. She started at O's Gymnastics in Taylor, but that closed. After that came stints at Conrad's in Farmington Hills, Michigan Academy of Gymnastics in Westland and Mills.

Lande has both long-range and immediate goals for gymnastics. Her immediate goal is simple enough: "Trying to move up to Level Eight," was how Spicher described it. Her coach sees no reason why she shouldn't be able to do so.

Are there any skills she must develop to make the jump? "Nothing," Spicher answered directly. "She just needs to pick up a few skills to move up."

The highest level for gymnastics is 10, something Lande is closing on. But that isn't her ultimate goal; and although thoughts of the Olympics must penetrate the psyche of most elite gymnasts sometime during their career, it isn't foremost on Lande's mind.

"College gymnastics," is her ultimate goal.

She's got a few years before making that decision, and the way Lande's going now, she'll have her choice of colleges.



Jenna Lande national champion

On beam:
Jenna Lande puts the form that earned her two gold medals on display — but she also shows she has time to enjoy the sport with mates (from left) Allison Vraniak, Caitlin Scheib (back) and Ashley Aquinto.



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Lightning strikes Hornets twice

Not a bad fill-in. Stefanie Volpe made her coaching debut Thursday as the substitute skipper for the Plymouth Lightning in a Girls Incredible Fastpitch Softball League double-header against the Farmington Hills Hornets, played at Farmington Mercy. Although Volpe's own prowess on the field would have been much desired — after all, how many times does a freshman make all-Big Ten, which Volpe (a Plymouth Salem graduate) did last spring — the Lightning sure did all right with her behind the bench.

The Hornets managed just three runs in two games as the Lightning posted a double-header sweep, winning 6-2 and 4-1. The twin-killing improved their record to 8-1 overall.

Amanda Sutton was the hero in the opener. Sutton tossed a five-hitter over five innings, allowing two runs and one

walk while striking out eight. She also slugged a solo home run leading off the third inning, and drove in another run with a single in the first.

Dawn Allen also had an RBI single in the first as the Lightning struck for four runs in their first at-bat.

In the second game, Liz Dekarske and Jacqui Slobodnick combined on a two-hitter for the Lightning. Dekarske worked the first four innings, allowing one run on two hits and three walks, striking out three; Slobodnick pitched the final two innings and did not allow a run or a hit, walking one.

The Lightning struck for one run in the first, scored on the first of Allen's two RBI singles, and added three more in the

fourth. Allen again singled in a run and Katie Kelly slugged a two-run home run. The Lightning tangle with the Thunder in an Incredible Fastpitch league double-header Tuesday at Plymouth Salem.

Lasers 6-10, Diamonds 3-7: The Livonia Lasers won both ends of their double-header Thursday against the host Farmington Diamonds in a Girls Incredible Fastpitch encounter at North Farmington High.

The Lasers, now 5-3 in the National League, scored three times in the fifth inning to break a 3-all tie to win the opener.

Winning pitcher Tara Muchow scattered two hits and three walks over six innings. She struck out nine.

Hitting standouts included Nicole Zabkiewicz with a triple, single and one RBI; Jeanette Bertrand and Muchow,

double and single apiece.; Amy Sandrick and Sara Knopsnider, RBI singles each. Kristine Colombo, who gave up nine hits, took the loss.

Chrissy King had an RBI for the Diamonds.

Zabkiewicz had three singles and two RBI in the nightcap to pace the Lasers.

Tera Morrill and Bertrand each contributed two hits and one RBI, while Jamie Linden and Sandrick each knocked in a run.

Zabkiewicz, with relief help from Muchow, was the winning pitcher.

Colombo, relieved by Jessica Brubaker in the fourth, suffered the loss as the Diamonds fell to 7-3 in the league.

Kristy Reinhardt knocked in a pair of runs for the Diamonds, while Colombo (triple) and King (double) each scored a run. Lori Tapper scored three runs.

Player	GP	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG
Art Baker (Huskers)	7	20	3	10	2	0.500
Phil Davis (Huskers)	9	27	1	3	0	0.111
J.J. Woods (Huskers)	7	18	1	3	0	0.167
Rick Mann (Huskers)	10	28	0	1	0	0.036
Brandon North (Lasers)	10	32	1	3	0	0.094
Will Harris (Lasers)	10	32	1	3	0	0.094
Tom Martens (Lasers)	10	32	1	3	0	0.094

LALA Masters

The Livonia And Larger Area Masters Swim Club, or LALA, is now meeting from 5-6 p.m. every

Monday-Wednesday-Friday at the Clements Circle pool, located on Harrison (east of Middlebelt, between Plymouth and West Chicago) in Livonia. LALA also

meets 10-11 a.m. Saturdays at Botsford pool, located on Lathers north of Seven Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster, in Livonia.

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(Farmington) added a goal and an assist apiece, and Tad Patterson (Canton) also had a goal. Sean Kass and Darrin Silvester

each added four assists. Dan Dobrowski (Southfield) was in goal for the Wildcats (now 2-4).

Run by Sheila Taormina, a Livonia Stevenson graduate and Olympic gold medalist in swimming in 1996, LALA is open to all types of swimmers who are 19-years-old and over — but it is not a learn-to-swim program. Those wishing to compete in Masters swimming, or those who are just interested in conditioning, are welcome to participate.

Both locations feature outdoor 50-meter pools. LALA will continue to meet at the outdoor pools through the end of August, with emphasis on conditioning and some stroke technique.

There is a one-month tryout allowed. Cost is \$25 for a one-year U.S. Masters membership fee, plus \$20 per month club dues.

City tourney upcoming

Wimbledon may be over, but there's another tennis tournament on the horizon.

The City of Livonia Parks and Recreation Department will stage its open tennis tournament for singles (July 30-Aug. 1) and doubles (Aug. 7-8) at Shelden Park, located on Plymouth Road, one block east of Farmington Road (behind Alfred Noble Library).

Resident entry fees are \$10 for adults and \$6 for youths (17-and-under). Non-resident fees are \$15 and \$8, respectively. Each player or team must furnish a new can of U.S.T.A. approved tennis balls.

Singles entries must be received by 5 p.m. Wednesday, July 28 and doubles entries by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 4, at the Livonia Parks and Recreation Office, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia.

per event. All semifinals and will be played on Sunday. Awards will go to the winners and runner-ups in all divisions.

Match-play format is best two-of-three sets (no add scoring).

Match play times for singles on Friday, July 30 will be at 8 a.m. (Boys 17-and-under), 10 a.m. (Boys 14-and-under), 2 p.m. (Girls 17- and 14-and-under).

On Saturday, July 31, singles starting times include 8 a.m. (men 18-34); noon (men 35-49 and men 50-and-over); 2 p.m. (women 18-34 and 35-and-up).

Doubles action on Saturday, Aug. 7 will feature men's (8 a.m.), women's (11 a.m.) and mixed (1 p.m.).

Age division eligibility is determined as of July 30, 1999. For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

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A change in plans turned out to be a blessing in disguise for Livonia's Lou Calcaterra.

An avid big game hunter, Calcaterra and his close friends Bob Barclay and John Walter recently returned home from a two-week

hunting trip in Africa. The trio was planning a trip to Alaska, but as the plans unfolded and costs escalated they quickly realized it would be cheaper to go to Africa.

"I've hunted in Canada and out west, but nothing I've experienced remotely compares to Africa," Calcaterra said. "I don't care where you've been, Africa is better. It was just incredible and it turned out being cheaper than a trip to Alaska would have cost us. We did it for about \$6,000 each."

Calcaterra, Barclay and Walter focussed their attention on hunting plains animals including Cape buffalo, kudu, eland, wildebeest, wart hogs and impala, among others. Although the hunts were physically demanding, they stalked most of their prey - sometimes for up to four or five hours - by following fresh tracks and sign. One of the highlights of the trip was that each hunter shot a Cape buffalo with horns in excess of 40 inches.

"The guides were just fantastic," Calcaterra said. "They were so knowledgeable, not just about the game we were hunting, but about everything else that lived in the plains, the weather, the area, the entire package."

Calcaterra was also impressed with the accommodations his party received.

"We were in Zimbabwe for two weeks. I was real surprised because the living conditions were outstanding," he said. "We stayed in cement huts and field stone buildings that were every

comfortable. There were no bugs and the food, and the living conditions were outstanding."

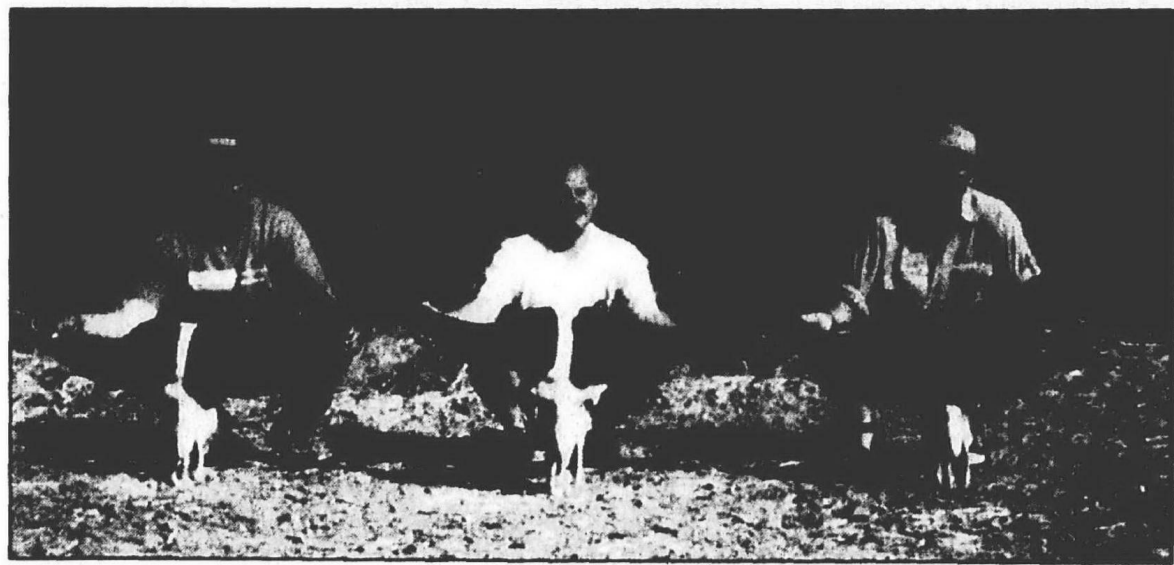
Although Calcaterra couldn't bring home any of the meat - only capes and horns - nothing went to waste.

"Everything we shot was served up for dinner. What we didn't eat was given to the guides and the local people, who really appreciated it," Calcaterra said. "Absolutely nothing went to waste."

"Sadly, there is a lot of poverty where we were. Money's really not a big thing to the locals because they don't have anywhere to spend it. If you want to buy something or tip someone you give them food. I had some (baseball) hats with me that I gave to some people and they really liked that, too."

Calcaterra said he, Barclay and Walter were already talking about making a return trip to Africa, but said he'd make one change.

"I'll bring a shotgun this time,"



Cape crusaders: Lou Calcaterra (left), Bob Barclay (center) and John Walter show off the horns from the Cape buffalo they shot on a recent hunting trip in Africa.

he said. "They have some outstanding upland bird hunting, too."

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Former Rocket rising in Tigers' system

BY BRAD EMONS
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The confidence level is building for Derek Besco.

Lakeland still is a long way from Comerica Park, but the 23-year-old Westland John Glenn High product via the University of Michigan is starting to make the climb.

Besco, who has made the switch from right to left field, is putting together an outstanding season with the Tigers' Class A affiliate.

Through 80 games, the 6-foot-2, 200-pound Besco is batting .304 (through July 8) with three homers and 41 RBI, ranking among the team's top offensive leaders.

"Basically I'm getting a chance to play every day and things are looking up this year," Besco said. "The season is a long grind. We still have 54 games left and some days you're dragging, but overall I've loved every minute of pro ball."

The Tigers took Besco in the 25th round in 1998 and sent him to their rookie league affiliate in Jamestown, N.Y. where he batted .235 with six homers and 18 RBI in 49 games.

During the off-season, he returned to Ann Arbor and continued to work out with his brother Bryan (who just recently finished his career at U-M).

"The extra year experience helps," Besco said. "My first year in pro ball was something new and different. I didn't know what to expect, but now I have the confidence and I know what to expect."

Besco, who bats third in the order, has become a dangerous hitter in the Florida State League.

"I have about 55 strikeouts, definitely get my hacks," he said. "I really didn't make any adjustments from last year to this year. I never thought I had a bad swing."

Even an 0-for-4 night Thursday against Dunedin doesn't get the former All-State football player from Glenn down.

"Right now I feel I'm swinging the bat well," he said. "I hit the ball hard, but we have guys in this league that can track a ball down."

"The center fielders are so quick. You balls you hit up the middle that you think are going for base hit, but the shortstop snags it and throws you out by two steps."

"And every guy (pitcher) we face throws in the 90s (MPH) it seems. This is a good league. There are some really good players."

PROFILE

Besco has crossed paths with Michigan quarterback Drew Henson, who plays for the Yankees' Class A team in Tampa.

"We've talked, he's a good-size kid," Besco said. "I really don't know how he does both (sports). That's got to be tough, but I'm not going to feel sorry for him. He's not hurting for money."

Lakeland finished the first half of the season 33-36, but now stands in first place during the early stages of the second half (9-7).

He is a resident of TigerTown, housed in the dormitory reserved for the Major Leaguers during spring training. Most trips in the Florida State League are one-day bus rides with a few overnights spliced in.

Besco can walk out his door and be on the field at Joker Marchant Stadium.

He has his own car, but eats most of his meals at the Tiger-Town cafeteria.

"It's convenient stay here and you can live a lot cheaper staying in the complex," Besco said. "The rooms are decent size and they're all air conditioned."

"The heat isn't really a factor because we play all our games at night and it usually cools off by then."

During the first half of the season Besco spends off-hours working with the Lakeland coaching staff and minor league roving instructors. The second half of the season is basically games.

"We usually lift weights twice a week," Besco said. "Sometimes I go down and hit early, then relax in the clubhouse or get something to eat. Then we go back out for pregame."

"It's a full day."

And how's life in sunny Lakeland?

"There's not much around here," Besco said. "I'm not really into fishing. I don't have a pole. It's too boring for me, but some of the guys like it and go out."

"Actually we've gone out bowling a few times."

Lakeland's roster is filled with players from Latin America, but the team functions despite the language differences.

"They're all great guys and most can hold conversations," Besco said. "We can communicate most of the time."

It's been almost two years since Derek and his twin Bryan played on the same team. The

two, who played together in the Connie Mack World Series and the 1993 state Class AA football, championship enjoyed immense success and were inseparable throughout their high school and collegiate days.

In the summer of 1998, Derek played in Alaska, while Bryan stayed in the midwest. They met later that summer on opposite teams in the National Baseball Congress World Series championship game in Wichita, Kan.

Bryan, who received a red-shirt season at U-M, finished up his senior year hitting .311 (with six homers and 43 RBI) as the Wolverines won the Big 10 playoffs and finished second to Cal-State Fullerton in the NCAA regional in South Bend, Ind.

Bryan recently took a job with Carlson Marketing Group of Troy, with the Saturn Corporation as one of its main clients.

"It's been so long. I've forgot

what it's like to play with him," Derek said. "I guess I'm used to it now, but it would have been nice if he (Bryan) had gotten chance, either getting drafted or signing as a free agent with the Tigers."

After the first week of September, when the season concludes, Derek will return to Westland.

"I'm excited about coming home, but I can't sit around," Derek said. "I'll work out and get some kind of job to stay busy."

But for the time being, he's working a full-time job in the minor leagues trying to make himself into a prospect.

He has had several game-winning hits for Lakeland this season and has become comfortable defensively in left field.

"It's a matter of confidence," Derek said.

And if he continues to progress, Comerica Park might be only a stone's throw away.

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Thursday, July 15:	Diamonds vs. Cyclones at North Farmington; Knights vs. Wildcats at Livonia Churchill; Hornets vs. Lasers at Farmington Hills Mercy; Lancers vs. Lightning at Livonia Ladywood; Thunder vs. Cobras at Plymouth Salem.
AMERICAN LEAGUE SCHEDULE	
Tuesday, July 13:	White Sox vs. Ladybugs at Livonia Ladywood (No. 1); Mustangs vs. Wings at Farmington Hills Mercy; Red Sox vs. Broncos at Livonia Ladywood (No. 2); Gators vs. Rangers at Livonia Churchill.
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CC guard at Wendy's

Redford Catholic Central guard Nick Moore, a two-time All-Observer selection headed to the University of Toledo, will play for Team Michigan in the Wendy's Classic, Tuesday and Wednesday, July 20-21, at the Nutter Center on the campus of Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio.

The Wendy's Classic features elite all-star teams from Michigan, Ohio, Illinois and Indiana.

Former Schoolcraft Community College head coach Glen Donahue will direct Team Michigan.

Other players scheduled to play for Team Michigan include Jason Richardson of Saginaw Arthur Hill, Michigan's Mr. Basketball headed to Michigan State; River Rouge's Brent Darby (Ohio State), Ann Arbor Pioneer's Lavell Blanchard (Michigan); and Detroit DePores' Aloysius Anagonye (MSU).

Other Team Michigan players include Taylor Bro (Rockford), Ricardo Thomas (Detroit CMA), Willie Wallace (Flint Southwestern Academy), Willie Green (Detroit Cooley), Adam Hess (Grosse Pointe North) and Matt Jakeway (Flushing).

Tickets are available through Ticketmaster. Fox Sports Net Detroit will televise the Wendy's Classic from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, July 24.

Volleyball camps

Madonna University will hold a pair of volleyball camps Sunday, July 18 through Thursday,

July 21.

There will be two hitters sessions — 8:30 a.m.-noon (morning) and 1-4:30 p.m. (afternoon). The cost is \$100 for each session.

The defensive specialty camp will be from 1-4:30 p.m. The cost is \$100 per person.

For more information, call Jerry Abraham at (734) 432-5612 (office) or (734) 254-0698.

Inline hockey sign-up

The SoccerZone, 41550 Grand River, Novi, is accepting walk-in and mail-in registration for its fifth inline hockey season.

The 10-week session starts Saturday, July 31 and runs through Oct. 10.

Hockey fees for midget-age team and older are \$940; bantam-age and younger, \$895.

Fees for individuals seeking to be placed on a team are \$85 (returning players) and \$95 (new players). Referee fees are included.

For more information, call (248) 374-0500.

3-on-3 hoop tourney

The Sports Academy will host a three-on-three basketball tournament Saturday, July 31, at the Novi Community Parks basketball courts, located on northeast corner Eight Mile and Napier roads.

Each team is allowed four players. The double-elimination tournament is for players 17-and-over. Check-in is at 8:30

a.m. with games starting at 9 a.m. (Rain date is Sunday, Aug. 1.)

The entry fee is \$125 per team. The first place team wins \$250.

Youth can register at the Sports Academy through Thursday, July 29.

For more information, call (248) 380-0800.

Coaches wanted

Livonia Ladywood, a Catholic, Class A all-girls high school is seeking qualified person to fill the following head coaching positions — head cross country and head swimming.

Those interested should write to Sal Malek, Athletic Director, Ladywood High School, 14680 Newburgh Road, Livonia, Mi. 48154; or call (734) 591-2323.

Hockey sign-up

The Canton Amateur Hockey Association is now accepting applications for its Mini-Mite program, which begins Aug. 1 at the Arctic Pond Ice Arena in Plymouth. Registration forms must be received by Friday, July 9.

The Mini-Mite program, for ages 5-8 years-old, will focus on learning to skate and basic hockey skills. Registration forms are available at Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit on the Park in Canton, or on the hockey association's web-site: <http://sport.mlive.com/sport/cana/mhockey>.

Cost is \$125 per player. For more information, call (734) 207-1002.

Grand Prix package

The Detroit Historical Society has fewer than 100 special VIP passes remaining to the Detroit Grand Prix, scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 8 on Belle Isle. For \$150, a VIP pass-holder will receive entry to a private hospitality tent; unlimited food and beverages; pit passes; a grand stand ticket for the race; and round-trip transportation from the Detroit Historical Museum (located at 5401 Woodward) to Belle Isle. Shuttle service begins at 10 a.m., with the last shuttle leaving Belle Isle at 5 p.m.

Also, \$50 of the cost is a tax deductible donation to the Detroit Historical Society, which supports the Detroit Historical Museum, the Dossin Great Lakes Museum on Belle Isle, Historic Fort Wayne and the Historic Moross House.

To reserve tickets, call Jennifer Richard at (313) 833-1405.

Hockey offerings

The city of Plymouth Recreation office is offering ice hockey clinics and some late night drop-in hockey through the rest of the summer at the Plymouth Cultural Center, located at 525 Farmer in Plymouth.

Clinics will be every Friday through Aug. 27. From 1-2:20 p.m. there will be a hockey skating skills clinic, with no pucks or sticks, for all ages; cost is \$6 per person. From 2:30-3:50 p.m. each Friday, there will be a hockey skills clinic with sticks and

pucks, for ages 6-and-over; cost is \$6 per person.

On Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays through Aug. 27, there will be late night drop-in hockey from 11 p.m.-midnight at the Cultural Center for adults 18 and over. Cost is \$7 per player, with the first four goalies admitted for free.

For information regarding either, contact the Recreation office at (734) 455-6623.

Baseball classic

The 13th annual Wayne Baseball Association Late Summer Classic Tournament (ages 13-14) will be Friday through Sunday, July 30-Aug. 1, in Wayne.

The entry fee is \$200 per team. The registration deadline is Wednesday, July 21.

The round-robin format guarantees each team four games. Individual awards will go to the first and second-place teams, along with sponsor.

The tournament rules meeting and draw will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 22 at the Wayne Baseball Building, 34630 Annapolis, Wayne.

For more information, call Jeff Auer at (313) 292-4175.

Wrestling camp

The Cougar Wrestling Camp will be from 10 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday, July 12-23, at Garden City High School, 6500 Middlebelt Road between Warren and Ford roads.

The cost is \$40 (includes camp T-shirt).

All levels of ability welcome. No experience necessary. Everything from the basics to advance technique will be covered.

Registration is available the first day of camp, or anytime during the two weeks.

For more information, call David Chiola at (734) 425-8797 or (810) 830-5367 (pager).

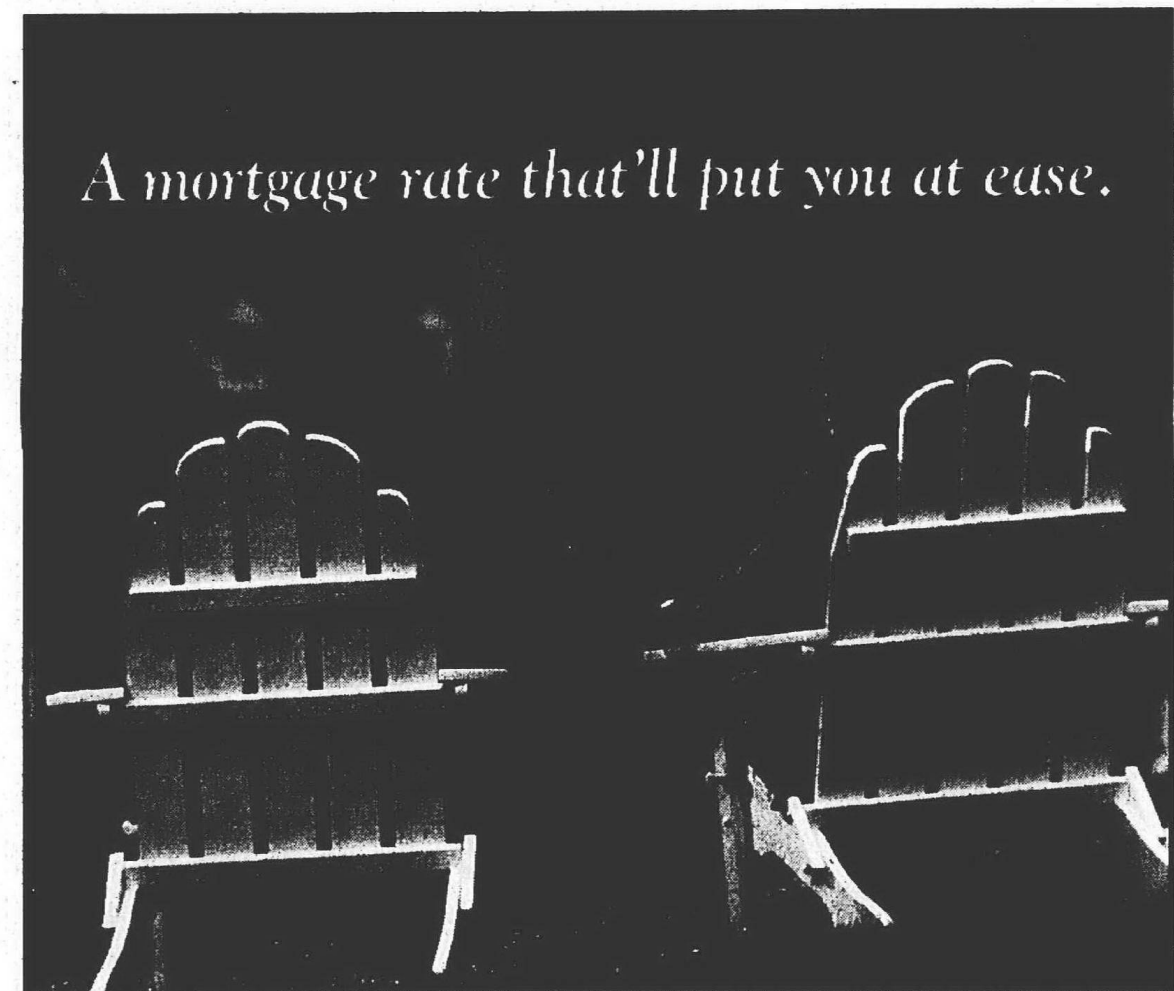
Vipers in-line tourney

The Detroit Vipers of the International Hockey League will host Blade Raid '99, an in-line hockey tournament Saturday-Sunday, July 31-Aug. 1, at the Palace of Auburn Hills parking lot.

Games will consist of four-on-four roller hockey (including goaltender). Teams are guaranteed a minimum of three games in the round-robin format. The squads with the best records advance to the playoffs with the top three finishers in each division receiving awards. All participants will also receive tickets to the Vipers' 1999-2000 home opener and an official Blade '99 T-shirt.

For more information, call the Oakland County Parks office or tournament director Don Rossman at (248) 377-8637.

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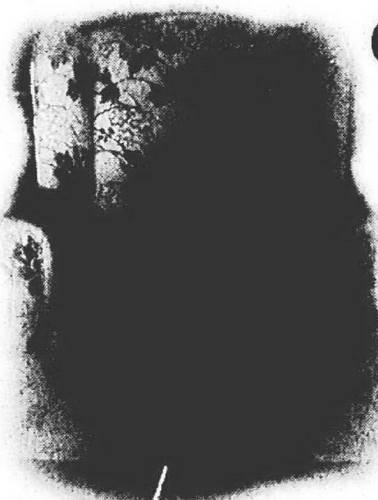
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RECREATION

OUTDOOR CALENDAR

Black bears keep low profile

As I look around Wayne and Oakland counties today, it's hard for me to realize that bison, caribou, wolf, elk and black bear frequented this area.

Some of these species, like wolf, bison and black bear disappeared about 150 years ago. Others like the bison were extirpated from the state in the late eighteenth century.

It was man's impact on the land, changing the habitat of southeastern Michigan, that caused these animals to retreat to appropriate habitats, or die off.

Today it is unusual to see these wild animals in southeastern Michigan, but exceptions do occur periodically.

Not long ago a black bear was spotted in Clarkston. Typically black bear are found north of the 44th parallel because of the appropriate habitat.



TIM NOWICKI

Occasionally individuals get a wanderlust and begin to travel. This individual was eventually captured in the thumb area of the state and transported to a more appropriate location to the north.

Most large predators, like black bear, are very secretive and seldom seen. Though some areas of the state, such as Drummond Island, have an excellent bear population, most bears are scattered in the more remote areas of the state.

Travelers to these remote areas interested in seeing wildlife seek out areas to see these elusive animals.

Garbage dumps, once excellent places to see wild bears, are no longer used. This may have been good for viewing bears, but it was not good for the bears. Conditioning them to garbage usually put them at odds with humans in the vicinity.

When my family and I traveled to the Upper Peninsula last week, we were fortunate to see two wild black bears. Our first was spotted on a two track off M-26 as we traveled south from Copper Harbor.

Despite a quick turnaround, we were not able to get a prolonged look at the animal.

Our next wild bear was at the Rainbow Restaurant in Silver City outside the Porcupine Mountains State Park.

Local bears have learned to get into the restaurant's dumpster around sunset.

We parked our car, along with several others, and waited for an appearance. After a modest wait we saw a young bear, my guess was a 2-year-old, come out from behind a tall tree and some grass.

It poked around at something and upon being startled, raced back into the dense cover.

Since it was not too dark yet we decided to stay and see if it would return - fortunately it did.

It came back to the same something on the ground, sniffed it and even stood up on its hind legs while investigating its find. Unfortunately someone again scared it off into the woods.

We definitely felt fortunate to have seen two wild black bears, a species that has not been seen in Wayne or Oakland counties since about 1850.

Don't miss Run Through Hell

If you're not up to running a marathon in the fall, which includes the 22nd International Marathon through Detroit and Windsor (Oct. 17), I've got some other less taxing alternatives for the rest of the summer.

As I head for my fifth consecutive Great Lakes Relay, a 270-mile, three-day event across northern lower Michigan, it's about the halfway mark of the running campaign.

Thus far, I'm slightly off pace as far as total mileage accumulated in 1998 (1,835 total miles) as opposed to 1999.

My times are also off from a year ago, but of course I'm a year older. To make up for lack of speed, I've started weekly sessions at the Livonia Stevenson High track doing interval workouts.

But none-the-less, the running season for yours truly has been gratifying and fun.

It started in mid-March with the St. Patrick's Corktown 4-miler and it's been a steady



BRAD EMONS

stream of races since — Old Kent Riverbank, a 25-kilometer (15.5 miles); three half-marathons (Flushing, West Bloomfield, National City Dexter-to-Ann Arbor); a 20K (Dominion's in Ann Arbor); two 10Ks (Plymouth YMCA and Whitmore Lake); a 5-miler (Grosse Ile), an 8K (Trenton Treadmill); and yesterday's 4-mile Farmington Founders Festival.

The plan is to build up again for either Detroit or Chicago marathon, so the long runs (10-plus milers) will be starting again soon.

And God willing, if I recover quickly enough from the 27 to 30 miles of hill training this weekend at the Great Lakes, it's time to start registering for some other events to fill out my summer slate.

Here are a few suggestions leading up to the Crim Festival of Races Saturday, Aug. 28 in Downtown Flint.

•Thursday, July 22 — Mid-Summer's Night 5K Run, 6:30 p.m. from the Novi Town Center, call 248-553-7303, Ext. 2200;

•Saturday, July 31 — Heart of the Hills 10K and 5K, 8 a.m. with the start at Bloomfield Hills Andover (very challenging, twisting, hilly course in beautiful surroundings), call (248) 354-1177;

•Saturday, July 31 — Roadrunner

Classic 8K, 5K walk and 1-mile fun run in downtown Northville, 6 p.m. (good socializing afterwards), e-mail www.redfordrunners.com;

•Saturday, Aug. 7 — Allen Park 8K, 6:30 p.m. (through tree-lined neighborhoods, flat, fast, good food afterwards), call (734) 282-1101 or (248) 354-1177;

•Saturday, Aug. 14 — Run Through Hell 4.8 and 10-mile foot race, 8 a.m. Call (734) 878-6640.

This is definitely my favorite race of the year.

It starts out Hell Creek Ranch (on Cedar Lake and Patterson roads in Pinckney). Race director Harrison Hensley says only "wimps" do the 4.8-miler. Who can resist horseflies, heat, humidity, washboard dirt roads, dust and hills galore? It's like the running of the bulls, Pamplona-style, without being gored.

This is the perfect warmup for the Crim. High schoolers also like it.

•Saturday, Aug. 28 — Crim Festival of Races in Flint features the 10-miler, 8K and 5K, along with other events for walkers and kids. The Bradley Hills halfway through the 10-miler are challenging. And who can resist running on the same course against world-class competitors from Kenya? Call (810) 235-7985.

Ottman now knows his ABCs

As the American Bowling Congress recently concluded its 128-day tournament run in Syracuse, NY, a familiar team emerged as one of the big winners.

It just so happens that the Ottman Enterprises of Troy captured the Team All-events title, its second title in three years at the ABC.

In winning, Ottman Enterprises amassed a total pinfall of 9,918.

Bill Orlikowski led the way with 2,074, followed by Dan Ottman (of Troy), 2,001; Jay Lang, 1,995; Chris Jones, 1,943; and Kerry Krefl, 1,906.

"I've been in a fog for three months," Ottman said. "We had 93 days to wait. You can only dream about winning two Eagles (victory symbol for ABC champions). Winning two Eagles is the pinnacle of my ABC career especially since we are all from Michigan.

"Finally, it's official."

Krefl and Orlikowski also took second place in the regular doubles event, missing first place by just four pins.

Meanwhile, the Women's International Bowling Congress (WIBC) was going on at Indianapolis.

Breaking into the record book in Classic Doubles was Marianne DiRupo, now residing in Dearborn, along with Tim McCorvey of Alabama.

Their 1,451 total topped the previous record of Mandy Wilson



AL HARRISON

and Linda Kelly in 1996.

DiRupo, who competes in the Cloverlanes All-Star Bowlerettes in Livonia during the season and is a regular on the pro tour, had 732.

Her partner added 719 for their record breaking totals.

The women champions will defend their titles in year 2000 in Reno, Nev., while the men head for Albuquerque, New Mexico.

This will also be my first time in 40 years competing in the ABC.

•There are several bowling tournament clubs that have been successfully operating in this area for many years.

The usual format is a monthly tournament in which an amateur has a chance to win a considerable amount of money if he or she performs well.

Some of the clubs bowl with a handicap system, while others are on a scratch (no handicap) format.

The National Amateur Bowlers Inc. Club (NABI) has been very popular. The NABI is handicapping under two divisions, with 205-and-over in the platinum division.

They will be featuring the third annual Great Lakes Regional Tournament the weekends of Aug. 27-28 and Sept. 3-6, at Skore Lanes, 22255 Ecorse Road, Taylor.

The prize fund will be \$12,750 in both divisions with first place taking \$4,000. Other payouts include second, \$2,000, and third, \$1,000 (with lesser prizes on down).

For more information or entry forms, call (313) 291-6220.

•Calling all kids ages 9-14... the Youth Summer Special is

going on at 11 a.m. each Friday at Westland Bowl, 5940 Wayne Road.

The \$7 fee includes bowling and entertainment from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., a personal size pizza from Toarmina's, D.J. and karaoke each week, special entertainment (magician and clown), two hours of active fun-filled enjoyment.

Parents must come in and sign kids in by 11:15 a.m. and sign out at 1 p.m.

This is an air-conditioned, smoke free environment.

Why didn't they have these things when we were kids?

For more information, call (734) 722-7570.

BOWLING HONOR ROLL

- Woodland Lanes (Livonia)
- Senior Hopelites: Walt Beauchamp, 217; Bob Westman, 209-215.
- Summer Trio: Keith Caldwell, 239; Rusty Reed, 697; Mike Sursk, 269.
- Merril Bowl (Livonia)
- Senior Lads & Lassies: Jack Hauswirth, 243; Stephen Milosert, 277; Ede Rozema, 214; Herb Lloyd, 223; Dory Priebe, 201; Ted Viall, 201; Eric Klimek, 202; Gordon Keelley, 213; Frank Lademann, 2203; Mike Omediano, 246.
- Cloverlanes (Livonia)
- Tuesday Unique Trio: Connie Cleveland, 245/661; Tempel Johnson, 258/660; Greg Smith, Jr., 255/731; Willie Johnson, 257/728; Larry Collins, 236/705; Larry Richardson, 243/718; Melrose Jefferson, 279/663; Lamai Tyler, 264.
- Senior Drop-Ins: Jerry Page, 245/602; Tony Rye, 232/599; Dan Uller, 202; Larry Trute, 203; J. Newton, 203; Gertrude Newton, 191; Zita Chenello, 192; Howard Simmons, 209; Walt Arsenault, 222.
- Friday Foursome: George Saddler, 254; Aaron Alfaro, 604.
- Monday Dynamic Doubles: Dewey Hurt, 262/649; Dennis Gzowicz, 242/730; James Brm, 246/655.
- Town 'n Country Lanes (Westland)
- Wednesday Trio: Rob Raymond, 300; Clarence Munding, 275; Jim Cooper, 248.
- Monday Nite Jet Set Mixed: Don White, 255; Colleen Harper, 194.

ARCHERY

ROA 3D SHOOT
Royal Oak Archers will hold a 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday, July 18, on its walk-through course in Lake Orion. Call (248) 628-8354 or (248) 589-2480 for more information.

SAFARI 3D
Detroit Archers will hold a 56-target safari shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday and Sunday, July 24-25, on its walk-through course in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

LIVONIA RANGE
The newly renovated Livonia Archery Range is open to the public. The range features seven field lanes and one broadhead lane and is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Livonia residents shoot free of charge. The range is located on Glendale Avenue, east of Farmington Road. Call (734) 466-2410 for more information.

JUNIOR OLYMPICS
The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR ARCHERS
A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

SHOOTING SPORTS

SPORTING CLAYS
Wings & Clays will host a sporting clays shoot on Sunday, Aug. 29, at the Bald Mountain range in Lake Orion. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

SEASON/DATES

ELK SEASON
Application deadline for the September and December 1999 Michigan elk seasons is July 15. Call (517) 373-1263 for more information.

FISHING TOURNAMENTS

TOP BASS
Top Bass Tournament Trail, a series of open singles draw bass tournaments, continues on Saturday, July 17 on Wixom Lake. Registration is \$60 and the pay back is one place cash for every seven contestants. Boaters and non-boaters are welcome and there is no pre-registration. Call Elmer Daniels at (734) 729-1762 or Steve Randles at (734) 422-5813 for more information. Additional stops on the Top Bass Tournament Trail are July 31 on Sanford Lake and Aug. 14-15 on Wixom Lake.

OAKLAND BASS MASTERS
Oakland Bass Masters will hold its annual Tournament for Toys, a two-man team open charity bass tournament, beginning at 5:30 a.m. Sunday, July 18, on Lake St. Clair. Entry fee is \$80 per boat. To register and for more information call Roy Randolph at (248) 542-5254. Oakland Bass Masters will hold additional tournaments Aug. 8 on Orchard Lake, Aug. 29 on Labdell Lake, and Sept. 26 on Lakeville Lake.

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CLASSES/SEMINARS

MOUNTAIN BIKE DESTINATIONS
Dan Harrison will present a clinic on mountain bike trails in Lower Michigan beginning at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 14, at REI in Northville. Call (248) 347-2100 for more information.

FLY FISHING SCHOOL
The Riverbend Sports Shop in Southfield is sponsoring several fly fishing schools in the upcoming months. Held at the Huntsman Hunt Club in Dryden and Hunters Creek Hunt Club in Metamora, the schools include lessons in basic fly fishing techniques including casting, knot tying, reading the water, playing, landing and releasing fish, entomology and fly selection and more. Classes are scheduled for July 25, August 15 and 29, and Sept. 12. Class size is limited. To register and for more information call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474.

FLY TYING

Paint Creek Outfitters in Rochester offers a variety of fly tying classes for beginners and advanced tyers. Call (248) 650-0440 for more information or to make a reservation for an upcoming class.

MORE FLY TYING
River Bend Sport Shop in Southfield offers fly tying classes for beginners, intermediate and advanced tyers. Classes will be held at various times in July. For more information and to register call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474.

CLIMBING CLASS

An introductory climbing course for the novice and first-time climber is offered at various times at REI in Northville. The class covers basic indoor climbing safety, technique, equipment and terminology. The course is free and available to adults and children. Call (248) 347-2100 for current schedules and additional information.

CLUBS

CLINTON VALLEY BASS
Clinton Valley Bass Anglers club is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome.) The club meets monthly at Gander Mountain in Waterford. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for more information.

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.

FISHING BUDDIES
Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets the third Tuesday of each month in Rochester Hills. Meetings are open to all anglers (boaters and non-boaters). Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS
The Huron Valley Steelheaders meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Road, Flat Rock. Call Carroll White at (734) 285-0843 for more information.

BASS ASSOCIATION
The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863.

SOLAR
The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

FLY TYING
The River Bend Sports Shop Fly Tying Club meets every other week in Southfield. Call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN
Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Hours for archery and clay target shooting are noon to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays; 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Rifle range hours are 3 p.m. to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays; 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Road, which is three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills off M 24. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

PONTIAC LAKE
Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays.

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (248) 666-1020 for more information.

ORTONVILLE RECREATION
Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are noon-5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (248) 693-6767 for more information.

OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS
Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

NATURE CLUB
Ages 8-12 will learn about the outdoors during this program, which begins at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 31, at Independence Oaks. The club will also meet, Aug. 28.

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS
Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2187. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

ENVIRONMENTAL KIDS
Learn the importance of recycling and other ways kids can help save the environment during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 13, at Highland.

SPECIAL SEEDS
Bring an old soup can for a special project and learn about seeds during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 15, at Highland.

CONSTELLATION HIKE
Explore the night sky and learn Native American folk lore during this program, which begins at 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 16, at Maybury.

CREEPY CRAWLIES
Take a look at the amazing world of insects and other small creatures during this program, which begins at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 17, at Maybury.

SUMMER EVENINGS
Explore the park's natural and cultural history through a variety of weekly hikes and interpretive presentations during this class, which will be held at 7 p.m. each Thursday through the end of August at Maybury.

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.

SMALL FRY SAMPLER
Ages four and five will learn how children and weeds grow during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 13, at Kensington.

NATURE DISCOVERY
Ages six and seven will learn what makes mammals different from other animals during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 14, at Kensington.

ESPECIALLY FOR KIDS
Ages eight-10 will discover what lives in flowing water during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 14, at Kensington.

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 permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

At 100 years, Washtenaw CC ranks with oldest

It was July 11, 1899, when 15 Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti area residents formed the Washtenaw Country Club, laying out a three-hole course to enjoy the "wonderful new game of golf being played on the East Coast."

The third oldest country club in the state, Washtenaw began celebrating its week-long centennial observances on July 11, 1999.

The Detroit Golf Club and the Saginaw Country Club are the first and second oldest clubs in Michigan.

More than half of the Washtenaw Country Club members reside in the HomeTown Communications Network communities of Plymouth, Livonia, Farmington Hills, Canton, Northville, Novi, South Lyon and Brighton.

Current president of Washtenaw Country Club, Plymouth's Clark Ewing, noted that a membership campaign has been launched to attract feature special events through Saturday (July 17).

GOLF NEWS

The course is widely recognized as a "golfers test" with rolling fairways and traditional greens.

Tim Johnson of Northville is the course superintendent.

One of the highlights of the observance is the publication of a 120-page hardcover centennial book written by Bill Sliger.

It records the club's history with emphasis on the achievements of former junior golf program members. The book also contains a number of turn-of-the-century photographs.

One of the historic photos shows sheep on fairways. Sheep were used to keep the fairways both trim and fertile.

For more information about the book, or membership, call the Washtenaw Country Club at (734) 434-2150.

Family Golf Scramble

Tee-off for a nine-hole family golf scramble (with a kicker) will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7 at Whispering Willows Golf Course.

The cost is \$13.25 for adults and \$5.25 for children (must be at least 10). The entry deadline is 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 2. Entries must be turned in at the Whispering Willows Pro Shop only. (Checks should be made payable to the City of Livonia.)

The tournament chairman will draw a number between 32 and 42 after all the teams have teed off. Each scramble team — threesomes, foursomes and twosomes — will be paired to make a foursome — then select a team handicap before play. The team

whose net score (gross score handicap) equals or is closest to the number drawn is the winner.

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

North Brothers outing

The 10th annual North Brothers Ford golf outing will be Saturday, Aug. 28 at Fox Creek Golf Course, 3600 Seven Mile Road, Livonia.

Registration is at 9 a.m. followed by a putting contest at 9:45 a.m.

There will be a shotgun start for the four-person scramble at 10:30 a.m. (Contests include closest-to-pin and long drive.)

The cost is \$90 per golfer

(includes greens fees, power cart, lunch at the turn, followed by dinner at approximately 4 p.m.).

Raffle tickets for prizes will be sold with all proceeds to benefit Westland D.A.R.E. Youth Assistance Program, Wayne County Family Center, Westland Jaycee Park Baseball Field Restoration and the Wayne-Westland YMCA Partners for Youth Campaign.

The registration deadline is Thursday, Aug. 5.

For more information, call Jackie Marcaccini or Denise Martinez at (734) 421-1300.

Junior golf challenge

Golden Bear Golf Center, 39500 Five Mile Road, Plymouth, will stage a junior golf skills putting and chipping contest from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, July 17.

For more information, call (734) 420-4653.

DISTANCE SWIMS

Lake Michigan swim

The fifth annual YMCA Lake Michigan Swim will start at 8:15 a.m. Saturday, July 17 in Grand Haven. The 1.75-mile open water swim begins at the North Pier and proceeds north to the North Beach Pavilion.

Entry fee is \$20 if completed and mailed by Friday, July 9; late registrations will be \$25, and will be accepted through July 16. There will be no registration the day of the race.

Competition will be for males and females in six age divisions: 19-and-under, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59 and 60-and-over. Check-in is 7:15-8 a.m. on race day, with a mandatory meeting from 8-8:15 a.m. The swim will end at 10 a.m.; all those still in the water will be assisted to the finish line.

All swimmers must report to the finish line, whether he or she completes the swim. Aids (snorkels, fins) may not be used, but goggles and wet suits are permitted.

T-Shirts are guaranteed to all competitors who register early. Trophies will be awarded to all age division winners; refreshments will be available to all swimmers at the finish line.

Registration forms are available at the Tri-Cities Family YMCA, 1 Y Drive, Grand Haven. For information, call (616) 842-7051.

Pizzaman Swims

The Domino's Pizzaman Swims are scheduled to start at 8:30 a.m. Sunday, July 25 at Big Portage Lake, located in the Waterloo Recreation Area in Waterloo. The 1.5-mile open water swim will consist of three half-mile laps.

Entry fee is \$15 if postmarked before July 10, \$18 for late entries. A USAT license will be required to compete in the swim. For those not possessing one, a one-day license may be purchased at registration for \$5.

Race day registration will be from 6:30-7:30 a.m. at the park, or from 2-5 p.m. Saturday, July 24 at the Tortoise & Hare Concept Store, located in the Traver Village Mall on Plymouth in Ann Arbor. Entries are available by calling (734) 662-1000, or by faxing (734) 662-3388.

The top female and male swimmers, the top female and male masters swimmers, and the top two males and females in each age group will receive awards. Age divisions are: 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, and 80 and over.

Coastal Crawl


The Harbor Springs Coastal Crawl, featuring a one-mile, two-mile or three-mile open water swim in Little Traverse Bay, will be Aug. 1 at Zorn Park, located on Bay Street in Harbor Springs. Check-in is 7-7:55 a.m.; there is a mandatory meeting at 8 a.m.

The three-mile race begins at 8:30 a.m., followed by the two-mile at 8:45 a.m. and the one-mile at 9 a.m. Average water temperature for Aug. 1 is 65 degrees.

Entry fee is \$20, which includes a picnic lunch. Applications are available by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Marilyn Early, 6212 Elm Hts., Harbor Springs, MI, 49740. Mail check and application to the Hammerhead Swim Club, c/o Erin Fortune, 3125 Valley View Trail, Harbor Springs, MI, 49740 by July 18. Registrations are limited to the first 150 applicants.

A limited number of custom-designed T-shirts for the race will also be available.

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