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7 p.m. in the commission chambers at City Hall.

Planners meet: The Ply-

ning commission meets at 7 p.m. at township hall.

On the agenda: the Sun-

shine Honda expansion.

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Census: Township up, city down

Plymouth Township's population is on the rise, while the City of Plymouth experienced a setback in population, according to Census Bureau figures.

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Figures released this week by the U. S. Census Bureau show Plymouth Township increased in population by 17.5 percent, while the City of Plymouth lost 5.6 percent of its residents, from the previous census 10 years ago.

Plymouth Township, regarded as an up-and-coming western Wayne County community, is one of 17 of Wayne County's 42 municipalities that saw an increase in population. In fact, according to the statistics, Plymouth Township recorded the seventh-highest percentage increase in the county, grow-

"I think it's great that we welcomed

More on the census, A7

more than 4,000 (4,150) new residents to our fabulous community," said Steve Mann, township supervisor. "I think it puts a bit of pressure on us to come up with recreation and other programs to serve our growing population.

Mann said he expects Plymouth Township to get a bigger piece of the state revenue sharing pie because of the increase in population. However, he's not sure how much money that will generate.

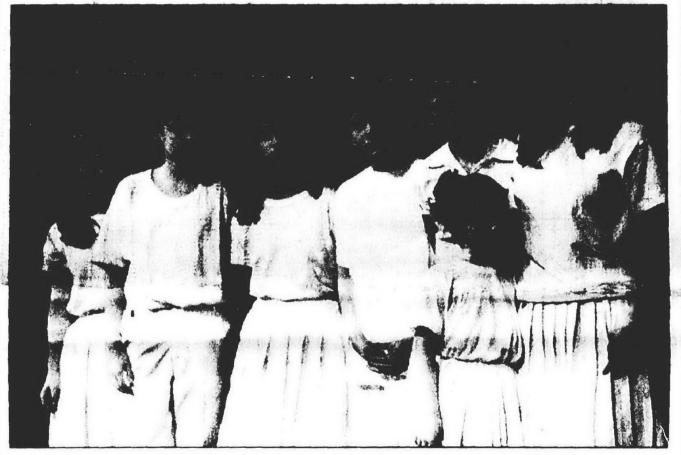
To no one's surprise, whites make up 92.4 percent of the township population, growing from 22,860 to 25,680.

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Livonia	104,814	100,850	100,545	-0.3
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The Hills are alive



On stage: The VonTrapp children react to the news that their father will be drafted by the Nazis. Valerie Akers as Marta, from left, Jerry Reid as Friedrich, Nicole Mellian as Brigitta, Joe Drake as Kurt, Megan Carroll as Louisa, Kelly Filios as Gretl and Laura Williams as Liesel. The Park Players of the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park present Rodgers & Hammerstein's classic family musical "The Sound of Music" at the Gloria Logan Auditorium for Performing Arts located inside Salem High School. Performances are 8 p.m. April 5-7 and 3 p.m. April 8. Tickets are \$8 for adults, and \$6 for students and seniors. Tickets are on sale weekdays 2:30-5:30 p.m. and are available at the door on performance dates one hour prior to

Supporters want arts coordinator for schools

BY TONY BRUSCATO

It's the same old song and dance. Members of the arts community want the Plymouth-Canton Schools to spend money on an arts coordinator for the district. The answer, once again, appears to be there's no money to hire a person to coordinate elemen-tary, middle school and high school arts programs.

"I believe the arts are the single best way to bring people together, to com-municate our feelings, to learn to work as an ensemble," Jennifer Tobin, executive director of the Plymouth Community Arts Council, told school board members Tuesday. "Just seeing the performing arts isn't enough. Kids should experience doing it themselves.

The PCAC is hoping the district will fund the arts coordinator, present a vision plan for the next five years and look for more funding for teachers and supplies.

Members of the arts community feel they're being shortchanged by the school district because there's no one coordinating activities with the PCAC, Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, as well as school activities such as band, orchestra and the high school radio

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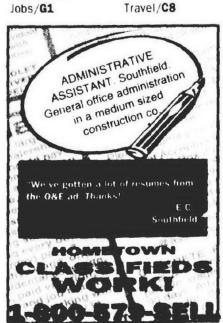
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Township works on path plan

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For several months, a number of department heads from the townships of Plymouth, Northville and Canton and the cities of Plymouth and Northville have been meeting to explore the concept of a non-motorized path system linking the communities.

"There are a number of linkages which can take place. It can be a bicycle path, a jogging path, a Rollerblade path," said Jim Anulewicz, Plymouth Township department of public services director.

The committee will make recommendations for general locations.

"Great idea," commented trustee

Chuck Curmi recently Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann plans to also name Alan Van Kerckhove, a Plymouth Township resident, as a citizen representative He is well known in the area for both his Monday evening bike tours and promotional efforts to establish the Plymouth-Area Greenway Concept.

The Greenway concept provides a user-friendly pedestrian or bicycle pathway linking parks, community

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Doctor's book details life's mission

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER bkadrich@oe.homecomm.net

sk your average 12-year-old what he wants to be when he grows up, and you get the expected answers - fireman, policeman, super hero.

Not with Dave Janda. After his grandmother died when he was 12. Janda decided he was going to be a doctor. Years later, not only is he a leading orthopedic surgeon, but he's a published author and a tireless advocate for the prevention of sports-related injuries.

And it all started with his grandmother.

"My grandmother was misdiagnosed and died," said Janda, an Ann Arborbased doctor who also keeps offices in Plymouth and Canton. "I committed myself to becoming the kind of doctor who wouldn't make the fatal mistakes her doctor made.

Along the way, Janda, who played sports and sustained his share of injuries as a youth, has tried to pave the way to safer playing fields and athletic experiences for youngsters. He's also taken on HMOs, the insurance industry and sporting goods companies he believes are worried more about the bottom line than broken

To further the latter, Janda founded the Institute for Preventative Sports Medicine, leading studies to prevent sports injuries, particularly to student athletes. His first study came on the



How's that feel: Dr. David Janda works with patient Bruce Andres of Livonia. Janda, a leading orthopedic surgeon, is also head of the Institute for Preventative Sports Medicine.

softball fields of Ann Arbor, where data showed the use of breakaway bases would reduce injuries by 95 percent and reduce related medical costs by 99 percent.

According to Janda, the study showed that breakaway bases would prevent 1.7 million injuries and save \$2 billion in health care costs if every field in the country had them.

"When I testified before Congress, I asked them to guess how much we spent on that survey, and the gues ranged from \$500,000 to \$5 million, Janda recalls with a smile. The tru is, that survey cost us \$1,000. Then not a lot of bang for the buck, it's

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Scavenger hunt

It's time for the annual Spring Scavenger Hunt.

The centerpiece of the hunt, being sponsored by the Downtown Development Authority and the Plymouth Observer, will once again be the colorful posters adorning the windows of participating downtown businesses. Participants will have to match the pictures on the posters to corresponding entries on the contest entry form. Entries with the most correct answers will be put into a drawing for a Grand Prize Easter Basket and one of three runner-up baskets.

The hunt began Saturday, March 31, with entry forms being available in downtown stores and at the Plymouth Observer office, 794 S. Main. Contest forms must be returned by April 9. and can be returned to marked boxes at the DDA (831 Penniman Ave.), Plymouth Chamber of Commerce (386 S. Main), Plymouth City Hall (201 S. Main) and the Plymouth District Library (223 S. Main).

"The Observer is pleased to partner with the DDA and local businesses to co-sponsor the scavenger hunt," said Susan Rosiek, publisher of seven Observer newspapers, including the Plymouth Observer. "As your local community newspaper, we are proud to be involved in such a unique community event.

For more information on the contest, call Purcell at the DDA,

Tag line contest

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a "tag line" contest to find the best brief, catchy slogan to help people understand and remember the services the chamber provides.

The winning entry will receive fabulous prizes including a \$150 gift certificate for dining and shopping in Plymouth; an evening at the Penn Theater; and a cozy night's stay at 932 Penniman - a

Enter as many ideas as you like; deadline for entry is April 20 at 4:20 p.m. Enter by email, fax or mail. Send entries to the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, Tag Line Contest.' Email to chamber@plymouthmi.org, or fax to (734) 453-1724. Entries can be mailed to the chamber, 386 S. Main, Plymouth MI

For more information, call the chamber, 453-1540.

T-ball registration

The City of Plymouth Recreation Division will register players for the 5 & 6 year old T-ball league from Monday through April 20. Players must be born between July 1994 and July 1996.

Registration will be at the recreation office at the Cultural Center during office hours from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Birth certificate is required. The season runs seven weeks, from June 23 through Aug. 11.

For more information, call 455-6620, or go on the Web at www.ci.plymouth.mi.us.

Hall of Fame

Tickets are going quickly, so Plymouth Chamber of Commerce officials are urging anyone who wants to attend the 2001 Plymouth Hall of Fame banquet, set for April 10 at Plymouth Manor.

Tickets are available for \$20 apiece and are available at the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, 386 S. Main St.

Judge James Garber and the late Robert Sincock, father of new city manager Paul Sincock, are the 2001 inductees.

For more information, call the Plymouth chamber, 453-1540.



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Helping hands: Plymouth Christian Academy students Christin Roberts of Northville and Moriah Boyd of Canton help box some of the items being donated to Russian orphans.

PCA family sending clothes to Russia's needy children

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAPE WRITER

When Jon and Colleen Moriarty of Canton adopted twins from Russia nearly two years ago,

they knew "we really couldn't

forget all the kids left behind in

one of the most forgotten parts of the Soviet Union. And they didn't. The result of their caring efforts waits in the parking lot of Plymouth Christian Academy. Two semi trailers loaded with 2,500 boxes containing children's clothing which will soon be sent to needy Russian chil-

"It was unbelievable to see the outpouring of generosity from people all over the area," said Colleen Moriarty. "We'll be able to show them the love of Christ from the other side of the world."

Moriarty isn't exaggerating when she says Blagoveshchensk, Russia, is literally on the other side of the world.

You have to fly out of California to Seoul, South Korea, and then on to Russia," said Moriarhen it's an 18-hour train ride on the Trans-Siberian Express. It's one of the most forgotten parts of the Soviet Union.

When the Moriartys began their drive, they were hoping to garner at least enough clothes to fill a semi. Their expectations were doubled as fliers sent to various churches and schools resulted in mounds of coats, shoes, shirts, pants and other items for the orphanages. Many people volunteered to help pack the clothing in banana boxes for shipping, including students from Plymouth Christian Acade-

"The first time my teacher made us go help, but I went on my own during recess and lunch," said Katie Wendt, 11, of Canton. "It's fun to know we're giving something to people who

don't have a lot. I won't see them, but I know they'll be really happy that we did it."

Amanda Bryan, 17, a junior at Plymouth Christian Academy, initiated a clothing drive at her church, the First Baptist of Northville, to assist in the effort.

"I think we should be involved in more things like this because we have so much, it's hard to imagine not having things," said Bryan, whose father donated the semis for storage. "We want to show that people do care about them, God loves them, and that they aren't alone in the world."

The Moriartys are also spearheading an effort to raise \$80,000 for playground equipment to be constructed at three orphanages in Russia. They're hoping to lead a contingent of Americans to Russia next year and construct them for the kids.

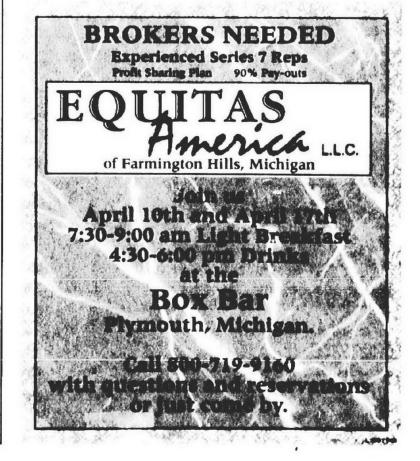
"They've never ridden a bike. and they can't play basketball, football or soccer because they don't have equipment and fields," said Moriarty. "It's exciting we can help these kids realize a dream."

Wendt found out first-hand that playing sports is only a dream for many children in Rus-

"We've been writing letters to the kids at the orphanage," said Wendt. "My pen pal likes to draw, sing, and likes football and tennis. The sports she likes are just dreams for her, she just hears about them.'

Moriarty said the most exciting part of these projects is knowing more children from Russia are being adopted.

"Many parents in Russia live in poverty and have to turn their children over to orphanages just to be able to feed them," she said. "Several families in this area are now adopting from these orphanages. It's great to know that some kids will have a family as a result of



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But Janda worries HMOs and insurance companies are becoming so pervasive in today's medical world that cost savings are going to be the only concern, and that cost cutting will be done by rationing care.

"HMOs and insurance companies are usurping patients' rights," Janda declares. "I think they're placing patients at considerable risks."

The base study was the first, but not the only, study that convinced Janda doctors are putting too much emphasis on treating injuries and not nearly enough on preventing. For instance, he learned in one study that lighter weight baseballs could prevent injuries when players are hit by a pitch. He also suggests "heading" drills for soccer teams be done with a beach ball, not the standard soccer

Janda says many people believe sports injuries are the most under-recognized illness in the country. According to his studies, there will be 12 million injuries among athletes 5 to 22 years of age. His book includes a 20-point checklist he says would "prevent 2,500 to 3,000 injuries in Plymouth" alone.

"Most of the injuries are preventable," Janda said. "What I hope the book will tell people is not to believe everything you see, hear and read. You've got to check it out."

Janda has been checking it out for 12 years, donating 20 hours a week. He started the Institute after a stunning experience he had in a hospital room when his then 11-month-old daughter, Allison, was stricken with what they feared was a bone marrow illness.

Worried it was leukemia, Janda knelt in prayer and told God he'd gladly change places with his sick child. Instead of that, Janda heard a whisper: "Don't stop your research. Establish an institute. Focus on prevention." A short time later, Allison opened her eyes.

It was a story right out of the Kevin Costner film, Field of Dreams. Janda understands, but brushes aside, skepticism about the event.

"Some people might not believe it, but it happened," he said. "I never shared the story except

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Volunteer duty: Dr. David Janda, discussing therapy with patient Bruce Andres of Livonia, gives 20 hours a week to the Institute for Preventative Sports Medicine, which he founded 12

with my immediate family. But I thought it was important to put the book in perspective."

Since then, he has devoted a large portion of his life to the institute. Funding has been a major problem, because the institute won't accept money from some companies and doesn't ask for any government funding.

"Taxpayers shouldn't fund research," Janda said. Getting funding has been a nightmare. Many people talk the talk, but when it comes time to walk the walk, they're AWOL."

One notable exception has been General Motors, which jumped in with both feet when Janda approached the company with his idea for a study of chest-impact injuries. Dr. David Viano, the principal research scientist for GM, readily accepted

Janda's challenge to help.
"GM jumped right in," Janda said. "I have to give them all the credit in the world."

Janda plans to continue his life's work, charging parents, grandparents and community activists to become involved.

"I'd like to think this is a mission in my life," Janda said. "That day changed my life, and I like to think it changed other people's lives by what I'm

Arts from page Al

station. Tobin points to the new Plymouth High School currently under construction.

"Let's build a new school, but there's no room for the arts there. But, I'm sure there will be enough space for athletics," she said. "Most likely we'll need another athletic director or two for that facility. The arts deserve better ... our kids deserve better ... please don't deny them."

Betty Jo Welsh, a district resident and a Livonia art teacher. said a coordinated arts program will make students stronger, wiser and help with their problem-solving abilities.

We have a very strong drama program, and the visual arts is strong. If we can put together a fine arts coordinator, all those programs will be enhanced," said

The subject isn't new, and in the past it's come down to money. This year is no excep-

"I would love for this district to have an arts coordinator, but our challenge is the funding level of the district," said Superintendent Kathleen Booher. These decisions require some kind of balancing or reorganiz-

Booher is quick to point out only one person coordinates both math and science, while another is charged with coordinating language arts and social studies.

help the district receive 10 times

that amount in funding for the

"This year I sat in Lansing

and listened to a review of our (PCAC's) grant proposal said the first question they asked is How can you come before us and ask

this state to fund the arts for

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-Executive Director, PCAC

School, among other activities. However, members of the arts community say if organizations like the museum, symphony and Educational Excellence Founda-tion didn't reach out to the schools, there wouldn't be any

Booher could pattern arts program after former district

> programs and does envision having someone in place to help coordinate the arts. When we could actually do something specific, I can't say," said Booher. "We are incorporating that into some of the thinking we're presenting to the board at budget.
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> "It's not a full-time pesition," she said. "I couldn't

raise anyone's hopes that we can have a full-time arts coordinator next year, but we're not disregarding their interest. We're trying to address this in some fachion ... if not for this year, after that."

Booher would not elaborate on what may be suggested to the board of education, but did say it would be discussed during upcoming budget sessions.

your district when your school district can't find a way to value the arts?" said Stella Green, the PCAC's grant writer. "The district needs to find a way to make the arts an integral part of our

By Tony BRUSCATO STATY WRITER

While the Plymouth-Canton

arts community is once again pressuring the school district

to hire an arts program coordinator, school officials say it's a

Superintendent Kathleen

Booher said, "I would love for

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Booher was hired from the

Berkley school district, where

the board of education won a

state award for its support of

the arts. Booher said she'd

like to see Plymouth-Canton

become well known for its arts

matter of dollars and cents.

Verna Anible, the executive director of educational services, said the district does participate in the arts by sending students

to see the Lincoln exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum, coordinating programs with members of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, and developing the renovation of

the Al Dubois Little Theater at Canton High

"We don't have anyone to champion us and help us," said Linda Calsone, a band instructor at Central Middle School. "We're struggling to do what we can for our kids. We need some

help at an administrative level."
The arts community has some support on the board of education.

"We have a curriculum coordinator in other areas, and I see the arts as a vital part of our curriculum," said trustee Judy Mardigian. "Brain-based research indicates art education skills directly relate to other curriculum areas. You always have the pressure of finding the money, but if it's a priority ... "
"The position itself needs to be

looked into seriously," added board member Steve Guile. "However, it can't be an arts coordinator alone. Maybe it should include being a grant person to help expand these programs using other funds. There are a lot of grants out there, and it needs some attention to go after those."

Despite the support, both trustees admit the request comes to him for the systems.

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The other racial group numbers were minimal, with African Americans numbering 822, or 3.0 percent: Asians 759, or 2.7 percent; and Hispanics 455, or 1.6 percent. All three groups showed population increases from 10 years ago.

According to the census. 11,460 of the township's residents are in the 25-54 age group.

The City of Plymouth saw its population drop by 538 residents to 9,022. Plymouth tied with Garden City as the seventhhighest decrease in Wayne County at 5.6 percent.

City Manager Paul Sincock said he'll review the figures, but his initial response was surprise.

"The number of young families moving into the city is up, espe-

the participation levels at neighborhood park meetings and other activities," said Sincock. "I'm most interested in the number of supposedly vacant homes the Census Bureau says we

"However, SEMCOG (Southeast Michigan Council of Governments) has long been predicting city populations would decrease, especially in small, older communities such as ours." he said. "Realistically, we're a fully developed community."

Sincock said the decrease in population won't hurt the city when it comes to applying for federal block grant funds. City Finance Director Mark Christiansen said he'll have to find

cially when you take a look at out if it will affect the city's share of state revenue sharing

> Of the city's total population, 8,699 people, or 96.4 percent, are white. There are 118 Hispanics, or 1.3 percent, of the city's population. The Asian population, 95, is 1.1 percent of the total. All other racial groups have less than one percent of Plymouth's

total population. The decrease in the white population was the total decrease for the city as all other racial groups showed an increase in

numbers. Wayne County's total population is listed as 2,061,162. That's a drop of 2.4 percent, or 50,525 residents from 1990 fig-

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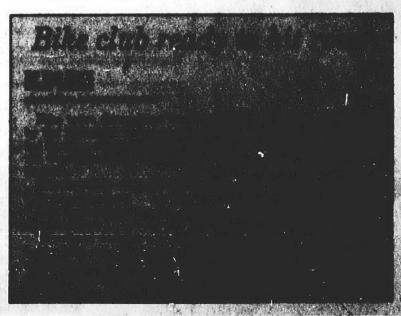
centers, cultural features, historic sites, natural areas and geological features to each other and with various populated areas, subdivisions and neighboring communities.

The connecting links of the Greenway are mainly residential streets and sidewalks rather than pathways along main arterial highways.

"I think it is a great idea," said Van Kerckhove, an avid bicyclist and supporter of the path system. "The timing is right. Take what is already here and improve upon it."

Anulewicz commended Van Kerckhove's desire and enthusi-

The committee will be made up of a representative from each community. The committee's objective would be to make spe-cific recommendations on the system's general location takin into account physical impedi-ments, existing and future devel-



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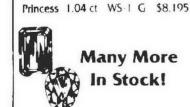
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ALFONSO BOMMARITO

Services for Alfonso Bommarito, 77, of Farmington Hills, were held March 30 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Farmington with the Rev. Scott Thibodeau officiating. Burial was at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Detroit.

Mr. Bommarito was born Dec. 25, 1923 in Italy and died March 26 in Farmington Hills. He worked in production for 29 years at the Livonia Transmission Plant for Ford Motor Co. until his retirement. He was a member of Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church and the Italian

Mr. Bommarito was preceded in death by his son, Louis Bom-

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EVERETT R. KOERS

Services for Everett R. Koers, 86, of Plymouth were held at the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home in Canton with the Rev. Jerry A. Yarnell officiating. Burial was at Glen Eden Cemetery.

Mr. Koers was born Sept. 22, 1914 in Detroit and died March 27. He worked in sales of construction equipment until his retirement.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia Koers; son, Robert (Sandee) Koers; son, Jack (Elizabeth) Koers; daughter, Kathleen (Patrick) Zelek; stepsons, Ron Sturdy and Don Sturdy; stepdaughters, Kim Sturdy and Denise Sturdy; two sisters; brother; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Arrangements made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home Canton Chapel.

VIRGINIA J. BOHLEN

Services for Virginia J. Bohlen, 84, of Westland, were held at St. Theodore Church.

Mrs. Bohlen was born June 18, 1916 in Detroit and died March 26 in Garden City. She worked as a purchaser for a fabric store.

She was preceded in death by ner husband, Dennis.

Survivors include daughter, Judith (Paul) Kline; daughter, Susan (Gary) Zabkiewicz, brothers, Gorger and Harry Dahl; and six grandchildren.

Arrangements made by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

JACK WALLACE PAUL

Services for Jack Wallace Paul, 76, of Plymouth, were held March 30 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with the Rev. George Charnley officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Mr. Paul was born March 7, 1925 in Punxsutawney, Pa., and died March 27 in Livonia. He worked as a fireman for the Detroit Fire Department being promoted to sergeant in 1970, promoted to Lieutenant in 1973 and from there he retired in 1974 after 28 years of service. He served most of the time with the 10th Battalion. He came to the Plymouth community five years ago from Charlevoix. He lived in Charlevoix for 25 years and before that, he lived in Detroit. He was a member of St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton and also the Retired Firefighters Association. He served in the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II in the South Pacific on the Coast Guard Ship, Papaw. He loved antique collecting, photography and traveling.

Survivors include sons, Thomas J. Paul of Redford, John M. Paul of Plymouth, James A. (Becky) Paul of Wayland, and Patrick B. (Kim) Paul of West Bloomfield; daughters, Karen M. Paul of Westland, Maureen T. (Richard) Sloan of Dexter, Kathleen M. (Robert) Paulk of Novi, and Jacqueline A. (John Sobçzak) Paul of Bloomfield Twp.; 22 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren. Memorial contributions may

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Services for Charles Ernest Michelini, 89, of Plymouth, were held March 29 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with the Rev. George Charnley officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Mr. Michelini was born Jan. 23, 1912 in Calumet and died March 26 in Northville. He was an automotive painter for General Motors Co. until his retirement. He was a veteran of World War II, serving as a Corporal in the U.S. Army. He was a practicing Catholic his whole life. He was a member of St. Christopher's parish for 40 years. His interests included

woodworking, gardening, and handyman projects.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Anges Michelini.

Survivors include his daughter, Cathryn A. (Thomas) Pennebaker of Plymouth: daughter. Carol L. (John) Schemanske of Milford; brother, Peter Michelini of Redford; sister, Adeline Williams of Royal Oak; sister, Mary Peterson of Denver, Colorado; granddaughters, Jill Pennebaker, Jennifer Schemanske, and Sarah Schemanske; and grandsons, Marc Pennebaker, Jason Pennebaker, Michael Schemanske and Nicholas Sche-

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LILLIAN MAE GOUL

Services for Lillian Mae Goul, 102, of Plymouth Twp., will be held April 2 at Price Funeral Home with the Rev. John N. Grenfell III officiating.

Mrs. Goul was born March 18, 1899 in Whitmore, Michigan and died March 29 in Plymouth. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Plymouth, the Plymouth Senior Citizens, the Sixty Plus Club in Plymouth, the United Methodist Women, Ruth Circle, and the National Association of Retired Persons. Burial was at Oakview Cemetery in Royal Oak.

Mrs. Goul was preceded in death by her husband, William A. Goul in 1986.

Survivors include her daughters, Eileen M. Clippert of Troy, Sharon Belobraidich of Plymouth, Evelyn (Grant) shellenbarger of Hale, and Ruth McCain of Hendersonville, North Carolina; 12 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchil-

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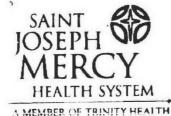
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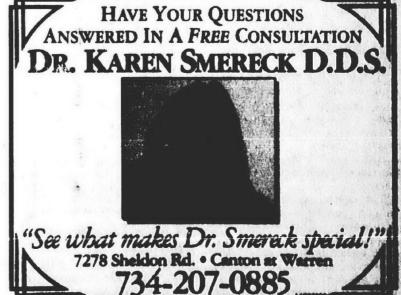


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New state database spurs school districts' objections

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Gov. John Engler created an office in state government last year to build a computer database to track the attainment of every student in Michigan. The idea is for the Center for Education Performance and Information to be able to determine what instructional programs really work.

Educators generally think it will be a useful tool.

But the program, known as the Single Record Student Database, is beginning to draw complaints from school districts over the way it is being implemented.

CEPI Director Madhu Anderson was invited to address the House Education Committee Thursday to explain how the system is expected to work, what it will likely accomplish and address the concerns raised by school districts.

The database will be able to track how educational programs affect performance on a studentby-student basis, she said. Today, that's impossible. The most specific information available is on a district or school

"We need to have this if we really want accountability in education," Anderson said. And Engler, when he announced his plans for the program more than a year ago, said it could all be done from information school districts were already gathering on their students.

Design flaws

Mason Public Schools Director of Technology and Information Systems Jerome Brzezinski, on the other hand, told representatives the program has "design flaws that will plague the system." For one, he said, the state has changed the format of the information five times in the past 15 months. And since each student's record includes 120 pieces of information, entering the information and updating it takes a lot of work.

The Mason schools put more that 1,000 staff hours into the project, which cost \$15,000 to \$20,000, he said.

Just days before districts were

expected to meet a March 21 deadline for submission of test files, 67 percent of the information fields had to be changed again, said Robert Fein, assistant superintendent from Holland Public Schools.

Fein argued that the cost involved in entering the information constituted an "unfunded mandate," which is prohibited by the state constitution.

Both Brzezinski and Fein asked lawmakers to delay the operational day of the system, currently scheduled for this fall. They said it would be difficult for district employees and their information processing people to have their systems in place by

Affecting state aid

One of the main concerns is that once the system goes online, the state will gather its student counts through the database, and that will affect school aid.

Anderson said she would have

Speaker talks on interracial communication

Dr. Tina Maria Harris, a lector on interracial and intercultural communication incues, will be the guest speaker for Wayne State University's Communica-tion Week 2001. Harris will be-ture on Interrockal Interpresenal Communication.

to look into the complaints about changes in the format. "I sus-pect," she said, "it's happening because of changes in data definitions," that is, how the information that the state wants in each field is being described to

the school districts. She said she was confident the database project is constitutional. All the information required for the database, she contended, is needed by the school district anyway. She admitted some districts may be gathering it different ways, such as recording age instead of date of birth.

She also acknowledged there is

among the state's districts. Some already have more sophisticated systems. Others don't even keep paper records on their students, Anderson said.

In any case, delaying the operational date of the program is not the solution, Anderson said.

"I'll keep that in the back of my mind as we go along," she said, "but sometimes you just have to go forward with an imperfect system so that you can see where the problems are."

No legislative OK

Fein questioned whether CEPI can require districts to submit

well as the Single Record Student Database, was instituted without legislative action. Engler initiated them in an executive order issued last year. Anderson, formerly of the state Treasury Department, was appointed to the directorship in January.

Anderson explained that the CEPI office has three functions, to create the database, to set up an evaluation of school districts through a program already in place with Standard & Poors, and to gather all information reporting in the state that pertains to education into a single

Rep. Joanne Voorhees, R-Grandville, asked why Engler created an independent state agency to do those jobs when much of the information was already being compiled by the Department of Education and that department had been working on just such a database since

This is a wonderful opportunity to take politics away from the gathering of the types of infor-mation we need," Anderson said.

"Well I'll have to disagree with you on that," Voorhees respond-

The database will allow for

grams, Anderson said. Bees the system will contain infer tion on each of Michigan's 1.6 million students, security in the computer system is a high priori-ty, Anderson said. Security will have to be tight enough to assure that individual records are not somehow released in violation of

federal education privacy laws.
"Aggregate" information from the system will be available to the general public, she promised.

Information on charter schools will be included, although she said that "not all comparisons are the same" for public school academies.



Tracking system provokes reaction

Michigan residents don't like the idea that government might track their movements by satellite, even if it is just for the purpose of figuring out how many miles they've driven in order to assess a road tax

That objection led state Sen. Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion, to introduce legislation banning the idea. Senate Bill 337 would make a policy statement that Michigan government should not assess road taxes based on miles driven or use global positioning satellites to do it, according to Dunaskiss' aide Joelle Demand.

But if the state stops its participation in a national study which has been under way for the past two years, according to Department of Transportation not kept pace. spokesman Ari Adler, Michigan will have provided \$20,000 for other states to solve their prob-

The legislation is unnecessary, he argues, because any attempt to use a GPS system to track cars or to institute an odometer tax would need legislative approval before it could be put in place anyway. And Demand doesn't argue that point.

The problem MDOT faces. Adler explained, is that now roads in Michigan are primarily paid for through a gasoline tax. The 19-cent per gallon levy raises about \$943 million of the state's total \$1.5 billion annual road budget.

But as cars have become more fuel efficient, they've been able to pile up more miles on Michigan roads while revenues have

Alternative fuels make the problem more difficult, Adler explained. Cars burning natural gas or just electricity are expected to hit the market in a few more years, so the MDOT is looking for ways assess the cost

Adler noted that the legislature has asked the MDOT, precisely because of the possible switch to alternative fuels, to look for other ways to fund road construction and maintenance. And participation in the \$367,000 study of creating a GPS tracking system, being conducted by the universities of Minnesota and Iowa, is just one the various approaches under consideration.

According to Adler, the department believes the tax should be set up like a user fee, so that

those who drive the most pay the largest share to support the roads.

But residents are quite upset about the idea of a tracking system, Demand said, and concern about the proposal has come to Dunaskiss' office from across the country. She argues that whatever alternative to gas taxes might be found, it should be a levy on the fuel source at the time of sale.

"We don't think initiating an odometer tax is the way to go, said Dunaskiss. "Michigan residents are taxed 19 cents on the gallon as it is. We ought to look for ways to get more mileage on the dollars the state is already collecting. ... An odometer tax may be an option for other states, but I don't want it in

The cost of the seminar is \$25 and pre-registration is requested. Interested nonprofit organizations can register by calling (888) 826-7900. Registration is limited to the first 200 individu-

The Leave A Legacy Campaign

Seminar covers tax law for nonprofits

A seminar for nonprofit organizations is being hosted by Leave A Legacy - Southeast Michigan.

The seminar, to be held 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. April 6 at Henry Ford Community College, will provide a legislative overview of proposed estate tax law changes and potential effect these changes may have on nonprofit fund development programs. The seminar will also include workshops with time allotted for one-on-one discussions with panel members.

Participants will attend workshops on "Tools of the Trade." a discussion of planned giving tools such as wills, life insurance, bank trusts, IRAs, etc. Also included in the workshop is advice on how to set up a panel of outside experts such as attorneys, CPAs, financial planners and other estate planning professionals to advise your organization and potential donors.

Other workshops topics include "Packaging and pricing your needs for donors: Targeted PR and marketing to attract planned gifts" - how to communicate a nonprofit organization's needs to donors and make information about making information more accessible to donors. A panel of Leave a Legacy participants discussing case histories of how nonprofit organizations have used public relations. research, advertising and public education programs to conduct their own planned giving cam-

Workshop presenters include Kay Felt, partner at Dykema Gossett, John Landis, trust officer at The Bank of Bloomfield Hills, Maxine Niemeyer, chartered financial consultant and president of Business and Estate Financial Coordinators, Inc., Stephen Falk, president of the Planned Giving Roundtable and Henry Ford Health Systems, David Leave A Legacy confer-

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Schoolcraft program to offer IT training

With the economy entering a slow down, and corporate layoff announcements occurring daily, it might be time to think about a career change and learning new skills. Beginning in April, Schoolcraft College will offer two programs leading to certification in the growing field of information technology.

"Anyone who passes these certifications virtually has a job waiting for them," said Sherry Zylka, assistant dean of Continuing Education Services. Experts estimate the current need for IT professionals at 800,000 nationwide and believe it will grow to approximately 3 million by the year 2003.

Schoolcraft, in partnership with L'Tech Services, Inc., a Microsoft certified technical education center in Frederick, Md., will offer the

Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer certification program in Windows 2000 and the A+ Certified Computer Technician

The A+ program, beginning April 2, May 3 and July 9, will provide entry-level students with the skills they need to become professionally certified computer technicians. Classes will be limited to 8 persons and will feature hands-on lab exercises and real-world training

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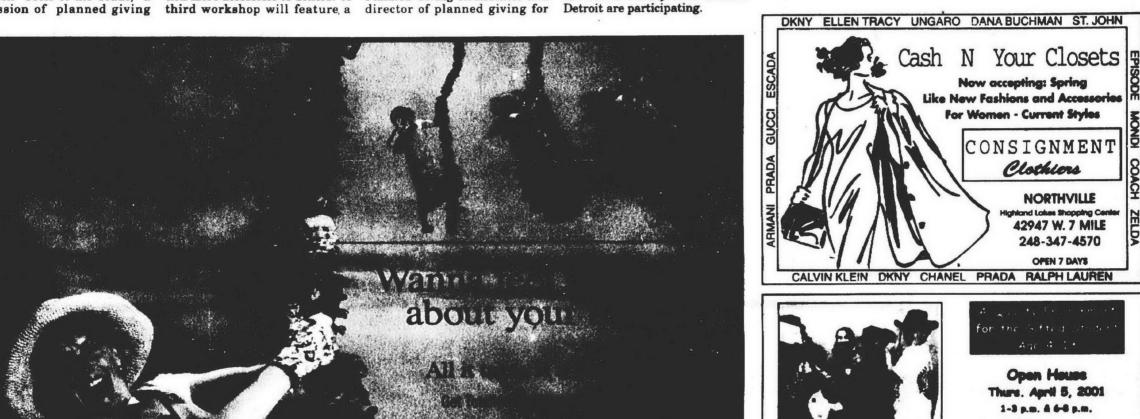
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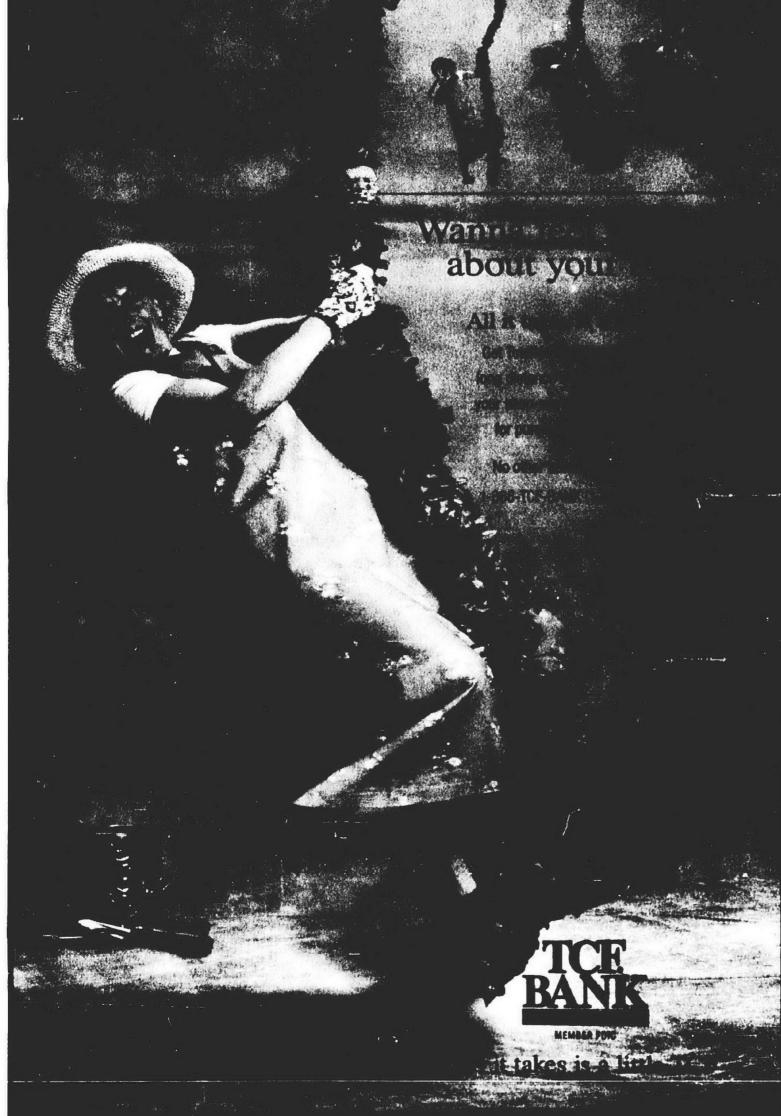
For more information or to register for one of these programs, call toll free 1-866-248-6265 or the Schoolcraft Continuing Education Services office at 734-462-4448. Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile roads, just west of I-275.





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Census numbers are good news for state and suburbs

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The release of population count numbers by the U.S. Census Bureau this week contained good news for the state and suburbs.

Growth figures for population increases were "just about at ideal numbers," Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus told delegates of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments Thursday afternoon. The 6.9 percent increase in overall population – 9,938,444 residents in 2000 compared to 9,295,297 in 1990 – is the most rapid growth in the state since the 1970s. Yet, he said, it's a reasonable, "sustainable" rate of growth rate that won't strain services.

SEMCOG Executive Director Paul Tait agreed, assessing the growth as positive without being overwhelming.

The census counts also showed a shift in population, continuing the trend of residents moving from city to suburb. Oakland County's population rose from 1,083,592 in 1990 to 1,194,156 last year, up 10 percent. Livingston County gained 35.7 percent, up to 156,951 in 2000 from 115,645 in 1990.

Wayne's numbers dropped 2.4 percent, from 2,111,687 in 1990 to 2,061,162 last year, mainly due to a loss of population in Detroit. That drop may have set off a shouting match between state Sen. Burt Leland, D-Detroit, and Greg Bowens, spokesman for Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer, on live radio Wednesday afternoon, but Posthumus said he thought the numbers were positive for Detroit anyway. They showed the "smallest decline in Detroit since its peak in the 1950s," he said.

Drawing boundaries

The figures were also good news for politicians in Lansing, because the release of the data allows lawmakers to begin the process of redrawing district boundaries for the state House, state Senate and Congress.

In fact, what was turned out by the Census Bureau Wednesday was just the information necessary to begin the process of reapportionment — population by tract, including tallies for counties and municipalities, racial makeup of those communities, and percentage of population over 18. Further information gathered by the census count

Il 'The rate of population less has dramatically declined in metropolitan areas and other areas have grown significantly, reflecting our commitment to making Michigan family and business friendly.'

Gov. John Engler on Census figures

last year regarding demographics will be released by the bureau over the next year and a belf

Rep. Andrew Richner, R-Grosse Pointe Park, serving as chair of the House redistricting subcommittee, said the process of reapportionment will begin with staff analyzing the data and beginning to put some boundary lines on paper. But he said he was unsure how soon plans will be considered by his panel.

Sen. Bill Schuette, R-Midland, is further along in the process. Aide Phil Ginotti said Schuette's Reapportionment Committee will hold five or six public hearings across the state over the course of the spring and summer, with a goal of reporting a plan to the full Senate for consideration by Labor Day.

Which chamber will first generate each of the three plans – House, Senate and Congress – will be decided shortly in a meeting between Senate Majority Leaders Dan DeGrow, R-Port Huron, and House Speaker Rick Johnson, R-LeRoy, Ginotti said.

The real story

The "real story" behind reapportionment this year is the technology now available to do the job, he said. Advances in computers and software will radically change the process and allow hundreds, instead of dozens, of reapportionment plans to be drawn.

"In 1970, you rented out a high school gymnasium somewhare and laid it out on the floor, wilking around adding it up with a handheld calculator," Ginotti said. By 1990, early versions of redistricting software were ready, but processing took a great deal of time. A single shift in boundary lines might have required four or five hours of processing time on the computer.

"Only about three people in town had the technology to do it and you just did the best you could with it. When you ran out of time, you tossed it into the other areas, such Township, have decisingle largest change trict came from North ship with a 21.5 perconduction.

hopper," Ginotti said.

"Today, you and I could crack open a beer, sit in my basement and crank out 10 plans in an evening," he said.

Still, Ginotti said he expects there will be "less political mischief" in the drawing of district boundaries than in previous years, because the state has already adopted standards for the drafting of districts. Those standards require that boundaries follow municipal lines as closely as possible, that representation of minority populations is maintained, and that "communities of interest" kept together. The standard were drawn from court decisions on apportionment plans over the past several decades.

Reaction

State district standards allow for a deviation in population of 5 percent, but federal standards require that each congressional district include a population of 662,563 residents.

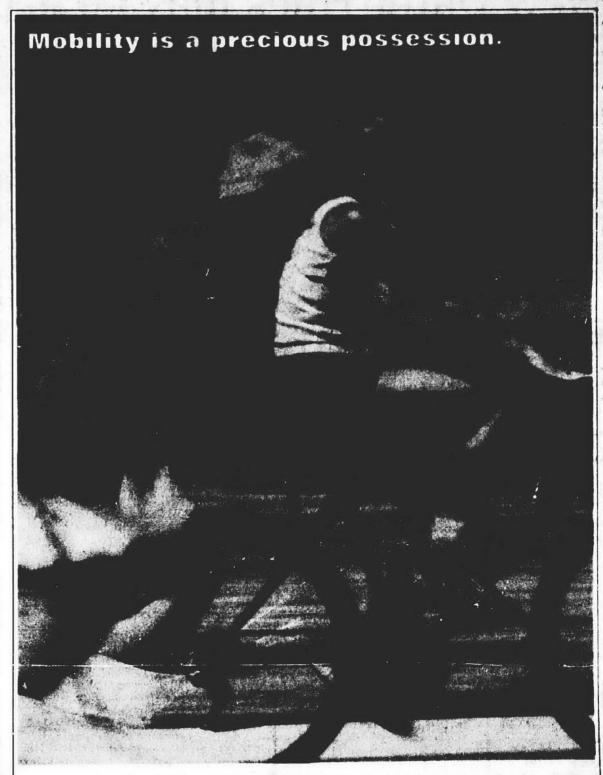
The release of census figures drew a good deal of reaction across the state.

Gov. John Engler heralded the growth in overall population, but noted it is slower than in many other states. Many of those states have seen a great deal of growth from international immigration. The Midwest has seen less of that trend.

"The rate of population loss has dramatically declined in metropolitan areas," he also noted, "and other areas have grown significantly, reflecting our commitment to making Michigan family and business friendly."

Local lawmakers were also happy with the numbers.

Sen. Thad McCotter, R-Livonia, said, "Both Northville and Plymouth townshipe have increased in population, while other areas, such as Redford Township, have decreased. The single largest change in my district came from Northville Township with a 21.5 percent increase in the past 10 years."



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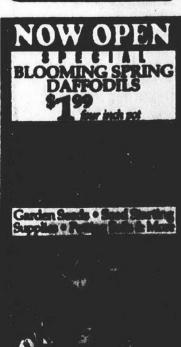
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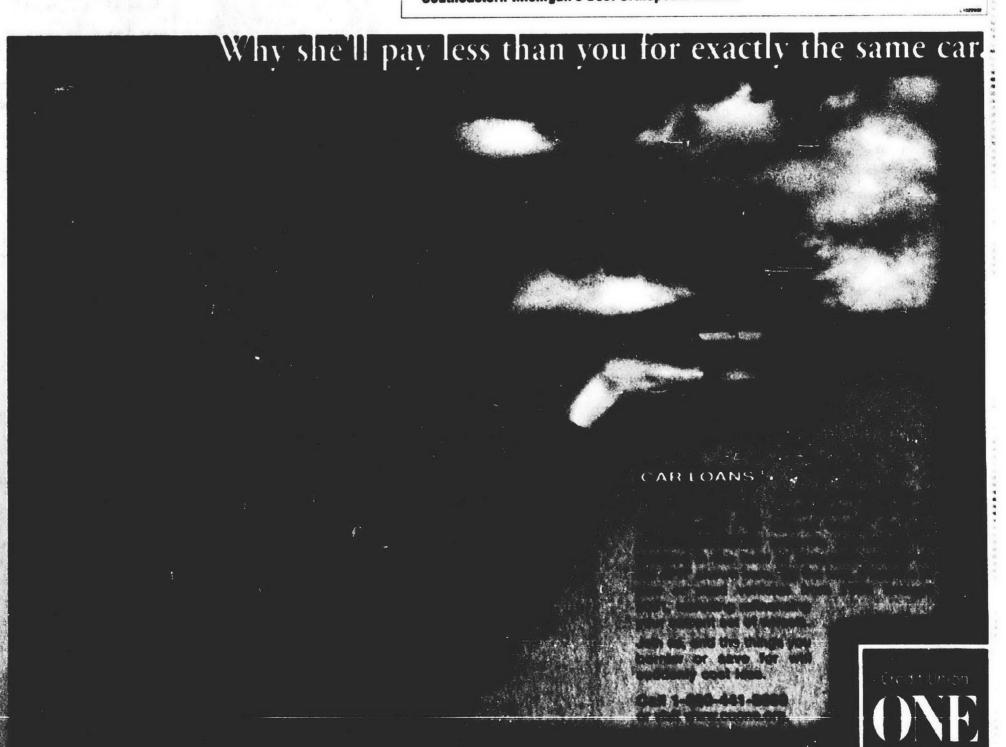
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New water rules may be needed to stop lake diversion

"Our Great Lakes water is not for sale," Gov. John Engler proclaimed earlier this year, vowing to fight any proposal to divert water to other states.

That position, as popular with Lansing lawmakers as it is with Michigan residents, earned him a raucous standing ovation at the time.

What they likely do not realize is that in order to protect the Great Lakes from being tapped by the arid states of the West and Southwest, Michigan residents themselves may have to submit to new water use regulations.

Tracy Mehan, director of the Office of the Great Lakes, said he believes the current law, which simply bans diversions of water out of state, would be very susceptible to a legal challenge. If another state sued in an attempt to run a pipe to the Great Lakes, Michigan would likely lose, he said, because of recent trade agreements, NAFTA and GATT, as well as interstate commerce protections in the U.S. Constitution.

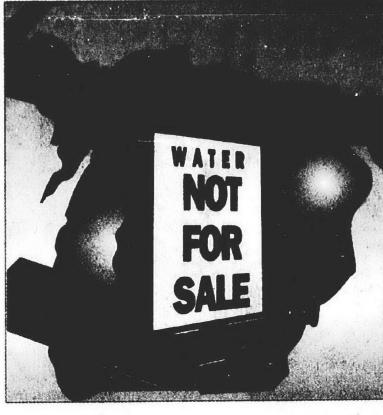
The only way to make Great Lakes law defensible in court. Mehan contended, may be to apply the same standards and regulations to Michigan residents who draw water from the lakes that are put on out-of-state "diverters."

Such regulations might eventually apply anywhere in the Great Lakes basin, including in municipalities far from the shoreline that propose new community wells that would tap into underground acquifers fed by the Great Lakes, according to Jim Bredin, of the Office of the Great Lakes.

Individual homeowners' wells would not likely be regulated, but large community wells could be. The standard as proposed would apply to new users who make "net withdrawals" or diversions of 1 million gallons per day or more from the basin, whether it be through wells or pipelines directly to the lakes.

Net withdrawal

The term "net withdrawal" is a key aspect of the regulation. Most residential users end up returning 90 percent of the



users to new regulations?"

ion, you will lose."

Losing power

"As an attorney, I've made a

living out of identifying problems

before they happen," Mehan

said. "... The best time to fix the

roof is while the sun is shining.

You can wait until the first

pipeline to Texas is proposed,

and you might lose. In my opin-

Federal laws also apply to the

lakes. Bredin pointed out that

Great Lakes states overall have

been steadily losing representa-

tion in Congress in recent

decades while those in the West

and Southwest have picked up

additional seats. Bredin suggest-

ed that Michigan should try to

settle the issue of water diver-

sion before the state loses anoth-

Diversion or use of water could

harm the ecology of the Great

Lakes, according to Tim Eder of

the National Wildlife Federa-

tion's Great Lakes office in Ann

Scientists project that water

levels in the lakes will drop in

the future due to global climate

change, perhaps by as much as

three feet over the next three

decades, Eder said. That decline

er seat in Congress in 2002.

water use back to the Great Lakes basin in one way or another. That means a community could pump up to 10 million gallons per day before it would face regulation, according to Dennis Schornack, spokesman for the governor's office. And that would be enough water, he said, to support a community of 10,000 peo-

As proposed, current users and diverters would be "grandfathered" in. But the regulations would apply to any new users or diverters. For instance, Mehan said, it would likely apply to any future expansion of the Detroit water system, which currently pumps 1,500 million gallons per day from Lake Huron to 122 communities in southeast Michi-

"Let's make this clear," Sen. Ken Sikkema, R-Grandville, said in a recent hearing before his Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee. "This is not just about prohibiting water diversion. It is about new regulations of in-state use of water. And we are doing this based on a legal analysis of (existing) laws that have never been tested ... Why not test those laws before subjecting in-state

is in addition to regular fluctua-tions of lake levels, which can vary by as much as six feet.

At present, more water is being diverted into the lakes than is being taken out. There are already four diversions out of the basin.

But Eder said the increase in world population is expected, by 2025, to increase the demand for fresh water by "56 percent over what is currently available."

Water imports

European counties are already using tankers to ship drinking water to Mideast nations. Southwestern states have gone to court to win water exports from British Colombia.

In 1998, proposals were made to ship Lake Superior water to Southeast Asia by tanker.

Three legal documents currently regulate use of Great Lakes water. The Great Lakes Charter is a pact, struck in 1985. between the governors of the eight Great Lakes states and the premiers of Ontario and Quebec agreeing to notify and consult each other before proceeding with "any new or increased diversion or consumptive use

over 5 million gallons per day."
The 1986 federal Water Resources Act prohibited diversions or exports of Great Lakes water unless all eight governors agreed, in effect giving each "defacto veto power," according to Mehan.

Michigan law currently bans all diversions out of the state, but says nothing about use of water by residents.

"That blanket prohibition would not survive a challenge under GATT," Eder contended. We cannot discriminate between in-basin users and proposals to take water out of the region. The current ban almost certainly would be found unconstitutional."

Governors have come up with an amendment to the Great Lakes Charter, known as Annex 2001, which they believe would be more defensible in court. It would require anyone who proposes net withdrawals or diversions of Great Lakes basin water over 1 million gallons per day to apply for permission.

Whether a million gallons a day should be the threshold is

the main point of debate over, Annex 2001. The National :: Wildlife Federation, the Michi gan United Conservation Clubs and the Michigan Environmental Council all propose that the threshold be set lower still.

To win a permit, a user or diverter would have to meet several requirements - to implement a water conservation plan, to show that the use or diversion. would produce no significant adverse impact on the lakes, and to provide a plan that would "result in an overall improvement to the waters and resources of the Great Lakes."

To put Annex 2001 into effect, it would have to be approved by state legislatures in the region as well as Congress. That is expected to take two to three years, Mehan said. So state lawmakers are considering adopting interim rules until the accord can be finalized.

Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, has introduced legislation, Senate Bill 40, which would implement the rules of Annex 2001. Co-sponsors include Sens. Dianne Byrum, D-Onondaga, and Bill Bullard, R-Highland.



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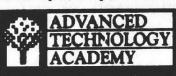
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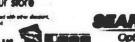
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In the semifinals against Sesi Lincoln Mercury, Plymouth-Canton director of athletics Brian Wolcott (Salem '76) poured in 19 points to carry Ludwig & Karas to a 71-50 victory. Karl Wukie (Canton '91) added

In the title game against Local 182, Canton HS football coach Tim Baechler drilled a three-pointer with :14 left to lift Ludwig & Karas to a 69-68 triumph. Milan football coach Steve Robb (Salem '73) led the winners with 15 points; Ray Mandle (Canton '75) scored 14 and Baechler finished with

The Ludwig & Karas team advanced to the state's Over-40 Tournament in Midland, but were eliminated in the first round by a team from Detroit, 64-62. Wolcott scored 21 points to lead Ludwig & Karas; Mandle contributed 15.

Other team members include Steve Karas, Salem athletic director Tom Willette (Salem '75), Dan Moore (Salem '75) and Chris DeBear (Salem

If the ending of the season was a disappointment, at least the team members can appreciate that their No. 1 goal was realized: Everyone sur-

Ambassadors 2nd seed

The North American Hockey League playoffs will get underway Priday, and the Compuware Ambas-sadors have earned the home-ice advantage for the best-of-three-games first round by finishing second in the East Division.

The Ambassadors will host either the Capital Centre Pride or the Cleveland Barons at Compuware Arena. Games will be at 6:35 p.m. Friday, 3.05 p.m. Saturday and (if necessary) 3:05 p.m. Sunday.

The No. 1 seed in the East, and overall, are the Soo Kewadin Casino Indians. Depending upon the final standings, they will host either the Pride or the Barons.

The Texas Tornado are the No. 1 seed in the West Division. They'll host the Springfield Jr. Blues, while defending the NAHL champ Danville Wings host the Chicago Freeze.

Last Tuesday, the Ambassadors visited the U.S. Nationals and came away with a 5-4 victory. Jason Paige led Compuware with two goals and an assist, while Ryan Lessneau contributed a goal and two assists. Andrew Bozoian got the game-winning goal in the third period; Christopher Sad also scored.

Jeff Lantz was in goal, stopping 21 of 25 shots for the Ambassadors, who improved to 31-21-3 with the victory. The U.S. Nationals dipped to 17-34-3.

Football meeting

An organizational and informational meeting for boys who will be in grades 3-8 and their parents and are interested in participating in the Our Lady of Good Counsel football program is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Good Counsel gym, located at 1062 Church in Plymouth.

For further information, call Mike Girskis at (734) 454-0847 (home) or (734) 427-6270 (office).

Softball tournament

The USSSA Bud Light First Pitch Qualifier, a Class C-D-E adult men's softball tournament, is scheduled for next weekend (April 7-8) at the Canton Softball Center, located at 46555 W. Michigan.

Entry fee is \$195 per team (deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday) This is a double-elimination regional qualifier with a three-game guarantee. Awards include a berth in the USSSA Regional and trophies to the top three teams in each division, plus jackets, shirts and hats

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Whalers sweep past Sarnia

Gotta remember, these are kids here. None of 'em are over 21. And no matter how dedicated they are to their sport, few (if any) wouldn't relish the idea of a spring vacation.

So who could possibly be surprised that the Plymouth Whalers wanted to dispose of the Sarnia Sting, their firstround opponent in the Ontario Hockey League playoffs, in the quickest fashion possible?

Which is exactly what they did. On Friday in Sarnia, the Whalers scored twice in the second period before it was half over. After that the defense which has carried Plymouth most of this season - took over, limiting the Sting to one goal on 21 shots. The final: Whalers 2, Sarnia 1.

Plymouth sweeps the best-of-seven series in four games. Who and when the Whalers play next is to be determined; if the Windsor Spitfires beat Owen Sound (the Spitfires led the series 2-1 through Thursday), they'll be Plymouth's next opponent.

In none of the games against Sarnia did the Whalers ever trail, although on three occasions they did allow the seventh-seeded Sting to tie the game.

"We looked at our regular-season



Better position: The Whalers' Cole Jarrett (left) outmanuevers Sarnia's Tyler Coleman in a battle for the puck.

record," said Whalers' coach Pete DeBoer after last Wednesday's 6-2 win. We were 32-2-2 when we scored first.

"So obviously we wanted to get off to a fast start."

The Whalers did in the first three games, each time scoring in the game's opening minutes. That wasn't the case Friday in Sarnia.

The Sting held Plymouth scoreless in the first period. But they didn't score, either - a good sign for the Whaler defense, which gave up eight goals in the first two games but just three in the last two.

At 5:42 of the second period, Chad LaRose converted on a play set up by Kris Vernarsky and Damian Surma, scoring his sixth goal of the playoffs.

Preston Mizzi increased Plymouth's lead to 2-0 2:27 later, with the assist going to Karl Stewart.

The Sting narrowed the gap to 2-1 on a goal by Eric Himelfarb (assisted by Kris Newbury and Scott Heffernan) before the second period ended, but they couldn't put another one past Plymouth goalie Rob Zepp.

Zepp stopped 21 shots. Robert Gherson faced 31 shots in goal for the Sting,

Rockers' playoff hopes fade with loss

Perhaps what happened to the Detroit Rockers Thursday at Wichita could serve as a summary for their entire season.

They fell behind early, trailing 11-4 at the half and 13-7 going into the fourth quarter. A valiant comeback effort in that final period resulted in the Rockers trimming the deficit to a single point with 3:17 still left to play.

But they couldn't quite manage it, the Wings hold-

ing on for a 13-12 victory. The loss meant the Rockers, now 13-25, are tied with Kansas City for the final playoff berth in the NSPL's National Conference. They played at Kansas City Saturday.

To assure themselves of a playoff spot, the Rockers would have to have won at Kansas City Saturday and

at Milwaukee today.

Against Wichita, the Wings scored the game's first three goals, with Jamie Harding, Braeden Cloutier and Dino Delevski each getting a two-pointer to make it 6-0 early in the second quarter.

Martin Nash broke through for Detroit with 12:54 left in the second, making it 6-2, but the Wings answered with goals by Jason Farrell and Vlatko Andonovski, the latter a three-pointer, to stretch their lead to 11-2 with 6:44 left in the half.

From that point on, the Rockers were in control. A two by Dominic Mobilio in the second quarter and a three by Randy Prescott early in the third narrowed the gap to 11-7. Delevski's second goal pushed Wicki-

ta's lead to 13-7.

But shootout goal by Mobilio, followed by twopointers from Droo Callahan and Paul Dailly, in the fourth quarter brought the Rockers to within a single point with 3:17 left. But they couldn't get the equaliz-

Mobilio and Prescott each finished with four points for Detroit; Callahan had three and Nash and Dailly netted two. Delevski's two goals and four points paced the Wings.

Paul Shepherd and Alan Placek divided time in goal for the Rockers, Shepherd starting and surrendering 11 points in the first half while making five saves. Placek played the second half and gave up one goal, making three saves.

Jim Larkin had 18 saves in goal for the Wings, who aproved to 17-21.

he right stuff

Chiefs have ingredients for a title

BY C.J. RIBAK SPORTS EDITOR

Last season was kind of a coming-out year for Plymouth Canton's boys track team, which had experienced its share of ups and downs since winning its last Western Lakes Activities Association championship in 1993.

Going into the 2000 campaign, the Chiefs had lots of promise, plenty of potential. But they were, for the most part, young - which cast a shadow of uncertainty upon them.

By season's end, that shadow had been eliminated. Canton won the WLAA's Western Division title, placed third at the WLAA Championships and took second at its Class A state regional.

While some notable athletes have graduated from that team, **CANTON TRACK**

such as sprinters K.J. Singh, Jamie Bonner and Nate Howe thrower Asa Hensley and 400meter man Jack Tucci, there's a whole lot coming back

And that means this year there won't be any talk of promise and potential and possibilities. Canton has the stuff to challenge for the WLAA title.

"This is going to be one of our best teams," predicted Canton coach Bob Richardson. "Probably our field events and our sprint crew are our strongest areas. Our distance crew has improved more than anything

"We're pretty well-balanced now. We have people with experience in every event."

tains is enough to realise where their strengths are. Seniors Jerry Gaines and Jordan Chapman both reached the state meet, Gaines in the 400 and Chapman in the high jump and long jump. The team's third co-captain, Marty Kane, showed a great deal of potential in the

from 200-800 meters and le jumps, too, have the talent to league champs in multi vents. Indeed, Char

Rocks have to re-stock

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR cjrisak@oe.bom

There's not much to be immediately optimistic about in regards to Plymouth Salem's boys track

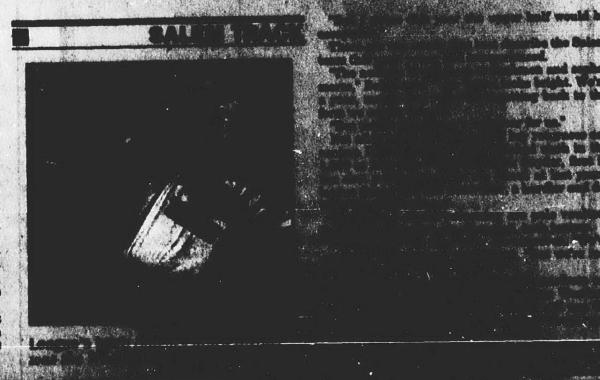
The Rocks have lost a lot from last year's team, a team that was good but hardly great. The notable losses from that squad, which placed fifth in the Western Lakes Activities Association, are Gabe Coble, who won the 800-meters and was third in the long jump; Pat Johnson, who was in the long jump and sprints; and Ryan Silva, a hurdler, long jumper and high jumper.

"You've got to take your lumps now and then," said Salem coach Geoff Baker, now entering his 10th season. "You can't be on the top every year."
Still, being near the top is almost a Salem tradi

tion. In Baker's first year as coach, the team struggled to its worst league finish (ninth) in his ten Since then, the Rocks have always been in the top half of the WLAA, winning the title in 1908.

"I've never been a goal-oriented person (in that respect)," Baker said when asked if a top-six finish.

would be good for this season's team. "We been shooting for the top.



A dream team

Observerland's cage stars shine bright

BY BRAD EMONS SPORTS WRITER

Lutheran High Westland had a breakthrough boys basketball season in 2000-01.

The man who helped pull the strings, fifth-year coach Dan Ramthun, deserves a lot of cred-

The Warriors, who had posted records of 11-10, 8-13, 14-8 and 11-9 under Ramthun, leaped to a 19-2 record this year, best in school history. Lutheran Westland also captured its first-ever Metro Conference championship

with an 11-0 mark. For efforts, Ramthun was n a m e d

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Year.

"We had good chemistry, a nice Dan Ramthun balance and coach of the year blend of guys

who worked well together," Ramthun said. "From Day One I knew we had something special. We had good leaders in Brent Habitz, a junior captain, and Luke Kasten.

"It was a special group, a good year and it was fun to coach these guys."

Ramthun, 39, coached at Detroit Lutheran Westland from 1990-94. He is a graduate of Lapeer West High School and was a four-year starter, 1,000point-plus scorer and Concordia College's all-time leader in assists. He later earned a Masters from Eastern Michigan University and was an assistant principal at Lutheran Westland

before becoming principal this year at Lutheran South, a new school in the Monroe area

With the long commute each day, Ramthun is unsure if he'll return next year to coach the

"Right now that's up in the air," Ramthun said. "I certainly didn't mind doing it this year."

As for the All-Observer squad, two familiar names lead the first tcam - Justin Ockerman of Garden City and Matt Mikel of Farmington.

Introducing the All-Area boys basketball team as selected by the Observer sports staff:

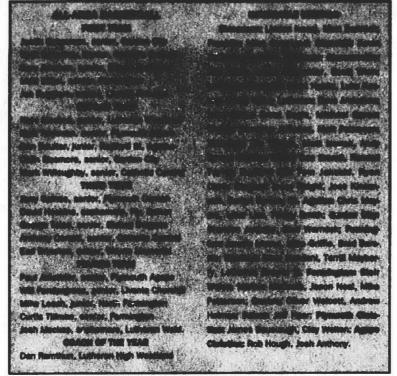
FIRST TEAM

Justin Ockerman, Sr., Garden City: All season long, Garden City coach Greg Williamson would tell people the the Cougars were more than just Ockerman.

Coach of the Maybe, but the all-Mega Blue selection was one pretty big indispensable part. The 6-10 senior averaged 15 points per game, 10 rebounds per contest and five blocks. He literally carried the team on his back at times, including the Mega Blue-Gold championship game, a district win against Belleville and helped the Cougars each the regionals for the first time since 1985.

"He can run the floor and he has great hands," said Williamson. "His inside game allowed us to do things on the perimeter. It's the best year he's ever had. He came on during the tourney and really played well. I hope he gets the chance to play college basketball, if he decides to go that route (instead of

Ryan Celeskey, Sr., Catholic Central: Celeskey was the top scorer on one of the area's top teams, as the 6-0 guard averaged 22.5 points per game, hit 61 of 124 3-pointers on the season, averaged 2.4 assists per game and shot 81 percent from the line.



Celeskey, an all-Catholic selection, also proved during the year that he was more than just a long-range scorer.

""He stopped being a bomber and really improved his all-around game," said CC coach Rick Coratti, "He added to his game over the summer. He'd take the ball to the basket or pull up and shoot the mid-range jumper. The improvement he made really showed."

Gary Johnson, Sr., Wayne: The 6-1 senior point-guard was a two-year starter for the Zebras.

He averaged 17.5 points per game (404 total points in 23 games) and was the team's assist leader averaging six per game as Wayne finished 12-11 and reached the district finals.

The All-Mega Conference Red Division pick had a career-high 39 points against Plymouth Canton.

"Gary had a great senior year," Wayne first-year coach Wayne Woodard said. "He really bought into the system. What people don't realize is that he's a very good defensive player. He gets his hands on a lot of balls. He covered a lot of the good kids and did a great job, more than held his own.

He's a great leader and I'll miss him next year.'

Joe Ruggiero, Sr., Liv. Franklin: The 6-2 senior guard averaged 18.5 points per game and 7.1 rebounds per game.

The All-Western Lakes choice scored in double figures in 20 of 21 games. The lone game he didn't reach double figures he nearly had a triple-double.

field, but was even more adept inside the arc where he used the glass while shooting 53 percent.

"Joe had a tremendous season," Franklin first-year coach John Santi said. "There's not many who have come through Franklin with his kind of versatility. Most people we played focused their defense on him, but he still got off good shots and took good shots. He

"I couldn't ask for anything more.

Junior colleges such as Schoolcraft, Glen Oaks and Kirtland are after Johnson's services

Ruggiero shot 45 percent from the



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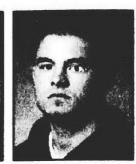




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Dan Boulter Redford St. Agatha

was deadly from 12 to 15 feet. "Joe's a tough competitor and we're

certainly going to miss him."

Ruggiero, a first-team All-Observer football pick, will play both baseball and football at Wayne State. Matt Mikel, Sr., Farmington: Mikel

was the starting point guard for four years and finished his career as the alltime school leader in assists (237) and was one of the leading scorers with 945 The 5-foot-11 senior also is Farmington's No. 1 in career steals and free-

Falcons compiled an overall record of Mikel averaged 13.5 points per game this season with a high game of 23,

throw percentage. During his career, the

which he achieved three times. He scored in double figures in 16 of 22 games while leading Farmington to a

second-place finish in the WLAA regular

Mikel also had 83 rebounds, 87 assists and 41 steals. He shot 36 percent overall, 31 percent from three-point range and 81 percent at the line (91-of-113). "He has some pretty impressive indi-

vidual stats," said his coach and father, Denny Mikel, "but the thing I like most about Matt is he's the ultimate team "He didn't play for stats; he always

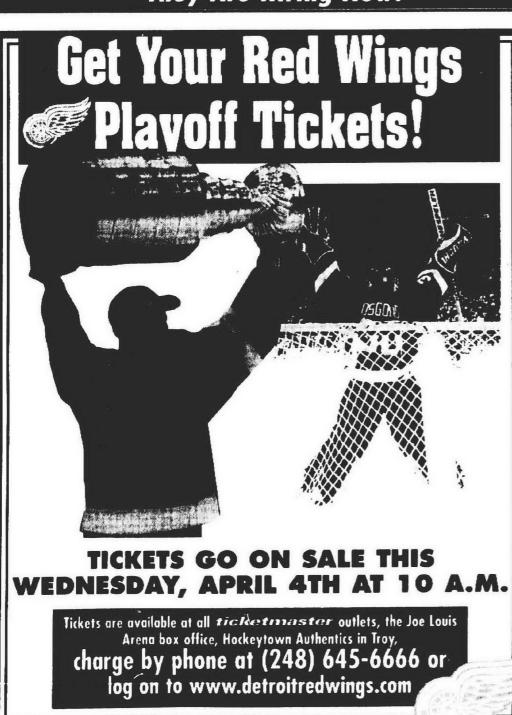
put the team first. Winning was the most important part for Matt.

"He was coachable and he was a good teammate. I'm really proud of his all-around game and his attitude about basketball."

Mikel has either visited or is considering the possibility of playing college ball at either Siena Heights, Madonna,

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both sophomores and both hurdlers; and, in the sprints, juniors Bill Stemmerman and Ted LaPorte.

With Warner back to bolster the distance events, the Rocks should be strong in that area - particularly with the promise the sophomore class has shown.

Justin Hajduk, who qualified for the state cross country finals last fall, is joined by a couple of other classmates in Chris Vraniak and Mike Luick. They, too, ran cross coun-

"These are kids who aren't afraid to work," said Baker. "They're hungry and eager, and that will help us in the long run.

A couple of runners who are currently sidelined by injuries will provide a boost when they return. Steve Shull, a sophomore 200-800 runner, is out with what might be a hip flexor; Jim Leddy, another sophomore who runs distance, has been struggling with a bad back.

There are a lot of unanswered questions in this lineup, which makes Thursday's season-opening dual — the Bolger-Mangan Meet - a bit ominious.

"They want us bad," said Baker, recalling last season's meet in which Canton had it seemingly wrapped up - until the Chiefs' foursome in the 1;600-meter relay, the final event, was disqualified because Canton

runners were wearing Spandex shorts, which are deemed illegal equipment.

"They had us beat, but they didn't put us away," recalled Baker, his team having won the meet by a single point.

With Canton's well-stocked lineup and Salem's shortcomings, that shouldn't be the case on Thursday. Indeed, Baker tabbed Canton as the team to beat in the WLAA.

"(Walled Lake) Central took a huge hit," he said, referring to the second-place finishers at the league final. "They're going to be hurting. If (Walled Lake) Western can get some of that speed out, they could have a good run. And Northville had a good cross country season; they could be good.

Still, the two teams that figure to be at the top of the league heap are Farmington Harrison, the defending champ, and Canton, which placed third but beat Harrison in their dual meet. "I think Canton has a bit better depth," said Baker.

The rest of the league, according to the Salem coach, "is up in the air" - including the Rocks. At present, Baker's main concern is to build for the future.

We'll take a step back if we have to, to take two steps forward," he said. "We want to bring the kids along slowly."

Actually, Baker would rather have them come along very fast - particulary on the

Salem stops Huron

It was just what Plymouth Salem soccer coach Joe Nora thought Thursday's season-opener would be - an eye-opening experience.

"We looked pretty good," Nora said in analyzing his team's performance in the 2-0 victory, played at Concor-

"We definitely have a ways to go, but we possessed the ball most of the

ame," said Nora. "It was a good test for us. Huron played us tough.

Kellee Mullin scored the Rocks first goal seven minutes into the match, on a set-up by Rachel Berezak. The half ended at 1-0.

Nikki Anderson got the insurance marker midway through the second half. The assist went to Stephanie

Jill Dombrowski was in goal for the shutout. She made five saves.

Salem is now idle until Friday. when it plays at Troy. On Saturds the Recks host defending state char pion Troy Athens at 1 p.m.

Agape pitcher no-hits foe

The first game of Canton Agape Christian's prep baseball season will be a memorable one for Robert

Hough was about as close to perfection as a ballplayer could get Friday when the Wolverines hosted Detroit Urban Lutheran at Canton's Griffin Park. Hough tossed a five-inning nohitter and went 3-for-3 at the plate with a home run as Agape blanked the Vikings 13-0.

The game, stopped after five innings by the 10-run mercy rule, was the opener for both teams.

Hough walked three and struck out 11 in his five innings on the mound. At the plate, he hit a solo homer in the first inning and added two singles, knocking in three runs and stealing two bases.

David Dunaldson added two hits, including a double, with two RBI for

Floyd Joyner took the less for Urban Lutheran, working all five innings and giving up eight hits.

The Wolverines play Monday at Westland Huron Valley Lutheran.

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Rochester, Northwood or Concordis.

SECOND TEAM

Nate Meckes, Sr., Lutheran Westland: The 6-7, 220-pound senior averaged 12 points, eight rebounds and three blocks per game for the 19-2 War-

Meckes also shot 50 percent from the floor. He is a two-year starter and made All-Metro Conference and honorable mention (Class C) All-State.

"Nate is a good, unselfish player," Lutheran Westland coach Dan Ramthun said. "He was aggressive defensively, a guy who can block shots and a guy who runs the court well. He was also a very

"Last year to this year Nate really improved his coordination."

Meckes also excels in academics as evidenced by his 3.75 grade-point aver-

"He's a good kid, likeable, a coachable kid," Ramthun said.

Track may be Meckes' first love, but schools such as Canisus. Calvin and Henry Ford Community College are Interested in him as a basketball player.

Mick Techman, Sr., Plymouth Salem: Tochman's junior season had a great impact on his senior performance, which resulted in his being chosen as Salem's teem MVP and selected to the sll-WLAA first team.

Thing is, Tochman's Junior season was cut short by a torn tendon in his thumb. "He was hungry this year when he came back to play," said his coach, Bob Brodie. "He was the go-to guy for

In fact, Tochman was a do-everything for the Rocks. 'He's very versatile, senior started the season playing guard, then moved to swing forward and ended up playing in the post. "He did everything for us," Brodie added.

Salem's captain and leader, Tochman averaged 13.7 points (second-best on the team), 7.9 rebounds (first) and 3.0

"He was deadly from 15 feet and in," the Salem coach noted.

Mark Willoughby, Sr., Catholic Contral: Willoughby, an all-Catholic selection, is one player who truly plays above

Although he's just 6-0 and plays point guard, he led the Shamrocks in rebounding at 6.4 per game and also scored 14.7 points per game and averaged 7.8 assists. "He was a fierce competitor and a

very intense player," said Coratti. "He really played well in the tough games. He was our leader and a very smart player. What I liked about him was in tough games and tough situations, he came up big."

Colin Sizemore, Sr., Garden City: Ockerman might have been the leader in scoring, but Sizemore might have been the Cougars' leader in heart.

He was a strong leader and really kept himself emotionally in check, and that was an important quality for him," said Williamson. "He was probably our fiercest competitor. He was a good 3point shooter and was strong to the bas-

Sizemore, a 6-3 point guard and an all-Mega Blue selection, averaged 13 points per game, with seven rebounds and led the Cougars with five assists per contest

Dan Boulter, Jr., St. Agatha: As in football, Boulter proved to be the Aggies go-to player during the year, as the team won its district before bowing out in the regionals.

Boulter, a 6-3 junior and an all-Catholic selection, averaged 19.1 points per game - going 29-for-71 from 3-point range - 10 rebounds per game. four steals and 3.8 assists.

"He can play on any team in the Observerland area," offered his coath John Fenbert. "He works hard, in whatever sport he's in or whatever he does. I don't see anyone who works harder or is better. He's a good kid and a good ath-

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the top four in the 400 and 800.

Richardson was optimistic about Kane, too. "He's determined this will be his year," he said. "I can't say enough good things about all those kids.'

There are other seniors who can also provide leadership. In fact, Richardson counts 25 seniors among the 90 athletes on this year's squad. "That's the biggest (senior class) we've ever had," he noted.

Among those expected to have a heavy impact are distance runners Scott Gillen and Jon Mikosz; Brian Page, a mid-distance runner and vaulter; Mike Parker, a sprinter; Andrew McCully and Will Hundley, both throwers; and Kevin Palmer, a long jumper and vaulter.

Two seniors who are with the team but are unable to compete are Ugo Okwumabua, a superb long jumper who injured

high jump and pole vault. Gaines was in his knee at last season's state regional and has not recovered, and Chris Kalis, a standout hurdler/high jumper who is inel-

> There are also three new seniors on the team, among them foreign exchange student Elmar Hawerkamp, from Germany. He's currently slated to run sprints.

It's the junior class that supplies Canton with its depth in the mid-distance events. Aaron Schmidt, Ross O'Hara, Brandon McClellan and Tony Mize are all capable in the 800-1,600 range.

Juniors Dane Kobus and Ricky Singh make the Chiefs formidable in the hurdles, and Ken Page, another junior, is solid in the sprints and long jump.

With such an array of experienced athletes returning, finding spots for the sophomores and freshmen won't be easy. A couple will get into the lineup, however:

sophomores Corey Walser and Aaron Lanning, and perhaps freshman Brad Waidmann.

Walser was the team's freshman of the year last season and, with Parker currently nursing an injury, Richardson felt Walser is "probably our No. 1 sprinter right now." Lanning, a distance threat, transferred to Canton last year and could not compete, according to MHSAA rules, but he did train with the team.

Waidmann was the middle school champ in the high jump last year; he could also compete in the long jump and

"Things are starting to roll here," said Richardson, who added Homer Elias (shot put, discus) to his coaching staff, which also includes Paul Bedford (distance events) and Matti Kilpelainen (pole

"We'll be strong," Richardson said. "Our

depth will be a plus. (Farmington) Harrison's still going to be very tough. I know they lost some people, but they always have good sprinters. And Walled Lake Central and North Farmington had strong seasons last year."

There are some areas of concern for . . Canton, which defeated Harrison in their dual meet and at the Observerland Invitational but lost to the Hawks at the WLAA finals

"We're still trying to make sure with our shot put and discus people," said Richardson. "We've got a lot of young guys out who are trying. It's an area we hope to strengthen.

We've got some talent, they're just unknown.

The same might have been said of the entire Canton team prior to last season. Not any more.

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Crusaders bumped off by league foe Aquinas twice | Madonna falls to St. Francis

The Madonna University baseball team just can't buy a break. On Friday, host Aquinas swept the Crusaders in a double-header at Kimble Stadium in

Wyoming, 2-1 and 7-5. MU falls to 3-13 overall and 0-4 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. Aquinas is 15-3



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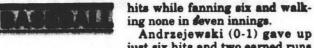
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Aquinas pitcher Sean Ford (3-0) outdueled Madonna's Ryan Andrzejewski (Plymouth Salem) in the opener, scattering seven



Andrzejewski (0-1) gave up just six hits and two earned runs in six innings. Devin Cole (Garden City) and

Mario D'Herin (Redford Catholic Central) each had two hits for Brent Backing had two hits for

Aquinas, while Brett Cagney and Chad Hansen each knocked in runs for the Saints.

In the nightcap, Aquinas scored three times in the bottom of the seventh to pull out the win after MU scored four times in the top of the inning to lead 6-4.

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MU used four pitchers with reliever Mike Hayes (Redford Union) taking the loss. He is 0-1. Starter Lance Siegwald gave

up two runs in 3 1/3 innings. Brandon Bailey worked 6 1/3 innings for Aquinas, but reliever Pat O'Dell got the final two outs for the win.

MU had just five hits, but Bryan DeCaire (Livonia Clarenceville) and pinch hitter Gary Linzell each came through with a 2-run doubles in the sev-

John Perko went 2-for-4 for Aquinas, including a homer, double and three RBI.

St. Francis (Ind.) blasted the Madonna University women's softball team in a pair of games Friday, 15-2 and 10-2.

The host Cougars (4-3) collected 13 hits in the opener as four different players had two hits apiece. Amanda Blair had three

Kristie Given, the MU starter, took the loss. Katie Boals got the

Shortstop Kristy McDonald had two of MU's six hits.

In the second game, St. Francis dropped Madonna to 7-13 overall with a 12-hit attack led by shortstop Lindsay Mitchener's 3-for-3 effort to go along with two RBI.

McDonald had a 2-run double for the Crusaders.

Losing pitcher Missy Van-Doorn gave up eight earned runs on 12 hits. MU committed four

Hillsdale 6-5, Madonna 1-3: MU committed a total of seven errors in two games

Those seven errors led to three unearned runs in the opening game, a 6-1 loss, and to four more in the nightcap, a 5-3 defeat.

Hillsdale is 10-2-1.

In the first game, the Chargers

scored four times in the third inning and twice more in the fourth to clinch the victory. Hillsdale pitcher Sarah DeAngelo allowed just one run on four hits and a walk in stopping the Crusaders.

VanDoorn started and took the loss for Madonna, giving up four runs (one earned) on two hits and three walks in three innings.

McDonald's single drove in Stacie Wilson with the Crusaders only run. Dana Falvo had two hits for Hillsdale.

In the second game, a threerun fifth inning lifted the Chargers past Madonna. Jenny Tenyer took the pitching defeat for the Crusaders, surrendering five runs (one earned) on seven hits and a walk, striking out six.

Joelle Frantz was the winning pitcher for Hillsdale, giving up three earned runs on five hits, striking out four.

Angela Litwin (Plymouth Canton) and Wilson each had a hit and an RBI for Madonna. Julie Westover's pinch-hit single drove in two runs for the Chargers.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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An ordinance to amend sub-section 121-8 of the Wayne County Code to

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Tuesday, April 3, 2001

Commission Hearing Room 402, 11:00 a.m.

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The Wayne County Commission will hold a public hearing to consider:

The Wayne County Commission will hold a public hearing to consider: An ordinance to amend the Wayne County Code to create a comprehensive economic development program for Wayne County within the Department of Jobs and Economic Development; to establish the powers and duties of the department; to establish an economic development fund and plan and the program goals, objectives, eligibility criteria, and procedures therefore; to create a planning commission; to establish extraordinary ethical standards and procedures for persons appointed and employed to administer the comprehensive program; and to provide misdemeanor penalties for a violation of those ethical standards.

The hearing will be held: Thursday, April 5, 2001 Commission Chambers Room 400, 10:00 a.m. Wayne County Building 600 Randolph, Detroit, Michigan

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The Wayne County Commission will hold a public hearing on the certification of revenues and appropriated budgetary expenditure adjustments to the FY 2000-2001 Appropriation Ordinance as follows:

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all in accordance with budget adjustment No. 01-35-116.

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Friday, April 6 Franklin at Dearborn, 4 p.m. Saturday, April 7 Huron Tournament, TBA (all double-headers) Salem at Grand Slanc Tourn., 10 a.m. Stevenson at Tay. Kennedy, 11 a.m. Brother Rice at Redford CC, 11 a.m. Edsel Ford at John Glenn, 11 a.m. Crestwood at Churchill, noon. Novi at Canton, 2 p.m. GIRLS SOFTBALL

South Lyon at Centon, 3:30 p.m. (DH)

Canton Adaps at Huron Valley Luth., 4 p.m.

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Tuesday, April 3

Churchill at Wayne, 4 p.m.

HVL at St. Alphoneus, 4:30 p.m.

Mord CC at Utica, 4:15 p.m.

Monday, April 2 Dearborn at Stevenson, 4 p.m. Tueoday, April 3 Wayne at Churchill, 4 p.m.

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Saturday, April 7 Huron Tournament, TBA Garden City at John Glenn, 11 a.m. GIRLS SOCCER Monday, April 2

Redford Union at Franklin, 7 p.m. Wayne at Taylor Truman, 7 p.m.

in at Ladywood, 5:30 p.m day, April 4 elleville at John Glenn, 4 p.m. Canton at Novi, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 6 Ladywood at Regina, 5:30 p.m

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Bishop Foley at Stevenson, 1 p.m. Troy Athens at Salem, 1 p.m. BOYS TRACK Tuesday, April 3

Stevenson at Redford Union, 3:30 p.m. PCA at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m. Thursday, April 5 Churchill at Farmington, 3:30 p.m.

Franklin at Stevenson, 3:30 p.m. Harrison at John Glenn, 3:30 p.m. Salem vs. Canton, 4 p.m. Luth. W'sid at Crestwood, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7

Crestwood Invitational, 10 a.m. Canton, Redford CC at A.A. Pioneer, 12:30

> **BURLS TRACK** Tuesday, April 3 John Glenn at N. Farm., 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 4 Ladywood Invitational, 4 p.m.

Thursday, April 5 Farmington at Churchill, 3:30 p.m. Stevenson at Franklin 3:30 nm John Glenn at Harrison, 3:30 p.m. Wayne at Romulus, 3:30 p.m. Salem vs. Canton, 4 p.m. Friday, April 6

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at St. John's, 3 p.m. Friday, April 6 Dearborn vs. Franklin at Idyl Wyld, 3 p.m. Saturday, April 7 Grosse Ila Invitational, 10:15 a.m.

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Tueeday, April 3 Redford CC at Brother Rice, 4:30 p.m. Thursday, April 5 Redford CC at DeLaSaile, 5 p.m. Saturday, April 7 Franklin Regional at CC, 4 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASEBALL Sunday, April 1 Madonna at Indiana Tech, 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 4 Madonna at Concordia, 2 p.m. Seturday, April 7 Tri-State at Madonna, 1 p.m.

Sunday, April 8 Siena Hts. at Madonna, 1 p.m. WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOFTBALL (all double-headers) Sunday, April 1 Indiana Tech vs. Madonna

at Ladywood H.S., 1 p.m. Tueeday, April 3 Aquinas vs. Madonna at Ladywood H.S., 4 p.m. Friday, April 6 Concordia vs. Madonna at Ladywood H.S., 4 p.m. Saturday, April 7

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4. Place I cup of the well-mixed soil in a clean plastic bag or container. Dry or damp soil is okay, but soggy soil should be allowed to air dry.

5. If you wish to test more than one area of your yard, use a clean pail and trowel to repeat steps #1 - #4 for each area. Label each bag carefully.

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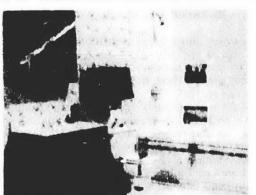


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NATURE NOTES



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What was hidden, can now be seen

Now that the winter snow has melted away, it's easier to see animal clues that it may have been hiding, like rabbit browse, vole tunnels and natural pruning resulting from animals feeding on plants.

One of the most obvious features that can be seen is rabbit browse.

As my family and I drive along the expressway, it is easy to point out the trees that have been affect-

Staghorn sumac is one species that has been hit hard this past winter. Sumac is a sun-loving shrub recognized in winter by its red berry clusters located at the top of its branches. These are the same shrubs that are the first to turn scarlet red in fall.

Since green grasses are not available in winter, cottontail rabbits eat the bark from the base of young trees and shrubs, as well as branches and twigs when they can be reached.

Just inside the corky protective bark is the nutritious cambium layer of the tree trunk. This is the part of the bark that provides nutrition for animals in winter. Beaver and deer both eat branches and twigs to gain sustenance from the cambium layer.

Some stands of sumac look like they have white socks on their "feet" because the dark bark has been eaten away leaving the light sapwood exposed.

Starting almost two feet above the ground is the top of the rabbit browse. This past winter's deep snow allowed the rabbits to reach higher than they have been able to in the past few winters.

The extended duration of deep snow forced the animals to keep feeding on the available good food until the trees were girdled (the cambium layer has been destroyed all the way around the circumference of a tree).

A girdled tree will die because no food and little water can travel up or down the tree without the cambium layer's conducting tubes.

Trees with a trunk diameter of two to three inches were affected and several in one cluster damaged.

Surviving trees in the cluster will produce seeds to repopulate the immediate area, while suckers sprout from the underground root system to yield new young saplings.

Animals were able to reach higher because of the deep snow, but when the snow melted they continued to eat as they got closer and closer to the ground. Long sections of exposed sapwood create the socklike appearance from a distance.

Apple trees are also a preferred tree for winter food. Orchard owners know that both mice and rabbits will girdle young seedling if they are not protected. Deep snow allowed rabbits to reach the lower branches and provide some natural

One apple tree I found has browsed branches six feet off the ground. When I take students past this tree I ask them how such a small animal could feed on branches so high above the ground.

They often suggest that the rabbits were jumping and nibbling, but even a cottontail rabbit could not jump six feet high.

Next students suggest that they climbed on the branches to reach such a height. Rabbits cannot

Students can become very imaginative, and then finally someone remembers that there was deep

snow earlier in the year. And in this particular area, snow was piled high from a cleared parking lot. Walking up the snow pile allowed the rabbits to reach a new

source of food. How often can you spot rabbit browse in your area, or while traveling the expressway?

Vaporizing

All-Star Bowlerettes a vanishing league



All-Star Bowlerettes, regarded over the years as the finest women's bowling league in the nation only fielded 10 teams in this current season at Cloverlanes in Livonia.

great women bowlers

In the history of American 10 pins, 10 female teams have surpassed 3,500 pins for a three-game series. Seven of those record scores were from the All-Star League, including the recent new record of 3,600 by the "All-Star Grille" team

Each year, this league has the highest aggregate average in the nation. Way back in the summer of 1946, Maxine Cruchon, a bowler of some repute, dreamed of forming the best and strongest women's league in the country. She then sold the idea to 12 captains of the area's top teams and persuaded Harold Kahl, bowling editor of The Detroit Times to ask his superiors to sponsor the league.

In its first season the league produced two world records, an 1,141 game and 3,132 series. After years of stability, the league became nomadic to afford its fans the opportunity to witness the outstanding performances of its many talented bowlers. It moved to Eastland Bowl for the 1961-62 season.

The Detroit Times went out of business and Brunswick took over sponsorship of the league and moved to Luxury Lanes before finding a more permanent home in Livonia at Cloverlanes. Bowling fans everywhere can easily relate to such stellar performers as Aleta Sill, Cheryl Daniels, Lisa Bishop and Marianne DiRupo from watching the Ladies Pro Tour on TV or in person.

In the early years, such names as Anita Cantaline, Connie Powers, Louise Stockdale, Agnes Ekstrom, Dorothy

Where have all the Aldred, Stella Hartrick, Doris Knechtges, Dorothy Jackson, Ozella Houston, Elvira Toepfer, Clara Allen and many others made their mark in the bowling

> Another generation saw the likes of Cora Fiegig, Carmen Allen, Mary Mohacsi, Gerry Ritter, Kathy Haislip, Penny Behn, DeDe Davidson, Lavolia Brown, Jeanne Gebbia and Bonnie McKay make their mark in the long running history and tradition of the league which is unequalled anywhere. Since 1953, 11 members or former members have been enshrined in the W.I.B.C. Hall of Fame, the true measure of greatness on the lanes.

The Detroit All-Star women have amasses an incredible record in the Women's International Bowling Congress annual tournament, Val Mikiel won the singles crown in 1946. Louise Stockdale paired with her sister, Helen Sneider to win the Doubles title in 1922. Five teams from the Detroit All Star s would follow their lead, Connie Powers and Betty Reus in 1939, Stella Hartrick and Clara Allen in 1942, Doris Knechtges/Jane Grudzien in 1953, Dorothy Jackson and Ozella Houston in 1977 and Gerrie Beattie/Mary Deptula in 1979.

The All-Star bowlers have captured 85 out of a possible 116 titles. Also in 1952 the D.W.B.A. began designating one of its members as "Queen of Bowling." Since its inception the crown has always been won by a member of the Women's All-Star Classic. The Michigan women's Bowling association Hall of Fame has inducted 24 bowlers for superior performance. Of those, 15 have competed in the league. The Greater Detroit Hall of Fame has inducted 44 females, 40 of which were members of the same league.

Many of the current crop of athletes have come on the scene with great accolades such as Aleta Sill, Michelle Mullin, Lisa Bishop and Novella White who have competed on the Ladies Pro Tour (PWBA), Hall of Fame members: Sill (National WIBC and Greater Detroit), Jeanne Gebbia (Michigan), Linda

Higenell (Canada), Sandy (Fuerst- Winbigler) Schultz (Michigan and Greater Detroit) and Carmen Allen (Greater Detroit). Other honors to Julie Wright (Michigan Queen of Bowling), Sandy Schultz (Michigan Queen). Novella White (Michigan Queen).

Chosen while youth league members for "Star of Tomorrow": Julie Wright, Cyndi Black, Lisa Bishop and Michelle Ewald. Ewald has been named as National "Star of Tomorrow" also. Higenall, who commutes weekly from Hamilton, Ontario, also bowled for Team Canada for four years. This season, the league bowlers have produced six 300 games so far, the latest just this past Monday by Shelley Zarick, as I was there and watching each strike after she had the first four.

Five members of this league have amassed 54 individual professional titles by competing on the national P.W.B.A. tour, nine of which are majors. Aleta Sill has made the greatest impact on the pro tour, having won 30 titles. She is the only bowler (male or female) to have won the Triple Crown twice. She is the first female bowler to have won more than \$1 million in prize money, a feat which took all of 19 years on tour to accomplish.

Marianne DiRupo won a few PWBA titles while in the league until this season. The league is certainly much more than just a lot of pretty women, they are extremely talented. The 2001-2002 season will see them in a new location, as they are going to be leaving the friendly halls of Cloverlanes in Livonia.

The new home has not yet been finalized at this writing, so I will keep you informed as soon as they are ready to make an announcement. This is a Clarion call to any and all Detroit area bowlers to "Go for it." If you want great competition, ample jackpots and the personal pride of bowling among the "Elite" in the nation, contact Carmen Allen at (313) 865-4177 or Juanita Marzette-Smith at (313) 531-3378.

Early history courtesy of Al Stroud.

OUTDOORS CALENDAR

ACTIVITIES

2001 SPRING FISHING CLASSIC

There will be more to see and do than ever at the Bass Pro Shops upcoming 2001 Spring Fishing Classic at Outdoor World (4500 Baldwin Road) in Auburn Hills, April 6-8. This free event will feature huge displays from the country's top manufacturers, live demonstrations and more. Catch a special sneak preview of the Spring Classic on Thursday, April 5 from 5 p.m.-10 p.m. where you can win a variety of new 2001 products and get free line winding by Remington (limit to two reels, maximum 20# test, and no spincast please). Visit www.basspro.com on the Internet for additional informa-

OAKLAND COUNTY SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION

The Oakland County Sportfishing Association meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of every month at Santia Hall, 1985 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor. Call (248) 693-4389 or visit the club's web site at http://go.to/ocsa for

more information. **DOWNRIVER BASS ASSOCIATION**

The Downriver Bass Association, a nontournament bass club, meets at 6:30

p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain (14100 Pardee Road) in Taylor. For more information, call Ron Fodor at (734) 676-2863 or send an e-mail to riverrat122@home.com.

DETROIT AREA STEELHEADERS

Detroit Area Steelheaders, Inc. membership meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month at Knights of Columbus, St. Pius X, 6177 Chicago Road, in Warren. The public is welcome. More information can be obtained by calling Ed Wilczek at (810) 757-7365 or club Pres dent Ray Banbury at (810) 598-0310.

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 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Middle School, located on Middlebelt Road between Seven and Eight Mile roads. Call (248) 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. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for 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.

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.

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; Hudson Mills, 1-800-477-3191.

Lacrosse catches on with girls

BY DAN O'MEARA

STAFF WRITER domeara@oe.homecomm.net

With the inaugural season out of the way, coach Mike Mehall hopes for better results for his Farmington Unified girls lacrosse team in its second year of exis-

Farmington, which had a 2-7 record in its first campaign, is still a young team with only two seniors on its roster, but it returns 21 other players with a year of varsity experience.

Eighty girls from three high schools turned out to play lacrosse. Instead of making player cuts, Farmington added a second JV team, and Mehall is currently coaching all three teams.

"This year there's still a lot of growing that has to happen," Mehall said. "We still have a lot to do in reference to putting a team together and having them feel comfortable on the field. But we're farther ahead than we were last

"The basic skill level is higher as far as passing and catching and understanding the field. Now it's a necessity of learning the refinements of the game and improving our offensive and defensive skills."

The league in which Farmington com-

petes has added a third division for new

teams and those that have been around less than four years. Division C will include Farmington.

"It's a better competitive situation for us to be in, and we should be one of the premier teams in the new division," Mehall said.

"I think we'll have a fairly strong year. We will be playing five teams from B Division, and that will give us a barometer as to how we're doing with established teams.

One of the graduation losses for Christina Ford, who was Farmington's leading scorer with 18 goals and its MVP for the overall season.

Farmington will look to its captains senior Chrissy Baker and juniors Stephanie Ford and Stephanie Yacoub to pick up the scoring slack in addition to others. Ford had six goals last year and Yacoub five

Sophomore Jenny Adams will start at center; junior Katie Ellis, Yacoub and sophomore Lindsey Hirzel will play forward positions, and the attack wings are

Baker and junior Natalie Schauer. Defensively, Farmington will start Ford and junior Abbey Robinson at wings, sophomore Alyse Grossman at third man, junior Catherine Audette at cover point and junior Rebecca York at

point. Sophomore Wendy Bakken returns to play goalie again.

The girls play 12 players at a time as opposed to 10 for the boys. A maximum of seven players can cross the 30-yard line on an offensive rush; the rest must remain back on defense.

The girls game is more involved," Mehall said. "Because they don't wear protective gear, the rules are designed to be protective, so injuries don't happen. There's no physical contact.

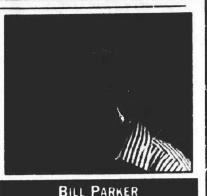
"The game is played very close to the same strategy as basketball. A big learning curve for the girls is understanding the complexity of the rules."

The other returning players are senior defender Jackie Compton, junior attackers Lori Sera, Anna Grinshpun, Christy Hague, Sarah Lash and Stefanie Willemsen, junior defenders Casey Haapaniemi and Laurane Walker and sophomore attackers Rachel Kahan and Ash-

In addition to Robinson, the other newcomers are junior defender Erin Blacha and sophomore center Kristie

Farmington began an expanded, 14game schedule with its season opener last Wednesday at Rochester.

OUTDOOR INSIGHTS



BILL PARKER

With spring the fishing warms up

At first glance it appears fishing has been put on hold. Ice is receding on inland lakes, but boat traffic is still a week or two away.

But under closer scrutiny, you'll find that fishing opportunities are actually quite abundant. Want to fish for trout, steelhead, or walleyes? The opportunities await right now, right here in Southeastern Michigan.

At midnight April 1, the waters of the Huron River at the Proud Lake State Recreation Area in Commerce Township will be teeming with anglers as a special catch-andrelease, flies-only trout season begins.

The season was initiated in the 1970s by the Livonia-based Michigan Fly Fishing Club in cooperation with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. At that time, gas prices were soaring and local trout anglers wanted to create a fishery close to home so they wouldn't have to make those 200-mile treks north to the storied trout waters of the northern Lower Peninsula.

The DNR stocks close to 2,000 brown trout in a two-mile stretch of the river below Moss lake and anglers are allowed to fish with artificial flies only, catch-andrelease, until the regular trout season opens on April 28. At that time, regular season regulations kick into effect. When the regular season opens the the daily possession limit on that section of the Huron will be three fish at least eight inches in length each.

"We just stocked them and there are some really nice looking fish," said Jim Francis, DNR fisheries biologist at the Livonia district office. "We put in 1,800 browns between 12 and 16 inches long, and about 50 larger fish from our brood stock that we are cycling out of the system. Those fish were in the eight to 10 pound range and a couple of them were pushing 20

The Proud lake Recreation Area has also contributed approximately 2,0000 rainbow trout to the pre-season fishery.

Fishing during this special season is limited to a two-mile stretch of the Huron running from the signs below Moss Lake to the signs 100 yards below the Wixom Road Bridge. Crowds will be heavy for the first few days, but they normally thin out a little after that. Some of the best fishing the year may be during the week after Easter, when the fish have settled down and the anglers have dispersed.

A similar program takes place each spring at the Island Lake Recreation Area in Brighton. Francis said the DNR stocked 400, 12- to 16-inch browns and another 50 eight- to 10-pounders from the brood stock in Spring Mill Pond. The same rules apply at Spring Mills Pond as do on the Huron.

If you're looking for a more natural opportunity, head over to the Clinton River and tangle with a spring-run steelhead. Each year the Clinton serves up some pretty good steelhead fishing and the run is already getting started. While there are just enough fish in the river now to keep die-hard anglers interested, fishing will pick up in the coming weeks with a little warm rain and rising temperatures.

Fresh spawn is always a good choice for bait, but anglers also do very well with wigglers, wet flies and spinners.

If walleyes are your favorite target, get down to the Detroit River and have some fun.

Recent reports show anglers taking good numbers of fish with some limits being reported. Fish up to 13 pounds have been caught in the Trenton Channel, with the best fishing so far coming from the area near the Edison Plant.

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The USSSA Bud Light First Pitch Qualifier, a Class C-D-E adult men's softball tournament, is scheduled for next weekend (April 7-8) at the Canton Softball Center, located at 46555 W. Michigan.

Entry fee is \$195 per team (deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday). This is a double-elimination regional qualifier with a threegame guarantee. Awards include a berth in the USSSA Regional and trophies to the top three teams in each division, plus jackets, shirts and hats.

For more information, call (734) 483-5600.

SOFTBALL CENTER STUFF

The Canton Softball Center, located at 46555 W. Michigan in Canton, has several upcoming events of interest. Call (734) 483-5600 for further information.

· Youth All-Skills Baseball and Softball Clinic: From noon-5 p.m. May 5, for ages 7-14, five hours of professional instruction from, among others, Plymouth Canton baseball coach Scott Dickey, including take-home drills sheet, contests, sports break, T-shirt. rules review, etc. Cost is \$50 per camper.

•Softball Umpires Wanted: The Canton Softball Center will offer a free USSSA Umpires Training Session from 6:30-8 p.m. March 30. New and experienced umps wanted. Rules review and registration for 2001 offered. Multiple games (at \$18 per) per night, flexible schedule.

SEMIOR SOFTBALL

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Applications are now being taken for senior men's softball. Age groups are 55-64, 65-70

and 70-up. The seasons will begin in the spring and cover teams located in Livenia, Canton, Dearborn, Garden City, Taylor and Southgate.

For more information call Gene Fanger at (734) 434-1482 or John Finch (734) 427-7210.

SAN OPEN QUALIFYING

Qualifying rounds for the 8th Detroit Newspapers Michigan Open will be Monday-Tuesday, May 21-22, at eight sites throughout the state.

Entry forms are available at the qualifying sites an through the Michigan Section PGA office at (734) 522-2323.

On May 21, qualifying will be at: The Orchards Golf Club in Washington, Forest Akers (West) in East Lansing, Gull Lake Country Club in Richland and Washtenaw Country Club in Ypeilanti.

On May 22, qualifying will be at: Shanty Creek Resort (Shuss Mountain) in Bellaire, Western Golf & Country Club in Redford, The Fortress in Frankenmuth and The Highlands in Grand

The fields at all qualifying sites will be limited to 104 competitors. Participants will be served on a first-come, firstserve basis.

The \$200 entry fee and completed application must be received by 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 8 in the Michigan Section PGA

The Michigan Open will be Monday through Thursday, June 25-28, at The Bear at Grand Traverse Resort. Contestants will compete for the James D. Standish, Jr. Trophy and \$110,000

purse, including amateur

The deadline to enter the Mid America Youth Baskethall Summer Kickoff Tournament (June 8-10 in Newton, Kan.) is Friday, May 4.

The tounament has divisions for boys and girls in grades 4-12 with A, B and C brackets are all

All teams guaranteed a minimum of five games. A total of 645 teams from 18 states and Canada participated in 2000.

For more information, call (316) 284-0354 or the website www.mayb.com.

ERLEADURG TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the Eurostars Competitive All-Star Cheer Team will be held at 12:30 p.m. on May 6, at the Eurostars Gymnastics Academy in Plymouth. Girls who will be in ninth through 12th grades next school year are eligible to tryout.

For information, call Heather Fischer at (734) 231-3109 or email her at hdfischer@home.com.

HOLOWICKI SUMMER HOOP CAMP Madonna University will be the site of the annual Bernie Holowicki All Star Basketball Camp in June and July.

The camp, run by MU men's head basketball coach Holowicki will feature contests and prizes, T-Shirts, instruction, drills, speakers, evaluation and more.

The boys camps will be: from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on June 11-15 and

June 18-22 at Madenna (\$140) and June 29-July 3 at Madonna with times on Friday from 4:30-8:30 p.m., 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m on Sunday and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday (\$130)

The girls camp will be June 24-28 at Detroit World Christian Academy from noon-4 p.m on Sunday and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Monday-Thursday.

For information, call Bill Derderian at (313) 937-0966, Holowicki at (734) 261-3346 or the school at (734) 432-5591.

PRIVATE SOFTBALL LESS

University of Michigan All-Big Ten player Tammy Mika, along with collegiate and high school coaches, will instruct individual and give private drille/lessons to athletes 6-18 years at Total Baseball in Wixon

Hitting and fielding lessons, along with team training area available. Lessons are by appointment only.

The cost is \$35 per half-hour or five private lessons for \$160. For more information, call (248) 668-0166 or email: totalb-

MINERCA COM BANGMET

ballwixom@wixom@aol.com.

The Michigan High School Football Coaches Association's Hall of Fame banquet will be Saturday, April 7, at the indoor track facility on the campus of the University of Michigan. The event begins with a cocktail hour at 5:30 p.m.

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The guest speaker will be Lloyd Carr, U-M head football coach. Twenty-four high shool football coshees throughout the state will be inducted.

The event is epen to the public. Tickets are \$20 per person and can be ordered by sending a check, payable to "Hall of Fame Banquet," and a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Ike Muhlenkamp, 2100 Lakeview, St. Joseph, MI 49085.

ABULT MOCKETY REGISTRATION

Registration is under way for men's and women's adult spring/summer recreational hockey teams.

The Rockets (over 21), Lady Rockets (over 21), Masters (over 30) and Golden Eagles (over 45) leagues will play out of the Plymouth and Chelsea arenas.

The season will last from April 22 to July 19, and teams will play on various evenings. For more information call John Wilson at (248) 471-0658, email to john@rspi.net or visit the Web site at www.rspi.net.

MPS WANTED

The Canton Umpires Association is looking for people interested in being a baseball umpire with the CCJBSA league.

Weekly hours vary, trainging and major equipment is provided. Applicants must be at least 14-years-old with some knowledge of baseball.

For more information, call

Greg Angel at (734) 981-3007 on Dave Gieve at (734) 981-3427, or by omail at wdivgrage@aal.co

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Madonna University will hest a series of summer volleyball age including: 8:30 a.m.-nees (elite) and 1-4:30 p.m. (general players) Thursday through Sunday, July 5-8; 8:30 a.m.-noon (setters) and 1-4 p.m. (youth) Sunday through Thursday, July 9-12; 8:30 a.m.-noon (hitters session I) and 1-4:30 p.m. (defensive specialist), Sunday through Wednesday, July 15-18.

For more information, call-Jerry Abraham at (734) 482-5612 or (734) 254-0698 (evenings).

DRAY COLF TOURISANDING

Henry Ford Community College's 10th annual Mike Adray Memorial Golf Tournament will be Wednesday, May 16 at Mystic Creek Golf Club, located at Camp Dearborn, in Milford.

Proceeds from the tourney will go to support student scholarships. Since its inception, the golf tourney has raised more than \$394,00 for Henry Ford student scholarships.

Individual golfer can partici-pate in a full day of activities for \$195. The dinner and auction package is \$85.

For more information, call the tournament hotline at (313) 845-9880 or visit Henry Ford's web site at www.hfcc.net.

New Items

Everywhere!

PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for Four (4) Special Education Buses for the District. Specifications and bid forms are available at the E.J. McClendon Building, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48187. For further information, please phone Dan Phillips, Assistant Director of Finance & Purchasing at (734) 416-2746. Sealed bids are due on or before 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 1st, 2001. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education JUDY L. MARDIGIAN, Secretary

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for Tunne Instruments "TI-63 Plus" Calculators. Specifications and bid forms are available at the front desk of the E., J. McClendon Educational Center located on 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI or by contacting Dan Phillips in the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746. Sealed bids are due on or before 3:00 p.m., Monday, April 16, 2001. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education Plymouth-Canton Community Schools

Publish: March 25 and April 1, 2001

PLYMOUTH CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Phymouth-Canten Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for Dedoca Elementary School Classroom Furniture. Specifications and bid forms are available at the front desk of the E. J. McClendon Educational Center located on 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI or by contacting Dan Phillips in the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746. Sealed bids are due on or before 3:00 p.m., Monday, April 23, 2001. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for Canton High School Pool Equipment Renovation. Specifications and bid forms will be available at the MANDATORY "walk-through", school-dud for 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 17th, 2001 at the Canton High School Pool, located at 8415 Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan. For further information, please phone either Dan Phillips, Assistant Director of Finance & Purchasing at 1734) 418-2748 or Laura Hagan Facilities Construction Management (734) (734) 416-2746 or Laura Hagan, Facilities Construction Manager at (734) 416-2953. Sealed bids are due on or before 1:30 p.m., Menday, April 30th, 2001. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

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PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Plymouth District Library Board will hald its REGULAR January meeting Tuesday, April 10, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. at 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

The Plymouth District Library will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio 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 exhibits a services should contact the Plymouth District



EVENTS of the DAY 11:00-2:00

CANTON Yokie the Clown Dan the Balloon Man 11:00-2:00

Easter Bunny 11:00-5:00 (Bring your camera)

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AROUND TOWN

CULTURAL ART RECEPTION An Armenian Anniversary: Celebrating 1,700 years of Arts, Culture and Religion reception will be 2-5 p.m. April 7, at PCAC. Exhibition of art works April 2-13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call (734) 416-04278 for further information.

GARAGE SALE Paws With A Cause, which trains dogs nationally for people with disabilities, will hold a garage sale to sponsor a service dog from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 13-14 on North Territorial, just west of Sheldon. Call Nancy Martin at 454-4084 for further information. KINDERGARTEN

STRATION New Morning School in Plymouth has openings for its 2001-02 half-day kindergarten/ primary program. Interested parents can call the school at

(734)420-3331. PWP EASTER BOG HUNT Parents Without Partners will host an Easter Egg Hunt/family dance from 11:30-3:30 p.m. April 7 at the AmVets Hall in Westland. Admission \$2 per adult plus a dish to pass. Reservations being accepted at (734) 428-0592.

EASTER SUNDAY BRUNCH Brunch is being served from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 15, at the Grand Ballroom at Summit on the Park. The cost per adult is \$20.95, a child 4-12 is \$12.95 and a child 3 and younger may eat free. Reservations are required, and payment is due at the time of reservations. There are no refunds. Call (734) 394-5480 for

more information.

MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE League play begins with 5-6 p.m. tee times beginning April 25 at Fellow's Creek Golf Course. The league runs 20 weeks. Canton residents only. Two-man teams for league play. Registration fee is \$420, which covers all league green fees and awards. Registration must be done in person Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Canton Leisure Services. 46000 Summit Parkway,

at (734)394-5460. YMCA HEALTH KIDS Celebrate kids health day, 1-4 p.m. April 7 at Plymouth Township Park. Lots of demonstrations, displays and free samples. Bring the whole family, no age limit.

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tion, call the Rec. Division

WORSHIP SERVICE At 4:30 p.m. each Sunday, the Connections worship service at First United Methodist Church in Plymouth presents music and messages to bring Christian faith into the perspective of life you live today. April 1 topic is: Moles in the Yard: Facing Betrayal.

EASTER EQQ HUNT Heritage Park in Canton will host an Easter Egg Hunt for children ages 10 and younger. The hunt will be April 14 on the soccer fields. Children 4 and under at 9:30 a.m.; ages 5-7 will hunt at 10:30 a.m.; and ages 8-10 will hunt at 11:15 a.m. For more information, call the Recreation Division at 394-5460.

HEAD START Starfish Family Services

has openings for preschoolers in its Head Start program. This is a free program for income-eligible 3 and 4 year olds and their families. It also accepts eligible foster children and children with disabilities. For information, call (888) 887-9980.

Congregation Bet Shaver-

im presents a one-mile run/ walk and 5K run/ walk on April 28 at Heritage Park in Canton. Entry fee is \$15 on or before April 7/\$18 after April 7. For additional information, call Stu at (734)432-0644.

LUNCHBON/FASHION SHOW Catholic Central Mother's Club presents a luncheon/ fashion show on April 1 at The Ritz-Carlton, Dearborn; social hour 11 a.m. Fashions by the Somerset Collection; celebrity guest speaker, Jeffrey Bruce. Fund-raising event is \$50 per person. For information or reservations, call (248) 684-7822.

THY TOTS Tiny Tots Preschool The Salvation Army is accepting registration for Monday, Wednesday, Friday 4 year olds; Tuesday, Thursday, 3 year olds; for the fall 2001-2002 session. Call Peggy Blaisdell at (734) 453-5464 for further information.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION ■ Dixboro Co-op Preschool is accepting applications for children 3-5 years old for its fall semester. For more information, please call (734) 665-5632.

LENTEN PRAYER/LUNCHEON M Now through April 4, Wednesdays during Lent, First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth is holding an ecumenical prayer service beginning at noon, with lunch at 12:30 p.m. Call (734) 453-0326 for further information.

CANTON HISTORICAL MUSEUM

The museum is now open for the 2001 season. Hours for the museum are 1-4 p.m. Tuesday and Saturday. Tours for school, Scouts or other groups may be arranged by calling (734) 397-0088. TAI CH

New beginner tai chi classes starting at 7 p.m. Monday, April 2, are offered in Livonia and Bloomfield Hills. Day classes for seniors available at the Livonia location. Observers welcome. For more information, call the society at (248) 332-1281.

MANDALA CLASS Learn to access your own inner creative symbols to create colorful luminous mandalas from 7:15-8:45 p.m. Tuesdays, March 27 and April 3, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. The cost is \$65 for members; \$70 non-members (materials included).

BELLEVILLE CONCERT The Belleville Area Council for the Arts presents The Drifters in concert at 7:30 p.m. April 21 at the Belleville High School Auditorium. Tickets are \$15 and \$17.50. Call (734) 697-7151 for more informa-

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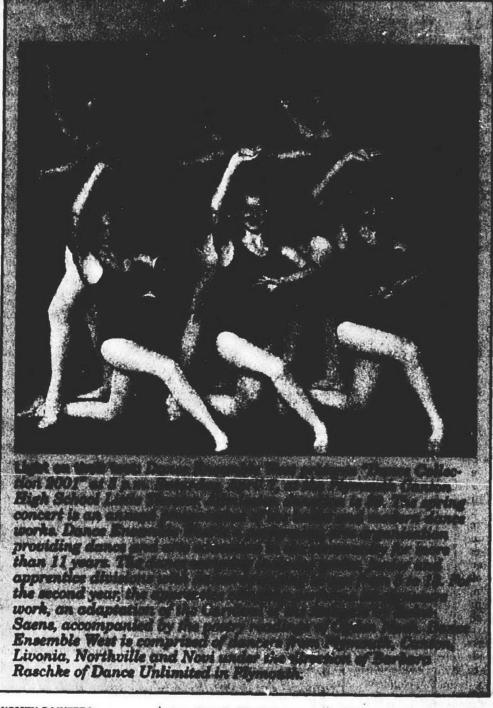
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FISH AND PASTA BUFFET Summit on the Park Banquet and Conference Center is serving a fish and pasta buffet every Friday through April 13. The cost is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children under 10. Doers are open from 4:30-7:30 p.m., and reservations are not necessary unless you have a party of 15 or more. Call (734) 394-5480 for further information.

VILLAGE MUSIC

■ Group classes in piano and hammer dulcimer for people ages 5 through adult. The complete kindermusik curriculum is offered for newborns to 7

year olds. For information, call Norma Atwood at (734)351-9825. FOX HILLS FISH FRYS FOX Hills Golden Fox Fish Fry is 5-9 p.m. Fridays. The cost is \$8.50 for all you can



WOMEN PAINTERS

■ The Ann Arbor Women Painters and the Women's Center of America are exhibiting paintings in celebration of Women's History Month. The exhibit will be 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. through April 27 at the Women's Center of America, 2500 Packard, Suite 110, Ann Arbor. You may make an appointment for other times by calling (734) 973-6779.

LIBERTY FEST

Canton Township is looking for artists to be involved in the 10th annual fine art and fine craft show at Liberty Fest 2001. The displays will run 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, June 23, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 24. Artists can choose to display their work under the "big tents" or can bring their own tent. The show is juried, and each participant will be required to submit slides or pictures of his work from the approved categories: painting, prints, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, drawing, pastel and selected fine crafts. No commercially produced merchandise will be allowed. Deadline for submissions is April 16. For more information, call Sharon Dillenbeck at D & M Studios, (734) 453-3710.

AARP is sponsoring free federal and Michigan income tax preparation for elderly people at the loca-

tions listed. Work is performed by trained coun-selors qualified by the IRS. An appointment is required. Assistance available 9 a.m. to noon, 1-4 p.m. Tuesdays at Canton Recreation Center. Call (734) 394-5485 for appointment. Assistance available 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 1:30-4:30 p.m. Wedne days at Plymouth District Library. Call (734) 458-1234 Ext. 236 for an appointment.

DAM STUDIO All-day student paint

workshops will be 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 17, and Thursday, April 19, for students kindergarten and older. The cost is \$24 for each four-hour session. Call 453-3710 for further information.

ANN ARBOR RAN The Ann Arbor Rangers U17 boys soccer club is looking for new team members for the spring "travel" outdoor season. Interested people can attend one of the practices 8-9:30 p.m. Mondays at Mack School in Ann Arbor. For further information, please call Iris at (734) 995-0011. NATHA YOUA

III Hatha yoga classes 9:30-11 a.m., 1:30-3 p.m. and 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesdays and 4-5:30 p.m. Sundays in downtown Plymouth. Call Cynthia (784) 420-2418.

The city of Plymouth taking registration for

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BATTVE ME The Creative Music Conter of Plymouth/Canton has registration for its kin-dermitalk classes. Classes are pro-rated. Classes are den). Pie influencia Lori Nelson (8 (784) 96

Society is presenting Linda Skolarus from Greenfield Village at 2:30 p.m. April 8 at the Northville Public Library to talk about the kinds of resources and materials that can be found at the Henry Ford Museum Research Center. For more information, call (248) 348-3006.

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The April 10 meeting will feature Penny Pennington, Edward Jones, "Smart Women Finish Rich" semipar. At 11:45 a.m. at Ernesto's. Cost is \$18 per member and \$22 for nonmembers. If you're coming, call Brenda Durling (734) 462-4670.

FARM AND GARDEN The branch meets the second Monday of each month from September to June. Members can express their creativity in some of the many club projects that benefit the community. For more information, call the club president, Maureen Armstrong, at 453-7467.

PLYMOUTH POETS Readings 7-9 p.m. every Thursday night. Featured readers on April 5, hosted by R.O. Daniels are Kathleen Ripley Leo, Semaj, and William James.

DEMOCRATIC CLUB The local club meets at 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month at Local 845 Hall. Business meeting begins at 7:30. For further information, call Becky Tavarozzi (734) 309-5845.

TOAGTMAGTERS Develop your public speaking, communications and leadership skills. Guests welcome. No pressure to speak. Being held at St. John Episcopal Church in Plymouth. This group meets at 7 p.m. every first and third Monday of the month. Please call (734) 459-0715 for more information.

Westside Singles presents Friday night dances. Dances will be held every Friday night at the Burton Manor. Doors open at 8 p.m., dressy attire, budget bar, D.J., 21 and older, price is \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after 8:30 p.m. Call (734) 981-0909 for further information.

e of C Breakfast The Knights of Columbus holds a breakfast buffet 8:30 a.m. to noon every Sunday at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 150 Fair St., Plymouth. All-youcan-eat buffet. Newly remodeled breakfast room. Call (784) 453-9633 for further information.

Brery second Tuesday at mean year's invited to bring your lunch and learn about ast with the speakers from the DIA. The cost is \$6 for

lar meetings 7-8:30 a.m. Wednesday at Millennium Security Services, 42010 Koppernick, Suite 117, Canton. The Plymouth Chapter meets every Thursday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. The Livonia Chapter meets every Friday at Senate Coney Island on Plymouth Road at Stark, Livonia. Call the BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800.

■ The Plymouth Baptist Church holds the Mothers Of Preschoolers meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month 9-11:30 a.m. These meetings provide a time for moms to develop new friendships with other moms. Child care is provided. The church is at 42021 Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth, between Lilley and Haggerty. Call (734) 453-5534. Space is limited.

CIVITAN CLUB

■ The Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club meets the first and third Thursdays of the month: business/ Salvation Army; dinner/ Damon's. Call either (734) 453-7569 or (734) 981-7259.

COURSET DENNIG CROUP ■ The Plymouth/ Northville/ Canton Gourmet Dining Group meets the second Saturday of the month, October through June. Planned menu and recipes for each meal. If interested in joining, call Dottie Brower at (734) 455-1206 or Pat Stokes at (734) 455-7446.

MOTHERS OF MULTIPLES The Plymouth-Canton Mothers of Multiples Club meets 7 p.m. the third week of each month on alternating Mondays and Tuesdays. Play group meets twice a month on alternating Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Call Pam Heestand at (734) 981-3341.

MO.M. Meet Other Mothers (M.O.M.) presents guest speakers and discussions from 9:30-11:30 a.m. the

second and fourth Friday of each month. Baby-sitting is provided. Call Cheree at (734) 416-6214 or Laura at (313) 538-7622. MATA

Moms In Touch International is for mothers to meet weekly, for one hour. to pray for their children and schools. The goal is to form a group for each school in the Plymouth-Canton area. Call Karen at (734) 397-2771 or Elaine at (784) 459-3896.

MODES CLUB MOMS Club welcomes all western Wayne County stay-at-home mothers to most at 10 a.m. the third Tuesday of each month. Play group mosts every Wednesday. Call Lise at (734) 844-3665.

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LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Conductor calls all to the cabaret

ircle Friday, April 6 on your calendar. It's an evening you won't want to miss, said Nan Washburn. For one night only, the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra will turn Laurel Manor into a 1920s Parisian cafe for a benefit pops concert/dinner with silent and live auctions.

European-style cabaret music by Offenbach and Weill will mingle with jazz by Ellington and Porter as well as popular American songs by Gershwin and Sousa - all performed by guest vocalist Deanna Relyea. According to Washburn, Relyea, a mezzo soprano and executive director of the Kerrytown Concert House in Ann Arbor, "has done a lot of cabaret singing and knows this repertoire

Excited about performing

"I'm really excited about her performance," said Washburn now in her second season as conductor of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra. Washburn was in Los Angeles to perform with the West Hollywood Orchestra but can't wait to return for the pops concert. She's excited about performing Darius Milhaud's "The Creation of the World."

"Like Gershwin, Cole Porter and other American composers, Milhaud, a French composer, was combining

classical orchestral music with jazz during the 1920s. The Creation,' which I believe predates euctions and dinner When: 6-10 p.m. 'Rhapsody in 451-2112

Blue,' is for jazz orchestra with saxophone and trap drums. It also has lots of great solos for our principal players to test out their jazz chops." In addition to Milhaud's music,

Washburn has one hot program anned with Ellington's "It Mean a Thing," Gershwin's "Our Love is Here to Stay" and the theme from "Cabaret."

The orchestra chose this music to appeal to a wider audience. PSO exec-



Deanna Relyea, singer

utive director Darlene Dreyer said benefit proceeds help keep the 55year-old orchestra alive.

"The orchestra has a budget of \$238,000 this year that's going up to \$245,000 next year," said Dreyer. "The

rent went up \$400 when we moved our office in September. We wanted to stay uptown and be visible in the community. There's also been a 5 percent increase in printing costs, and next year we'll feature several out of town guest artists on the program Nan has planned."

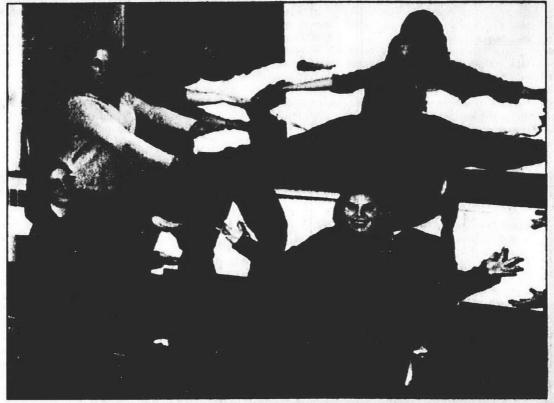
New season

And what a line-up the 2001-2002 season features - a Nov. 10 concert devoted to Latin American music, chamber music with Relyea singing intimate songs Jan. 19-20, and Plymouth Oratorio Society, Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, and Eastern Michigan University chorus members joining the orchestra for Beethoven's "Ninth Symphony" on March 16. Also in the works is an Aug. 3 family concert in Kellogg Park.

"We really need community support," said Relyea. "To pay the orchestra is \$10,000 a concert. We hope people step up and support the orchestra, otherwise we won't be able to have a full orchestra."

Jo Swerc is doing everything she can to make sure they do. As president of the Plymouth Symphony League, Swerc has been working hard to solicit donations for the silent and live auctions. She's hoping to top the \$8,500 brought in by items last year. The Plymouth Symphony League, the

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Melissa Tyll. Warren (left), Michele Wade, Livonia, Heather Olah, Livonia, Julie Hilgert, Birmingham, Kristin Quint, Westland (center row front), Candace Ollie. Detroit. Carrie Germay, Portage, Jill Merritt, Garden City, and Laura Bernacki, Troy demonstrate how individual muscle cells contract in a bicep when lifting a weight at

Creative science

Professor uses performing arts to teach

BY LINDA ANN CHOMEN STAFF WRITER

ulie Hilgert giggles when she thinks back to playing a macrophage chasing cellular debris in Vickie Kimler's physiology class at the University of Detroit

The re-enactment was one of many Kimler uses to teach freshmen and sophomores in the nursing and sports medicine curriculum about the workings of the human body.

Hilgert, a single mother of two from Birmingham, believes she retains so much of the material because of the way Kimler incorporates dance, creative movement and mime into the lessons. At age 33, Hilgert is one of Kimler's older students. It's only in the last couple of years she had the opportunity to

return to spheel for a nursing de L. Dr. Kimber of a very energod



Gotcha: Julie Hilgert, Birmingham latches on to a pathogen, enacted as a bacterium by Michele Wade, Livonia while Heather Olah, Livonia (left), Laura Bernacki, Troy, and Kristin Quint, Westland act as anti-



Dance prope: Professor Vickie Kimler prepares to pass out cards which represent the cellular phosphates needed to suit make ATP, the most important energy molecule in

department, Kimler came up with the idea to tell the story of mitosis (cell division) through dance back in 1995 while teaching at Mer-cyhurst College in Erie, Penn. Three years later, she introduced the unusual method of depicting hums physiology to students in nee at University of

movement, mime and acting into the hard core lecture because it's hard to see the mechanistics of this happen ing — how a nerve cell or impulse fires, how entitledie fight disease how eaner

hes you can't see them,

ctistically so I have student tend they're antibodies swim catch bacteris and dancers if in different phases to show o division and how cells procreate."

Entertaining background

Kimler plays off her dance and music background to create the lessons for her physiology che studied ballet as a child then

Local artist's love of cars drives talent

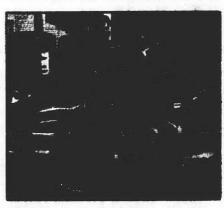
BY LINDA ANN CHOMEN STAFF WRITER

Ken Bardel's love of cars is no secret. Anyone could tell by looking at the 1966 and 1967 Pontiacs sitting in his Livonia garage, he keeps a special place in his heart for the automobile.

But love is not always one smooth ride. He'll be the first to admit the affair has its ups and downs. Bardel spends a lot of time in junk yards looking for parts to revitalize the vintage LeMans and Catalina, but also researching his paintings.

You could say cars and art are in his blood. Previous to joining the staff of Jervis B. Webb in Farmington as an art director, Bardel worked at the GM Tech Center for many years drawing cars.

But see for yourself. On Saturday-Sunday, April 7-8 he'll be one of 21 artists exhibiting in the Livonia Artists Club's 40th annual Spring Exhibit and Sale in the atrium of the Livonia Civic Center Library. Judge Linda Mendel-



Classic car: . This is a detail from a gouache painting of a 1951 Hudson Hornet that will be exhibited by artist Ken Bardel at the Livonia Artists Club show.

son, an instructor at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, will award ribbons for the top works.

In addition to automotive art, Bardel will exhibit wildlife paintings. Along with a love of cars, Bardel enjoys the outdoors and camping with his wife and children in the Caseville area where he frequently photographs waterfowl for refer-

"I know cars and I know what I should be looking for. With vehicles it's a lot of research, exactly how a car looked at the time," Bardel, who studied commercial art at Center for Creative Studies in Detroit. The painting of the 1951 Hudson Hornet I wanted it to be in the time period

with the old gas pumps. I love the older cars because of their lines and character. These were works of art. I like to bring them back."

Bardel begins the long trek down the road to resurrecting a classic car by taking photographs then combining the images with other reference. Next, he brings out the brushes and melds the strokes with the flat surfaces air

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FINE ARTS SHOW

Photographer helps others to help themselves

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER Ichomin@oe.homecomm

Patricia Nouhan had one thought in

mind when she went looking for artists last year. Quality. She's hoping a variety of highly-crafted art will attract enough visitors to raise more money for the Capuchin Soup Kitchen than she did in August at the first SnapOne Fine Arts Show in Mhat: SnanOne Novi.

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which include Larry

Bock's flower-shaped water fountains (see

Fine Arts Show to benefit the Capuchin Soup Reas: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, April 7, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, April 8 Where: Costick **Activities Center** 28600 Eleven Mile Road, Fermington Hills 12, cell (810) 227-8183

www.fountains bybock.com). Nouhan, the show's founder, will exhibit wildlife and nature photography. All of the money from the \$5 admis-

sion will go to help the Capuchin Soup Kitchen feed the hungry in metro Detroit. "I wanted the quality of art in the



Searching for Spring: Patricia Nouhan took this photograph swans at Kensington Metropark in the spring. It is a works in the SnapOne Fine Arts Show

show to be high so I went searching for artists in Ann Arbor, Novi, Royal Oak and Birmingham. But I also wanted to help those less fortunate than I am," said Nouhan who works at the Greenmead Post Office in Livonia. "The admission will go to the Capuchins and they'll be able to do a lot of good work. They're a wonderful organization."

Sharing with others

The \$900 Nouhan raised at the show last year went to buying food for the soup kitchen. While the Capuchins happily accept donations of food stuffs, money helps them buy in bulk from organisations such as Gleaners Food Bank. It takes approximately \$1.15 to food one person and the Capuchine serve 2,500 hot meals a day at two lesstions. The heart-breaking part for Brother Vincent Rayus is one-quarter to assessing of all meals are served to

body is contagious," said Langer ize the process while I study." in an e-mail. "She is constantly coming up with new analogies and tools that have greatly expanded my understanding of how the human body works. Dance is only one of her handson methods of depicting the processes of various organ systems and cellular reaction. The dances stick in my memory and I can replay them and actually visual-

Spicing up science

Kimler's affinity for mixing dance and science education is especially helpful to Kristin Quint when taking tests. The 19year-old sophomore is no stranger to performing. Quint played flute in the marching band at John Glenn High School in Westland during the fall season and in spring performed dance routines with the Winter Color Guard indoors. She eventually wants to go into pediatric nursing or oncology.

"It's very interesting with movements that help to reiterate and grasp concepts," said Quint of Westland. "Sometimes on tests I thought of the person doing the movement and recalled the material. Dr. Kimler is very

interesting. She came up with this to act out how cells divide. I had this is in high school but the movement helped me remember how this works in the body."

It seems Kimler just can't sit still since she developed this moving method of teaching science. She and a few of her nursing students recently took the production on the road to instill a love of science in the younger

Detroit.

Now Kimler is inspiring others at the university to incorporate music and dance into their activities. Quint is one of the students at the MacAuley School of Nursing helping to plan a creative celebration of Easter which combines text, movement and music. "Finding the Empty Tomb" will be presented 8 p.m. Monday,

generation at Webster School in April 16, at the Our Lady of Mercy Chapel in the Administration Building on campus. Kimler is coaching the music and dance portions of the program.

"It sounded exciting to create something because I've done similar re-enactments of the Stations of the Cross at my church, St. Simon Jude Catholic Church in Westland," said Quint.

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brushing creates. The technique won him second place in the Airbrush Action magazine competition for his painting of a Chrysler Town & Country, and second place in the Michigan Waterfowl Stamp Competition in 1996 and 1997.

"I grew up loving art," said the 40-year-old Bardel. "My dad was good at art. He was a policeman who drew pictures on the side. I've painted all my life and I love

And for the first time he's sharing his love with the public by exhibiting in the Livonia Artists Club Show. Bardel joined the club four months ago after seeing one of the members' exhibits. Yvette Goldberg couldn't be happier that he did. She especially likes Bardel's classic

II 'I grew up loving art. My dad was good at art. He was a policeman who drew pictures on the side. I've painted all my life and I love

Ken Bardel

car paintings and is happy to have him in the show she's chairing. Goldberg, a Livonia artist, will display new works in experimental watercolor.

"His paintings have that crispness to it," said Goldberg. "I like the way he paints in the reflections on the cars.'

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fund-raising arm of the orchestra, is committed to helping the orchestra with events like the pops concert and a June 3 home tour. April 6 auction items include a Lane Cedar Chest, autographed Lions football, a bouquet a month for a year from Heidi's Flowers, restaurant gift certificates, and a drum decorated with a hand-painted fox from Native West.

"It's our big fundraiser," said

Swerc. "We've committed to give the orchestra \$25,000 a year. Considering we're down to 38 members it's amazing we can do this every year but it's important for arts in the community."

Have an interesting idea for a story? Call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@ oe. homecomm, net

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kitchen and one of the photographers in the show. "We're just grateful that people want to

Helping others is what Brother Reyes does best, that and taking photographs like those in his 'Faces of Nicaragua" series. For nearly 40 years, he's captured the heart of a multitude of people ranging from a child in a Honduras church to Mother

"They're pictures of the life I see around me, lots of pictures of people," said Brother Reyes who worked as a chaplain in the trauma room of a Chicago hospital for several years. "There's also some photos of churches and Civil War sites. There's something very sacred about a place where people have been killed fighting for what they believe

Around the world

Brother Reyes' photographs tell the story of people in Honduras, Guatemala, and Bolivia where Reyes spent a year studying theology and sociology, and working. As pastoral director of the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, he spends most of his day helping people struggling to survive.

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side of the desk after being a retreat director for 12 years," said Brother Reyes. "It was an incredible experience. When you're on the high plains at 8-9,000 feet and the air is crystal and pure. You look out and see the Andes mountains. The indigenous people felt God lived in the mountains. The people are very poor but very kind and generous with what they have. They're also very friendly.'

Sounds like they're sharing attitude is a lot like that of Patricia Nouhan.

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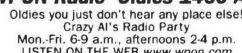
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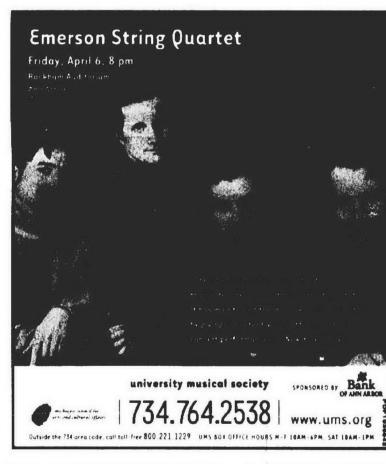


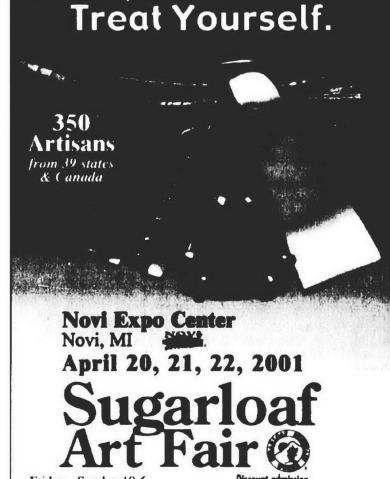




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The Gay and Lesbian Community Center's Big Bash fund-raising event is at the Detroit Historical Museum on April 7. The event includes a silent auction. For information call (248) 398-7105.

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FARMINGTON FOUNDERS FESTIVAL Now accepting applications for a juried arts and crafts fair to be held July 19-21. For an application call Deb at (248) 477-5837.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER The JCC and the Michigan/Israel Connection seeks art vendors for the annual festival on May 20. All types of media are accepted. Interested vendors should call the JCC at (248) 661-7649. LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY

Accepting entries for Printmaking 2001 through April 28. Cost \$20 for three entries. Drop off times noon-6 p.m. April 25-28. 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 360-2381.

LIBERTY FEST 2001

Canton Township's 10th annual fine art and fine craft show is seeking artists for the event on June 23-24. Deadline for submission is April 16. For more information, call Sharon Dillenbeck of D&M studio at (734) 453-3710.

MACOMB BALLET COMPANY Auditions for male and female ballet dancers is 4:30 p.m. Friday, April 6 at Ann Parsley School of Dance, 40730 Garfield, Clinton Twp. To schedule an audition call (810) 286-8300.

TINDERSOX PRODUCTIONS Auditions for actors, singers and dancers, ages 8-12 for the June 9-17 production of Oliver. Auditions begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 7 in the Cathedral Theatre in Masonic Temple. Detroit. To schedule an audition, call (313) 535-8962.

VOCAL ARTS ENSEMBLE

Auditions for the a cappella vocal group that performs at Renaissance feasts, concerts weddings, workshops and fundraisers are now taking place. For details, contact Cindy Keleman, business manager, at (313) 299-0451 or (734) 941-5955.

CLASSES

ART GALLERY STUDIO Art classes are at 29948 Ford in

Garden City in the Sheridan Square Shopping Center. (734) 261-0379.

ART OF LIVING STUDIO

Offers classes in drawing, scarfdyeing and awakening your artistic vision. Book conversation and poetry nights are also offered. 11 S. Broadway, Lake Orion. (248) 693-3632.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER Offering classes for preschool and children, including Creative Dance with Harriet Berg, Girls Empowered, beginning preschool girls tap, Moving with Maureen and Coco and Little Jumpers. Classes at the Oak Park campus, 15110 W. Ten Mile, Oak Park. (248) 967-4030.

KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES Adult daytime summer ballet classes Sundays through Fridays, ages 16-60 years. Call Chris at (248) 932-8699 or Mo at (248) 960-0778. Keego Harbor area. PAINT CREEK CENTER

FOR THE ARTS

New semester of classes begins Monday, April 23. Registration is open to the public Monday, March 26. Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY

ARTS COUNCIL Mandala c.ass with Cathy Dyer is 7:15-8:45 p.m. April 3. Winter classes and workshops for all ages are available at the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon, Phymouth. For a brochure and list of events call (734) 416-4ART.

CONCERT

ALL THAT JAZZ

The Seaholm Band Boosters present a jazz band dinner dance at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, April 1 at the

Best Western Sterling Inn. 34911 Van Dyke, Sterling Heights. For information call (248) 645-9705.

CENTURY CLUB Features live music, dancing and a late-night menu on Friday and Saturday evenings. A rotating roster of musicians, including vocalists Misty Love, Jennifer George-Consiglio and Johnnie Bassett. 333 Madison, Detroit. (313) 963-9800.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Three plano legends will be performing at Orchestra Hall at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 5. The concert features Marian McPartland. Dick Hyman and Ruth Laredo. The DSO highlights Nordic contributions to music with works by Sibelius and Leif Segerstam April 6-8. Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5111. SON CHURCH

Folk concert featuring Jan Krist and Will Danforth is at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7, 4230 Livernois. Troy. (248) 524-9339.

GYPSY MUSICIANS Hungarian gypsy musicians from Transylvania perform at 7 p.m. Friday, April 6 at the Henry Ford Centennial Library, Dearborn. (248) 352-0927. MACOMB CENTER FOR

THE PERFORMING ARTS Zoot Suit Strut is at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 5. 44575 Garfield, Clinton Twp. (810) 286-2141.

MARINERS CHURCH Kevin Bylsma performs music by Bach, Hindemuth and Vierne at 12:10 p.m. Thursday, April 5 at the church at 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 259-2206.

MUSIC AT ALL SAINTS The University of Michigan Concert Choir performs at 4 p.m. Sunday, April 1. The church is at the corner of Williams and Pike in Pontiac. (248) 334-4571. MUSIC AT MEMORIAL

Handel's Messiah will be at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 1 at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. (313) 882-5330. ORCHARD LAKE **COMMUNITY CHURCH**

The musical drama The Choice is at 7 p.m. April 7 and 8 at the church, 5171 Commerce. (248) 682-0730.

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY A Cabaret Cafe is 6-10 p.m. Friday, April 6 at the Laurel Manor in Livonia. (734) 451-2112.

UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY Orion String Quartet is at 4 p.m. Sunday, April 1 at Rackham Auditorium, 915 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. The Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra Amsterdam performs at 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 4 at Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University. The Emerson String Quartet performs at 8 p.m. Friday, April 6 at Rackham Auditorium, Ann Arbor. (800) 221-1229.

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY Funeral for Ol' Man Winter Is noon, April 6 featuring a Dixieland band made up of Jazz Studies students. The event takes place on the Wayne State campus. For information call (313) 577-1783.

DANCE

MICHIGAN CLASSIC BALLET Presents Seasons of Spring at 11 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April'7 at the Mercy High School Auditorium, 29300 West Eleven Mile, Farmington Hills. (248) 334-6964. MORE DANCES

The contemporary dence company performs at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 1 at the Dance Gallery Studios, 111 Third, Ann Arbor. (248) 828-4080.

FOR KIDS

BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY HOUSE Rita Kirsch's The Duck and Bunny Show is 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, April 3 for ages 2-7 with a perent. There are also music classes for parents and children ages 2 months to 4 years. To register cell (248) 644-5832. BUNNY HOP 'N PUN

The Southfield Parks & Recreation Department hosts this event from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Seturday, April 7. A bunny breakfast is 9:30-10:30 a.m. Register at the Perks and Regression office tion office, 20000 een. One person must five thiled or attend a

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Village Music offers classes in Kindermusik (newborn to 8). group piano lesson (5 to adult), private voice, plano and hammer dulcimer. Summer classes start in June. All classes taught at Village Music, 130 E. Liberty, Plymouth. (734) 354-9825.

TINY TOT SERIES The Detroit Symphony orchestra brings Amazing Musical Tales at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 7 at Seligman Center in Beverly Hills. An encore performance of Fun Dances from Faraway Lands will be performed at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 19 at Parcells Middle School in Grosse Pointe Woods, 20600 Mack. For tickets call (313) 576-5111.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

A.C.,T GALLERY

Opens Friday, April 6 - Terra: A Language of Landscape through April 27. Opening reception is 6-8 p.m. Friday, April 6. 35 East

of fabrics by Joanna Tlok through April 30. Opening reception is 2-4 p.m. Sunday, April 1. 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake. (248) 683-1750.

SCARAB CLUS

Opens Thursday, April 5 -Sampler: A CCS Alumni Exhibition through April 27. Reception is 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 5. Other events include Woodward lecture series at the DAIat 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 5 with New York artist Leonardo Brw. First Friday reception is 6-10 p.m. April 6 featuring Paul Beatty and Khari Kimani Turner and the Black Bottom Collective sponsored by the Writer's Voice. 217 Farnsworth, Detroit. (313) 831-1250. SOUTHFIELD CENTER

FOR THE ARTS Opens Monday, April 2 - Janice Murphy: Acrylic paintings on cloth through April 27. Exhibit reception is 4 p.m. Sunday, April 22. 24350 Southfield, Southfield. (248) 424-9022.

STARKWEATHER GALLERY Opens Wednesday, April 4 -Student Art Exhibit through April

Michigan Glass Month

Fire and ice: Hot, Hot Hotter features the work of

Janet Kelman, Albert Young and Annette Baron. Pictured above is Slave by Albert Young. Open-

ing reception is 7-9 p.m. Friday, April 6 at the Washington Street Gallery, 215 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 761-2287.

Grand River, Detroit. (313) 961-

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART

Opens Friday, April 6 - BBAC

April 27, 1516 S. Cranbrook.

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April 7. 4160 Woodward, Detroit.

Psyche: Works by Tome Humes,

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Parks, Detroit. (313) 898-4ART.

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Friday, April 6, 480 W. Hencock, Detroit. (313) 993-7813.

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226 Walnut, Rochester. (248) 651-3656. CAGA DE LIMBAD

Through May 18 - Around You: Printmaking and Photography by Dulce Ma. Tiznado. 1920 Scotten, Detroit. CARS CAPE

Through April 28 - An exhibition of linocuts and woodcuts by Carlos Cortez. 4620 Cass, Detroit. (313) 831-1400. CENTER GALLER

Through April 28 - Artists on Language. 301 Frederick Douglass, Detroit (313) 664-7800.

CITY GALLERY Through April 3 - Smiles and smiles to go: a solo exhibit by Tyree Guyton. 660 Woodward in the First National Building.

Detroit. (313) 595-6840.

DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET Through May 11 - Body as Metaphor. Featured artist of the month is JaAnn Aquinto through April 30. 4719 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 832-8540.EXXXXXX A GALLERY

Through April 30 - Reality Check: A group exhibit, 288 Maple, Birmingham. (248) 258-9282.

GALLERY 212 Through April 15 - Evolution Part 11. 207 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-8224.

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY Through April 30 - New paintings by Joel Sheesley and recent drawings by Rick Vian. 107 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-3909. DAVID KLEIN GALLERY

Through April 21 - Modernism in America: Paintings and Works on Paper from 1914 to 1950. 163 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 433-3700.

LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY Through April 30 - Works by Richard Skelton, Kris Azelis Lamb and Ruth Coulson. Opening reception is April 6, 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-6716.

LEBORERO GALLERY Through April 21 - Jane Dickson's Road Trip. 23241 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 591-LIVONIA ARTS COM

Through April 4 - mixed medie works from Clarenceville High School students. Through April 26 - Student art from the Livonia Public Schools. Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile. (734) 466-2490. Through April 26 - The Palette Guild Art Club in the Livonia City Hall Lobby, 33000 Civic Center Drive. (734) 466-2540.

MANISCALCO GALLERY Through April 27 - Herstory, in conjunction with girlee detroit. 17329 Mack, Detroit. (313) 886-

MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY Through April 8 - The Art of the Catharctic Circle. 208 Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester. (248) 370-3005.

OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERIA Through April 20 - Oakland University's student art show. 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac. (248) 858-0415. OUTSIDE THE LINES

Through April 30 - Joyce Gottlieb: Fugitive forms in glass. 8410 Macomb, Grosse IIe. (734) 692-0523.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Through April 7 - Arta Fundi by artist Jim Pallas and an exhibit of glass works by students and faculty of the Center for Creative Studies in Detroit 437 Pine. Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

PARK WEST GALLERY Through April 19 - Artwork of Wendy Schaefer Miles and Kevin Miles. 29469 Northwestern, Southfield. (800) 521-9654. PEWABIC POTTERY

Through April 14 - Ewers: a group exhibition of ceramic artists. 10125 East Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 822-0954. REVOLUTION

Through April 21 - Self portraits by John Coplans and Phoenix by Jim Melchert. 23257 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 541-3444. INTER GALLERY Through April 8 - Otherworldy

Gardens. 121 S. Main, Chelses. (734) 433-0826.

Through April 14 - The Paintings of Chuck Gilles, 538 North Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 647-7040. MS GALLERY

Through April 7 - Works by Stuart Mortimer, Bradley Miller and Diane Falkenhagen. 202 East Third, Royal Oak. (248) 544-

E STATE UNIVERSITY

Community Arts Gallery, 150 Community Arts Gallery, Detroit. (313) 577-2423. WHIE STREET

Through April 15 - Tracks, recent paintings by Michael Todoroff and Calvin Kemppelnen. 3025 S. Wayne, Wayne. (734) 729-9662. ZEITGEIST GALLERY

Through April 22 - David's Redheired Death by Sherry Kramer. 2661 Michigan Ave., Detroit. (313) 965-9192.

LECTURES

CENTER FOR NEW THINKS Graham Beale, director of the Detroit institute of Arts, will discues The World of Art and Art Museums from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Pike Street, 18

Pike Street, Pontiac.

Reservations (248) 338-0105. BAN OPERA THEATRE The Original Story of Verdi's La Traviate is at 2 p.m. Seturday, April 7 at the Detroit Opera House, Detroit. (313) 237-3270.

NAO LECTURE SER Sculptor Leonardo Drew is the guest speaker at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 5 at the Detroit Institute of Arts Lecture Hall, 5200 Woodward. (313) 664-

MUSEUMS

CRANDROOK ART MUS Through April 8 - Network Gallery: Gathering Time. Through-April 8 - Forgers of Metal: George Booth & His Patronage of. Metalcraft at Cranbrook, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, 1-877-GO-CRANBrook.

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCHENCE Through April 29 - Electric; Space: Bolts, Joits and Volts from the Sun. Through May 20 -Lasera presents Laser Festivel

with music of the Bestles, 8-52s and Jackson 5. The Young Stargazer's Journey is through Sept. 3. Through Dec - An exhibit of Great Lakes for trade with 18th and 19th century artifacts. 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, 1-877-GO-CRANBrook

DETROIT GRETTTUTE OF ARTS Opens Sunday, April 8 - Detroit Public Schools Exhibition through May 20. Through May 6 - Treasures from the Royal Tombs of Ur. Through April 30 - A Cultural Heritage: Selected Works of African American Art From the DIA's Collection. Through May 27 - A Century of Collecting Drawings: 1900-2000.

UNIVERSITY OF INCHIGAN MUSEUM OF ART Opens April 5 - African Art of Dual Worlds, Through May 13 -Scenarios: Recent Work by Lorna Simpson. Through May 27 -Paradise Now: Picturing the

Genetic Revolution. 525 S. State Street, Ann Arbor. (734) 764-0395. CHARLES H. WRIGHT MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY Through April 15 - Heir in African Art and Culture. 315 E. Warren,

THEATER

Detroit. (313) 494-5800.

ACT/FEST-2001

A festival of American Community Theatre is April 6-7 at Baldwin Theatre in Royal Oak. The public is invited to attend the competition. For times and more information, check out www.stagecrafters.org or call (810) 779-8974. DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE

T for 2 is through May 20. 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. GEM THEATRE The Tropical Pickle is at the Gem

through May. 333 Madison, Detroit. (313) 963-9800. HEARTLANDE THEATRE COMPANY Features Play by Play, a

marathon of short plays from noon-midright Saturday, April 7. Varner Hall, Oakland University. (248) 988-1094, ext. 1. MARQUIS THEATRE Presents the Wizard of Oz

through April 20. 135 E. Main, Northville. (248) 349-8110. READOW BROOK THEATRE Presents The Ride Down Mt. Morgan by Arthur Miller through April 15 at Meadow Brnok

Theatre, Dakland University. (248) 377-3300.

Buried Child by Sam Shapard is at 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays and 2 and 7 p.m. Sundays, 2357 Caniff, Hemtremck. (313) 365-4948,

543-9720. GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

21. Opening reception is 3-5 p.m.

Wednesday, April 4. 219 N. Main,

Opens Sunday, April 1 - Featured

artist Clare Wolfe through April

30. 29500 Van Dyke, Warren.

WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY

Opens Tuesday, April 3 - Hot,

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Artists Working in Glass is

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WOODS GALLERY

AMN ARBOR ART CENTER Through April 15 - The Print, 2001. 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 994-8004.

Through April 30 - A Reader's Art: Artists books in the Midwest. 210 Abbott Road, Suite 18. East Laneing. (517) 337-**3370**. MILEY LIBRARY

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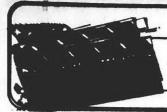
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> MONDAY THRU FRIDAY FIRST SHOW OF THE DAY



Reception honors pianist

Ruth Laredo, often referred to as "The First Lady of American Piano," will be honored Friday at a reception hosted by The Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival.

Laredo will play DeFalla's "Ritual Fire Dance" at the by invitation only reception in the Bingham Farms home of Dr. and Mrs. Norman and Harriet Rot-

Orchestra Hall concert

On Thursday, April 5, Laredo will perform with jazz pianists Marian McPartland and Dick Hyman in concert that blurs the lines between jazz and classical music. The 8 p.m. program features a everything from Bizet to Basie, Chopin to Jobim. Together the trio will present a tour de force of musical diversity and piano virtuosity.

Laredo made a successful tour of the U.S. as a soloist with the Warsaw Philharmonic, which culminated in a performance of Rachmaninoff's First Concerto at Carnegie Hall.

A three-time Grammy Award nominee, Laredo has been widely praised for her recordings. She recently released a recording featuring Stravinsky's The Rite of Spring, with The Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival, and Rachmaninoff's Suite No. 2 for Two Pianos with James Tocco.

Tickets for the concert titled "Three Piano Crossover" are \$15-\$46, available at the box office 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit, or call (313) 576-5111.

Festival

Celebrating its eight year, the Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival, June 16-30, features Laredo and other world-class artists such as pianist/festival artistic director James Tocco, violinists Ani and Ida Kavafian, Joseph Silverstein, and members of the Detroit Chamber Winds and Strings. Artists perform throughout Southeastern Michigan at a variety of venues including Cranbrook Educational Community, Detroit Institute of Arts, Detroit Zoo, St. Hugo of the Hills Catholic Church, Kirk in the Hills, Temple Beth El and Ann Arbor's Kerrytown Concert House.

This year, the nationally-recognized festival will join in Detroit's 300th birthday celebration by presenting a roster of performing artists who have history in and ties to Detroit.

The combination of the Detroit contingent, as well as the non-

Counsel,"

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Brad Meltzer

("Dead Even"), a

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On the fateful day when White

House ethics counsel, Carol Pen-

zler, is found poisoned in her

office, it's directly after she and

Michael have argued - loudly.

Michael, then, is faced with find-

ing the real villain before he's

forced to take the blame. In this

world of high-powered politics,

however, truth is often a gray

area - almost unrecognizable,

even when it's staring you in the

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Could the culprit be the

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Pam, Michael's highly competi-

tive, ambitious office-mate - or

the smirky overachiever, Julian

Zane? What about the Presi-

dent's close adviser and personal

friend, Lawrence Lamb? Is the



Outstanding planist: Ruth Laredo will perform at Orchestra Hall on Thursday, April 5. She will be honored Friday, April 6, at a reception hosted by the Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival.

Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival

When: June 16-30 What: Over 20 concerts are presented during the festival at 10 locations throughout Southeastern Michigan. For more information about the festival and related events, call

(248) 559-2097 or www.greatlakeschambermusic.com Reception honoring planist Ruth Laredo - 10:30 a.m. Friday, April 6 at a private home in Bingham Farms. By invitation only to a circle

of festival supporters known as Festival Friends requiring a donation of \$100 or more. ■ Gala Festival Preview Party - 7 p.m. Saturday, May 5, Walter P. Chrysler Museum, Auburn Hills. Festival director planist James Tocco will perform. Event offers silent auction, tour of museum's classic car collection, strolling buffet dinner. Tickets \$75 per per-

"who's who in chamber music."

son, patron tickets, \$125 per person.

Returning non-Detroiters include violinists Henry Meyer the Miro String Quartet.

Detroiters add up to a virtual and Juliette Kang, cellists Paul Katz and Nathaniel Rosen, soprano Linda Hohenfeld and

Thriller goes behind scenes of politics in the White House



Brad Meltzer Warner Books, \$25.95 In this highly

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for the President finds himself framed for a murder in the White House. Michael Garrick also finds himself in love with the first daughter, Nora, who is haunted by a dark secret that once brought her to the brink of

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First President's daughter not really to be trusted when the chips are down? Or is someone else lurking in these historic shadows, waiting for Michael to take the blame?

Several things work together to make this story a gripping page-turner.

Bringing readers to the scene

Certainly one of its strongest attractions is Meltzer's contemporary landscape. On these pages, he displays a near-masterful touch at bringing readers to the scene. When we're done reading, we feel almost as if we've visited the nooks, niches, and crannies of the historic Executive Mansion. As the evermore-desperate hero seeks the killer, we move through the sequestered Oval Office, the President's bowling alley, the plush movie theater, the Situation Room (the most highly secured area in the Executive complex), the Indian Treaty Room, and many points between and beyond. We even catch a whiff "of fresh flowers from the White House florist" in the tradesmen's entrance. We also get a chance to tour Air Force One, and drop in on offices and corridors of the Old Executive Office Building.

In addition, readers have the opportunity to grab a peek at how a high-level meeting might go in the Oval Office, or even get the flavor of the menu in the White House Mess.

Without question, Meltzer's bullet-fast pacing plays another important role in this novel's success, as does his crackling, convincing dialogue. This is not a story in which the dialogue slows the action or seems apart from it; here, conversation is a part of the action, always moving things forward and building the delightfully relentless momentum.

Just as important, Meltzer's characters reveal themselves through the words they speak to each other. When an exasperated Michael asks Nora, "What're you, a psychopath?" and Nora replies "Only if I kill us. If we live, I'm a daredevil." We quickly get a nutshell portrait of the differences in these two souls. (Despite the title of this novel. Meltzer's unruly Nora turns out to be the most luminous character in the drama, though certainly not always the most likable.)

Out of place

On the negative side, Michael's mentally retarded father seems a bit out of place here, almost as if he's wandered in from another novel. He's so clearly and hauntingly depicted, however, that many readers may find themselves hoping he'll have his own story some day.

In addition, some readers may find themselves doubtful that someone as exasperatingly apologetic as Michael could have attained the highly-coveted White House Counsel Office by

Victoria Diaz is a Livenia resident and writes about books, the ater and movies for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

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HEFIT CONCERT TODAY

Classical Bells will present a benefit concert 6:45 p.m. Sunday, April 1 at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 West Six Mile, east of Merriman, Livonia.

A free will offering will be taken for Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County.

For more information, call (248) 643-0868.

PAINTING EXHIBIT OPENS TODAY

Westland artist Joanna Tlok captures the beauty of everyday objects in an exhibit at the Orchard Lake Schools Galeria, Orchard Lake and Commerce roads.

Meet the artist at a reception 2-4 p.m. Sunday, April 1. For information, call (248) 683-0345. Viewing hours are noon to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday and during the week by appointment through April.

The exhibit features 15 oil canvasses expressing Tlok's vision of the way light acts on the ordinary things in our lives like silks and glass. Born in Poland, where she received a degree from the National Academy of Fine Arts, Tlok and her husband Marek and two daughters immigrated to the U.S. in 1991. In addition to exhibits in Poland, Tlok had a one woman show last year at Gallery Birmingham where her work has been on display since

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Three Cities Art Club meets 7 p.m. Monday, April 2 in the Plymouth Township Clerk's Office, Ann Arbor Road and Lilley.

The program features Farmington artist Marjorie Chellstorp who will be giving a watercolor demonstration. Non-members welcome. Call Annalee Davis at (734) 427-6524 for information.

CULTURAL DIVERSITY SERSES

The Plymouth Community Arts Council is presenting "An Armenian Anniversary: Celebrating 1700 years of Arts, Culture and Religion" beginning April 2 at the Joanne Winkleman Huice Center for the Arts, 774 North Sheldon.

An opening reception, complete with Armenian food, will take place 2-5 p.m. Saturday, April 7. For information, call (734) 416-4278.

The series, originally develmunity Schools to provide cultural enrichment, has now grown to attract people from all over metro Detroit. Open to the public through Friday, April 13,

the exhibit features contemporary work along with historical art seen in Armenian costumes, textile works, writing, music, dance, and religion.

SEIGHAL VIOLENCE EXCHANT OF THE

The Southeast Michigan Anti-Rape Network, a regional coalition addressing sexual violence, will open their annual "Creative Expressions Exhibit" with a reception 6:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, April 4 at the Detroit Public Library Main Branch, 5301 Woodward across from the Detroit Institute of Arts.

The reception will include a spoken word performance along with the unveiling of artwork and writings by sexual assault survivors and their significant others. The exhibit is an educational experience for the viewer, offering a glimpse into the devastating impact of sexual assault and an empowering expression for survivors and their family and friends who courageously offer their work for display.

The exhibit continues to May 2. For information, call Alicia Rinaldi at (734) 998-9368.

Enjoy dyeing eggs, making crafts, and face painting by students from Mercy High School 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 7 in the cafeteria at Meijers, Eight Mile and Haggerty, Northville.

Two live shows by Anne Shaheen and the Kids Take Note Band are set for 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. For information, call (248) 449-5709.

THE TROPICAL PICKLE

Canton Project Arts is offering their popular "Canton Goes Out for the Arts" bus trip to see Jeff Daniels' comedy "The Tropical Pickle" Sunday, April 29 at the Gem Theatre in Detroit. The bus leaves the Canton Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, at 12:45 p.m. and returns around 5 p.m.

The cost is \$40. For tickets, call Debby Bradley at (734) 394-5193. Space is limited.

Schoolcraft College art students are displaying their work through April 19 in Bradner Library on campus, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. The works will then travel to the Radcliff Center in Garden City for display at the Annual Collage Concert 8 p.m. Seturday, April 21.

The show, which was juried down to 45 pieces from 200. includes ceramics, sculpture, painting, pencil and charcoal drawing, design, photography, computer graphics, digital imaging and interactive pieces displayed on a screen. The remain- reception follows the perforhallways of the Forum and Applied Sciences building 9030. through April 19.

Schoolcraft College's free noon recital series concludes Wednesday, April 4 with saxophonist Donald Sinta and pianist Kathryn Goedson in the Forum Recital Hall on campus. For information, call (734) 462-4408.

A music professor at the University of Michigan School of Music, Sinta has premiered more than 50 works for saxophone. He has recorded with Speculum Musicae and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. Goodson teaches at the University of Michigan, Musikakademie of Basel, Musikhochschule in Karlsruhe, and the University of Wisconsin, Oahkosh.

LUNCHTIME CONCERTS

Livonia Public Schools will present two concerts in conjunction with the student art exhibit continuing to April 26 at the Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road.

The shows, featuring performances of vocal and instrumental music by elementary students, take place 12:15 p.m. Thursday, April 5 and 19 in the library's atrium.

The Northville Arts Commission presents Michael Farrell for two lectures - 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 5 (on Raphael) and May 24 (Bruegel) at Hillside Middle School, formerly Northville High School.

The cost is \$10. Call (248) 449-9945, ext. 9950.

Northville Christian Family Theatre will present "The Price of Love," 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 6-7, and 4 p.m. Sunday, April 8 at the church, 41355 Six Mile Road, about one mile west of I-275, in Northville.

Written by Bruce Walters with production notes by Deborah Craig-Claar, "The Price of Love" is a musical told from the perspective of John the Apostle as he writes his Gospel.

Joining John as storyteller is Claudia, Pontius Pilate's wife. Although they both speak to the audience in the present tense from a perspective of many years after Jesus' ascension, they also rejoin scenes being played out from Jesus' life as active participants.

Brady Walker of Livonia is reducing the musical directed y Rick Baloga and Gary Manns also of Livonia.

The cast includes the apostle John, played by Walker, Peter, portrayed by Steve Casey of Redford; and Randy Jost of Plymouth as Pontius Pilate.

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Malls & Mainstreets

Web site is entree pass to the world of style



Most of us know by now that shopping on-line can save time.

But for many savvy shoppers, the still question where remains: should one start clicking when visiting the ever changing world wide web to find fashion and

Well, my solution and site pick of the month is style365.com. For me, it's a daily destination. In my opinion, it's also one of the best web sites for fashion, interior design, leisure and other aspects

For you, it can be used as immediate access into what's hip at the

It's easy to read, updated daily and quick to load.

The web site also has an unconditional guarantee return policy, so you'll always shop with peace mind. If you're not completely satisfied with your purchase, return it in its original packaging within 60 days for a refund. For your convenience, all orders include a return address stick-

Shipping prices are fair, as well. Standard rates are \$6.90, with overnight rates running around \$21.90. Not bad, if you have to have it - and quick!

The web site's selection of brand name items, in such categories as textiles, art, gardening, food and drink, beauty, table ware, home fixtures and appliances, is impressive.

As far as the Internet goes, it's the essence of one-stop shopping.

Upon entering style365.com, I recommend clicking on Featured Shops, which is a link to other "happening" web sites. Two of my favorites from those currently featured are Monsac and Charles David. A trip to Armani Exchange is worth it, too.

After you've finished drooling over the products there, drag your mouse to the daily Featured Products link. There is where you'll find the ultracool stuff from some hip on-line shops. Come on, what more could you ask for!

Besides being a feast for the eyes, style365.com is an excellent resource for style, shopping, design and living trends. I suggest rounding out your visit with a click on their Magazine, which contains a mix of on-the-scene reports and trend articles

Within the What Women Want feature, for example, there's good news for women who worship the great outdoors; two impressive new sport clothing catalogs, Patagonia and Athleta, can be requested.

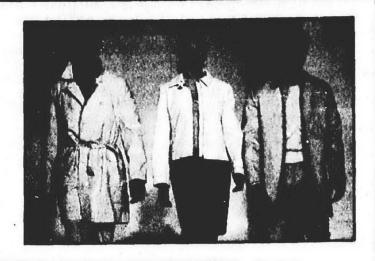
Also worth browsing from the Magazine page is the Who Surfs Where link, which contains style makers' reviews of their favorite web sites.

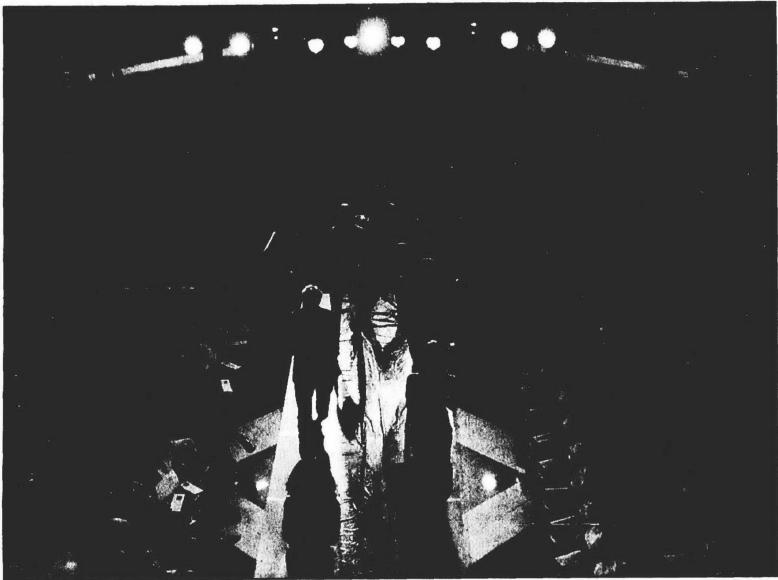
So, if you haven't put down this paper and logged on yet, you may want to get surfing for style. But don't say I didn't warn you.

Cari Waldman of West Bloomfield is a stylist and free-lance writer. Please send Internet shopping questions and information about favorite e-commerce sites to Cari at OECYBER-SHOP@AOL.COM.

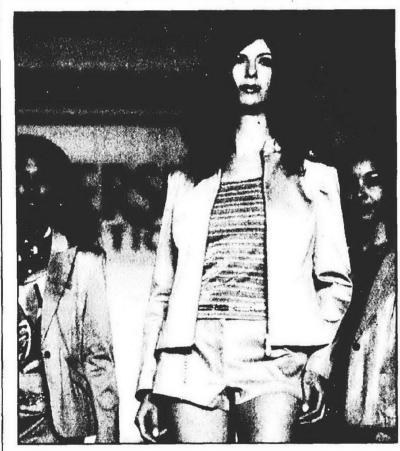
Spring's umbrella

Somerset Collection's annual fashion event showcases options for all





Spring blooms: Despite the cold weather last Sunday, fashion followers and charity patrons (left) turned out for the Somerset Collection's annual Spring Fashion Gala inside the Troy mall. The classic trench coat and other tailored jacket styles (above) had a strong presence at the show.



Photos by Jerry Zolynsky

ropical floral prints. The contrast of black and white. Feminine ruffles. Preppy stripes.

The list of elements on the runway at the Somerset Collection's Spring Fashion Gala were countless - a sign of the times in a season when choices, not trends, are in charge. Other options sure to be popular

included leather for both women and

men, khaki separates, pearls for ladylike dressing, belts, chains and wraps for the waist, T-strap sandals and classic trench coats. More than 20 different Somerset retailers participated, including

Neiman Marcus, Ann Taylor, Jaeger, MaxMara, Hugo Boss, Kenneth Cole, Club Monaco and The Limited. Held last Sunday, the event raised \$30,000 for the Iris Alliance, a newly

formed organization that helps develop-

mentally disabled youth and young

- Staff Writer Nicole Stafford



Different takes: There was something for everybody at Somerset's spring fashion show. Hot pants with a chain belt (left) and lady-like dresses for both women and girls (right) were among the choices.

Retail, style and special store events are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. By fax, (248) 644-1314. E-mail, nstafford@oe.homecomm.net. Deadline for publication is two weeks in advance.

SUNDAY, APRIL 1

AMAZON ADVENTURE

Oakland Mall in Troy hosts Amazon Adventure, an interactive, technology-based exhibit that allows visitors to become explorers in a rainforest and includes live animal programs through April 14. For complete schedule and other information, call (248) 597-2200.

QLASS EXHIBIT

Native West, 863 W. Ann Arbor Trail in downtown Plymouth, hosts Etchings in Glass, a glass exhibit to mark Michigan Glass Month, through April 30. Opening reception is noon-4 p.m. April 1. For exhibit hours and other information, call (734) 455-8838.

MEN'S ARMANI TO MEASURE

Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, presents Armani Collezioni Made-To-Measure Spring/Summer 2001 for men. Men's Shop, first floor. To schedule a personal appointment, call (248) 614-3371.

SPORTS COLLECTIBLE SHOW

Livonia Mall at Middlebelt and 7 Mile Road presents a Sports Cards and Collectibles Show. For details, call (248) 476-1160.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4

JEWELRY TRUNK SHOW

View Stephen Dweck's latest collection in a trunk show at Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy through April 5, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Designer Jewelry, first floor. For more details, call (248) 643-

THURSDAY, APRIL 5

JAY STRONGWATER VISITS

Designer Jay Strongwater joins Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, for high tea and a presentation of his Flora and Fauna collection through April 6, 4:30 p.m. on Thursday and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. on Friday, Gift Galleries, third floor. For additional information, call (248) 643-3300.

SATURDAY, APRIL 7

ANNUAL DERBY RACE

Local Boy Scouts groups race handmade wood block cars in an annual derby at Tel-Twelve Mall in Southfield, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Center Court. Free and open to the public. For details, call (248) 353-

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

COLLECTIBLES SHOW

The Livonia Holiday Inn at I-275 and 6 Mile Road hosts a collectibles show, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Admission is \$3 for adults and free for children. For more information, call (734) 464-8493.

TUESDAY, APRIL 10

Botsford Hospital offers dozens of free and low-cost health screenings for the entire family at Livonia Mall, 29514 7 Mile, through April 12. For details, call (248) 476-1160.

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

INSTYLE MAGAZINE VISITS

Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, hosts a "Getting Gorgeous" event with a guest appearance by Hal Rubenstein, InStyle magazine features editor, 6:30-8:30 p.m., third floor. For information, call (248) 643-3300.

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- Metal ice cube trays can be purchased through the Vermont Country Store Catalog, call (802) 362-8440.

An old-fashioned pencil sharpener is sold by the Vermont Country Store Catalog, call (802) 362-8440.

Candy and cookie tins may be purchased at the Bulk Food Store on Warren and Wayne roads in Westland (near the Toys R Us).

Hair on Wheels travels to

nursing homes to provide hair styling services, call (734) 722-1777.

- Sugar-free Tang is no longer sold in the area. To order for direct shipping, call (800) 481-1002.

- To order Breck shampoo for direct shipping, call (800) 258-3425.

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- A jeweler in the Plymouth area where watch repair services are available for Vir-

- A store that sells PDQ chocolate milk mix for Pat, who resides in Redford.

- A store where a Tournanent Hockey Game by Park-Sum (on legs, 40-by-30 size) can be purchased for Ray, who lives in Clarkston.

- A store that sells Steele jeans in junior sizes for Anna. - A dry cleaner's or business that dyes dresses for

Marilyn of Redford. - A store that sells Faberge Rise Super Foam shaving cream with menthol

(#7073003512) for Jerry. - A store where stretch pants from the 1960s for adults and children can be

purchased for Sandy. - A store that sells Faberge organic shampoo for Beverly, a resident of West Bloomfield.

- A business that re-covers lamp shades with fabric for Georgia, who lives in Northville.

- A store where paint-bynumber sets on wood can be bought for G. of Southfield.

vinyl birthday cake with can-dles can be purchased.

- A store where women's briefs with panty girdle and garters can be bought for Mrs. B.

- A business that will do repairs on a Hermes type-writer for Bonnie, a resident of West Bloomfield.

A store where a sweater clip can be bought for Dot.

- A store that solls Gebhart

chili powder for Lila, who lives in Canton.

- A store where an electric "addressograph" and printing machine can be purchased for Susan. - A store that sells women's

jeans by Edwin for Sally of Northville.

- A store that sells used shuffleboard pucks for Carol, a resident of Livonia

A store where a vide sette of the 1940s movie ! Remember Mama with Irono Dunne can be bought for Mrs. B., who lives in Livonia.

- A business that will repair an animated dell with sound (sold at Hudson's stores at Easter time) for Ed.

- A store where a children's old-fashioned, English style hat in gray with a peak (as seen in the movie Scrooge) can be purchased for Claire.

- A store in the Pentiac area that sells women's Tamjay slacks for Margaret, who lives in Oxford Township.

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Laurel Park Place helps the environment

Laurel Park Place in Livonia takes up environ- April 21, Center Court

mental causes in April. The mall launches "cel-EARTH-brate" an educa-

tion and shopping program aimed at protecting and replenishing the environment. To educate the community about the importance of protecting the environment, the mall has

planned the following free, education events:

Bird feeder making for kids, noon, Saturday, April 7, Center Court

Photographic and landscaping exhibit by Monte Nagler, April 9-23, by Parisian ■ Seedling planting for kids, noon, Saturday,

April 14, by Parisian Earth Day grocery bag decorating with the Detroit Science Center, noon-4 p.m. Saturday,

The program also enables shoppers to replenish the environment through their mall purchases. For each \$100 worth of shopping receipts brought to the mall's Information Cart, now through April 30, one ires will be planted by American Forests. Laurel Park Place's goal is \$500,000 or 5,000 trees.

In addition to the satisfaction of knowing they're helping the environment, shoppers can win prises during the program. Prises include a Laurel Park Place shopping spree and passed to Metro Parks and the new Detroit Science Center.

Laurel Park Place is located on 6 Mile Road, east of 1-275, in Livonia. For more information about 'cel-EARTH-brate," call (734) 462-1100.

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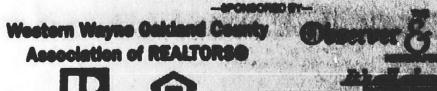
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Mountain retreat offers respite from daily grind

BY KRELY WYGONIK STATY WRITER kwygonik@oo.homocomm.not

ina Howard's mountain retreat is "two miles as the crow flies from the Great Smoky Mountains National Park."

"It's just a place to go to get away from worldly concerns to relax the body and renew the spirit," said Howard, who owns Bellanins Day Spa & Gift Boutique in Ann Arbor and the mountain retreat, a refurbished farmhouse.

"I've owned the property since 1988, and began renting it out last summer. It's exquisite, on the side of a mountain."

People visit Howard's day spa because they have limited time. Her mountain retreat offers guests an opportunity to get away, commune with nature, be with their thoughts, cook, and relax.

"It's the answer to I wish I had a place to go to get away from the ret rece" said Howard

the rat race," said Howard.

The three bedroom, two bath house has all the amenities of a comfortable home including a large kitchen and dining room. There are mountain views from every window, and from two decks. Of course there are rocking chairs on the porch, and a swing, too.

Howard, an interior designer, filled her retreat with things she loves — Mexican tile, hardwood floors, wicker furniture and her original modern artwork.

In the bathrooms guests will find spa robes, hair dryers and Bellanina's bath and body products. Schedule a massage during your stay for ultimate relaxation.

Guests have to bring groceries, and prepare meals, but the kitchen is completely outfitted with all the necessities you'll need including a blender, espresso/cappuccino maker, and Weber barbecue grill.

"We've just started to book for the season," said Howard. "We're 25 percent booked already. Somebody rented it out for a wedding in June, and a group of women rented it for a girlfriends' weekend."

There's a lot of stuff to do in the area. Jog around the one mile trail on the property, or relax by two meditation ponds with benches. Visit the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, or spend the day exploring Vanderbilt's estate.

National Park

The Great Smoky Mountains are a range of the Appalachian Mountains and create a border between Tennessee and North Carolina. The mountains are almost entirely within the 800 square mile Great Smoky Mountains National Park created in 1934.

Ninety-five percent of the area is covered with forests, and is

Getaway to Grand Rapids

Organizers of "Foremost's Butterflies Are Blooming," which runs through Monday, April 30 at Frederik Meijer Gardens in Grand Rapids, have made sure this year's exhibit is the perfect overnighter for visitors too far away to make the trip comfortably in a day. Special packages are available from area hotels for one of West Michigan's premier attractions.

The Gardens is teaming up with eight area hotels to offer special package rates and discounts on admission to the Gardens and butterfly exhibit. Hotel packages start at \$62 and many include complimentary extras such as a breakfast buffet or in-room movies.

Discounted admission tickets to "Foremost's Butterflies Are Blooming" are \$5 for adults and seniors 65 and older, \$4 for students with student ID and \$2 for children age 5-13.

During "Foremost's Butterflies Are Blooming," 5,000 butterflies will range free in the Lena Meijer Conservatory. Visitors can enjoy more than 25 species native to North, South and Central America.

While in Grand Rapids, visitors will find plenty of things to do and see.

For more information about hotel packages, visit www. meijer gardens . org or at visit-grandrapids.org . You may also call toll-free at (877) 847-4847

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one of the largest protected areas in the East.

Boutique, It's at 409 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor.

Biltmore House

Located on 125,000 acres near Asheville, N.C., George Vanderbilt's 250-room mountain mansion Biltmore House is the largest private residence in the U.S. and a National Historic Landmark.

Formerly opened by Vanderbilt to family and friends on Christmas Eve 1895, the house showcases works by Renoir, Sargent, Whistler, Pellegrini and Boldini.

The formal and informal gardens were designed by Frederick Law Olmsted, the father of landscape architecture in America.

In the spring, a four-acre

English Walled Garden is filled with 50,000 Dutch tulips and iris, an all American Rose Garden; it's annuals in the summer, and chrysanthemums in the fall.

Guests can also visit the Biltmore Estate Winery inside a former dairy barn and sample Biltmore's award-winning wines. The estate produces 100,000 cases of wine annually.

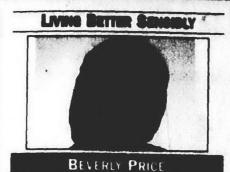
You're sure to work up an appetite touring the estate. Dining choices include the Deerpark Restaurant where guests can sample estate wines that complement a variety of seasonal entrees, or the Bistro, which offers wood-fired pizzas, freshly made pastas, and entrees prepared with estate-grown vegetables.



what a sight: Beauty surrounds guests at the Bellanina Mountain Retreat in the heart of the Smoky Mountains.



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It's the season to spring into vegetables, fruits

ook around and what do you see or at least hope to see? Green grass and eventually, green trees, green plants and of course, green fruits and vegetables.

Let's take a look at some seasonal fruits and vegetables:

Kiwi: Adopted by New Zealand from China before World War II, the kiwi was named for the bird that is the emblem of New Zealand. When ripe, the kiwi's flesh is green, while its flavor is sweet and slightly tart. The kiwi's cultivation has expanded to regions with mild climates.

Kiwis are extremely power packed with vitamin C and should be eaten uncooked and well chilled.

Cucumber: Cultivated for over 3.000 years in what is now northern India, the cucumber has its place in the Bible. Hebrews craved the cucumbers' refreshing properties during their trek across the desert. Cucumbers are quite high in fiber and may be eaten raw and very cold, with a

dip or made into cucumber **E** Cultivated soup, which is for over 3,000 a British delicacy.

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troops to garnish their hats with a leek picked from a nearby

the desert.

Leeks are very efficient at absorbing vitamins and minerals from the soil. To preserve nutrients, steam them or serve them cold as an appetizer with a light dressing.

Artichokes: The artichoke is formed by young flower heads. At the stem's end is a fleshy receptacle to which leaves are attached. The receptacle at the center is made up of thousands of flower heads. The largest artichokes weigh between nine and 11 pounds.

Artichokes are generally eaten cooked by boiling them in water for 30 minutes with their tips facing upwards. Artichokes are known to help with blood sugar control in diabetics, particularly the Jerusalem artichoke.

Ceriman: A decorative, edible plant, this fruit bearer is a native to tropical regions of Mexico. Along the stem, a flower appears with a white envelope that surrounds a cluster of small flowers. These flowers turn into small, edible fruits called cerimans, which are juicy, sweet and fragrant.

They are eaten either raw or cooked when ripe.

Enjoy the coming of spring, the holidays and the delicacies!

Beverly Price is a registered dietitian and exercise physiologist. She operates Living Better Sensibly, a private nutrition practice in Farmington Hills that offers programs for individuals and corporations. Visit her Web site at www.nutritionsecrets.com.

Look for her column on the first Sunday of each month in Taste. See recipes inside Taste.

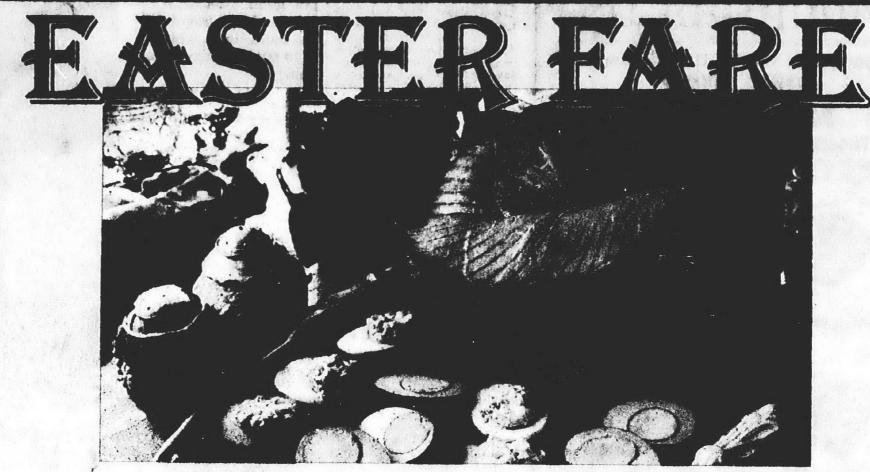
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LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

Easter eggs

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Egg-colont ideas: With that Easter ham, you might try a few deviled eggs for an appetizer or try the recipe below for pink pickled eggs. For that leftover ham, try poached eggs and ham in potato nests.

Baskets, eggs symbolize Christ's life, resurrection

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER kabramczyk@oe.home

uzan Marzec of Livonia enjoys attending Mass at St. Michael's Church, especially during the holi-

Many Easter traditions remind her of the meaning and significance of the Easter season, and her Polish upbringing, now passed on through generations.

"A lot of churches in the area have the blessing of the baskets," Marzec said. "You see this happening at many of the churches, and it's so wonderful.

Today, it is the fifth and sixth generations (of immigrants) who are participating in this. It's a good way to get people involved in so many traditions.'

Marzec should know about tradition. She has a degree in Polish folk dancing and customs from Lublin, Poland. She is a choreographer for Radomianie, a performing Polish folk dance group to promote and preserve Polish folk culture.

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e: Doors open \$2:30 p.m.

As Christians celebrate Easter, and the resurrection of Jesus Christ on April 15, they also look forward to indulging in sweets and other foods they abstained from during Lent. Preparation for Easter begins on Holy Saturday, and it's tempting to break that abstinence that day with kielbasa, hard-boiled eggs, ham and other holiday foods that fill the basket.

But waiting is part of the joy of Easter.

They often used the kielbasa and ham to replenish the body (after Lent), because the pigs were plentiful," Marzec said. "They give up meat for Lent." Easter foo

ilic and ingredients used to prepare

Vinegar represents the sour wine given to Christ. Wine represents the blood of Christ. The Psalms extol the proper use of wine which

gladdens the heart. "The horseradish and pepper reminds us of the bitter herbs of Passover," said Marzec. "Salt, which is most fundamental, has to do with hospitality." Matthew 5:13 states: "You are the salt of the earth." The faith, hope and love of Jesus' followers gives zest and meaning to daily life, preserving all that is good, according to Swiéconka (Polish Easter lunch) guidelines distributed by the Rev. Czeslaw Krysa, dean of formation at SS.

Cyril and Methodius Seminary in Orchard Lake. A cross is cut and baked into the top of the babka (bread), to remind everyone of the crucifixion.

"The kielbasa ring and the eggs placed in the middle symbolizes unity in the family," Marzec said. "The Pascal Lamb of butter is placed in the center of the table and symbolizes the Christian faith."

Many Poles make a soup out of the kielbasa broth. They may add bread or spices, depending on what region of Poland from which their ancestors originate. "Polish people don't waste anything," Marzec said. They might put horseradish in it or they might put cream or create a sweet and sour taste."

Eggs cross ethnic groups

For various nations and their peoples, eggs have signified continuing life since pre-Christian times. Given as gifts by the Greeks, Persians and Chinese at spring festivals, eggs inner later sticked in the Middle Ages and given as Easter officings.

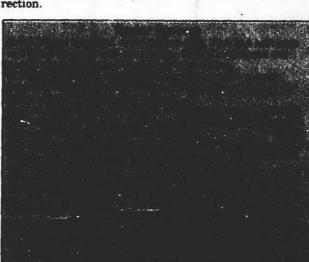
pysanky, which imparts symbolic designs and colors to eggs. First Lady Dolley Madison is traditionally credited with the first Easter egg roll at the Capitol in Washington, D.C., now held at the White House. Today, hollow Easter eggs are hung from trees or decorated with scenes inside.

'Joyful signs'

Plants play a role as well, and the holiday isn't limited to Easter lilies, either.

"Pussy willows are also displayed as one of the joyful signs of spring," Marzec said. A Polish Easter hymn ates that at his Resurrection, Christ "blossome as a flower.

Spring greens and sprigs of parsley, boxwood, myrtle, periwinkle and even store-bought grass symbolize the new life of eternal spring won through Christ's Resur-



Easter marks a time of good food and

Enjoy a baked ham with a mapleerumb topping. If you're adventurous, you can also try the pink pickiet eggh. The best juice gives these eggs a lovely pink hus and the spices and vinegar add lots of kick. With the ham leftovers, you can team them with

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12 tablespoon grated lemon peel

1/2 teespoon ground black pepper Preheat oven to 350°F. Using a trimmer (intility knife), carefully cut the thickirind and any sames fat off the top of the ham. Do not cut through all the way to the meet. Use a paring knife to score a diamond-shaped pattern on top of the ham. Place the ham in a reasting pan, cut-side down.

Cut bread into 1/4-inch pieces. Combine bread with pareley and butter. In medium-sized bowl, combine mustard, medium-sized bowl, coa maple syrup, lemon peel and po Brush mustard mixture over h crumb mixture over ham to cover. Bake nam as directed. If crumbs become rown, cover with aluminum foil. cips courtery of Cutoo Cutlery.

Matzah symbol of simplicity, virtue during Passover

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER nstafford@oe.homeco

Second-graders at Hillel Day School in Farmington Hills know firsthand how simple it is to make matzah.

Within an hour of their field trip to the Jewish Community Center's Barbara & Douglas Bloom Matzah Factory in West Bloomfield, the students have rolled and tasted their own matzah.

That's because matzah is a simple food, a humble mixture of water and wheat flour, that's prepared austerely and quickly.

"This is the seed," says Yitzchak Weber, one of several guides on hand at the community center to teach visiting school children about the process of making matzah and the food's cultural and religious significance. He holds a clear bag of wheat grains in one hand. With the other hand, he cranks a mill. "This is the flour," he says. "Very nice. Very nice," he adds, as if to reinforce the beauty of all things simple. Indeed, all of this simplicity endures

simple, good, modest," he says. "It tells us to go beyond our limitations, which is to try to control oneself." Commemorating liberation

by design, says Weber. "Matzah means

Matzah, an unleavened bread, is

eaten during the eight days of Passover when the consumption of fermented yeast is forbidden. The holiday commemorates the liberation of the Jewish people from slavery in Egypt and their flight back to Israel many centuries

In their haste to leave Egypt, the Jewish people did not have time to allow their bread-baking dough to rise, so they are unleavened bread. Today's Passover matzah tradition pays gratitude that historical event, which is commonly referred to as the Exadu

To insure matsah does not rise, the process of making it, from mixing to baking, must be completed within 18 minutes. Otherwise, the dough will rise, says Weber, adding, "fast, fast,



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fast, we cannot wait."

At the Jewish Community Center factory, which includes a station for mixing dough, several long tables where visiting students can roll their own matzah dough and an outdoor oven for baking, a detailed explanation of the process is posted on a wall.

Surprising information

Some of the information is surprising. The brick ovens used for baking matzah, for instance, heat up to 2,500° F. Consequently, the baking time is quite brief, between 30 seconds and a minute. Each piece of matzah dough must be rolled to a thickness of an eighth of an inch or less, which most likely helps speed the baking process.

Not surprisingly, the most Kosher type of matzah is the most unassuming and rustic. (Note: Kosher, in this case, actually refers to how special the matzah is in terms of celebrating the holiday.)

Referred to as "kept" matzah, it's handmade in Israel and, more often than not, only available by ordering from out-ofstate. Round, rather than square, and less uniform in color and shape, "kept" matzah "is not pretty," says Weber. It's also not as tasty as factory-made matzah, which is square, more visually appealing and commonly available in stores where Kosher foods are carried.

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our limitations, which is to try to control one

Yitzchak Weber

Factory-made matzah typically is Kosher, but again, it's not as special as the handmade version, which most Jewish families have on hand as a symbol, rather than for consumption, during

Indeed, the labyrinth of particulars surrounding matzah is interesting in and of itself, and calls to mind other aspects of the Passover celebration. The highest level of Kosher matzah, for example, is the very first batch out of an oven that has been newly cleaned for Passover cooking. For those not familiar with the holiday, Passover requires a special cleaning of the household and use of separate dishes, utensils and glassware.

Abiding the tradition, which requires a tremendous amount of preparation, not to mention, foregoing the consumption of leavened bread, is, however, a labor of love, says Weber. "It's a pleasure to do it. It's a celebra-

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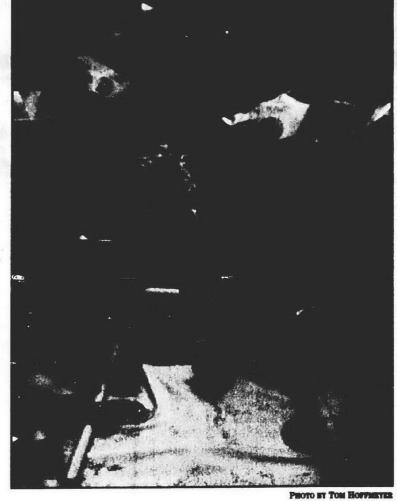
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Make the matzah: Second-graders from Hillel Day School in Farmington Hills roll matzah dough at the Jewish Community Center's matzah factory in West

Chocolate favorite adapted to fit Passover traditions

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The celebration of Passover is filled with special songs, meals and customs - and the challenge to prepare great-tasting foods without leavening.

One way of meeting this challenge is with this Fudge Nut Passover Brownie recipe, which uses cake meal in place of flour to produce a moist fudge cake with crunchy texture from toasted almonds. Another advantage: The recipe requires only three simple steps. If you wish, add fresh strawberries, sliced or whole, to your dessert platter. For variety, make a batch of brownies with chopped walnuts instead of almonds.

FUDGE NUT PASSOVER

BROWNIE 1/2 cup (1 stick) butter

2 eggs

1 cup sugar 1/4 cup cocoa

toasted and chopped Fresh strawberries (optional)

Heat oven to 325 F. Line 8-inch square baking pan with foil; lightly butter foil.

Melt 1/2 cup butter; set aside to cool slightly. Using spoon, beat eggs slightly in medium bowl. Add sugar, beat well. Stir in cocoa and melted butter until well blended. Stir in matzo cake meal, then chopped nuts. Pour into prepared

Bake 25 to 30 minutes or until brownie is set and surface is shiny. Cool completely in pan on wire rack. Remove from pan; remove and discard foil. Cut in squares. Place on serving plate with strawberries, if desired. Makes 16 brownies

Note: To toast almonds, heat oven to 350 F. Spread almonds in thin layer in shallow baking pan. Bake 8 to 10 minutes, stirring occasionally, until light golden brown; cool before chopping. Recipe courtesy of Hershey's.

Send items for Taste calendar at least two weeks in advance of event to Ken Abramczyk, Taste Editor, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.

INTERNATIONAL DINNERS Enjoy a gourmet five-course

meal prepared by second-year culinary students in the International Cuisine class in the American Harvest Restaurant in the Waterman Center at Schoolcraft College on Haggerty Road between Six and Seven Mile roads in Livonia. Courses are prepared from five different regions under the instruction of award-winning chefs. Wine will be served with each meal. Dinner is served at 6:45 p.m. and costs \$28.95 plus tax, per person, except for French, which is \$31.95 per person. Dinners are scheduled as follows: Poland, April 5, regional American, April 19, and French, April 26. Call (734) 462-4488 for information or reservations. Seating is limited. Credit cards

accepted. LEARN ABOUT COOKING

Here are Continuing Education classes at Schoolcraft College in Livonia for the winter semester: ■ The Incredible Edible Mushroom, 6-9 p.m., Tuesday, April

■ European Bread Making (two weeks), 5-10 p.m., Thursday,

April 5 and 12; Outdoor Grilling & Entertaining, 5-10 p.m., Thursday and Friday, April 26 and 27; ServSafe Sanitation classes also are offered to prepare students for the final examinations administered by the Educational Foundation of the National Restaurant Association. An Italian wine class is scheduled for 5-7 p.m. for five weeks beginning Monday, April 2. Anyone interested in more information regarding these classes can call Schoolcraft College Con-

tinuing Education at (734) 462-



Try a few cucumbers in soup or fruit salad

Recipes courtesy of Beverly Price. See related column on Taste front.

CHILLED CUCUMBER SOUP

- 1 cup chopped onlon
- 2 leeks, washed and chopped (white and light green parts only; about 2/3 cup)
- 2 cucumbers or 1 English cucumber, peeled, seeded, and chopped (about 2 1/4 cups)
- 1/4 cup butter
- 2 cups chicken broth
- 2 tablespoons dry white wine or dry vermouth
- 1/8 teaspoon fresh ground white pepper 1/2 cup whipping creem
- 2 teespoons snipped fresh dill or 1/2 teespoon
- dried dillweed
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice Dash ground red pepper
- 1 cup finely chopped, peeled, seeded cucumber
- Cucumber strips (for garnish

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Cook onion, leek, and 2 1/4 cups chopped cucumber in butter in a large saucepan over low heat about 10 minutes. Add chicken broth, white wine or vermouth. and white pepper. Bring to boiling. Reduce heat and simmer, covered, for 1 hour. Cool slightly.

Place half of the soup mixture in a blender container or food processor. Blend till smooth. Press soup mixture through a fine-mesh sieve using a rubber

Add whipping cream, 2 teaspoons fresh dill or dried dill weed, lemon juice, red pepper, and the 1 cup finely chopped cucumber. Cover and chill for 2-24 hours. Garnish each serving with cucumber strips, lemon

FRUIT SALAD PLATTER WITH STRAWBERRY VINAIGRETTE

- Kale or lettuce leaves
- 2 cups sliced strawberries and/or whole raspber
- 2 kiwi fruit, peeled and thinly sliced
- 1 orange, peeled and sectioned
- 2 bananas, sliced
- 1 medium peach, plum, or nectarine, sliced
- 1 small apple or pear, cored and sliced 2 tablespoons raspberry or red wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons water
- 2 teaspoons sugar

Line a serving plate with kale or lettuce leaves. Arrange half of the strawberries and/or raspberries, the kiwi, orange sections, bananas, peach, plum, or nectarine slices, and apple or pear slices decoratively over kale or lettuce.

For dressing, in a blender place remaining strawberries and/or raspberries, vinegar, water, and sugar.

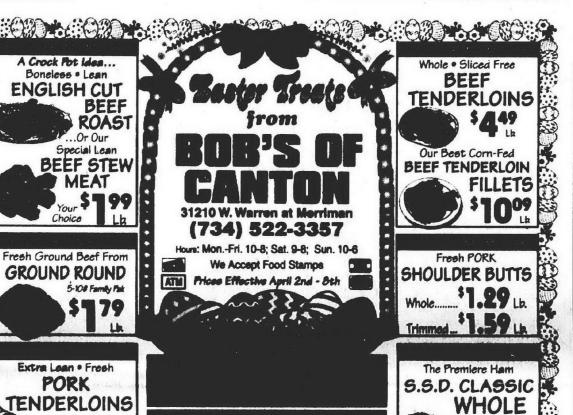
Cover and blend or process till smooth. Drizzle a little of the dressing over salad. Serve with remaining dressing. Yields 6 servings.

Nutritional information per serving: Calories, 120; fat, 1g; sodium, 3mg; carb., 28g; fiber, 4g; and

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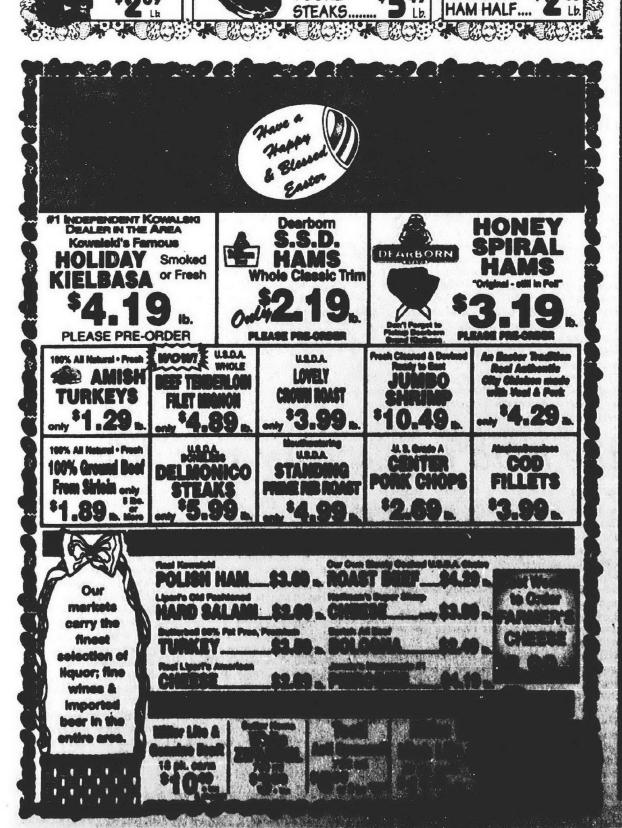
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Sample chili at cookoff this Saturd

Lakes Regional Chili Cookelf is scheduled for 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 7, at the Kennedy Recreation Center, \$101 West Road, in Trenton during Walleye Week.

Competition includes red chili, green chili verde and salsa. Since this event is an International Chili Society sanctioned cookoff, the winner in each category will advance to the 2001 world competition Sept. 30 in Reno, Nev.

free, samples are available after 2 p.m. for 50 cents. Pro-ceeds will help the Penrickton Center and Leader Dogs for the

Walleye Week also features the 2001 Professional Walleye Trail Pro-Am Tournament on April 4-6 at Elizabeth Park. Anglers will fish from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., while area restaurants and businesses will run walleys

The chili cookoff is not the

only event scheduled on Sunday, April 7. Family Day of features children's crafts demonstrations, educational programs with the Michigan State University extension program and "Coastie," the U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary educational safety boat, to name a

For information on Walleye Week festivities, call Trenton Parks and Recreation at (734) 675-7300

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In a large pot, cover the eggs with cold water and bring to a slow boil. Reduce heat and cook for 8-10 minutes. Remove, discard water, and cool.

When cool enough to handle, peel the eggs and return to the pot. Add the water, beet juice, vinegar, sugar, and spices. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmmer, covered, for 1 hour.

Transfer the eggs and liquid to an airtight container and refrigerate for at least 24 hours. Eggs will keep for 2 weeks. Serve sliced as a garnish for your Easter HoneyBaked Ham®. Serves 6.

POACHED EGGS AND HAM IN POTATO NESTS

4 cups frozen shredded hash brown potatoes, thawed

- 1 cup butter melted
- Salt and peoper, to taste
- 12 eggs
- 3 cups water
- 3 tablespoons vinegar

and season with salt and pepper. Place about 1/4 cup of potatoes in each muffin cup and press into and up the sides. Bake for 25-30 minutes until golden brown and crisp. Remove, cool for 3 minutes and gently loosen with a sharp knife.

In a large bowl, tose the potatoes with the butter

Preheat oven to 375° F. Grease a 12-cup muffin tin

2 cups ham, chopped

with butter and set aside.

2 tablespoons chives, chopped

Meanwhile, bring water and vinegar to a boil in a large skillet and reduce heat to a simmer. Carefully break half the eggs into the water and peach, covered, for 3 or 4 minutes. Using a slotted spoon, remove each egg and drain briefly, then trans to a potato nest. Repeat with remaining eggs.

Sprinkle the ham and chives over the top and return to the oven for 7-9 minutes to heat through. Serve hot.

Recipes courtesy of Honey Bahed Ham.





MEDICAL BRIEFS

Alcoholism and drugs

The negative effects of drug dependency affect generation after generation in families nationwide. To help families struggling with addictive patterns of behavior, St. Mary Mercy Hospital is offering a class, "Drug & Alcohol Addiction Within the Family," 6-7:30 p.m. Monday, April 16, in West Addition B.

According to the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, more than 43 percent of adults in America upwards of 76 million people - grew up with an alcoholic parent or sibling, married an alcoholic or problem drinker, or had a blood relative who was an alcoholic or problem drinker. Teens who begin alcohol use before age 15 are four times more likely to develop alcoholism than those who begin to drink at age 21.

There is no registration fee. Pre-register by calling (734) 655-2944 or 1-800-494-0277 for out-of-area callers. St. Mary Mercy is located at 34675 Five Mile Road, Livonia. Please use Levan Road Entrance.

Mobility study

Are you aged 45 to 65 and use a cane, walker, brace, wheelchair or scooter due to some difficulty walking? If so, you are among the 49 million Americans who have trouble doing a basic activity of

Wayne State University and The National Institute of Child Health and Human Development is sponsoring a "Mobility Study" at Wayne State University. Researchers want to learn how adults cope with problems getting around and what it means in their daily

Participants receive \$35 for completing interviews. No invasive tests will be performed. For more information, call (313) 993-7320.

Blood pressure checks

Healthwise, it's smart to monitor blood pressure regularly, maintain proper weight, remain physically active, avoid smoking and eat foods low in cholesterol and saturated fats.

As a part of its commitment to serve the community, St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers free blood pressure measurements monthly at the following sites:

April 2, May 7, June 4 - St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Main Lobby, 34675 Five Mile Road, Livonia. 1 to 3 p.m.

April 9, May 14, June 11 - Wonderland Mall, 29859 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 to 10 a.m.

April 23, June 25 - Northville Senior Center, 215 W. Cady, near Sheldon Road/Main Street, Northville. Noon to 2 p.m.

For more information, please call Community Outreach at (734) 655-8940; 1 (800) 494-1650 (out-of-town callers only); or visit the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Web site www.stmarymercy.org.

Grief recovery

Hospice of Washtenaw will present a five-week Grief Recovery Series beginning Thursday, April 19. Each weekly session will be held 7-8:30 p.m. at the Senior Health Building on the campus of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, 5361 McAuley Drive, Ann Arbor.

The series will help people who have lost loved ones adapt to the loss and develop new skills in coping. Participants will also learn healthy ways to move through the grief process.

The series is open to the public and there is no charge. It is recommended that participants attend all five sessions. Registration is required. Please call Hospice of Washtenaw at (734) 327-

We want your health news

There are several ways you can reach the Observer Health & Fitness staff. The Sunday section provides numerous venues for you to offer newsworthy information including Medical Datebook (upcoming calendar events); Medical Newsmakers (appointments/new hires in the medical field); and Medical Briefs (medical advances, short news items from hospitals, physicians, companies) We also welcome newsworthy ideas for health and fitness related stories. To submit an item to our newspaper you

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 $Oakwood\ cardiovascular$ surgeons create new circulation channels

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND STAFF WRITER rskoglund@oe.homec

sing a carbon dioxide laser to make multiple channels in the heart for blood to flow through, cardiovascular surgeons at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn are helping patients with coronary artery disease for whom conventional therapies no

The procedure - known as transmyocardial revascularization, or TMR - is especially effective for patients with diffuse hardening of the arteries.

"They don't have suitable target vessels. As a result, these are the people who also experience angina. They've had maximum therapy and are still having breakthrough angina," said Dr. Reza Dabir, head of cardiovascular surgery at Oakwood.

One of the largest studies to date showed that TMR can reduce or alleviate angina (chest pain) in a majority of individuals for at least five years, according to research presented last November at the American Heart Association's Scientific Sessions

"Whatever symptom relief these patients had at one year seems to holding true out to five years," said Dr. Keith Horvath, lead researcher of the TMR study and assistant professor of cardiovascular

surgery, Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago. "We have a significant number of patients who have experienced pain relief for as long as eight to nine years after their TMR surgery.

When asked about TMR's disadvantages, Dabir said, "These are patients who are complicated cases, and the risks involved are inherent to the fact that they have to have another surgery."

Surgery

To be a successful candidate for TMR, patients must have left ventricular contractual function above 25 percent, said Dabir.

At Oakwood Hospital, there are two approaches to TMR surgery: It may be done along with a regular bypass (some patients are only partially vascularized after bypass surgery alone) or through a large incision on the left side of the chest to expose the

The surgeon then drills a series 20- to 40-mm laser channels through the heart's outer wall into the left ventricle using a laser triggered by the patient's EKG. The laser fires its pulse of energy into the heart muscle when the heart is relaxing before its next contraction. The heart is full of blood at that time, preventing the laser from traveling all the way through.

"As soon as the laser hits the cavity of blood, it dissipates," said Dabir.

Where the holes are placed is determined by

where the surgeon wants to revascularize the heart. The newly created channels quickly seal on the outside without cauterization.

There are several theories as to why TMR is effective in curbing chest pain, according to the American Heart Association. It may be that the laser channels provide a new source of blood to the heart. Another theory is that TMR stimulates blood vessel growth. area of the heart are destroyed, numbing the heart and thus relieving pain.

Recovery from TMR can be painful. However, the discomfort should subside within two to three

Study

Horvath and his colleagues studied 65 patients whose average age was 63. All of them had severe chest pain not alleviated through other methods. Sixty-three percent had unstable angina, 75 percent had suffered at least one heart attack, 93 percent had undergone one bypass surgery, 36 percent had undergone at least one angioplasty, 67 percent had angina class IV, and 33 percent had class III. (The higher the angina class, the more severe the chest pain). The laser was used to create an average of 25 tiny holes in various locations of the heart muscle.

Postoperatively, 66 percent of the patients had dropped to a class I or II angina pain level, and an additional 12 percent had no chest pain five years after TMR. A decrease of at least two angina classes was considered significant, and by this criterion, 60 percent of the patients had successful long-term angina relief, said Horvath.

These patients were seriously ill," he said. "They were having chest pain with only minor exertion several times a day and were taking 10 to 20 nitroglycerin tablets per week."



More blood: Laser-made holes (shown in actual heart) allow for revascularization.

Less invasive

According to another study presented at the - which uses a different type of laser than surgical TMR - may soon be available to patients. With percutaneous TMR (PTMR) a catheter is placed under the skin and threaded up the aorta (the heart's main blood vessel) to the inner lining of the heart wall. A holmium YAG laser is placed on the tip of the catheter. Cardiologists use an imaging technique called fluoroscopy to get a detailed view of the heart and to help guide the laser during the procedure.

"PTMR is much simpler and less invasive than surgery," said Dr. Gregg Stone, director of cardiovascular research and education, Cardiovascular Research Foundation, Lenox Hill Hospital, N.Y. "It's an outpatient procedure that doesn't involve the use of general anesthesia or open heart surgery. This is a significant advance.

A major advantage of surgical TMR compared to PTMR is that the heart is exposed, allowing the laser to create channels through the full thickness of the heart rather than just the inner surface of the heart muscle, Horvath said.

With any new surgical procedure of the heart, there are skeptics, said Dabir. "There is that body of surgeons and cardiologists that is skeptical, but as increasing numbers of TMRs are being done nation ally and internationally, skepticism is subsiding."
As for the future, Dabir said, "I see more patien

receiving TMR and research showing more ways of revascularization of the heart."

TMR patients on the road to recovery, new life

Lamar Thomas of Westland, 55, had his first heart | New life attack at age 35. Six years ago he underwent a quadruple bypass at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. On Feb. 7 he was back in surgery for a transmyocardial revascularization.

"I was getting a burning sensation in my chest. I figured something had clogged back up," said Thomas. He also was experiencing pressure in his

Dr. Riza Dabir, head of cardiovascular surgery at Oakwood Hospital, the same surgeon who did Thomas' bypass, performed the TMR. When he was done, Thomas had 42 holes in his heart, 36 staples in his chest and faced a long recuperation. Thomas is now impatient with his recovery

"It's slow but coming," he said during an interview last month. "I figured this would be a little rougher because it's on my left side. I'm left-handed.'

Thomas would like to jog again, as he did within weeks after his bypass, but he's settled for walking, maybe a half dozen blocks at a time. He is making progress. He no longer feels the burning in his chest.

Jacqueline Balish, 52, of Commerce Township had TMR surgery in November 1999. Prior to that, she had quintuple bypass surgery in 1990 following a heart attack and angioplasty with a stent inserted in 1995. She suffered her second heart attack in

Before her TMR surgery, Balish was offered little hope of improving her health.

"I constantly had jaw pain and chest pain. I went to one cardiologist who said I had to live with it. I

wasn't too happy. Balish's sister, Pam Lacy, wouldn't accept such a diagnosis. She persuaded Balish to see another cardiologist, who promptly referred her to Dabir. After examining her, Dabir told her the likelihood of a

successful TMR was high. "He said it can't hurt, just improve my condition,"

Balish quickly agreed to have the surgery. In her words, she was up against a wall. "My only other option was a heart transplant."

Dabir made 28 laser holes in Balish's heart. The pain from her incision, which ran from the middle of her chest to the middle of her back, took three months to subside. However, the results were was

"If I had known how painful it was going to be don't know if I would have gone through with it don't know if I would have gone through with it. It was rough, but I think it has helped. I no longer have the jaw and chest pain I used to have. And a circulation is much better. My legs don't swell."

Today, Balish, who lives with her sister, can do light vacuuming and go for short walks. Meet impetant, she now has caused.

tant, she now has enough energy to watch he year-old grandson. "He's into everything so I always running after him.

She is grateful for Dabir's expertise and her

ter's caring persistence.
"If it hadn't been for her, I would another cardiologist. I think I won myself go. She's my Rock of Gibe repay somebody for saving your

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Alcoholics Anonymous meets 8:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday, Garden City Hospital (north entrance), 5254 Inkster Road. Alanon meeting Sunday enly. Call (248) 541-6565 or (734) 776-3415. Noon Tuesday and Thursday, Providence Medičal Office Center, 39500 W. 10 Mile (at Haggerty), Novi. Call (248) 348-9362. Noon Wednesday, Livonia Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road, Livonia. Call (734) 953-1188.

The Impotent Anonymous Support Group meets 8 p.m. the last Wednesday of each month at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Marian Professional Building, 14555 Levan. Livonia (Pavilion Conference Room A). For information, call (734) 462-5858.

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The Caregivers Support Group meets 7-8 p.m. the last Wednesday of the month at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Auditorium 14555 Levan, Livonia. Call (734) 655-8940.

TREE PROSTATE SCREENING Saint Joseph Mercy Hospital will offer free prostate screenings on the fourth Thursday of each month in the radiology oncology department at the McAuley Cancer Care Center in Ypsilanti. Call the Saint Joseph Mercy HealthLine at (800) 231-2211.

Ward Presbyterian Church, corher of Six Mile Road and Hagperty, Northville, sponsors a Panic Attack & Anxiety Disorder Support Group meeting 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month. Call (734) 430-8175.

earn how Recovery, Inc. has and maintain good mental health for over 65 years. A support group meets at 7:30 p.m. every Monday at St. Matthews

Methodist Church, Room 105, 30000 Six Mile Road, Livonia. For more information, contact Nancy at (734) 462-1067.

The Lyme Disease and Chronic Illness Support Group, Western Wayne County meets the third Tuesday of each month at the First United Methodist Church, 3 Towne Square, Wayne. For more information, call (734) 326-3502.

Take off pounds sensibly! TOPS #29 of Michigan meets 6-7 p.m. every Tuesday at Newburg Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail (between Wayne and Newburg), Livonia. Call Marie

Bailey at (734) 762-0386. DPAUSE SUPPORT

The Menopause Support Group meets 7-9 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia in West Addition B. For more information or to register, call the Marian Women's Center, St. Mary Mercy Hospital, (734) 655-

SUN, APRIL 1

MASSAGE CONVENTION The Association of Michigan Myomassologists, Inc. will hold its 2001 Massage Convention/Health Fair 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Livonia Holiday Inn, located on Six Mile Road, east of I-275. Free mini massages and door prizes. Admission: Adults, \$5; children with

an adult free. Call (248) 347-

TUES, APRIL 3

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NEALTH THROUGH NUTRITION Soy, flax, calcium, fruits, grains, nuts, beans - miracle foods or hype? Join registered dietitian Lee McDonagh and parish health nurses at St. Collete Church, 17602 Newburgh, Livonia (between Six and Seven Mile) 7p.m. in the social area. Learn what foods help prevent heart disease, osteoporosis and cancer. Call (784) 464-4486.

PANIC ATTACKS Ward Prosbyterian Church of Northville will host a free lecture, "Stop Panic Attacks in Their Tracks," by Dr. Laurel A. Sills, a fully licensed clinical psychologist, 7 p.m. Lecture is sponsored by the Panic Support Group. Call Susan Francheschi

at (784) 420-8100 or Dr. Laurel A. Silla (248) 788-4230.

PROJECT MEALINY LIVE St. Mary Mercy Hospital will host Project Healthy Living from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on April 8-5 at Wonderland Mall, Livonia. Basic site tests include blood pressure, vision, glaucoma, health/weight, counseling and referral and health education. The following tests are offered for a nominal fee: Comprehensive Blood Panel (22 Profile), \$30; PSA (Prostate Cancer), \$25; CA-125 (Ovarian Cancer), \$25; H. Pylori (stomach ailments), \$15; and Colorectal Cancer Kits, \$8. Call (734) 655-

WED, APRIL 4

MENOPAUSE SUPPORT The Menopause Support Group at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia will feature guest speaker Cathy Dyer, art facilitator and educator, who will present "An introduction to Art and Healing: Discover How to Create a Mandala to Facilitate Healing." Discover how to use untapped mental power to heal all types of physical and mental maladies through mediation, visualization, and positive thinking, combined with relaxation, physical exercise, and improved nutrition.

SLEEP APNEA The American Sleep Apnea Association will host an A.W.A.K.E. Meeting 7-9 p.m. in the Garden City Medical Office Building, Classrooms 3 and 4, 6255 Inkster Road, Garden City. Representatives from Forest Health Medical Centers will discuss bariatric surgical treatment for obesity. The meeting is free and open to the public. Call (734) 458-3330.

WED, APRIL 4

FOOT SCREENING The American Diabetes Association will sponsor a free foot screening 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Garden City Health and Education Center, 6701 Harrison, Garden City. The screening will be provided by doctors of podiatry medicine. Call (734) 458-4330.

THUR, APRIL 5 ALCOHOL SCREENING

Wayne State University's Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences will

served. EFFORTLESS LIVING

A talk by Sadhguru Jaggi

host a screening day to provide educational materials and an opportunity to talk with a clinician about alcohol use and abuse. The screening will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 5 in WSU's Student Center in Detroit as well as from 2-5 p.m. in University Psychiatric Centers (16836 Newburgh Road, Livonia).

St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers Caregiving 101 to help case the burdens of caregivers responsible for the care of adults with chronic illness or dementia. April 5 from 7-8:30 p.m. "Community Resources" will be the topic in the West Addition B. \$10 per session. Call 655-8940.

APRIL 5 & 12

NEWBORN AND INFANT CARE St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia, will offer a two-part Infant Care Class designed for parents and caregivers of newborns and infants: "Getting to Know Your Newborn, 7-9 p.m. Thursday, April 5, focuses on caring for the "well" infant; "Caring for the Sick Infant," 7-9 p.m. Thursday, April 12, focuses on infant safety, immunizations and signs of illness. Classes presented in West Addition A. The fee is \$18 per class, or \$35 to attend both classes. Pre-registration is required. Please call the Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-1100 or (800) 494-1615 (out-ofarea callers only).

FRI, APRIL 6 GARDEN CITY HOSPITAL

The Garden City Hospital Guild will have its annual card party 7-10 p.m. in the hospital cafeteria. The cost is \$6 per person and includes raffles, door prizes and refreshments. Tickets are available by calling the hospital gift shop at 458-4200 or Helen Mier at (313) 584-9162.

SAT, APRIL 7 **CANCER SURVIVORS**

The Harris/Kehrer Ladies Auxiliary, 1055 S. Wayne Road, Westland, will hold a Cancer Seminar for cancer survivors 1-3 p.m. Please come and share your story. Punch and dessert will be

Vasudev will be held from 2-4

p.m. at the Sokol Cultural Center (23600 W. Warren Road, Dearborn Heights). He is the founder and teacher of a unique form of yoga. A question and answer session will follow. Free and open to the public. Call 975-8910 or visit www.ishafounda-

MCS Friends, a support group for those who have been physically harmed or who have lost someone through death due to chemical exposure, will meet 2-5 p.m. at the Carl Sandburg Public Library, 30100 Seven Mile Rd, Livonia, just west of Middlebelt 2-5 p.m.. For more information or a newsletter, call 248-349-

MON, APRIL 9

CELLAC SPRIJE The Tri-County Celiac Sprue Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. in the Southfield Presbyterian Church, 21575 W. Ten Mile Road, east of Lahser, Southfield. Guest speaker is Betty Hagman, well-known author of four gluten-free cookbooks. For more information, call Claire Cayer at (248) 647-0076.

APRIL 10-12

PROJECT NEALTHY LIVING

Project Health Living services will be offered by Botsford General Hospital 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Livonia Mall (29514 Seven Mile, Livonia). Registration begins near Fanny Farmer. Free services include height/weight, vision, hearing, blood pressure, glaucoma, counseling/referral, nutrition counseling, medication counseling, podiatry, lung function testing, health displays and Ask the Doctor. Optional test for a nominal fee include: Comprehensive Blood Panel (22 Profile), \$30; PSA (Prostate Cancer), \$25; CA-125 (Ovarian Cancer), \$25; H. Pylori (stomach ailments), \$15; and Colorectal Cancer Kits, \$8. Healthy Kids & Family Day is April 12. Health screening for school-aged children, prizes, giveaways and raffles. Bonus days are May 9 and 10 at Livonia Mall. Hotline information from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. is (248) 424-8600.

WED, APRIL 11

The Diabetes Support Group at

DIABETES MANAGEMENT

medicine and chiropractic medicine. Call (734) 522-5501 or (248) 893-4010. THUR, APRIL 12 CARRONNIO 101: St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers Caregiving 101 to help ease the

burdens of caregivers responsible for the care of adults with chronic illness or dementia. April 12 from 7-8:30 p.m. "Special Skills: Caring for the Person with Dementia" will be the topic in the West Addition B. \$10 per session. Call 655-8940.

FRI, APRIL 13 BLOOD DRIVE

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive 8 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. at St. Thomas a Becket Church, 555 Lilley Road (just south of Cherry Hill), Canton. Call Peggy at (734) 397-8495 or Marion at (734) 981-3433 for an appointment.

Kids reach out to help elderly with spring cleaning

knows first-hand the challenges faced by many senior citizens who struggle to maintain their own homes. He also knows these challenges can be met with a little help from the youngest gener-

Through his church, Church of Today West in Novi, Adair has organized a "Clean Up-Fix Up Community Service Project, which takes place Saturday, April 28. Teams of parents and teens will go out into the Novi, Farmington, Farmington Hills

Greg Adair, owner of Afford- and Walled Lake communities to dows, cleaning flower beds, get back a lot for their efforts, able HomeCare in Livonia, do odd jobs and chores at the changing light bulbs, and minor too. It's a real esteem builder." homes of seniors 65 years and plumbing and electrical work. Adair believes teens and

> A special priority will be give to those who are handicapped or don't have family members to

Spring is a great time for clean-up projects, said Adair, because "people are coming out of hibernation and lots of little things need to get done to get a house or yard ready for sum-

Popular requests from past programs include washing win-

We'll do just about whatever they want done around the house," said Adair's 15-year-old

son, Austin. "At our church we teach how there are practical Christian concepts that still apply in today's society," said minister Barbara Clevenger. "Kids get a great understanding of what loving thy neighbor means. They

seniors naturally spark an interest in one another. Teens like asking questions, and seniors enjoy sharing their wisdom.

Those interested in participating in the program should write to Greg Adair at Affordable HomeCare, 20270 Middlebelt Road, Suite 9, Livonia, MI 48152, or call him at (248) 477-

Arthritis Today JOSEPH J. WEISS, M.D. RHEUMAT

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is that sometimes the diagnosis is misunderstood by the person v the pain in question. This column will try to resolve these problems. The body protects muscles that may come close to bone by placing a sac, called a bursa between the bone and the muscle. The biggest bursa is between the deltoid and humanus bone of the shoulder and is called the subdeltoid bursa. Other important bursas are the

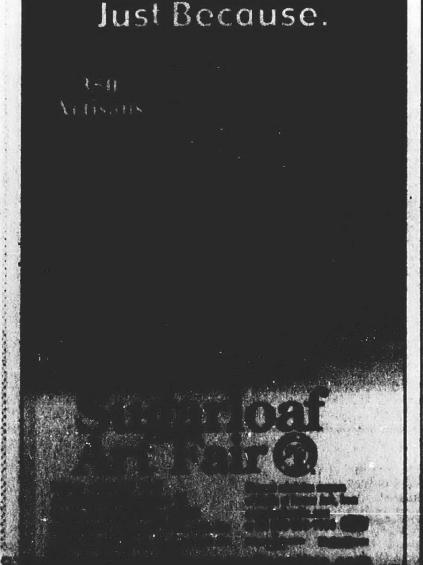
prevents the diutius maximus muscle from rubbing against the thigh Any of these sacs, or bursa, can become inflamed and cause pain at the spot where the muscle or tendon goes over the bursa itself.

anserine bursa just below the knee, the prepatellar in front of the knee cap, the infrapalle

However, such bursitis is rare. The more common occurrence is inflammation of the tendor tself. This is particularly true of the shoulder pain which the supraspinatus tendon, not the bursa near it, is the cause of discomfort and limited motion.

The distinction is important. In many cases heat and massage will treat a bursitis. contrast, a tendonitis usually responds to anti-inflammatory medication or an injection at the point where the tendon is irritated

If a muscle ache you self diagnosed as bursitis persists, let your doctor loo o check if you really suffer from tendinitis



left to right: Jodi Lambert, Nurse Practiti Mark Lindley, M.D., Arny Rothberg, M.D. DR. ROTHBERG **ACCEPTING PATIENTS**

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Consolidation

Livonia-based McLaren Performance Technologies announced it has consolidated its Santa Barbara, Calif.-based traction business unit and has transferred its patented Gerodisc traction-control technology, as well as related research and development, to the company's Livonia headquarters. "The relocation of the McLaren traction business unit enhances our effectiveness and efficiency by bringing the enterprise closer to McLaren Performance technologies' Detroitbased OEM customers and will help the company further develop opportunities," said Steven Rossi, president and chief executive officer.

Acquisition

Adam M. Lutz, managing member of the Royalton Investment Group of Farmington Hills, announced the acquisition of the Bradford Plaza Shopping Center located in west Chester, PA. The 124,000square-foot, grocery-anchored neighborhood shopping center is located in the fastest growing residential area in the metropolitan Philadelphia market.

New bank opening

Plymouth Financial Corporation announced the successful sales of \$8 million in common stock to fund capital expenses related to the opening of New Liberty Bank in Plymouth. Scheduled to open this spring, New Liberty Bank will represent the first independent, community-owned bank in the Plymouth area in nearly 50 years.

MEDICAL NEWSMAKERS

Healthcare executive

Jane G. McCormick, vice president for Ancillary Services at Garden City Hospital, has recertified as a Diplomate of the American College of Healthcare Executives, an international professional society representing nearly 30,000 healthcare executives.

The announcement was made at the College's 67th annual Convocation ceremony, held on Sunday, March 25, at the Chicago Hilton & Towers during the ACHE's 2001 Congress on Healthcare Management.

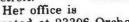
According to ACHE policy, Diplomates are required to recertify their professional competence every six years. At present, only approximately 7,000 healthcare executives in the nation hold the status of Diplomate in ACHE.

To earn this credential, McCormick, who first attained Diplomate status in 1983, had to demonstrate commitment to continuing education, progression in professional experience and participation in voluntary and community affairs. In addition, she had to complete comprehensive oral and written examinations on a variety of healthcare management subjects.

New physician

St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia announced that Dr. Nigar Yousuf has joined the medical staff. Yousuf is a boardcertified psychiatrist and treats general and adult mental health issues. She

completed her medical degree at Dow Medical College in Karachi, Pakistan, and her residency at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit.



located at 23306 Orchard Lake Road, Suite A-1, Farmington Hills. Contact her at (248) 888-8582.

Arthur's Place

The 2000 NOVA 7 AWARD for outstanding innovation in the area of exercise programming went to Arthur's Place in Ply-

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mouth Township for helping people with arthritis and connective tissue diseases experience the benefits of exercise.

Competitors for the award, administered by Fitness Management magazine, included health/fitness facilities ranging from community centers and health clubs to corporate fitness centers and hospital wellness programs throughout the world.

For information on Arthur's Place award-winning program, call (734) 254-0500.

Eye to eye Dr. Michael S. Peterson

recently joined the medical staff at Suburban Eye Care in Livonia. Dr. Peterson specializes in low vision optomewhich try, involves helping individuals who are visual-



Peterson

ly impaired or legally blind. He graduated from New England College of Optometry in 1998 and did his residency training in Connecticut in the specialized field of ocular disease and low vision.

Suburban Eye Care is located at 32415 Five Mile Road, between Merriman and Farmington, Livonia. Dr. Peterson can be reached at (734) 525-

Chiropractic society

Joseph Brace, D.C., of Livonia has been elected treasurer of the Michigan Chiropractic Society District 2, which includes Clinton, Eaton, Ingham, Livingston, Calhoun, Jackson, Washtenaw, Branch, Hillsdale and Lenawee counties.

"By taking on this challenging leadership role, Dr. Brace has proven, once again, his continuous support and dedication to the principles of the MCS and the chiropractic profession," said Lewis G. Squires, D.C., MCS president.

Dr. Brace graduated from Palmer College of Chiropractic and practices in Livonia. He has been an active member of the Michigan Chiropractic Society since 1979.

Mona Rovin of Westland, an



the state of Michigan. She

joined the firm two years ago after passing the state accounting exam.

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A graduate of Walsh College in Troy, Rovin has a bachelor's degree in accounting and is currently pursuing a master's in taxation at Walsh. She is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants. She also has worked as a volunteer with the Accounting Aid Society in Detroit.

New Liberty Bank

Plymouth Financial Corporation announced

the addition of Barton Bryant of Plymouth to the board of directors of New Liberty Bank. Founded in 1998, PFC is the bank-holding company for New Liber-



ty Bank of Plymouth. Bryant has an MBA from the University of Michigan and a Master of Library Science from Rutgers University. He is the founder and president of three area information-based consulting services: Advanced Information Consultants, Inc., a new "infotrieve" company; Bryant Information Group, Inc., a research and competitive intelligence firm; and ASK Services, Inc., a public records research and retrieval firm.

Foundation accountant

The Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan has named Diane M. Kresnak of Livonia to its staff as an accountant. She previously was assistant controller for Focus: HOPE and office manager/accountant for Westborn Markets.

The Community Foundation of

Southeastern Michigan, founded in 1984, is a permanent community endowment built by gifts from hundreds of individuals and



Visteon Corporation

Livonia-based Visteon Corporation has named Rick C. Meyer the new general manager of Visteon Global Aftermarket Operations. He will be responsible for expanding the organization's aftermarket business in North American and Pacific Rim regions.

Meyer has more than 29 years of automotive sales experience. Prior to joining Visteon, he was president of R.C. Meyer and Associated, an automotive sales consulting firm to Visteon. From 1997 to 1999, he was senior vice president of national account sales for Exide Corporation.

Brose joins firm

Dennis Brose, a standout for the Detroit Rockers of the National Professional Soccer League, has joined S.O.S. Consulting Corporation in Livonia as vice president, Executive Search. He will manage several client relationships and be

directly involved with the executive search process. He also will be involved in the company's **Professional Sports Operations** Practice, focused on recruiting senior management for professional athletic teams across the country.

Brose is the Rockers' all-time leading scorer, with 600 points in 142 games played. He has played in three NPSL All-Star games.

New partners

Orchard, Hilts & McCliment, Inc. in Livonia announced the addition of three new shareholders: William "Bill" Costick, Mark R. Loch, P.E, and Jeffery R. Staebler.

Costick joined OHM in 1999 as director of community relations and business development. Formerly, he served as city manager of Farmington Hills for 15

Loch joined OHM in 1990 as a project engineer. He currently manages several large-scale municipal, county and Michigan Department of Transportation design projects.

Staebler joined OHM in 1996. He currently is the director of the firm's Information Technology Department. He specializes in network design/maintenance and is a certified Novell engi-

Top salesman

Kenneth Coker, district

manager of Vector Marketing Corporation's Livonia office, has reached his \$3 million career

sales milestone as a manager. Pennsylvania-based Vector is the exclusive marketer of Cutco cutlery directly to consumers via sales managers, many of them college students. Cutco Cutlery is the largest manufacturer of kitchen cutlery and accessories in the United States.

Leave A Legacy

Maha Freij of Livonia, chief financial officer of ACCESS .

Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services, has been named chair of the Western Wayne County committee for Leave A Legacy-Southeast Michigan, a



campaign encouraging planned gifts to local charities and cultural institutions through wills, trusts, insurance policies and other methods.

"I'm delighted to be part of this important effort to educate Wayne County residents about the benefits of leaving planned gifts to charity," said Freij. "Our goals are to impress upon people the importance of having a will not only to support our families, but to support those charities that enrich our community."



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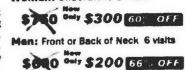
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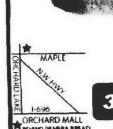
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THE TIME IS NOW

33 yr old white female, 5'5', brown heir, hazel eyes. Looking for a white male, 32 to 42, for friands. BOX 11186

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37 yr old divorced white female,
516", long authum hair, green eyes,
besufful amile, hall figured, 225 bs,
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sense of humor. Likes movies, dining in/out, concerts. Looking for a
single white male, age open. Let's
see where it leads. BOX 11230

SHARMIG IS CARING
Single female, 23, mother of one, 5'4', 150 lbs, likes roller bledding, clubs, walking in the aummer. Looking for someone who would like to be friends. BOX 11232

Attractive, 39, 517°, employed female with no children, enjoys comedy, pool, bowling and entertaining. Seets a tall, fur loving responsibly leading to more. BOX 11281

SWEET & SASSY 48, 57°, 150 b, diverced female, blonde hair, enjoys being around people. Loolsing to meet a single male for friendship, possably lead-ing to a relationship. BOX 11269

PEPPER SEEKS SALT
Single black female, 49, 57°, full
figured, black heir and brown eyes.
Enjoys movies, and dining, looking
for a single older white male for
dating, BOX 11298

JUST YOU AND I 18 yr old, 5'27, 130 lbs. eingle female with blond hair and hazel eyes. Looking for a guy, 18 to 21, with likes playing pool, movies and much more. BOX 14434

THE BOY NEXT DOOR...
40 yr old white divorced mother of three, employed, sandy brown har, green eyes and a medium build. Likes camping, reading, the basch, quiet night, movies, relaxing and more. Seeting a single male, 5107 or above, who is fur and lowes to do family things. BOX 14450

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TWO HEARTS

NO GAMES Single female seriously seeking a gentleman 53 to 62 who's honest,

yeneument 53 to 62 who's honest, sincere, humorous, cute and tall. Must be ready for a serious and monogamous relationship. BOX 14615

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Single white female, 26, likes concerts, plays, movies, social drinking and hanging out. Seets professoral male, 23 to 35, to enjoy life together. BOX 14637

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A young 49. 59" blonde hair, hazel eyed female, likes the outdoors, traveling, sports and animals. Searching for an honset, romantic man. 45 to 60, who's willing to have fun. 8CX 26856

JUST LOOKING

42, 5'7', 116 lb, divorced female, black hair, green eyes, non-emoker, social drinker. Looking for a unettached man, 5'9' or taller, who likes denoing and music. BOX

CHRISTIAN RIBLATIONS
White female 48, 5°5°, stim, blonde hat/blue eyes, enjoys movies, good convensations and spiritual. Seeking a Christian male, 39 to 50, 5°5° or tailer, height and weight proportionate. Same interest give me a call. BOX 20863

SOMEDAY...
White temale, 88, warm hearted and lind, enjoys casinos, travelling, dining out and gardening. Seeting a sincere gentleman who's looking for a long term reteationship and willing to take things slow. BOX 2667?

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White lemale, 36, 516*, average
build with good sense of humor, in search of a humorous, trustworthy
and respectful male with lots of interest BOX 20008

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YOUNG AT HEART

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Full figured middle aged white mother seeking mature white man, 40-55, for a committed relationship. ICds okay. Wayne county. BCX 3388

ATTENTION MARKEYS

Divorced white female, 41, no dependents, height weight proportionate, caring, considerate, cute and cute, remained and cute, and considerate, cute and cutelly, enjoys just about anything with the right person. Seeting warm hearted, romantic, non-amoting, white male who is ready for a relationship, BOX 35480

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Petite, 511, 110 lb, attractive, white professional divorced mon. Enjoys working out daily, good conversation, music, sports, and is an openies. Looking for a professional, divorced, white male, 48's, physically fiftedity, tall, no beard or moustache, intelligent, good sense of humor, non-emoker, South Caldend ounly area. BOX 38088

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Single black female, mid 56's, enjoys jogging, concerts and walter in the park. Seeking a gentleman over 50, with similar interests. Deltand County, 50X 2808

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LET'S HOLD HANDS
Attractive well educated Calholic widow, early 85's who enjoys denoing, card playing, treveling, and dming out is seeking a single or widowed Calholic gentleman who is a good conversationalist, honest and outgoing, BOX 33886
HEART OF GOLD
Single white Christian professional

Single white Christian professional ternals, 48, attractive, with a heart of gold, great cook. Enjoys quiet times and movies, walker. Seets well groomed white male, non-amoker, with Christian values. Weyne County, BOX 28052

LONELY WARM HEARTED
White widow, early 88's, 5'8', reddish hair, cuddly weight, romantic, seeks humorous, warm, romantic, single white male, 58+, 5'10'+.
Wayne County, BOX 24868

Weyne Courty, SIOX 24696
SPICE OF LIFE
38 yr old, single female, 5'8", 140
lbs, independent and romantic, interests include, race cars, denoing, movies and the outdoors. Seeking mole, 35 to 45, with similar interests, in the down river area.
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GENTLEMAN COLLY Altractive divorced white female, 34, professional, plus size, no dependents, francisity independent. Sests single white divorced male 35-45, emotionally secure, who appreciates the important things in the Good communication skills. Wayne county, BOX 24967

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47 yr old, 5'9", divorced white female with a full figured. Enjoy country music, slow denoing, dining out, concerts and movies. Seeking a single male, 45 to 55, who's honest, loyal and affectionate. BOX 14497

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Suburban West Business and Professional Women will host a "New Member Information Reception" 6-9 p.m. at the Livo-nia Holiday Inn, Six Mile Road and I-275, Livonia. Members and prospective members are invited to an evening that offers an opportunity for networking and professional growth. Hors d'ouervres and silent auction. For more information, call Eunice Taylor at (734) 454-7257,

TUES, APRIL 10

The Angileri Quality Institute presents "Symposium 2001: Project Management as it Relates to Advanced Quality Planning," an all-day seminar beginning 8 a.m. at Madonna University, University Center, Livonia. Murray Sittsamer of The Luminous Group will be the presenter, and John McElroy will be the luncheon speaker. Cost is \$95 for

the entire day, including Conti-nental breakfast and lunch, or \$25 for lunch with John McElroy. Call (734) 432-5354 or fax (248) 432-5364.

The West Suburban Chapter of the National Association of Career Women will host their monthly luncheon meeting 11:45 a.m. at Ernesto's, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. "Smart Women Finish Rich" is the name of this fun and educational seminar. Cost is \$18 per member and \$22 for non-members. Call Brenda Durling at (734) 462-4670.

WED, APRIL 11

The Michigan Business and Professional Association will host its fifth annual Women's Leadership Conference and Awards Program 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. (registration 7:30 a.m.) at the Burton Manor, located on I-96 service drive, west of Inkster Road. in Livonia. Lisa Lindsay Wicker, former casino executive and current president and CEO of Lin-

Wick & Associates, will be the keynote speaker.

Prior to lunch, two seminars will be offered: "Power of Money When Women Invest" with pan-elists Sandra Kirtley Campbell, first vice president, Comerica Bank; Sandra E. Lutkenhoff, financial advisor, Paine Webber; and Gail Perry Mason, vice president, Investments, First of Michigan. "Shared Secrets of Powerful Women" will feature panelists Patricia Allen Cole. president, Cole Financial Services; Marcie Brogan, managing partner, Brogan and Partners; and Christina Lovio-George, president, Lovio-George, Inc. Luncheon and awards ceremony begins at noon. Workshops and awards luncheon, \$50; awards luncheon, \$25. For more information, contact the MBPA at (810) 979-6322

THUR, APRIL 12

The National Association of Career Women - Metro Detroit Chapter will meet 11:45 a.m. to 1:80 ρ .m. at the Steak & Ale Restaurant (southeast corner of Twelve Mile and Orchard Lake), Parmington Hills. Guest speaker Barbara Bocci, recently featured in People Magazine, will discuss her perspective on how you can influence others. Cost is \$19 for members and \$10 for nonmembers and guests. For reservations, call Carolyn or Martha at (248) 851-8130.

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THUR, APRIL 19

Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center will host a "Twilight Tour" of its Advanced Training Center in Plymouth 4-6 p.m. Hors d'ouervres and beverages will be served. The tours are conducted every third Thursday of the month. For more information, call 1-888-414-6682.

SAT, APRIL 21

"Retirement Plan Distributions" is the subject of a seminar given

by financial advisors Kathleen **Fitzgerald and Yvonne Carver** 10 a.m. at the Livenia/Laurel Park Morgan Stanley Dean Wittier office. Admission is free. For servations, call Kristin McCombs at (784) 779-8001.

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Attention, managers. Does your department or company needs a

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ISO 9000 REVISIONS WORKSHOP Arch Associates will present a half-day study of the new ISO 9001:2000 quality system

prements at Laurel Park Holiday Inn at 8:30 a.m. Doors open at 8 a.m. \$220 cost includes copy of the new standard course manual and refreshments. The SE Mich. Quality Study Group will most afterwards at 1 p.m. to discuss quality system contribu-tions to overall business plans and successes. (Prior attendance of Arch Associates ISO 9000 Workshop is required.) \$120 cost includes reference materials and refreshments. Advance registration required for both the workshop and the study group. Call (248) 449-5433.

FRI, MAY 4

Davenport University's Corporate Outreach Services will offer "Launching Your Web Site" 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Learn how to organize, create and maintain Web pages using service providers and an HTML editor. Fee is \$89. Davenport University is located at 4801 Oakman Blvd., Dearborn. Call (313) 581-4400, ext.

Reasons to file your taxes online

NUI) It's been said nothing in life is certain except death and taxes. Neither can be avoided but filing your tax return online can take the sting out of the lat-

Consider the benefits of using the Internet to file your return:

Filing online is cheaper than the more traditional methods of tax preparation. For example, some sites can cost you under \$10 to file your taxes.

Filing online is more accurate. According to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), the error rate for electronic returns is less than 1 percent, compared to the 20-percent mistake rate for paper tax returns.

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return Filing online is faster than traditional methods. The IRS

says that taxpayers who file electronically will get their refunds in about half the time usually within three to four weeks - it takes to get one from a mailed-in return.

Preparing taxes online is easier than doing them by hand. According to the IRS, it takes more than three-and-a half hours to prepare a simple 1040EZ form using paper-and-pencil methods; by filing online, the same form can be completed in 30 minutes.

Online tax preparation is taxpayer-friendly and convenient. You don't have to make an appointment with a tax service; the Internet is always open, with experts ready to assist you.

Convinced that online filing is for you? Then get together all the forms and statements you would need for traditional filings: forms from your employers or bank such as W-2s, 1099s, mortgage statements, medical and charitable contribution

receipts and dividend and interest statements.

When you have your documents ready, you can go directly to TurboTax Online from a link on America Online's (AOL) Personal Finance Channel (AOL Keyword: Taxes). For those who prefer to fill out a paper form, AOL has all the downloadable forms and advice you need. Last year more than 340,000 tax forms were downloaded from AOL's tax planning area.

Additional sites that can offer assistance include the IRS Web site (www. irs. gov), where you can find forms and instructions; Sage Online (www. sageonline. com), which offers free advice from tax professionals; and AOL's Digital City (www. digitalcity. com), which has great localized information on everything from local tax rates to names and phone numbers of local accountants.

Get tax tips over the telephone

PRNewswire/- Millions of an outside preparer. taxpayers will tackle their tax returns on their own this year, and cannot afford to get them wrong. But whether they're seasoned tax gurus or frightened first-timers, chances are they will have a few questions. The Internet has given rise to many tax preparation resources, helping people to decipher tough tax codes without resorting to hiring

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Autumn Glen, nestled among lakes, state recreation areas and parks, also entices buyers with different styles of homes and good access to major road arteries.

Diamond Edge Homes and Gemcraft Homes each have 25 lots in the first phase of the platted single-family community off Williams Lake Road between Cooley Lake and Elizabeth Lake roads in White Lake Township.

"We offer something for everybody from ranch to Cape Cod to colonial," said Mark C. Riegal, sales manager for Diamond Edge.

"We're one of the few communities actually available in the Walled Lake school district with upscale homes," said Arthur G. Rosen, Diamond Edge president.

"You still have a country feeling being out here – full, mature trees, lakes," said Michael Virostick, Gemcraft sales rep.

"Lots are a very nice size here – 100 feet (wide) or better," said Pier Angeli, Gemcraft president.

"The site itself is definitely going to be an attraction with a landscaped boulevard and a waterfall not even a block after you pull in," Riegal said. "There's a walking path through protected woods."

"We're halfway between I-75 and U.S. 23 (15 miles to each) and M-59 is a mile and a half, two miles north," Rosen added.

"We're about 15 minutes from the (M-5) Connector," Riegal said.

"You can get to everything pretty easy from here," Angeli said.

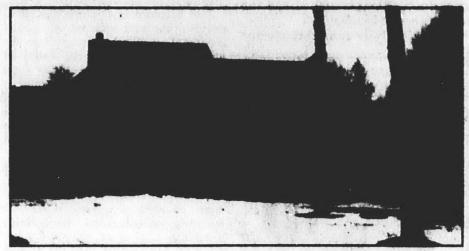
Then, there's the homes, themselves.
"They are nice floor plans. They flow nice," Angeli said. "There's no wasted space in these houses. I try to use every inch."

"I think the big advantage for us is unique floor plans," Riegal said. "All are copyrighted and all were customized by Art throughout the years. A Cape Cod offers a sitting room off the master, there's a bonus room available on a colonial."

"Square-foot dollar wise, I think is very competitive to what you're getting for Rochester and Troy," Virostick said.

"Features we offer are certainly in line with an upscale theme," Rosen said.

Diamond Edge offers six floor plans. They range in price from \$294,900 for



Trenton model: This home of nearly 2,600 square feet with four bedrooms, including first-floor master, and 2-1/2 baths is available from Gemcraft at Autumn Glen.



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entrance and laundry.

A loft overlooks the family room upstairs. Three bedrooms and a full bath also are up.

The half bath is off the garage

Base price is \$307,900. Gemcraft offers three p

Gemcraft offers three plans ranging in price from \$295,900 for a colonial of 3,636 square feet with four bedrooms and 3-1/2 boths to \$306,900 for a colonial of 3,741 square feet with three bedrooms and 2-1/3 boths.

Standard features include three-car garage, first-floor laundry, basement, fireplace, separate tub and shower in the master, dishwasher, wood or ceramic flooring option, carpeting throughout and at least six recessed lights.

Two models are under construction.
The Trenton, a story-and-a-half of
2,582 square feet, will showcase a

den, great room with volume ceiling, dining area and master with cathedral ceiling, walk-in closet and two-sink vanity with makeup area on the first floor.

Three bedrooms and a full bath will be up. A bonus room upstairs (\$13,000 premium) adds about 380 square feet.

Base price, without bonus room, is \$303,900.

The other model the Granger, a colonial of 2,740 square feet with three bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths and a traditional layout, carries a base price \$306,900. An optional back stairway off the family room (about \$6,000) will be included in the model.

Autumn Glen is serviced by a municipal well water system, sewers and sidewalks.

The property tax rate is \$28.73 per \$1,000 of state taxable value, half of sales price for new construction. That means the owners of a \$300,000 house there would pay about \$4,300 the first year.

The annual association fee is \$375.

The Gemcraft sales office at Autumn Glen, (248) 866-1241, is open noon to 6 p.m. daily, closed Thursdays. The Diamond Edge office, (248) 366-6536, is open noon to 5:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, 12:30-5:30 p.m. weekdays, closed Tuesdays.

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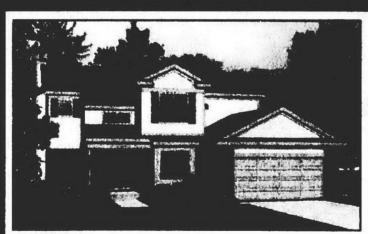
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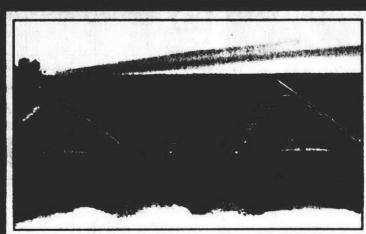
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From the time you step onto the oak floors in the Peyer and look across to the optional fireplace, you'll know that every detail has been addressed from the six panel colonist doors and meldings to the standard coramic floors in the bathThe exterior is fully bricked on the first floor and includes maintenance free siding, trim, gutters, and windows. The site is fully landscaped with an automatic sprinkler system.

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Itility room size hinges on basement option

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The Flintwood (G24-716) is a single story, two-car garage home with claspic lines. It has 1,772 square feet with an optional unfinished basement.

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A long hallway runs through the



center of this home, joining the bedrooms on each end of the Flintwood.

Archways act as doors into the great room from the hall. There is a fireplace on the rear wall with a door leading to the patio in the back yard.

The kitchen is C-shaped with a serving counter against the great room wall. Cabinet doors open on the great room side for serving snacks to the family or passing the food through to the formal dining room.

A morning room for the serving of breakfast or for the reading of the Sunday paper and having coffee is at the rear of the kitchen, accessible through the great room.

The master suite is on the left side of the home while the other two bedrooms are across the home on the right. The large master suite has windows on both sides. The master bath has a shower, tub and dual sinks. A corner walk-in closet gives a large amount of space.

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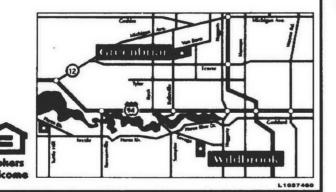
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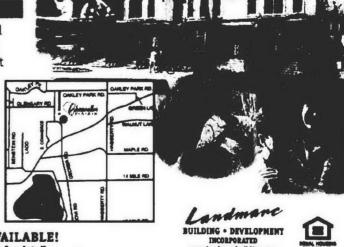
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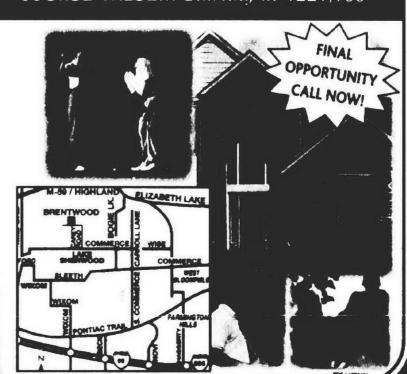
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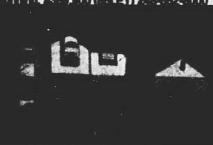


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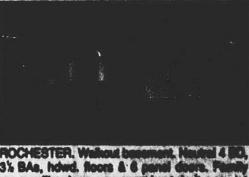
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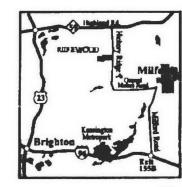
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Let's Talk About Real Estate

"THE ENEMY IS US!"

Did you know that many people hire a Realtor to sell their house and then do things that prevent the Realtor from getting it sold? Yes, they actually work against the Realtor who is trying to help them. For this reason, I have named this week's article. "The Enemy Is Us!" Let me offer a few examples:

THE ASKING PRICE

Even though the Realtor spends considerable time and effort digging up the latest market information about recent sales of similar homes and a competitive evaluation of other homes now for sale, many sellers choose to ignore the facts and price their home higher than the market will allow.

CONDITION

We all know that first impressions are lasting ones. This is also true when a house goes on the market for the first time. It should be as clean, well decorated and maintained as possible so that the word will get around that this house is very desirable. Yet, some home owners refuse to spend a few dollars to paint and fix up the house prior to putting it up for sale.

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Some sellers actually interfere with the showing by personally escorting the buyers around the house themselves. They often do this because they don't think the Realtor will do a good job in pointing out all the features of the house. Remember, although the seller may know more about his or her house than any Realtor, the Realtor knows how to handle the buyer. Buyers use Realtors so they don't have to deal with the seller directly.

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For lenders, the savings in storage space and other expenses related to handling paper is obvious.

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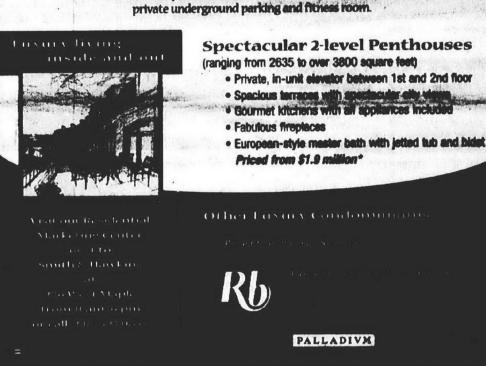


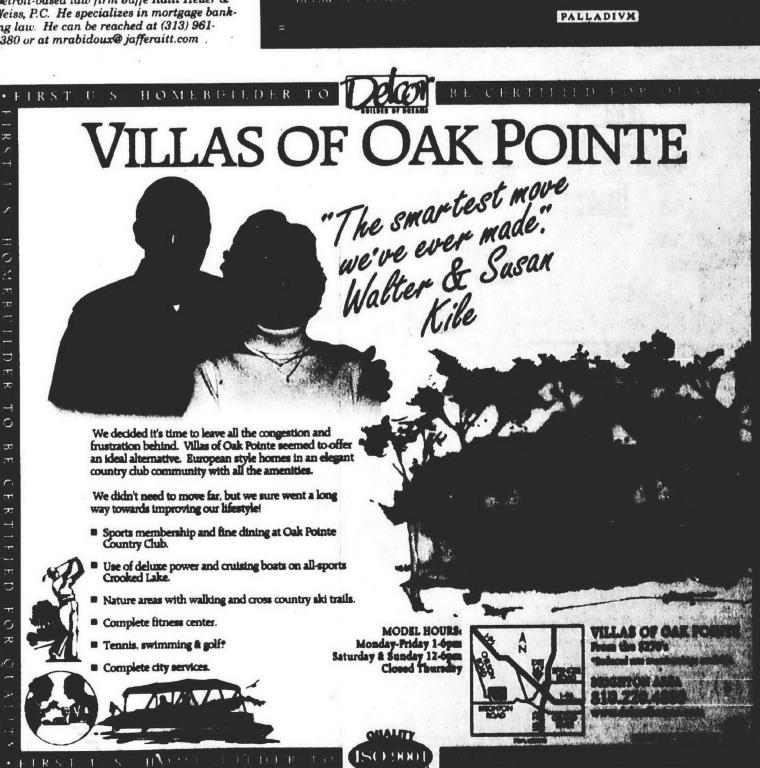
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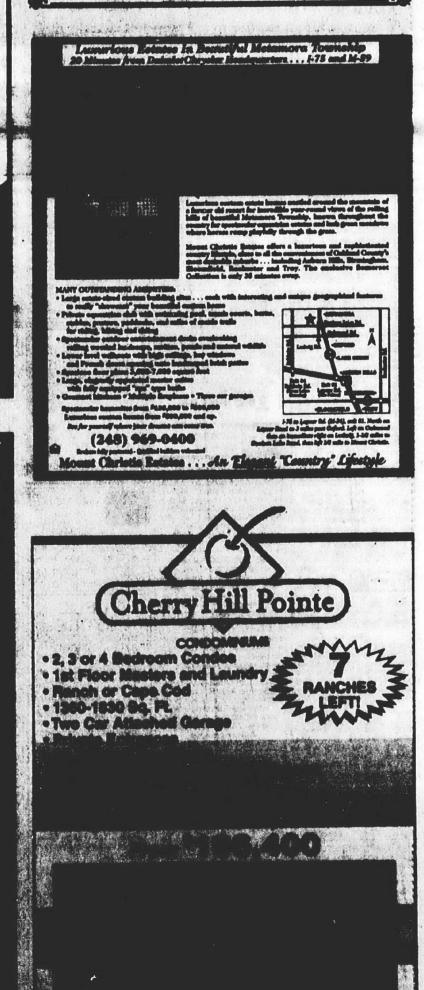
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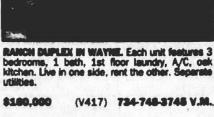
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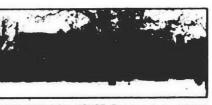
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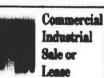
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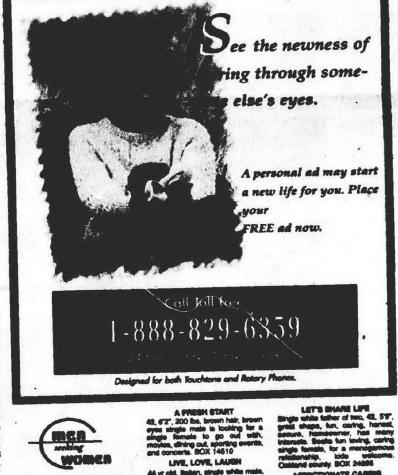
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f you live in western Wayne County, the name Zingerman's arouses the senses - flavorful, crusty breads; pungent, rich cheeses; exotic condiments from every corner of the world; aromatic, deep roast coffee; and mile-high deli sandwiches that rate 4-star consideration from gourmands of the world.

Zingerman's is Ann Arbor's little deli that could. The deli, which celebrated its 19th anniversary March 15, has won a national reputation for its food, service and easy ambience. Its success has been the envy of other specialty food companies who want to know how founders Ari Weinzweig and Paul Saginaw created the perfect delicatessen in heartland America.

With the creation of ZingTrain, the Zingerman's way to better employee training, customer service and marketing is now available to others.

ZingTrain co-managing partner Maggie Bayless created a program to train Zingerman's employees and is now training others.

"I've known Ari and Paul long before starting the training program," Bay-less said. "When they started the deli, I was starting in the MBA program at Michigan. I did the 4 a.m. bread run to Oak Park on Saturdays."

After getting her business degree,



Many clients up, then sharing it with outside people," ZingTrain, which operates as a sepa-Bayless said. rate company, was born 6-1/2 years ago

Internally every new Zingerman's employee receives a work passport outlining what is expected of them, when they are expected to achieve a clearly defined level of competence and what kind of support they will receive.

Ari Weinzweig teaches a "Welcome to Zingerman's" class to all employees outlining the company's history and his expectations. Employees then receive training in customer service, sanitation and bread (the core product at the deli). They also must pass a knife certification test whether they are coming on board in the kitchen or as an accountant. The principles behind these

classes are the heart of ZingTrain's programs. Twoday seminars, usually taught at the quaint Zingerman's site in Ann Arbor's Kerrytown section, include "The

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In your Groove or a Rut?

Bugs. It is my under standing that bugs are hardwired. That is, they are bundles of electric circuits configured to behave in very defined and specific ways. They do not process abstract information, contemplate options or consider the consequences of their actions.

Rather, they respond instantly and without choice to physical stimuli.

Insects buzz, breed and bite according to their engineering, not their will. Why else would they trap themselves in a burning hot lamp or go for a deadly swim in my toilet?

Many members of Homo employus exhibit the same pattern. We sometimes persist in behaviors that work against our need to make more money, have more fun and achieve greater balance in our lives. Of course, we are not hardwired like the mosquitoes. But we cling to beliefs and get into routines that blind us to our options.

How do you know if you are in your groove or in a rut? There are probably thousands of vocational habits and perspectives that do our lives more harm than good. Here are just a few of the biggies I've observed:

Addiction to pressure. It is a fact that more people under the age of 40 are showing up in cardiac wards. "I operate best under pressure," interviewees tell me proudly. Trouble is, some of us are attracted to pressure like moths to a flame. When we ease the pressure, guilt leaks in. No time for the kids. No time to change jobs. So, pain equals gain? I don't think

so. Constant pressure confuses our priorities and makes us feel that we lack control. In a weird way, sweating bullets and doing everything provides a ready excuse for doing nothing.

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Bottom line

"Bottom line training focuses on two key ele-ments," Bayless said. "A training compact, the manager's role in training and the trainee's role. The manager agrees to document performance expectations, provide training resources, recognize and reward performance. Trainees agree to take responsibility for the effectiveness of their training."

One of the keys to ZingTrain programs is to give employees a clear understanding of expectations, which are summarized in four training questions: What is expected of the trainee and by when? How will the information be made available? How will we know the expectations are or are not being met? What are the rewards/consequences for meeting/not meeting the expections?

"One of the biggest roadblocks people run into is the desire for perfection," Bayless said. "We have a tendency to want to do everything and you can't do it all. You can make small changes and target areas."

Bayless said another problem is that expectations don't get properly documented.

She said when she started she found through exit interviews at Zingerman's that many highly motivated new employees were quitting because they thought they had failed, while their managers thought they were doing fine. She found the new workers were judging themselves against longtime employees and were unsure of what the company's expectations were.

Salesmanship

Zingerman's experience in merchandising its products has also gained the attention of others in the business. The deli's T-shirts are a popular item as well as take-out coffee cups, carry bags and other items. Its unique signage, using a print style developed by a former employee and artist Steve Muno, and sometimes outlandish accompanying illustrations are instantly recognizable as a trademark of the company.

"But as we're teaching merchandising seminars, Ari and I end up with a list of 10 things we should be doing," Bayless said.

Sharing is part of the process. Bayless said one of the advantages of having the seminars at the Zingerman's site, two side-by-side buildings on a

cobblestone street, is that participants can see the store in operation, warts and all.

"They appreciate how open we are," Bayless said. Christeen Holdwick, system leader for organizational development and customer service at St. Joseph's Hospital in Ann Arbor, said they chose the ZingTrain program over a training program offered by Rits-Carlton.

"They're down-to-earth and practical, which is what we're trying to be," Holdwick said.

ZingTrain has presented several programs for St. Joseph's employees. Holdwick said the programs presented by Weinzweig and Bayless have been excellent.

"They do their homework and come prepared," she

Holdwick said that even though their businesses are not the same, Zingerman's and St. Joseph's share a common interest in providing quality cus-

ZingTrain will be moving into new areas with the hiring of a new co-managing partner, Stas Kazmierski, who brings experience in handling major change at small and large organizations. ZingTrain classes run September to June.

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and long hours for relatively meager compensation, year after year. Many are bright and terribly underemployed. But they make lifestyle adjustments and successfully manage to pay their bills. They learn to get by without much. They decide to stick things out rather than go through the bother of changing. They get used to it.
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difficult for anyone who is not factured in a Calvin Klein ad. And unless the front bushet seats are being occupied by Lilliputians, rear bench seat legroom is almost nonexistent.

Lesking at this vehicle from the outside makes it clear that the Crew Cah was added by slightly lengthening the cabin and shortening the cappebal. For those of you out there who are big fans of hauling standard sheets of plywood, I'm afraid you'll be disappointed. But for you "Active Lifestylers" out there (whoever you are) the Crew Cab will happily swallow as many Power Bars and spander shorts that you'd care to cram back there within its standard bedlinar's walls.

I suppose it's not fair to fault the Crew Cab for these shortcomings. After all, this truck was not aimed at construction workers or long-shoremen. In fact, it is my impression that the rear seat is not meant for people at all, but to offer a warm and dry place for active people

to put their active stuff in.

With that in mind, den't let it's small stature fool you, for this

truck is packed to the gunnels with standard features and has the goods to pound pavement or travel trails with equal aplomb.

The Crew Cab's sole engine is a Vortec 4300 V-6. Its 190 bhp allows the truck to tow a respectable 5,200 pounds, while returning a class-average 15 mag city/18 mag highway Thanks to the small size of the average 15 mpg city/18 mpg highway. Thanks to the small size of the

Helping to put that power to the pavement is a standard 4-speed automatic overdrive transmission coupled to Chevy's shift-en-the-fly Insta-Trac 4x4 system. Seamless in its operation, the system allows you to enter four-wheel-drive without stopping and getting your hands dirty. Also standard on the Crew Cab is the 285 Increased Capacity Suspension package that, though it does harshen the Crew Cab's ride on pavement, helps the truck to handle corners and cargo with case.

Chevy has equipped its Crew Cabs with so many standard features, in fact our Space Blue test truck had just about every option Chevy offers, but added only \$682 to the price.

For that money we got a locking digitial on the rear axle, fog lamps, a "premium" stereo with/Cassette/CD, digital clock with speed compensated volume, and a leather-wrapped steering wheel. Just about the only option not on this truck is an available Cold Climate Package, but this being California, it's not really necessary.

Standard equipment on the Crew Cab includes fabric upholstery, air conditioning, four-wheel ABS, dual front airbags and two packages that are optional on its other S-10s: The Power Convenience

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Group, which includes power dear looks, power windows, power remote enterior heated mirrors and remote keyless entry; and the Comfort Convenience Group, which includes Tilt-Wheel steering culumn and cruise control.

On the outside, the Crew Cab boasts standard color-keyed/chrome front and rear bumpers, a body-color grille with chrome center bar, body-side molding and five-spoke cast-aluminum wheels with P235/70R15 tires, all of which add up to a sharp-looking vehicle with; just the right combination of off-road toughness and boulevard-cruis-

Overall the Crew Cab is an easy vehicle to live with. Provided you do not need to haul a great number of people or anything larger than a La-Z-Boy, the Chevy can handle any task you can throw at it. Driving the pickup over long distances is no problem as its cabin is well appointed and well laid out. There are several "power points" throughout the interior into which you can plug your electronic

equipment, and cubbyholes and cup holders abound.

Chevrolet is calling the S-10 Crew Cab a "limited-availability" vehicle. With an MSRP beginning at \$25,494 and our almost fully loaded test price of \$26,051, that's not surprising. With prices like that, I'm sure sales of this jain-packed little pickup are going to be just as active as the lifestyles of its buyers.

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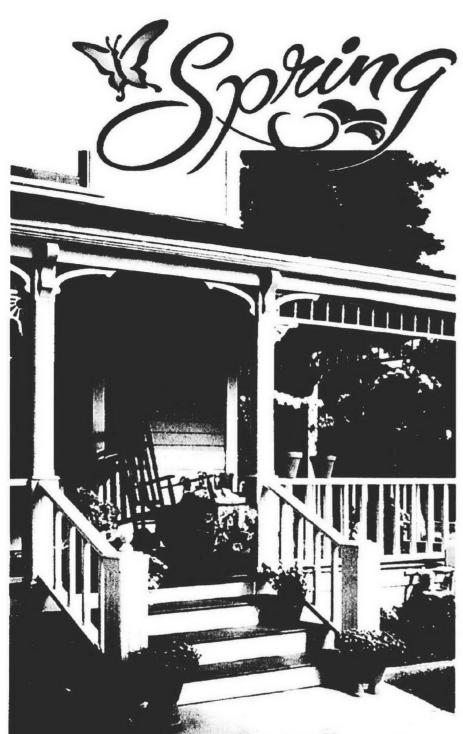
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Winter roof leaks reveal problems

Like so many other homeowners in Michigan the last few months, Debbie Vorenkamp noticed the water starting to seep into her roof and windows slowly but persistently causing thousands of dollars worth of damage.

The enemy was nearly invisible creeping back under the roof shingles, penetrating the roof and drenching the dry wall. Unfortunately, many people didn't know something was wrong

"If my husband didn't notice a small drip before we left the house one evening, we probably would have lost leather furniture that was by the window." Vorenkamp said.

A combination of snow, thaw and ice last December and January were the perfect conditions for roof leakages.

"We had all the snow on the roof. Then it was a little warmer. It melted and was followed by freezing rain." Vorenkamp said. "It has nothing to do with the amount of snow. It's that it was followed by the freezing rain and all that water melts against the roof. The freezing rain made a crust and gets to the end of shingles and starts backing up."

It was the same pattern of the weather conditions two years ago that caused record breaking homeowners' claims through-

"It seems common now for this to happen," Vorenkamp said. "People think it's something wrong with their house, but really

For Vorenkamp the water damage was concentrated in the



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family room and a bedroom of her 4year-old Canton home. The price tag for new paint, drywall, wallpaper and borders was \$2,400

"Allstate was excellent with our claim," she added. "They served us

The winter storms of 2000-2001 also taught some homeowners hard lessons. For instance, Vorenkamp said if she were to have a home built, she would insist the contractors install an ice shield under the shingles.

"It's not very expensive," she said, adding that she would also move furniture away from windows.

Experts in the business also stress the importance of making sure homeowners get quality work and materials.

Chris Usery, president of Ace Gutters Systems Inc. in Westland, said a lot of contractors install hidden brackets on gutters "where you don't see the nail

"The problem is that they don't have the durability to hold up with the ice and snow," he said. "That contributed to millions and millions of dollars for gutter claims in the state of Michigan. Obviously we don't use that system."

He estimated that 90 percent of the problems homeowners faced were due to the way the gutters were installed.

"My father's been in the business for 42 years in Huntsville, Ala.," he said.

"We have a special design, ring shank nail, the part of the nail that goes into the facial board has a thread on it, like a fish hook and the nail doesn't pull

While the storms two years ago caused a higher volume of homeowners' claims, this year was extremely busy, too, according to Joe O'Brien, Alistate Insurance claim's manager for

This year the storms hit the entire state rather than isolated areas, he added. AAA received 61,237 calls from Dec. 1 to Jan. 4 for auto and home problems, which is the highest volume ever experienced in AAA Michigan's history, according to a press release.

As far as homes go, the roofs, gutters and aluminum siding were hit the hardest by snow and ice storms this year, according to Tony Ianni, owner of ASI Wholesale Windows & Home Improvement Inc. in Westland.

"It has definitely taken a major toll on soffits and trim, too" Ianni said. While the phones at ASI Wholesale Windows & Home Improvement were ringing constantly from homeowners who needed repairs, the calls didn't always result in adding another name to the customer list, Ianni said, noting that most insurance companies require three quotes before paying for repair and replacement work. "The economy hurt all businesses, too" Ianni said. "The snow and ice helped the business.

but not as much as it should have. With the amount of damage that was out there, I still feel people are holding back, trying to do patchwork rather than doing it properly, like trying to do a roof repair rather than a new roof."

The amount of work this year, he said, has been steady, but definitely "no barn burners."

"I think the general attitude of people is that they're scared to spend money," Ianni said. "Everyone has got to start thinking a little more positive-

Ric Phillips, AAA director of homeowners claims, said it's still too early to say exactly how hard homeowners were hit by snow and ice storms this season, because the claims are still

"There's a lot of people who live in Florida in the winter time," Phillips said. "We're still picking up claims here and there. And we still haven't had the opening of cabins up north either, so there will probably be a little from

Michelle Micklash of Kurth Agencies Inc., representing Citizens Insurance Co. in Garden City, said the claims this year were up 50 percent and most of that resulted from ice damage.

"We haven't gotten hit this bad since the last one two years ago," she added. Fix roof leaks now

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASS

The next time you hear a storm is on the way you can do more than hide under the blankets hoping the ceiling won't leak or the roof doesn't collapse.

Check your roof for buckling shingles. Streaks of water on the sides of your home are a red flag that there are leaks from the roof, gutters or both. Take the time during nice weather to inspect your house on all four sides, making sure downspouts and gutters are clear and that the water is running away from the house.

Another preventive step to take early in spring is to change your storm doors to screened doors before the winds come whipping through town.

"Heavy storm doors are more easily taken by the wind and can be ripped out," according to Ric Phillips, AAA director of homeowners claims.

While experts suggest putting in surge protectors to keep your house safe from lightning strikes, it's a good idea to unplug appliances during a thunderstorm, especially if you know that the strikes are hitting close to home. "That's the only way to know for sure," Phillips said.

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Do-it-yourselfers tackling harder projects

Average do-it-yourself customers are cut from different timber these days — they are smarter, they try more ambitious projects and a growing number are female, according to home improvement and hard-

"People are really into their homes," said Jami Buck, spokeswoman for The Home Depot Inc. "They spoil themselves, and it is an investment at the same

Home improvement industry sales have jumped \$10 billion every year since 1997, topping out at a projected \$168.9 billion for 2000. The Home Improvement Research Institute reports.

But there were 3,500 fewer hardware stores, home centers and lumber yards in 1998 than in 1990. according to the most recent figures from the National Retail Hardware Association, and all three categories saw losses

The result is that home improvement retailers are having to change as their roles become redefined. The good news is that the pie is large enough for everyone to get a slice, from "big box" chains to local hardware

"We are a convenience store with all of the big boys around," said Chris Solfisburg, an owner of the 130year-old Builders Supply Co. in Aurora, Ill. "We take care of locals who are in a hurry. People come here if someone needs a two-by-four and doesn't want to run out to Home Depot."



Still growing: The home improvement industry has grown tremendously in the last few years, with an estimated \$169 billion in sales in 2000.

A basic tool kit will set you back about \$300

If you want to do the job, you need the tools.

That doesn't mean that you can't do simple repair jobs without a garage full of power tools. Or that emergency work - whether its fixing something broken or just fixing a bad attitude with a little therapeutic puttering around - is beyond the contents of a small toolbox.

Every household needs a set of basic tools. A minimum investment of about \$300 will purchase just about everything you need.

If you're looking for a great gift for a new couple, a young person out on their own for the first time or the household-catastrophe-prone, this list will fit the bill.

Whatever the reason, keep the following in a large, sturdy box that is easy to tote - preferably, a box with removable trays so the tools can be organized.

Pliers. Needed to tighten and loosen nuts, screws, pipe joints and fixtures. The uses run from minor plumbing to car care. Get two kinds - regular blunt-nose and needle-nose.

Wrenches. Get a set of socket wrenches (both English and metric) and an adjustable wrench.

Screwdrivers. You should have a set of Philips-head screwdrivers to fit screws with crosshead slots and slotted-head screwdrivers.

Hammer. Try out a claw hammer by hefting it. A 14-ounce claw hammer with a wooden or synthetic handle will allow you to do most hammering and nail pulling needed around the house.

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Small pry bar. Use it to pull small nails beyond the abilities of your claw hammer.

Chisels. Have at least two sizes for mortice work, shaving and splitting lumber.

Cordless hand drill. There are many quality brands (Craftsman or Makita are highly recommended), but get one with a long-lived power pack, reversible speed and, of course, a set of drill bits to go along with it.

Handsaw. Used to rip or saw lum-

Hacksaw. Have it for plumbing (pipe cutting, for example) or minor metal work.

■ Tape measures. A 16-foot and 25foot tape measure are essential.

Coping saw. Used to cut molding.

Tape. Rolls of masking, duct and electrical tape. E Levels. Pocket level, bubble level

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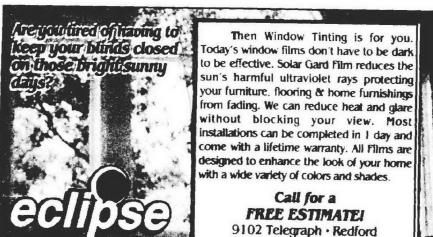
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C-clamps. Needed to hold box steady, squeezing boards together for gluing or nailing.

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Do it from page 4

More homeowners are taking on major renovations, but they usually don't visit the hardware store until they're in the middle of it.

"When people are starting a project and buying the main materials, they want to save money," said Brian Ziegler, president of Ziegler's Ace Hardware stores in Illinois. "Once they are started they want to save time."

Dan Mosher, co-owner of True Value Hardware of Livonia, said do-it-yourselfers turn to the hardware store when they get into the details of a big job, such as painting, plumbing and electrical work. The Home Depots of the world are less helpful when a do-ityourselfer needs advice to go with his parts. "They go into the big stores and they can't get help," Mosher said.

The "big box" home improvement chains are attracting more contractors. but regular consumers still make up the bulk sales, said Brian Lighthall, assistant manager of The Home Depot in Geneva, Ill.

Lighthall estimated that 70 percent of customers are consumers and 30 percent are contractors. He also pointed out that about half of all customers are women, a change from when he started in the business more than a decade ago.

"Nowadays, consumers have come a long way from where they originally started 10 or 15 years ago," Lighthall

Armed with home improvement magazines, books, videotapes and Web sites, homeowners are trying advanced projects, such as laying floors and remodeling bathrooms, Lighthall said. However, complicated plumbing and electrical problems are still reasons to bring in professionals, he said.

John Tikalsky, president of Kin-Ko Ace Hardware in Illinois, said some consumers are becoming smarter because they're forced to do it them-

"The local handyman is almost nonexistent," said Tikalsky, "For small repairs, it is tough to get people. For a broken storm door, it might cost you \$50 to have someone walk in the door.'

Tikalsky said this also might explain why the number of women working on home improvement projects is about

Fix it from page 3

way and you have a car that is not in a garage or other protective overhang. cover it with a blanket, which will cushion your vehicle from the pounding blows of the ice. "If people are replacing their roofs we strongly suggest 6 feet of ice shield instead of the usual 3 feet, and that will stop a lot of the ice flow and damage," Phillips

If you want a head start for next winter's snow and ice consider stocking up on calcium chloride now, if you can find it. This year the hardware stores couldn't keep it on their shelves

Most experts recommend pouring

the calcium chloride in used nyl and placing them in gutters. Get t in before the snow and ice form the job will be more effective.

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into the details of a big job.

"It is fair to say that it is 50-50 for

men and women shopping in the

stores," Tikalsky said. "The woman is

probably more involved in the decision-

making process than we have given her

Projects appear to be split into two

Solfisburg said many shoppers are

"Many projects are restoration or

maintenance," he said. "City codes have

a great deal to do with that. It is not on

the upscale end of it. It is doing basic

Ziegler sees more work being done on

"People are improving their homes

and yards more than they did 20 or 30

years ago," Ziegler said. "People buy lots and rip the house down to build

Home repair comes in cycles, according to Richard Johnston, a senior research analyst with the Home

Improvement Research Institute.

Homeowners start repair and remote eling projects just before selling

house, or the first two years after buting a house, or after being in a house

"You see a blip after each seven years

Despite the more than 6 percent

growth per year since 1997, the had improvement industry should

slowdown in growth over the next

"The industry will still be growing

a good level, but lower than the

years, Johnson said.

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one with twice the square footage."

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"The bags prevent (the calcium ride) from running off and you and do it before the snow hits," Phil

If you're replacing gutters this consider vinyl. "If you get the vinyl have no problems with the we said Tony Ianni, owner of ASI W sale Windows and Home Improv of Westland. "It's a material very very durable. With the visy color that's through and through the vinyl is not a conductor of cal

Vinyl tile

Pick it up, put it down

New flooring can make you feel like you're in a whole new room.

These days, it's easy to do it yourself. Try vinyl tiles for a great look.

First, consider the current floor. If it is in poor condition, a new subfloor may be necessary.

You can do that by covering the floor with 1/4-inch plywood, nailing it every If a subfloor is not necessary, pre-

pare the base by removing dirt, grease and wax. Make sure the floor is level and

smooth Fill in low spots or rough areas with floor leveler.

Then screw down squeaky boards and fill holes.

Replacing base molding will make it easier to install the floor and give it a professional touch

Now plan the layout of the tile. Make your own paper template as a pattern to cut around oddly shaped bjects such as pipes and vents.

Using a tape measure, find the center point of the room. Draw a chalk line in each direction

forming a cross at the center point. You should test fit a row of tiles from the center point to each wall.

Adjust the center point so that the tiles against the opposite walls are the same width.

If you're laying self-stick tile, peel off the backing.

Set the tiles carefully - once placed, they are difficult to adjust.

Press the tiles tightly against each

Starting at the center point, lay the tiles one piece at a time, working toward a corner. Repeat from the center toward other corners.

If your choice is dry back tile, you will need vinyl tile cement. Apply the cement in a 4-square-foot area at a time, using a notched trowel. Allow the cement to partially dry until it is tacky to the touch. Then begin laying tiles. starting at the center point. Again, lay the tiles tightly against each other.

Finally, it's time for trimming and clean up. Cut tiles to fit into the spaces near walls and around pipes. Clean up excess cement. Now you're ready to move furniture back into your "new"

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Fix squeaky floorboards with wax, powder, or 2-inch nails

It's the middle of the night and the tranquility of peaceful sleep is interrupted by an irritating "SQUEEEEEK."

It's that darned floor. Someone in the house is up and around, but now everyone's awake. Often caused by years of contraction in dry winters and expansion in humid summers, a squeaky floor can be an ongoing source of frustration.

The problem may lie either with individual floorboards or the subfloor. If the squeak occurs only when pressure is exerted on one or two boards, then the problem is probably with those boards. Try applying liquid wax, talcum powder, or powdered graphite in the groove between the boards to lessen the friction and thus quiet the

If that doesn't do the trick, drill small pilot holes near both edges of the boards where they are squeaking. Drive two-inch finishing nails through the pilot holes and into the supporting tongue-and-groove structure, securing the boards together. Set the nail and fill in with matching wood putty or

If the squeaking occurs over a broader surface that is 1-2 feet wide, the likely culprit is movement of the subfloor, and the solution is to reattach it to the supporting floor joists.

One traditional approach would be to expose the joists from below and make the repair. However, if the problem is on an upper floor, the associated mess and ceiling repair make this an unappealing option.

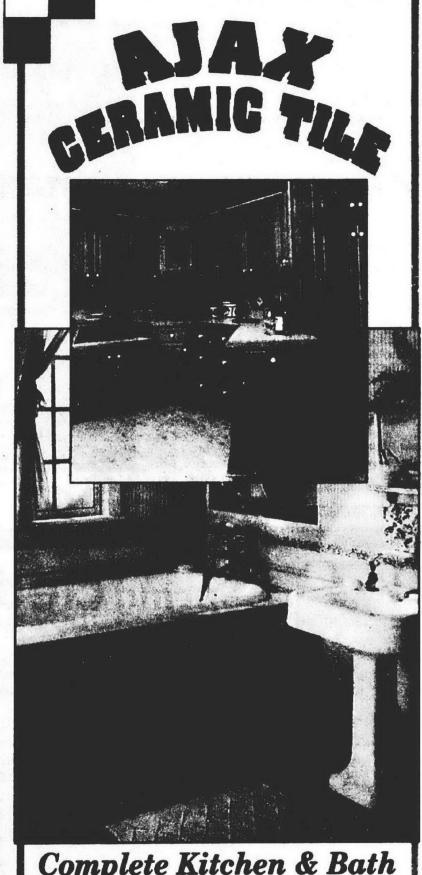
A better alternative would be a topdown approach.

First, locate the floor joists (you'll probably need a special tool for this like the Zircon StudVision). Bore an angled pilot hole through the flooring, the subfloor, and into the joist. Drive a 2.5-inch finish nail through the floor and into the joist. Set the nail and fill in with matching wood putty.

Caulk outdoor items for indoor use

sories have become great indoor items, but sometimes the bottoms are rough but sometimes the bottoms are rough and scratch furniture. Adding falt or rubber furniture pade to the bottom of them can be a problem instead, Dece

rating With Style, a popular Home and Garden Television show, suggests using bothroom coulk. Just run a bead of saulk along the bottom of the piece



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Searching for the perfect way to finish off a room? Window shades, blinds or shutters may be the answer. With relatively easy set up and installation, a range of window treatments can add the ideal touch to any

Miniblinds

According to Window-ology.com, a Web site devoted to various window treatments, miniblinds are a good solution for the customer who wants a quality, functional window covering at a low price.

"Miniblinds have withstood the test of time, and have remained in fashion through all of the different styles of decoration," says the Web site.

Miniblinds provide a high level of light control and are available in aluminum, PVC and wood.

"Wood blinds are versatile, matching almost any decor," according to Window-ology. "Wood blinds are relatively easy to keep clean and durable enough to stand up to everyday abuse."

There are many opinions about the ideal wood to use for wood blinds, each of which has credibility, says Window-ology. "The important thing to remember is that you should choose a North American hardwood, such as basswood, poplar, or aspen."

"Wood blinds are a natural wood product, so no company can guarantee that wood blinds will not warp. However, wood blinds purchased from reputable companies will be far less likely to have problems. In other words, you get what you pay for."

Verticals provide a great deal of light control, from almost complete blackout to all the way open. They come in a range of materials, though the most popular

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choice is PVC for its durability and light control features.

"With hundreds of different fabric and PVC patterns, chances are there is a vertical blind that will suit your needs," according to Window-ology. Verticals are most commonly used for sliding glass (arcadia) doors, but are a solution for any window."

"The quality of the headrail is important. It should have a track that is made of high quality aluminum to resist bending. This is by far the most important factor to keeping your vertical blinds working properly," the Web site savs.

Honeycomb shades

Cellular shades, known as honeycomb shades evolved from pleated shades, according to Window-ology.

"When viewed from the front, the similarities between cellular shades and pleated shades are evident. With a side view you can see the amazing difference." Window-ology says.

"When the shade is let down, the cells fill with air, creating a barrier of air (just like the insulation in your attic) that blocks out heat, cold and

"Cellular shades stack up tight out of the way. This maximizes view and makes it easy to hide or accent them with valances and/or draperies," Window-ology says.

Roman and Austrian shades

According to the Better Homes and Gardens Decorating Book, Roman shades are generally used as the sole window covering.

They do not roll up, but are pulled up on cords. The fabric hangs flat when they are closed and folds into horizontal pleats when they are open.

Generally, these shades are made from fabric heavy enough to accent the creases when open.

Austria shades, a variation on Roman shades, operate on the same principle, but they feature scallops of sheer fabric between the vertical cords.

"In elegant fabrics they are particularly well suited to period rooms and provide an elegant-looking window treatment," according to Better Homes and Gardens

Roller shades

Roller shades are strips of fabric or plastic that unroll from the top or bottom of a window

Reversed roller shades, where the roll faces the wall, creates a sleek, finished look that requires no additional heading necessary, according to Better Homes and Gardens. "Reversed roller shades are a good choice when you need a bit of space near the window."

Roller shades are available in translucent material or opaque material. While translucent shades let diffused light through, "Opaque shades

act as room darkeners, and at the same time, brighten up the room's decor," according to Better Homes and

Shutters

"Shutters are the ultimate choice in window coverings," according to

Shutters significantly add to the resale value of a home, they are the best insulators against heat, cold, and noise, and they offer a great deal of light control.

"While different fads have come and gone in the window covering industry, shutters have remained a constant beauty," the Web site states.

Options on shutters include the type of wood used, finishes, slat size, and slat direction. "Narrow 1-inch slats give a contemporary look and may work well on small windows," Windowology states.

With all blinds, shades and shutters, Window-ology suggests considering the quality of the slat material, whether a dust inhibitor is applied, slat size, the type of finish, the quality of the components, quality of the craftsmanship, where the pull string or wand are located, and if the blind or shade is available in a special size or shape.

Malfunctioning. fridge might just need cleaning

Oh no. It's a steamy Sunday morning and the refrigerator sounds sick. In the freezer, Klondike Bars are already leaking vanilla ice cream. What to do? The owner's manual suggests a trouble-shooting check of the coils behind the front grille. Yipes. The flashlight illuminates an embarrassing mess- dirt, dust and enough hair to coat several cats. A thorough vacuuming later, whew! The fridge is frigid

In the hottest months, refrigerators always get a workout. But who would ever want the family fridge to work overtime - or inefficiently?

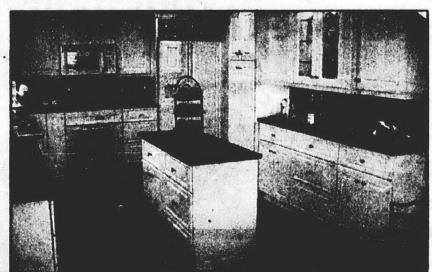
"Whenever we get a snap of real hot weather, we get calls from people saying my refrigerator is running all the time and warming up," said Bruce Russell, manager of La Mesa Appliance in California. "We always suggest they clean the condenser coils and see if that solves the problem.

The condenser cools hot refrigerant vapors inside its tubes; but if they are dust covered, the heat lingers, the refrigerator's interior temperature rises and the compressor tries to compensate by running more often.

Whether your condenser coils are located under the unit or mounted on the back. Russell recommends remov

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Drywall installation not easy, but you can do it

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Installing drywall is inexpensive, and when properly done, it yields a first-rate interior surface.

Drywall installation isn't easy, so here is a step-by-step guide to make what may seem an impossible task a fun reality.

Plan to install all of the panels perpendicular to the direction of the framing members and to start with the ceiling, not the walls. For ceilings, a drywall lift is almost a necessity and can be rented for about \$25 a day.

The best place to start is the ceiling. Begin at one corner and measure to the centerline of the appropriate joist. Mark the panel along the top and bottom edges of the panel face.

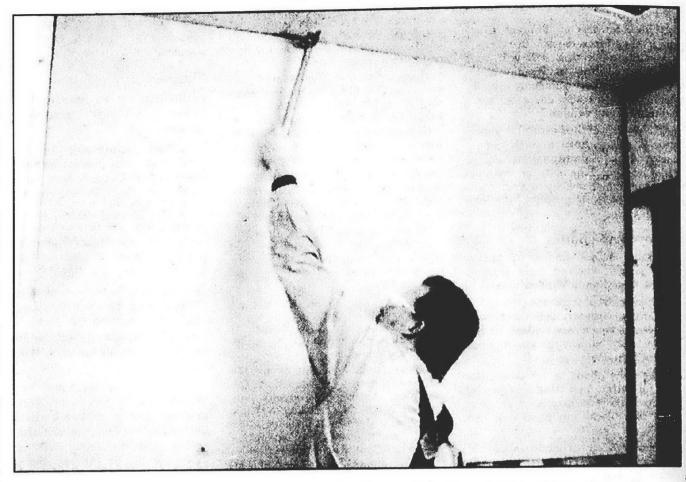
Connect marks with a line. Cut along the line with a sharp utility knife using a metal straight-edge or a large drywall square.

Stand the panel on edge. Place your knee on the backside just behind the cut. Break the panel by pulling it toward you. Separate the pieces by cutting the backing paper with a sharp utility knife.

Tip the support platform of the lift into the vertical position. Fold down both support brackets. Position the lift near the panel and engage the brake pads on the bottom of the main shaft. Place the panel on the brackets.

Tip up the support platform until the panel is resting flat. Fold back the support

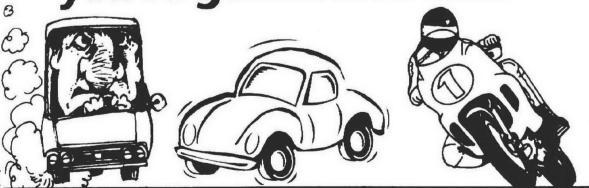
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Drywall installation: Let the bottom of the panel swing against the wall, then fasten it in place.

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brackets and turn the lift wheel clock-wise.

Move the panel into position and elevate it with the lift wheel. Attach it by driving screws into the joists. Once in place, release the brake handle and turn the lift wheel down.

With light fixtures and other obstacles, measure the distance from the adjacent panels to the center of the opening and transfer these dimensions onto a new panel.

Mark the center and any other pertinent dimensions. Then cut the openings with a cutout tool.

For the walls, lift the panel to within 1 inch of the ceiling and tip its top against the wall.

Drive at least six screws along the top edge.

Let the bottom of the panel swing against the wall, then fasten it in place.
You can cut openings in the panel before or after it's installed.

Doing it afterward is best accomplished with a cutout tool.

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All you need is lightweight spackle, a putty knife and fine sandpaper

Found holes in your drywall from your kids running around indoors? What about dents from moving furniture in or out? Don't fret. Patching drywall is much easier than replacing

All you need is lightweight spackle, a putty knife and fine sandpaper for holes smaller than 1 inch in diameter. For holes 1-4 inches in diameter, you also need a utility knife, drywall patch tape or screen kit, drywall taping knife, joint compound or spackle, and medium sandpaper. For holes larger than 4 inches, you also need a scrap piece of drywall, drywall repair clips, pencil and wallboard saw.

To patch holes, it's simple. For holes smaller than 1 inch:

Clean the hole of loose debris.

Fill the hole with lightweight

Smooth it with a putty knife.
Sand for a final finish.

Filling holes larger than 1 inch is a variation of this. For holes 1-4 inches

Cover the hole with screen or tape after cleaning out debris.

Patch it with a light coat of spack-

Let it dry and sand.

Apply a second coat, smooth it

with a taping knife and sand for a final finish.

Larger holes are a little more complicated, but still no big deal. Just a few extra steps.

For holes larger than 4 inches:

Cut a scrap piece of drywall larger

Cut a scrap piece of drywall larger than the hole.

Hold the new piece over the hole

and draw around it.

Cut a new hole along the pencil

line.

Screw repair clips to the wall.

Screw the drywall patch to the

clips.

Cover joints with tape or mesh.

Adhere tape with a light coat of

Let dry and apply a second coat.

Smooth with a taping knife.

Sand for a smooth finish.

Remember: Build up several coats of joint compound to prevent cracking. For a smooth finish, countersink screws so heads are below the surface. Sand your surface smooth between each coat of joint compound. And

prime the patch before painting.

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Spring checks can prevent summer headaches

The beginning of summer means three months of weekend work for most homeowners.

Mowing the lawn, trimming the weeds and harvesting the garden all contribute to the outdoor schedule on your days off.

But before homeowners look to other summer projects, they should take a good look at their home to ensure their castle is set for another hot and sticky summer.

Brett Martin of the National Association for the Remodeling Industry said homeowners can save themselves some headaches later in the summer by going through a simple checklist aimed at preparing your home for the season

"A home is the single largest investment most people will ever make, and it pays to protect that investment," said NARI President Andrew Gateriewictz.

1. Check the air conditioner. A thorough recharge and tuneup by an air-conditioning professional can save money in energy costs.

The NARI also recommends cleaning the heating and air-conditioning ducts every five years to prevent the germs and bacteria that build up from aggravating allergies and other illnesses.

Check the roof for missing or damaged shingles. After the bitter winter, the shingles could be in bad shape from suffering under the massive

weight of ice and snow accumulation.

Fraying shingles should be replaced

to ensure protection against water damage and to maintain the energy efficiency of your home.

In many instances, new shingles can be placed over the existing ones.

3. Apply a screen over your chimney. With chimney season at least another four months away, homeowners should cover it up with a screen to prevent leaves, birds and other animals from falling inside.

Birds, which are notorious for building nests in chimneys, can damage the mortar and brickwork over an extended period of time.

Without a cloth or wire screen to seal the chimney the first fire of the fall season could be dangerous if a significant amount of debris has built up throughout the summer.

4. Secure antennae, cables and satellite dishes. A fuzzy or blurred picture on your television may not be the manufacturer's fault, but the result of a blustery winter and spring.

The weight of snow and winds may have knocked around your television antenna or cable wires, which will need to be securely fastened back to the house.

Loose cables and antennae are a hazard because the next strong wind could bring them crashing down.

5. Check the siding around the house. The wind and cold weather could have loosened or blown pieces of siding off your house and they need to be replaced to prevent further damage to other sections.

The bottom pieces of siding are more likely to come off and should be checked regularly.

Keeping the siding nailed tightly to the house will also prevent animals from squeezing in between to get inside.

 Put on window screens. With the warmer weather, it's time to switch from the storm windows to screens, which allow you to open the home up even more.

With the obvious benefit of increased airflow, screens also block insects from entering the home.

 Check the flashing. Flashing is a vital component for keeping water out of your home and should be checked at the start of the summer season.

Walk around the house to inspect the flashing, looking for any damage or wear on the doors, windows, chimney and roof.

In addition to the flashing, homeowners should check the caulking around all doors and windows. If any areas are cracked they should be recaulked to help reduce energy bills and eliminate potential draft sections of the home.

8. Fill cracks in the driveway. Small holes or cracks in the driveway are only going to get worse if nothing is done.

Unsealed cracks do get larger after

every winter because the water that gets into the openings and freezes causes the holes to expand.

Filling the cracks will not consume a great deal of time, but can avoid possible injury from tripping and unnecessary retrievals of the basketball after it ricochets off one of the holes during a heated summer contest.

Clean the gutters and ridge vents.
 Leaves, sticks and other debris can clog up gutters and ridge vents causing rainwater to back up and damage the wood behind the gutters and even the house walls.

Checking to make sure the downspouts are straight is important in addition to setting up a drainage system to allow the water to properly drain away from the house's foundation.

Ridge vents should be cleaned to allow the house to breathe properly. With clogged or dirty ridge vents, air will stagnate and create an unhealthy environment in the home.

It may seem like a time-consuming job, but cleaning out the gutters doesn't require a big time commitment, especially if they are inspected on a regular basis.

Gutter guards are a valuable investment, which are quick and easy to install while keeping gutters clean and maintenance-free for years.

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The last straw

Hay bales make cheap and efficient building blocks

Jokes about the three little pigs and the big bad wolf who huffed and puffed and blew their house down are bound to come up at the mention of straw-bale construction.

The process of stacking straw bales to build walls is gaining a host of fans because it's inexpensive, thermally efficient, environmentally friendly and something that homeowners can do themselves.

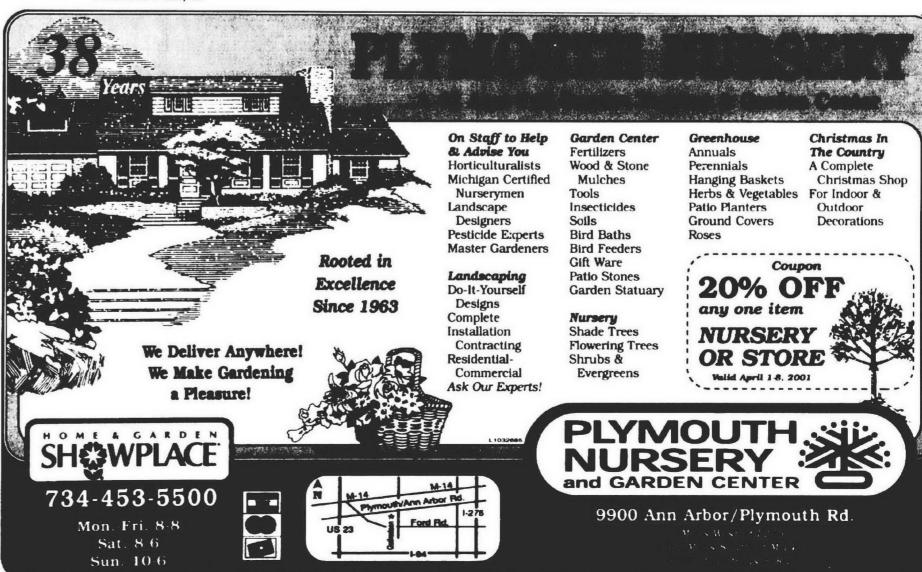
Straw bale construction in the United States began in Nebraska in the 1880s, according to Loren Nancarrow, an environmentally conscious television newscaster in San Diego and author of "Dead Daisies Make Me Crazy." Nancarrow recently built a garden wall out of stucco-coated straw bales and has become an advocate of the process, which can also be used to build room additions and entire homes.

Lack of conventional building materials, such as timber, prompted pioneer settlers of the prairie region to use hay as alternative building material. When the horse-drawn hay baler was invented in the late 1800s, the building blocks for prairie homes became bales of straw or hay

Hay, you: Ever thought of a straw house? It's not such a far-fetched idea. In fact, straw bale construction is inexpensive, thermally efficient and environmentally friendly. Here, Jim Emanuel, left, Jim Koch and Mark Tighe prepare one of the straw bales they are using to build a home.

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Green house

It's easy to maintain healthy houseplants

Taking care of plants is a lot like taking care of children - they need food, water and someone to give them

"Every plant is like a child in that it's different," said florist Linda Fenn. "One might need a little more light and water than another to stay alive."

While children at almost any age can communicate their needs to their caregiver, plants don't have that luxury. Their leaves just begin to wilt, turn brown and fall off if they aren't tended to, and their roots begin to rot underneath the topsoil if they are given too much attention

In fact, the average life of a house plant in the United States is six months, said Joe Barson, owner of Barson's Greenhouse of Westland. "We've been here 20 years, and that's been the same average as long as we've been around."

But, if each houseplant is treated as an individual, and cared for according to the needs of its specific species, it is easy to maintain a healthy plant.

When purchasing a houseplant, it is important to read the instructions and make sure you can give the plant what it needs to survive once you get it home. These instructions should be followed closely to ensure that the plant is getting the right amount of water. Underwatering and overwatering are the two ways most people kill their

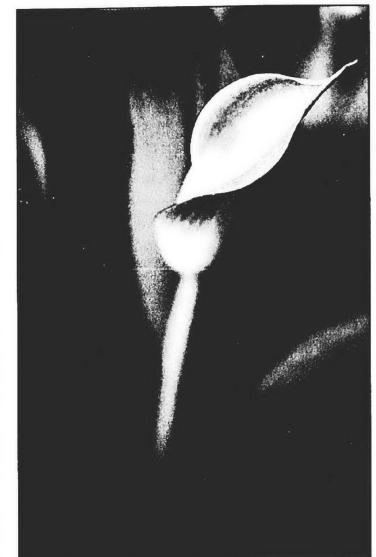
"You usually kill a plant with too much care," Barson said. "The plants that do the best are the ones that people forget about.

The best way to see if a plant needs to be watered is to stick your finger in the soil. Simply touching the top of the soil is not a good indicator because the soil may hold the moisture farther inside. If, in putting your finger in the soil, you find that it is moist, it may need to be watered less frequently.

Plants don't necessarily need to be watered on the same schedule year round, Barson said. A plant that needs water once a week in summer might need water just once a month in win-

While proper watering is the most important means of keeping a plant alive, periodic fertilizing will help keep

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It's not easy being green: Houseplants, such as the gem calla lily. require simple care to stay healthy. Read the directions before purchasing a plant so you know how much water and light it will need.





Good hues

The right colors can improve your mood

Color therapy can transform a home into a sanctuary of positive mood and invigorating emotion, based on the idea that each major color is a different quality of light and each vibrates at its own energy level.

"Color and light are intimately connected with our feelings and emotions" writes Catherine Cumming in "Color Healing Home" (Mitchell Beazley, \$14.95). "And their healing qualities have a profound effect on our mood and well-being."

By placing different colors throughout your home, and combining them in different ways, you can induce a range of moods and healing emotional states, according to Cumming.

White provides a perfect backdrop to other colors. However, if overused, white can make a home feel empty, sterile and isolating.

"White is associated with light, purity and grace," Cumming writes. "It is clean, tranquil and innocent.

Though it has the fastest vibration of any color, magenta is a gentle, nurturing and protective color, Cumming says. It is the color of letting go, mov

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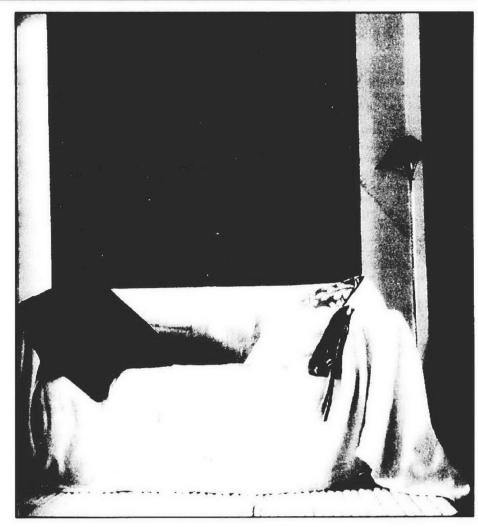
ing on and unconditional and spiritual love. As with most colors, too much can have the opposite effect. Too much magenta may lead to fanaticism and

Pink is most closely associated with love and romance. Gentle, soothing, caring and affectionate, pink is an extremely feminine color. According to Cumming, it is the color of love and self-love. Because a lot of pink may be too much, it is best to temper it with

"Red is the most dense, heavy, and physical of all the colors," Cumming says. "Red is the color of primal energy. It rouses us to activity and fills us with the energy to get things done."

Relating to instinct and physical drive, red is the color of strength, sexuality and passion, she says. Because red increases body temperature and stimulates blood circulation, too much can lead to exhaustion.

Orange works as an anti-depressant invoking joy, movement and dance. According to Cumming, it can help with inhibitions and repressed feel-



Atmosphere: Claret creates an intimate and inviting atmosphere. This red shouts strength, drive, power and confidence. Too much, though, could become oppressive and depleting.





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When it comes to fertilizing a plant, it is always necessary to follow the instructions and dilute the fertilizer at least as much as the manufacturer recommends, if not more.

"It's almost like a medicine, you need to follow directions "Fenn said

If a fertilizer is not sufficiently diluted, it may burn the roots and kill the plant. It is also important to never fertilize a dry plant because the roots will suck up the fertilizer too quickly.

In addition to food and water, exposure to sunlight is an important part of a plant's livelihood. While there are a few shade-loving houseplants out there, most plants are fairly tolerant of sunlight.

In most climates, it is acceptable to put houseplants outside for the duration of the summer. However, it is important to position them so they only get a few hours of direct sunlight per day, at least for the first few weeks after they are placed outside, so they can become acclimated to the sunlight.

By following these simple instructions and reading up on the specifics of how to maintain your favorite kinds of houseplants, almost anyone can keep housenlants alive

Here are a few houseplants that are easy to care for and maintain, even if you don't have a green thumb:

Sansevieria, more commonly known as mother-in-law tongue or spider

plant, can survive under nearly any conditions. It will survive with little sun and even less care than the philodendron.

It is a member of the lily family and, although few people realize it, the plant flowers once a year, usually in August. The flowers appear in spikes on tall leafless stalks and are greenish-white or pale yellow in color. Before flowering, however, the plant must be well established and its roots cramped in the container Plants that are not pot-bound seldom flower.

Freezing temperatures are about the only thing that will kill this plant, as long as it is watered from time to time.

The philodendron is one of the easiest of all houseplants to keep alive. It is a very good plant for people who are just starting to take care of houseplants because it is fairly difficult to

A philodendron should be kept in soil that is always moist. It shouldn't be saturated with water, but it should feel moist to the touch. It should be kept in a fairly humid room, at a medium light level, where it is exposed to both sunlight and shade throughout the day. It should be kept in a room that is warm in temperature, usually 62 to 65 degrees at night and 80 to 85 degrees during the day.

While these guidelines may be helpful in caring for a philodendron, it will most likely survive if it is not cared for exactly according to recommendations "They're usually pretty hard to kill," Fenn said

Orchids

There are several different species of orchids, and they are all becoming increasingly popular in the world of houseplants, said florist Phyllis White.

The orchid can be seen in nearly every home and garden magazine and appears in the background of many popular television shows and movies.

They are long-lived flowers and they are very classy," White said.

The plants, which usually flower for eight weeks to three months out of the year, are easy to grow and maintain. They should be checked for dryness once a week and watered whenever the soil feels dry

Other than that, the plant is very low maintenance. White said.



Corner cabinets round out home

Some of the most useful and decorative space in your home may be space that you didn't know you had-wall space that's tucked away in a corner.

An easy method that many designers use to create visual interest and make the most out of precious

space is to hang corner cabinets.

For example, in a small bathroom, corner cabinets can fit neatly over a corner pedestal sink, transforming a difficultto-use space into an attractive and functional powder room or guest bathroom. A double set-up can be created in a master bath by placing a cabinet in each corner.

Cabinet interiors feature intricate workmanship, with standard features including fully adjustable glass shelving. a mirrored back panel and all-aluminum maintenance-free construction

Corner cabinets measure 20 inches wide and come in heights of 30 and 40

When framed, these cabinets may be used in the living area, den or kitchen to handsomely frame collectibles, glassware or other objects. These types of displays are an interesting way to add visual depth and interest to a room.

Framed cabinets feature anodized aluminum framed doors in four vibrant colors-cobalt blue, ebony black, white, and silver. The finish is a satin grain matte. Homeowners may choose from three glass inserts-clear glass, double sidedmirror or frosted

Optional lighting accessories include overhead pendants, incandescent lights or halogen wall sconces.

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ings. Though orange encourages creativity, excitement and humor, too much can lead to irresponsibility.

Yellow, the color associated with sunlight, is warm and optimistic. "It is the color of detachment and is related to control, will, and ego," Cumming says. "It stimulates our intellect and logical mind."

Yellow is known to stimulate the digestive process as well. However, according to Cumming, too much yellow can cause excess mental stimulation and arguments.

Balancing and restful, green is associated with nature, acceptance and caring. Green soothes emotions. though too much can cause indecision and inactive feelings.

"It is the middle of the visible spectrum and it is the neutral color - neither hot nor cold. Green represents equilibrium," Cumming states.

Turquoise boosts physical and emotional immunity. "It is a very cooling. youthful, expressive color, and one that is good for relieving inflammatory conditions," according to Cumming. Too much of this color leads to isolation and confusion.

Calming and comforting, blue is truthful and peaceful, the color of honesty, devotion and aspiration. "Blue slows things down, eases stress, tension and pain," Cumming writes. "Too much blue, however, can become isolating, overly calming and demotivat**Balancing** and restful. green is associated with nature, acceptance and caring. Green soothes emotions, though too much can cause indecision and inactive feelings.

Violet is a soothing and tranquil color, feeding the area of insight, intuition and perception. Violet is closely associated with a meditative environ-

"This is the color of introspection, meditation, contemplation, dignity and respect, and it boosts self-esteem, Cumming states. "But it is best avoided by those who tend to live too much in a fantasy world."

According to Cumming, black should be used sparingly, as it can be draining and negative. "Black is sometimes thought to be protective in nature. However, it is not a healthy color as it does not transmit light, allowing no colors through to the skin."

Though gray can be flat and lifeless when used alone, it can provide enormous support to other colors, according to Cumming. "An environment that contains no gray can sometimes seem to lack solidarity and structure.

"Brown is the most grounded of all colors," Cumming says. "The influence of this color helps to bring us down to

earth and to make us feel rooted and connected with the physical world that surrounds us."

Gold is a masculine color suggesting abundance, wisdom and high ideals. It works best with hot colors like red and orange, according to Cumming.

Silver, a feminine color radiating movement, change and knowledge, is best used with cool colors like blue and

Stay away from murky hues, which can generate confusion or depression, Cumming states. "As a general rule, be guided by the fact that the purer the hue, the healthier its effect on you tends to be."

Cumming suggests mixing several colors together or several shades of the same color family for the effect you're seeking. Orange and red together radiate intimacy and exotic locales, while a room decorated with shades of pink, light blue and pale violet creates a calming effect.

Splashes of complementary colors, like orange and blue or red and turquoise, bring a sense of balance to a room, Cumming states.

Try these color tips in your home, by repainting an entire room or adding splashes of color with new pillows and curtains, "to improve energy around you, lift your spirits, and to create a bright and cheerful living space," Cumming suggests.

Choosing the right paint

All it takes to protect your most important possession is a coat or two

Whether it's minor trim work or repainting your entire house, spring is the season when one-quarter of all major paint jobs occur.

Always select the right paint for the right job.

Take into account the purpose of an interior room and the environmental factors that inflict the most abuse on the exterior.

Dutch Boy Paints suggests these things to keep in mind when selecting

Premium paints are less likely to fade or crack, and cover more fully in one coat, thereby saving you time and

Color makes a house look larger (light tones) or small (darker tones).

Cil paint penetrates wood better; latex dries faster, doesn't yellow and can be cleaned with soap and water.

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- the chaff left over after grain crops

In modern agriculture, a mechanized baler compresses straw into rectangular bales tied with wire or two or three strands of polypropylene string during the harvest. Three-string bales measure 14 to 17 inches in height, 32 to 47 inches in length and 23 to 24 inches in height. Two-string bales measure 14 inches in height, 36 to 40 inches in length and 18 inches in width. A bale tips the scales at about 80 pounds and costs about \$5, but prices vary depending on where you live. Straw bales can be purchased at feed stores.

Straw bale construction typically involves stacking bales. Bales laid flat rather than on edge are able to carry greater loads, according to results from compression tests conducted at the University of Arizona.

Steel rods

As the bales are stacked, they are threaded on steel rods (rebar) that are sunk in poured concrete and extend to the top of the wall. Rods that join the bales together and reinforce the wall system are bolted through a top plate and tightened down to compress the walls after the roof is installed and minimize settling.

The bales are then coated with stucco or plaster and there are specific techniques for making mortar adhere ■ Designers of load-bearing straw bale structures recommend simple square or rectangular buildings to distribute weight as evenly as possible on all walls, according to a report in Environmental Building News.

Check out www.genevar.com. au/strawbale/sbat on the Internet for details on mortar techniques. Herb Nordmeyer, a second-generation master of plastering chemistry, provides the basics of stucco mixtures, applications and techniques on the genevar

Plethora of information

The SBAT (Strawbale Association of Texas) was formed in 1996 and offers a plethora of information about straw bale construction over the Internet.

If you are building a room or a house with hay bales, you also have to consider such essentials as plumbing, electrical wiring, a roof and flooring. Designers of load-bearing straw bale structures recommend simple square or rectangular buildings to distribute weight as evenly as possible on all walls, according to a report in Environmental Building News.

"In a typical load-bearing design, bales are stacked on a poured concrete stem wall that extends about 6 inches above the floor slab," the report says.

Contrary to what you might think,

resistant. Studies of fires in straw bale structures indicate that the wood infrastructure burned, but the bales remained virtually intact.

Next to flammability, moisture damage and rot are the most common concerns about straw bale construction, reports the Strawbale Association of Texas. Straw is inherently resistant to rot, according to a report in The Last Straw, a publication devoted to straw hale construction. However, moisture is a concern and reports in The Last Straw emphasize the importance of using wide overhangs, sloping the ground away from the building and installing a "good capillary break between the foundation and the bale walls" to keep bulk moisture away from

No consensus

There is no consensus on the use of vapor barriers on the walls, according to Matts Myhrman, co-editor of The Last Straw. However, when it comes to pests, experts agree that straw bales are resistant to termites, but may be a magnet for rodents. The key to keeping rodents out of the walls is to wrap them with fine woven wire mesh before

carefully stuccoing.

Although straw bale construction is gaining advocates, it still has some hurdles to overcome in terms of acceptance when it comes to city codes and planning departments. Buildings with load-bearing straw-bale walls have been approved on an individual caseby-case basis, usually under the "Alternative Materials and Methods" section of building codes, according to Environmental Building News.

David Eisenberg of the Development Center for Appropriate Technology has developed a prescriptive standard for load-bearing and non-load-bearing straw-bale construction and advocates of the process hope the standard will be adopted into municipal building

The Development Center for Appropriate Technology, based in Tucson, can be accessed by e-mail at strawnet@aol.com. The Straw Bale Construction Association is a trade association of straw-bale builders, architects, engineers and contractors, which can be reached by calling (505) 986-1427, or writing to 31 Old Arroyo Chamis, Santa Fe, NM 87505.

The GreenFire Institute at 1509 Queen Anne Ave. N., No. 606, Seattle, WA 98109, also offers detailed information on straw-bale building.

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Create an inviting, invigorating atmosphere

What started as a fad, has come to be a recognized and grounded approach to interior design. Feng shui is the ancient Eastern philosophy that a healthy, well-planned home benefits its residents both emotionally and physical-

The philosophy is so simple that anyone with the inclination can make their home a healthier, more serene place to live. Following are 10 quick-fix tips for creating a more inviting and invigorating atmosphere, from The Healthy House Book: Using Feng Shui to Organize Your Home and Transform Your Life by Gina Lazenby (The

Flora and fauna

"Always bring elements of the natural world, such as plants and flowers, into an indoor space," Lazenby says.

Be sure to keep the flowers' water clean, though. Stagnant energy from dirty water leads to an unhealthy envi-

According to Lazenby, spider plants and peace lilies are both on the NASA list of plants that are good for removing indoor pollutants.

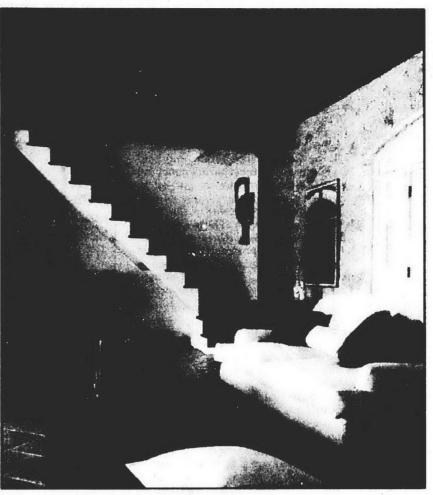
She suggests putting several plants near office equipment, like printers, faxes and photocopiers, that radiate

Keep a neutral background. Choose shades of white, beige and brown for a restful, calm feeling:

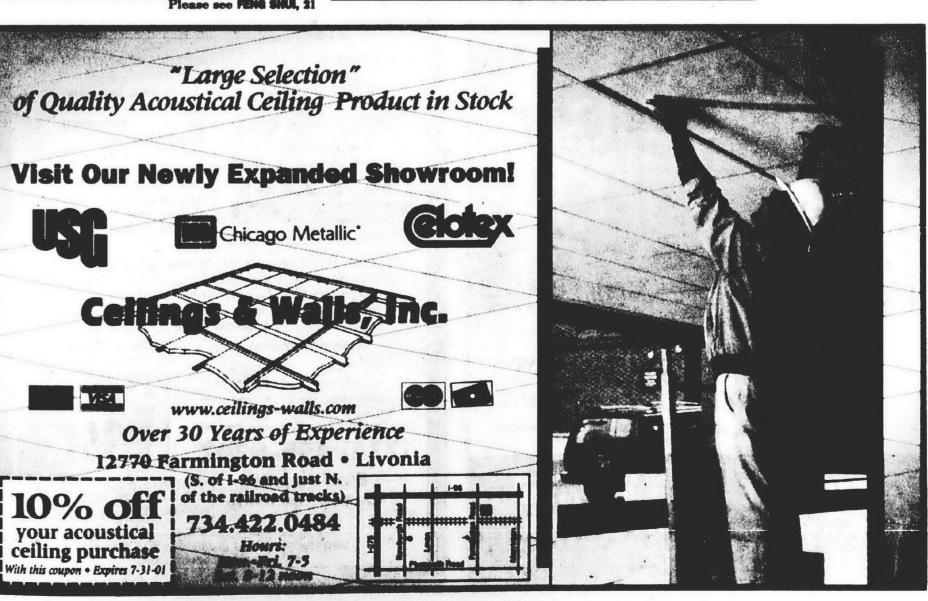
The mood of any neutral room can be changed with dramatic accents, like peach, orange and red throw pillows or

Natural elements

Choose natural materials for furniture, like wood, marble, wicker, cotton or wool, as opposed to high-stress shiny



Natural materials like wood, rock and cotton, as opposed to man-made laminates, create a strong sense of serenity in a home.





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Have a balance of different types of light in each room.

Supplement the central lighting fixture with smaller lamps

and open curtains and blinds to let in natural light. Even if

you're not using the room, natural light helps stimulate the area's energy. Also, include candlelight, which creates a

softened atmosphere.

home. Lazenby says clutter is any-

thing that makes you feel depressed or

sad when you look at it or think about

Things that fall into this category

are items not regularly used, items not

loved and cherished, things stored or

left in the wrong place, half-finished

projects, possessions stored in too

small an area, broken objects, or

"If you live in a chaotic space, or one

that is extremely cluttered, it repre-

sents a lifestyle that may be confused,

lethargic and lacking in energy,"

"An overcrowded environment will

drain your vitality and make it diffi-

cult for positive energy to flow around

Clear away the clutter in your home

and find creative and organized ways

Cluttering objects also include furni-

ture, so make sure each room has an

appropriate amount of furniture in it.

Also, never leave anything that's bro-

ken. Instead, fix it on the spot.

to store your remaining possessions.

unwanted gifts.

Lazenby says.

Lazenby suggests.

It's the year of snakes — and change

BY SUSAN STEINMUELLER STAFF WRITER

If you want to try a new look for your home or garden, this is the year, according to Dennis Fairchild of Birm-

Fairchild is a local expert on the ancient Asian philosophy of feng shui, pronounced 'fung schway,' which touts that "everything around us impacts us." Literally, it means wind and

Feng shui incorporates a family of disciplines including Chinese astrology, which says this is the year of the serpent. And, said Fairchild, the serpent represents progress and change.

"A snake's skeleton will not allow it go backward," he said. "The year of the snake means options, options, options. It's taking a risk.

"The key to 2001 for North America, is thinking of that concept of snakes moving forward. The key is to let go of the old and to begin something new."

So, if you feel like putting different colors in your decor, whether in flowers or furniture, do it, he said. Or, if you want to do something bigger such as move to a different house or remortgage, forge ahead.

Start this spring, by taking a look around to see what you might like to change in your home and garden, he

"If your life is happy, far out. Keep it going. But if there is anything you are

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getting a little cranky about, consider options. Try something different for spring. The year of the snake is all about options, options, options." Plant the seeds

In the garden, "This wouldn't be time just to prune the juniper, but incorporate a new variegated vine."

And, rather than plant flowers already grown at the nursery, plant the seeds for a change this summer.

"If you always like vellow and gold in your garden, incorporate morning glories, lilacs, cornflowers and such. The theme this summer is not to concentrate on the one color of the rainbow, but all of them. There's a lot of colors of the rainbow, it's very vibrant.

"The key for apartment and condo dwellers, is to bring in the essence of new and youthful," Fairchild added. For instance, they could buy a potted tulip or a silk plant.

But, avoid dried flowers.

"There is no chi, basically," he said. He explained that chi means "good vibrations" or life energy. "It's the difference between a hug and a photo-

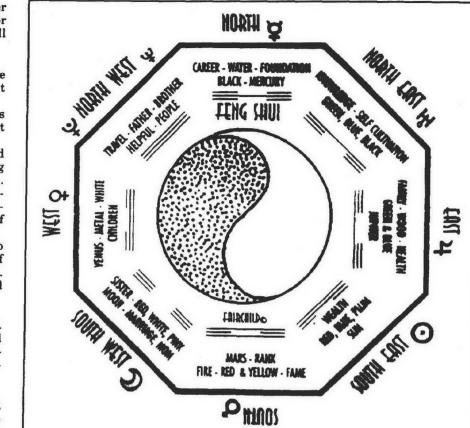
Try some color

"Adding a little sparkle of vibrant colors will always bring good chi in the home," he added

Consider the meaning of colors, however, and their corresponding impact.



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Bagua: Align the bagua with true directions of Feng Shui to each home room or office. Experts say that using the correct color and materials in different areas of the room are necessary for wellbeing.



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"Natural materials create a more relaxing and low-stress environment than one filled with man-made laminates," Lazenby says. "Light wood is a good material ... black and white are more difficult for the eve to adjust to."

Lighting your way

Have a balance of different types of light in each room. Supplement the central lighting fixture with smaller lamps and open curtains and blinds to let in natural light. Even if you're not using the room, natural light helps stimulate the area's energy. Also, include candlelight, which creates a softened atmosphere

Gateways

"Your front door is the most important gateway to your home because it is here that energy finds a way in." Lazenby says.

Be sure that your front door can open fully, without obstruction. Also, keep the area around the door in good

"Whatever object the energy flows around will impregnate it and affect its quality," Lazenby says.

It's very important that the energy not come in contact with dirt and dust. "Make sure your hall is clean and fresh, and the energy will then remain strong and vital."

Bust clutter

Clutter is a major stressor in any

Cluttering colors

Clutter doesn't just exist in the objects one owns. Too many colors or the wrong colors create a cluttered

"Take care not to bring too many colors into a room since this can confuse the energy and end up being too stimulating," she says. "The same principle goes for patterns and designs."

Dark, heavy colors like black, brown or burgundy, can slow down energy. Lighter colors like white and cream reflect light and create movement. Pictures of you

"Our homes are full of symbols and metaphors, and very often we choose them without thinking about them consciously." Lazenby writes.

When choosing the symbols in your home, such as pictures or artful objects, select images that reflect something you enjoy or an aspect of the life you want to have, Lazenby suggests. This is especially important when the picture takes a prominent position in your home.

Sleeping securely

Turn your bedroom into a secure

haven of rest. Invest in a good headboard, and place your bed against a wall for protection and support. Be sure you have a view of the door from your bed.

A footboard or other piece of furniture, like a chest or bench running the width of the base of the bed, will contain your energy while you sleep.

Use untreated cotton linens and bedspreads and invest in a quality

Also, open the windows every day to air out the room and keep it fresh. Eating well

Use your dining room for just that dining. According to Lazenby, "A familiar place to eat every day, which is always used for dining and not routinely taken over as a desk, helps foster a healthy attitude toward food and eating."

A large dining table, with well-laid out place settings helps ensure a positive eating environment, Lazenby says. Stick to a wood table - glass tabletops are distracting.

Adorn the table with candles for mood and brightly colored flowers, like red and orange, which help stimulate conversation.

Keep the artificial lighting over the table low, but bright enough for people to see as they eat. Keep bowls of fresh fruits and nuts on hand, which makes it easier for people to eat healthfully between meals.



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The color red is "basically the color of blood," he said: Stimulating, passionate and deep. Yellow relates to inspiration, intellect and economic gain. "It clarifies things."

Blue is calming, relaxing, emotional, even mysterious. As for green, "If you think of the concept of the word evergreen, green explores intellectual growth, but also growth."

Different seasons lend themselves to different colors, too. This spring, begin by lightening up the house energy and adding cooler colors.

"The key in winter, one wants to incorporate reds and orange and citrons in to the house so you feel warm. Now that we are approaching the higher temperatures, blue is calming and cooling, purples are cooling."

Changing ones life

Changing decor can also facilitate changing one's life, he said.

That's because in the compass school of feng shui, which Fairchild follows, each direction represents an area of life, such as health or relationships. Revitalizing the decor in that area can revitalize the corresponding life area. A bagua, which he compares to a

pizza cut into eight slices, is used by most feng shui schools to analyze living spaces. The directions and influences are: South: Social standing, status and acknowledgment from peers: Southeast: Finances and savings; East: Health and your parental family; North: Job, career and work; Northeast: Education, credentials; Northwest: Your support system and luck

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while traveling; West: Children, plants and pets; Southwest: Personal and love relationships.

If, for instance, you want to improve your health, "Grab a compass and note the direction east in bedroom, kitchen, and main relaxing, living area of your home," he said. "It's associated with health, physical vitality."

A quick method to activate the energy there is to place a healthy green plant with rounded, not spiky, leaves in a ceramic type container or vase, there he said. Insure that it's well tended and replace any wilting or withering foliage. Posters or pictures of bamboo or flowers do well too.

"We're talking health. Make this spot lush, fertile and flourishing."

And make sure the area is clean, spic and span.

While in the year of the serpent some changes may come as a surprise, they'll be for the good, he added.

"There are likely to be many changes in the household this spring and summer, so I tell people, follow your intuition and know that nothing remains the same," Fairchild said. "2001 is a time to move ahead and rid yourself of unhealthy habits, seek out brilliant mind-body-spirit connec-

To find out more, Fairchild teaches feng shui at The Birmingham Community House and has written books on the topics. His books include Healing Homes: Feng shui Here & Now. Fairchild may be contacted at (248)646-3555

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Start in right place for successful wallpapering

When decorating a new home in stages, most people begin with the public areas—the living room or entryway. That's a mistake, according to many design professionals who suggest that their clients gain more from their decorating dollars by starting with wallpaper, for example, in an area they use every day.

"The master bedroom, which is often last on the list, is where I urge clients to start," says Lee K. Coggin, president of Anleri Interiors, Inc., Atlanta. "It is a place of everyday comfort, a home's real respite," she reasons. "Unfortunately, when a space is on the bottom of homeowners' decorating priorities, it often never gets fully decorated at all. More lasting satisfaction comes from investing first in the rooms that are used most," she contends.

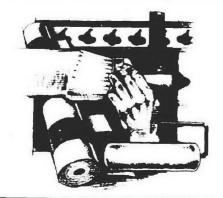
While Chicago designer Susan Redeker, president of Lincoln Park Interiors, agrees, she suggests an alternative starting point. "The family room, which is now often integrated with the kitchen, is where life is really lived," she says. "It's not only where the family gathers day in and day out. but also where people often entertain."

In both cases, the designers urge clients to choose colors and 'emes that will be compatible with the plans they have in mind for other rooms.

Wallpaper and borders can give visual distinction to different areas of activity in an integrated kitchen/family room. Among the choices are stripes, plaids, textural effects, florals and other designs in coordinating and complementary colors.

"A single border pattern at the ceiling throughout a space can tie together a kitchen, wallpapered in a sprightly novelty print, with a stripe on an adjacent wall," suggests designer Dana Weichselbaum. "This provides visual interest and distinction while maintaining an esthetic unity."

Two colorations of the same pattern will also tie together different areas of an open-plan kitchen, a master bedroom or bath with the hallway outside



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According to a recent survey, home buyers are placing energy-efficient. multiple-pane windows high on their list of priorities.

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In response, more than 90 percent of windows made in North America now use insulating glass and there's been a steady move away from single-panes.

Important improvements include a nonconductive spacer system between panes of glass or "warm-edge technology," which now makes up more than 70 percent of the window market.

edge systems is called Swiggle Seal, from TruSeal Technologies, Inc.

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often if you have pets or a large house-

hold. Use the crevice tool on your vac-

uum or a special condenser coil clean-

ing brush (check with your local appli-

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refrigerator, remove all accumulated

dust. Also remove any objects that

may have fallen behind, especially if

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One of the most widely used warm-

That company also developed grooved (notched) warm edge spacers specifically for triple-pane construc-

This can significantly improve the thermal performance of a window.

Ed Esker, co-owner of J&E Installa-Sunrise windows, which he sells.

than the cheaper alternatives.

"A better window is going to cost you more money," he said.

There are four basic window compo-

they are near the fan that cools the

Before you call it a day, also check

door gaskets. Major air leaks also

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Esker says you should look for PVC windows with insulated frames.

■ Glass. You can get "low-e" glass that keeps heat and cold on whichever side of the window you want.

But not all low-e coatings are created equal.

Some companies apply thicker coats than others.

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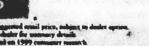
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As more and more people are working out of their homes (a 1990 census showed an increase of 56 percent from 1980), furnishings are available to accommodate interior design preferences as well as function needs.

Whether large enough for such features as a kitchenette, or no larger than one unit that holds equipment and files, a home office can be customized in a way that says professionalism without necessarily sacrificing

"A lot of people are working exclusively at home," said Barbi Krass. owner of Colorworks Design Studio, 32506 Northwestern Highway in Farmington Hills. "(Home offices) have become quite elaborate."

"People are taking their dining room for their computers and home office, for their kids and everything," said Christine Griffin, senior sales associate at All-Star Desk, 29111 Telegraph in Southfield.

Partners' desks - about 40 inches wide - are popular among Colorworks clientele. The Aeron chair by Herman Miller, with adjustable tilt and height. and arms that can be adjusted for height and angle, are popular at All-Star Desk. Those are just two exam-

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"We're seeing a lot of armoire types," said Mark Orlando, sales manager at Thomasville Home Furnishings, 7550 Dixie Highway in Clarkston. "People want to be able to close the door (on the work) and have beautiful wood to

Such armoires can have built-in bulletin boards, fluorescent lighting and other work-related elements, and allow space for cable, modems, monitors, printers and CPUs.

"There are a lot of custom, modular forms," said Mark Morganroth, American Society of Interior Designers, a professional interior designer with Sherwood Studios, 6644 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield

These pieces feature shelves that tuck neatly under one another and slide out for a keyboard or writing surface as needed. Furniture in the Bellagio collection at Sherwood Studios can match other furniture throughout the

Modular pieces with clean lines. such as the L-Series home office system from Workbench Furniture, can blend with other styles. The L-Series offers 22 components that can fit into a corner or be spread through a room.

"You can mix it with different types for a good eclectic look," said Julie Rafferty of Workbench Furniture, 34953 Woodward in Birmingham.

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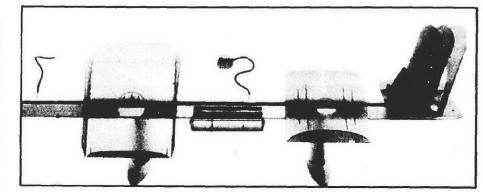
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fronts that pull down for access.

Options for work surfaces include laminate, wood and granite. Cherry, oak, teak and maple are some of the

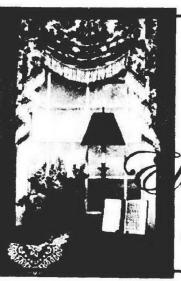
When you're planning your home office, keep in mind how you're going to work. Will you need more space for filing or computers? Remember knee space, and allow room for cabinet

doors to open. Also pay attention to plugs, outlets, wiring, heat ducts and

"If they bring in a drawing of the room, that's really helpful," Rafferty

A home office should be "dressed" appropriately.

"It should reflect the business that you're doing in that office," Krass said.



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Home improvement: It looks so easy on TV



There's nothing like remodeling an old house. Except possibly a root canal.

Out of desperation and a lack of money, I decided that I would do the work that needs to be done on my new

old house. I've had a lot of experience in remodeling old houses. At least in theory.

I've watched every episode of "This Old House." And I figured: how different can my old house be from those Norm and Steve work on every week on PBS.

So I have enlisted Norm and Steve's aid - albeit in spirit - with every nail I pound and pull. "Well, Norm," I said, as I examined the leaking bathroom sink. "We have to disconnect the water before we pull this sink out."

"Right as usual." Norm said to me. Or at least that's what he would have said had he actually been there. "Let's begin by locating the water pipes," I said in my best TV voice

"I think they're under the sink," I said, and opened the cabinet doors

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at just the right angle for a video camera to catch the action - had there been a camera there. "Yep, there they are," I said.

I turned the shutoff valves, then turned on the faucet to let the last drip of water drain out. Water gushed out. Water began leaking through the bottom of the sink and soaking into the floor. I turned the valve again. Still gushing. I realized the problem. This sink had been installed shortly after water had been invented, so it's quite likely the shutoff valves haven't worked properly in the past million years or so.

"You know, Steve," I said. "Let's wait until whatshisname, the plumber, arrives."

"Let's," Steve said. So I kicked the cabinet door shut and turned my attention to the hole in the wall that was created when the roof leaked and dripped all the way down between the walls and turned the plaster into cottage cheese.

"This really isn't as bad as it looks," I patiently explained to Norm and the TV viewing audience in my imagination. I pulled out the bucket of patching compound I had bought at Home Depot, which has become my home away from home. "This is really heavy duty compound," I

one. Episode two began the next day with me using paint stripper and chisels to get the dried patching compound off my putty knife. By this time I also had learned the patching compound was impossible to sand, so my hole in the wall now resembled

Mt. St. Helens, before and after the

patchwork you looked at.

another story.

blast depending on which area of the

noted. It has the consistency of

second flat, as I soon learned.

cement and has to be mixed with a

hardener before being applied to the

wall where it turns into stone in 15

OK, that was the end of episode

"Time to get down to business," I told Norm. I grabbed a hammer and chisel and beat the hell out of that wall. When the last flakes of patching compound had settled, I had an enormous hole in the wall. This I filled with a new type of patching compound, that was creamy and fluffy enough to eat, but I didn't because it tasted awful, which is

"I'll just slap some wallpaper on this and it'll look good as new. Even better," I explained. Norm nodded in approval. Now I have to just sand the entire wall and ceiling and it'll be just fine.

But since I'm out of sandpaper, I'll

work on the bathtub. Seems that in days gone by someone built a paneled wooden box to encase the old claw-foot bathtub. I plan to bring the tub back into the world of light, so I hacked the box to pieces. Of course, chunks of the wall came with it. But, hey, I now have two types of patching compound.

Fully expecting to find a box of money or some contraband hidden in the old tub (I heard these kinds of things happen with old houses) I cleared the debris and discovered gobs of cobwebs, tons of dust and must and piles of crumbled plaster.

Oh yes, and a rotten floor. Which will have to be replaced.

"Norm, we'll tackle this job in next week's episode," I said. "But first I have to go to the bank and take out another loan.

"No problem," Norm said. "Besides, I've got to get back to the job I'm doing on TV where I will install a door that alone is worth more than - this old house."

We both chuckled knowingly. Then I looked at the bathroom and

Greg Kowalski is the editor of the Southfield Eccentric.



Don't neglect cushion when buying carpet

When it comes to carpet, what you can't see might be more important than what you can.

A good carpet is a good carpet, but no carpet will live to a ripe old age without a good cushion.

Carpet cushion can reduce noise, enhance the overall thermal insulation properties of carpet, and improve comfort by decreasing walking fatigue.

Because carpet cushion comes in a variety of types, including foam, rubber and fiber, the Carpet Cushion Council offers the following suggestions to keep in mind when shopping for carpet and carpet cushion:

1. The heavier the traffic the thinner the cushion. In high traffic areas like hallways, stairs and rooms use a thinner, 3/8 inch or less, and heavier cushion to better protect the carpet. This also applies to loop type carpet, including Berber.

2. For bedrooms, dens, and other areas where a more luxurious feel is desired, a thicker and more resilient cushion can be used.

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For more information, check out the Carpet Cushion Council's Web site at http://www.carpetcushion.org.

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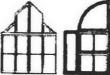












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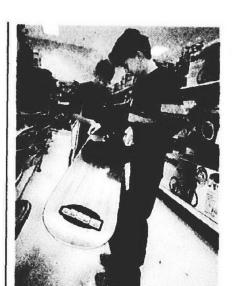
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