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The Plymouth Observer is getting into the pie business at the 46th annual Plymouth Fall Festival

The Observer will sponsor a pie eating contest for youngsters 7 through 15 years old, as well as a special category for Observer carriers

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The contest will take place in Kellogg Park Saturday, Sept. 8. Registration begins at 1 p.m.

Age groups include 7-9, 10-12 and 13-15 along with a category for youngsters who are carriers for any of the seven Wayne County Observer newspapers. Prizes will be awarded in each contest group.

For more information, call the Plymouth Observer, (734) 459-2700, or email the editor at bkdrich@oe.homecomm.net

School district plans for future



With her district facing millions of dollars worth of renovations/modifications to its infrastructure, Superintendent Kathleen Booher has laid out a plan to address capital and curriculum needs.

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The closing of some elementary schools, major additions to others, the "repurposing" of Central Middle School and a new middle school in Canton are all included in a draft report detailing facility changes recommended by Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent

Kathleen Booher

The report, given to the Board of Education at a retreat in Wayne nearly two weeks ago, also indicates several transformations in curriculum, including adding pre school education, multi age classrooms, and talented and gifted students at each elementary building. "This is a strategic initiative to improve the quality of education," said

Booher. "Right now it's an incomplete draft." The draft was put together after nearly 600 hours of discussion by Booher's CORE Team Administrators. Among the facilities recommendations

- converting one Canton elementary school — Hoben, Eriksson or Field — to a middle school

- reassign students at Central Middle School to other middle schools and redesignate Central

- build a new elementary school in southwest Canton

- sell or lease Tanger, Starkweather, Central Maintenance, and the E. J. McClendon Educational Center

- convert Miller Elementary to the school administration and Board of Education offices

- turn Fiegel Elementary into a school of choice

"The addition of pre school programs and all-day kindergarten at every elementary building does create the need for classrooms," said Booher. "We would also like to add a 1-2-3 multi-age classroom in each school."

Booher is recommending additions to as many as eight elementary schools, which would house at least 600 students each. The additions include

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Surviving quints go home healthy

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All four of the surviving quintuplets born to a Plymouth Township couple are now home

A boy and one of the girls went home on Monday and Tuesday this past week. Two of the girls went home Aug. 23-24.

"They progressed quite satisfactorily after putting on some weight," said Dr. Sudhakar Ezhuthachan, division head of neonatology at Henry Ford Hospital. "Their departure was somewhat uneventful, just like any other baby."

Three girls and two boys were delivered by cesarean section June 30. The first of the quintuplets born a boy measuring two pounds, 8 ounces, died shortly after birth. Ezhuthachan said the remaining babies have grown quite well since they started eating regularly.

"When the babies left, they ranged between three- and four-and-a-half

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Flycatcher, a monarch butterfly, is one of the species that will be released from the Plymouth Township home to monarchs. The monarchs will be released from the Plymouth Township home to monarchs. The monarchs will be released from the Plymouth Township home to monarchs.

Royal palace

Couple opens home to monarchs

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During the course of the last 20 years, countless monarch butterflies have taken flight for the first time from the milkweed garden at Al and Lois Stuart's Plymouth Township home. A virtual fleet, in fact.

Raising the most royal members of the butterfly family is a passion for the couple, especially Lois, who taught kindergarten in Plymouth-Canton schools for 19 years before retiring in the early 1990s.

In fact, her interest in the majestic little creatures really began as part of her classroom instruction. On the advice of a teacher friend, Lois used the amazing lifecycle of the monarch



to teach her students simple lessons about biology.

She would bring in a few caterpillars, and over the course of a couple weeks the students would be amazed as they spun cocoons — or chrysalises —

and eventually emerged as butterflies. It was a dramatic teaching tool.

The more Lois taught, the more she learned, and the more her admiration for the species grew.

One thing she discovered is that milkweed is the

only plant on which monarchs lay their eggs, and their only food source when they are in the caterpillar stage. When she first started teaching about the monarchs, she would find the caterpillars in milkweed fields near her home.

As the years went by, however, milkweed became harder and harder to find. Many of those fields have vanished under all the development of urban sprawl that came to the township and many other areas in the last two decades. And as the milkweed declined, so too have the monarchs. Their numbers have plummeted across North America.

Alarmed she could no longer find much milkweed, Lois decided to plant

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Thieves hit store three times in week

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It appears there are a couple of Yogi Berra wannabes roaming around Plymouth Township. The Picnic Basket, a market on Ann Arbor Road near Ridge, was broken into three times in a five-day period last week.

Plymouth Township police investigators believe the same two men may be responsible for all three break-ins.

The first break-in took place around 6 a.m. Aug. 25, followed by another two days later, which occurred around 3:30 a.m. In each of those incidents, a cash register was stolen, as well as numerous cartons of cigarettes.

The third incident happened early Thursday morning, around 4 a.m. A township police officer was patrolling in the area and witnessed a vehicle

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Student escapes serious injury in school bus incident

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An 11-year-old Plymouth Township girl escaped serious injury after dangling outside a Plymouth-Canton school bus along North Territorial Road Wednesday afternoon.

Maureen Mackie was carried for about 500 feet outside the bus when the service door caught her backpack as she was exiting at her Burning Tree Road stop.

"My body was out of the bus, but my backpack wasn't," she said. "The bus doors closed and then it started moving."

"All I could think about was shipping

out of my backpack and falling on the side of the road," she said. "I started to scream real loud."

Maureen's mom, Mary, was playing the piano in her home near the bus stop when she heard the screams.

"I heard this blood-curdling scream and I knew it was Maureen," said Mary Mackie. "I was terrified when I saw her hanging from the bus. I thought she was dead."

The bus finally stopped, and Maureen, fortunately, was left with a couple of scrapes and bruises.

"It was just that same morning I was discussing bus safety with her," said Mary Mackie. "It was lucky she had both straps on, and she only weighs 68 pounds, otherwise she could have fall

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Mary Mackie
—Student's mom

en under the bus. She must have had a guardian angel on her shoulder."

According to Mary Mackie, the bus driver became distracted by students in the back of the bus and took off before Maureen was clear of the door.

The bus driver was not ticketed by police. However, the school district

has temporarily relieved the driver of his duties pending the district's own investigation.

Glen Mackie, Maureen's father, said they want to make sure it doesn't happen again, to any student.

"We want to make sure there is a procedure for bus drivers to follow when kids are getting off the bus," he said.

Transportation Director Melvin Latme said "There are a number of procedures and safety guidelines bus drivers follow, which are reviewed during training before school starts."

The incident was the second of two school bus accidents Wednesday.

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THE WEEK
AHEAD

MONDAY
Everything's closed: Plymouth Township and city offices will be closed for the Labor Day holiday. The library will be closed today and Monday.

TUESDAY
Blood drive: The American Red Cross conducts a blood drive at the Plymouth District Library from 1-7 p.m. Donors can sign up in the main level meeting room reception area. For more information, call the library, (734) 453-1750.

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Hope dims for 3rd judge in Plymouth

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Plymouth's 35th District Court received a big blow this week as judges and administrators attempt to secure a third full-time judge.

The State Court Administrative Office, as part of its review of several district courts, has decided not to recommend the addition of a third judge for the court that serves Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Canton Township, Northville and Northville Township.

"We project that this court will need additional judicial resources in the near future. The State Court Administrative Office will continue to monitor the status of the caseload to ensure the court's continued ability to deliver effective judicial service to the community," the report stated.

The results of the study come as the state House is considering a bill by Rep. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, to add a third judge to the bench of 35th District Court. That legislation is currently pending, after having cleared a subcommittee. It's not known how the SCAO report will affect the thinking of House lawmakers.

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Judge Ron Lowe
—35th District Court

said Judge Ron Lowe. "Unfortunately, occasionally the people who come before us pay the price for that. Because of the volume of cases we have, it's never far out of our minds that we've got to move the docket. Once we fall behind, we ride the edge of staying there."

For nearly a decade, 35th District Court has lobbied the state for a third judge to handle increasing caseloads. Figures released by Court Administrator Kerry Erdman indicate the court last year handled 44,778 cases, which is an average of 22,389 per judge. That compares to the statewide average caseload of 12,735 for district court

judges. Currently, the judges use a part-time magistrate to help with the caseload several days a week.

"I'm obviously disappointed, but not overly surprised," said John MacDonald, chief 35th District Court judge. "They didn't give us a judge, but apparently we're doing a good job."

And that's exactly what the report indicates.

"The 35th District Court is constantly looking at methods which will assist in keeping the docket current without compromising policies that the bench believes are necessary to protect the integrity of the judicial system. The court has become known as a pioneer in new practices, procedures, and technology to assist with docket management. The judges are very pro-active in following the progress of probationers sentenced in all criminal misdemeanor matters, especially domestic violence and alcohol matters," stated the report.

MacDonald and Lowe are still hopeful Patterson can deliver, despite the SCAO report.

"We don't know how the legislature will use the report in its determination, but we're confident Representative Patterson will continue to fight hard for us," said MacDonald.

Got an opinion? Share it with us in a letter to the editor to bkadrich@oe.homecomm.net

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According to the district, school bus No. 84 was transporting Discovery Middle School students home when it hit a car that stopped suddenly in front of it at the corner of Cherry Hill and Sheldon Road. No one was injured in the mishap.

The incident is under investigation by Canton Township police and the district administration. The bus driver has also been suspended from his current duties pending the investigation.

Regarding both incidents, Judy Evola, director of community relations for Plymouth-Canton Schools, said, "In all situations, the safety and well-being of all Plymouth-Canton Community Schools students and staff is always the top priority, of paramount importance and should never be compromised. We care very much about the safety of every student attending Plymouth-Canton Community Schools and riding in district buses. Please be assured that every precaution is being taken to ensure all students' safety."

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m., Monday September 17th 2001 for the following:

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League meeting

The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County hosts a membership meeting at 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, at the Civic Center Library on Five Mile. Laura Callow of ERAmerica will speak on new developments in the fight to pass the ERA, and a film will be shown.

For more information, call Paula Bowman, (734) 669-5830, days, or 455-4726, evenings.

Community Chorus

The 120-member Plymouth Community Chorus presents its annual Christmas concert Nov. 30 to Dec. 2, with rehearsals starting Tuesday, Sept. 4, at the First Baptist Church of Plymouth.

Auditions, by appointment only, will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 4, Sept. 11 and Sept. 18. The Sept. 4 auditions will be held at First Baptist Church, 45000 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth.

For more information and the location of the Sept. 11 and Sept. 18 auditions, call (734) 455-4080.

Guest speaker

Doug Rothwell, chief executive officer of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, will be the featured speaker at the Colonial Kiwanis Club of Michigan meeting at noon Thursday, Sept. 6, at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

Rothwell will talk about the MEDC. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

For more information, call Lee Harrison of the Plymouth Kiwanis, (734) 416-6055.

Beautification awards

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce seeks nominations for its annual Business Beautification Awards.

Nominations are eligible in three categories: renovation, landscaping and new construction. Nominated businesses must be located in the City of Plymouth or Plymouth Township. Nominations must be made in writing by Sept. 10.

Mail or bring nominations to the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, 386 S. Main, Plymouth, MI 48170, or fax them to (734) 453-1724. For more information, call the chamber, (734) 453-1540.

Symphony auditions

Evola Music hosts auditions for the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra from 4-8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10, at 7170 N. Haggerty Road in Canton.

The symphony is seeking experienced players with advanced musical skills for fall auditions for the 56th concert season. Posted positions for per-service wage include principal viola, fourth horn, tuba and section string musicians. Substitute musicians are needed for wind, brass and percussion section positions. Other openings may be posted as necessary.

Audition selections will be taken from standard orchestra repertoire. Non-standard selections will be supplied. Auditions are by appointment only. Full orchestra rehearsals begin Monday, Oct. 1.

For more information, to schedule an audition appointment or if you're interested but not available that day, call personnel manager William Hulsker, (313) 640-1773, or e-mail to plymouthsymphony@aol.com.

Chosen to serve

Jan Anderson Hankins of Plymouth has been selected to serve as a regional alumnae programming and recruitment specialist for Delta Gamma Fraternity. In this position, Hankins will serve Delta Gamma groups in Michigan, Indiana and Ohio, focusing on helping create and implement innovative and effective programming and help them recruit and retain members.

Hankins has remained actively involved in Delta Gamma and her community since being a charter member at Morehead State University.

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Central among issues addressed in school district facilities plan

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School board members indicate they didn't know the draft report on facilities and curriculum was coming. However, most agree it will give them a base from which to begin discussions on the future of Plymouth-Canton Schools.

"We need a process to determine what our community wants in our schools, and about selling some of our old physical plants," said Trustee Judy Mardigian. "A magnet school would have a lot of appeal to parents who want something different."

Trustee Darwin Watts doesn't like the idea of eliminating elementary schools.

"It might be better financially, but our product is education," said Watts. "We should think strongly about adding buildings so we can create smaller schools, which is a better learning environment for kids."

Board member Steve Guile said it will be a number of years before any of the plan is ready for implementation.

"Consolidation is necessary in many of our operations because of budget constraints," he said. "Central Middle School is an emotional issue. We need to look at preserving the character of that community."

Plymouth City Manager Paul Sincock said the city would be interested in looking at a partnership with the school district concerning Central Middle School property.

"There is some very valuable recreational land at Central

Some possible plans

Here are a few of the ideas floated in Superintendent Kathleen Booher's drafted plan for facilities and curriculum in Plymouth-Canton schools:

Elementary

- Establish all elementary buildings as "pre-k through Grade 5 buildings" by adding one section of half-day preschool.
- Add a Grades 1-2-3 multiage room at each elementary as a parent choice opportunity.
- Establish between six and eight elementary buildings as 600-student buildings.

Middle School

- Convert one Canton elementary building to a middle school.
- Reassign students currently at Central Middle School to adjacent middle school attendance areas.
- Determine building enhancements necessary at Pioneer, East, West and a fourth building to accommodate student numbers.

Impact Issues

- Build a 600-student elementary school in southwest Canton Township.
- Seek community and financial partners for "repurposing" Central Middle School, including establishing a magnet elementary school in Central Middle School.
- Sell or lease Tanger, Starkweather, the central maintenance building and/or the E.J. McClendon Building.

Middle School, which was identified as a priority in the city's recreation master plan," said Sincock. "The athletic fields, tennis courts, football complex and open space could be put together in a multi-faceted program."

"We already have a great partnership with the schools," he said. "The land the Cultural Center sits on is owned by the school district."

Plymouth city commissioner David Byers, who has made

Central Middle School a central issue of his re-election campaign, wants to make certain the people will be heard when it comes to the school's future.

"I've been criticized that Central isn't a real issue, but everything I'm seeing is opposite of that," he said. "If the school board says there's a financial issue with Central and it needs to be addressed, then let's get a group to think out of the box to do that."

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some around the couple's home, which sits on a hill rising above Wilcox Lake. It didn't take long for the monarchs to find the plants, and they have been regular visitors to the Stuart home ever since.

"With all the building going on, people are pulling out the milkweed at such a fast rate. It's a lot harder to find it than it was just a few years ago. That's why I decided to just plant some at the house. At the time I didn't know the monarchs were endangered, but I knew it was harder and harder to find them. I have been involved ever since," Lois said.

Has she ever? Along with Al, Lois regularly checks the milkweed leaves for the tiny monarch eggs. When she finds them, she places each in a tiny terrarium where they are safe from predators. Soon, a teeny caterpillar hatches. After gorging itself on milkweed leaves over the course of about three weeks, the caterpillar forms its chrysalis. Two weeks later a butterfly emerges and unwraps its wings for the first time.

"It gives you such a thrill when they unfold their wings and then take off into the air," Lois said.

When the monarchs take flight from the Stuart yard, it is the beginning of an amazing journey. Before winter sets in, they will begin a 2,500-mile migration that will take them all the way to a region in central Mexico. There they will gather by the thousands and wait for



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN
Food source: Lois Stuart planted some milkweed around her Plymouth Township home so monarch butterflies could thrive.

spring, before moving north again where they will lay their eggs and die.

Like many other monarch admirers, the Stuarts go to witness part of this mass migration at Point Pelee National Park, which juts out into Lake Erie in Canada. In early to mid-September, migrating monarchs use the point of land about an hour southeast of Windsor as a stopping point on the way to Mexico. "The first time we went, we looked for the monarchs all over

the park, but we couldn't see any. Then we realized what we thought were the leaves on the trees were actually thousands and thousands of the butterflies. It was amazing," Lois said.

The Stuarts estimate they raise more than a dozen monarchs every summer, while their milkweed plants feed many others. While those numbers won't exactly save the species, Lois feels the monarchs could really rebound if others also planted milkweed in gardens and landscapes.

"I think as many people as possible should plant milkweed. It would really be beneficial to the monarchs," she said.

Although one won't find milkweed at many plant nurseries, Lois said it grows lovely pink flowers that give off a strong fragrant scent. She encourages as many of her friends as possible to plant it, and she recently took some milkweed plants over to Tonda Elementary, where students constructed a butterfly garden.

Al, who operates his own public relations firm out of the home and serves on the Plymouth Community Arts Council, said he has become used to his wife's personal crusade.

"She is a butterfly addict. She loves nature. We've always raised animals and worked on our garden. Raising these monarchs is just an interesting hobby. Plus you feel like you are doing something worthwhile. She really enjoys that," he said.

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making sure those buildings have separate gymnasiums and multipurpose/cafeteria rooms.

"It would be more economical to operate fewer buildings, so it's very possible we'll have to close some elementary schools," said Booher. "We need to relocate the education centers to where the kids are, like the southwest corner of the district. So, we'll look at repurposing or selling buildings in the lower attendance areas of the district."

Concerning Central Middle School, Booher said "we would retain ownership, but do something different with the building. We hope some partners step forward to make it a multi-purpose building."

"I would like to see a popular magnet school, International Academy, located there," she said. "In the rest of the building we would like a partner to work with us, both with programs and financially, which would serve the community without making it a burden. For example, the city

(Plymouth) and residents have expressed interest in keeping it a recreation center."

Concerning curriculum, Booher said she'd like to see the TAG (Talented and Gifted) program a part of each elementary building.

"The model we are using for TAG is an old one and needs to be updated," said Booher. "Currently it requires children to be shuttled. We could use that time in the classroom. Plus, it would allow siblings to go to school together, and we could open the program to more children."

Booher said before there is any finalization of the plan, the board and community will be involved.

"The community will have input, and we've said that all along," she said. "The board needs to have conversation. We're at the stage of generating ideas."

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pounds," he said. "They were eating well and gaining weight."

The 31-year-old Plymouth Township woman, whose identity is not being made public, was originally scheduled to have the babies Sept. 17. She was admitted to Henry Ford May 22 and delivered the babies at 29 weeks.

The pregnancy was aided by infertility drugs via a procedure

called intrauterine insemination, which involves depositing sperm inside the woman's uterus near the time of ovulation.

The babies were born three minutes apart, and ranged in weight from two pounds, 8 ounces to 1 pound, 14 ounces. They were the first set of quintuplets born in the 86-year history of Henry Ford Hospital.

Ezhuthachan said the babies will return to Henry Ford for check-ups in about two weeks, and will be periodically examined over the next two years to monitor their growth.

"From now on it will be like taking care of any other baby, only four times as much," he chuckled.

Local business offers reward for return of stolen property

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Horton Plumbing in Plymouth is offering a \$2,500 reward to recover nearly \$20,000 in equipment stolen from a company van last weekend.

"It makes you sick to your stomach," said owner Jeff Horton, as he inventoried what was lost in the break-in. "It's a substantial amount of equipment, all of which has to be replaced right away so we can continue business."

Horton said most of the stolen items wouldn't be useful to the average handyman.

"Most of it is specialty equipment, like an \$8,000 fiber optic camera that's used to video sewer systems," he said.

It's the second time this summer Horton has had trucks vandalized and equipment stolen from the parking area behind his building on Main Street. On June 27, three vans were burglarized,

'It makes you sick to your stomach. It's a substantial amount of equipment, all of which has to be replaced right away so we can continue business.'

Jeff Horton
—Business owner

with thousands of dollars in equipment taken. "The people who are taking this equipment seem to know what they're looking for," said Det. Lt. Ed Ochal of the Plymouth police department. "It could be someone starting a new business, or maybe even an inside job."

The reward will be given to anyone who has information leading to an arrest, as well as recovery of the equipment and tools. Tips can be directed to Ochal at (734) 453-1234, Ext. 208.

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leave the market's parking lot at a high rate of speed. The car, which the officer believes was an older Ford Tempo, headed south on Ridge.

According to the report, the officer attempted to catch up to the vehicle, which was traveling at more than 100 mph. The officer activated his overhead lights and siren, but the vehicle didn't stop, instead continuing south to Ford and then turning east-bound. The officer also turned east on Ford, but lost sight of the vehicle and quit the pursuit near Canton Center.

Video footage obtained from store security cameras seems to indicate two white males in their 30s were involved in each incident. Only cigarettes were taken Thursday.

"We don't know for sure that the same people are responsible. But each of the incidents have

'I've got to get bars, because I consider three times a warning and a real threat to my business.'

Al Jonna
—Picnic Basket owner

been similar. Each time an object was used to break the front glass door, which is where they gained entry. The same items also seem to have been targeted each time," said Officer Jame Senkbeil of the Plymouth Township Police Department.

According to Senkbeil, the boldness of the robbers has made catching them a priority for the department.

"If it is the same guys, they are gutsy. The officers of this department take it personally

We are going to do everything necessary to apprehend them," she said.

If caught, the men could face three felony counts of breaking and entering, and a felony count of fleeing and eluding a police officer. If convicted on all charges, they face a maximum of 32 years in prison.

Picnic Basket owner Al Jonna also wants to see the people responsible caught. While he wouldn't give specifics about how much was stolen from him, he said he is installing bars on his front door to prevent future break-ins.

"I've got to get bars, because I consider three times a warning and a real threat to my business. These guys have to be caught. I want them more than anything," he said.

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Survey shows finding poll workers is biggest challenge come election time

Recruiting enough qualified poll workers is one of the top concerns for many election officials in Michigan according to a recent survey.

The informal survey, conducted earlier this year by the League of Women Voters of Michigan, found that of 101 county, city, township and village clerks surveyed 32 reported having difficulty recruiting enough poll workers, and five reported running short during the 2000 presidential election.

In every jurisdiction surveyed, poll workers worked at least 12-hour days, and many often worked 15-16 hours.

Clerks from Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Livonia and Canton Township were among those who participated in the survey.

"It is a big problem," said Linda Langmesser, president of the Wayne County Clerks Association and clerk in the city of

Plymouth "The workers we have range from 60 to 80 years old. They're very capable people but it's a very long day for the seniors."

Langmesser said many potential poll workers don't realize they could take a vacation day from their current job, and get paid for it, to work an election precinct. She said many clerks are also looking at using high schoolers since the legislature two years ago passed a law saying 16-year-olds could be used if provided adult supervision.

"The last election, we used four high school kids," Langmesser said "They're very bright, very energetic."

The survey also found a strong correlation between voter turnout and absentee voting. Jurisdictions with high levels of absentee voting also tended to have high levels of voter turnout, suggesting finding ways to increase the number of absen-

tee voters may help improve overall turnout.

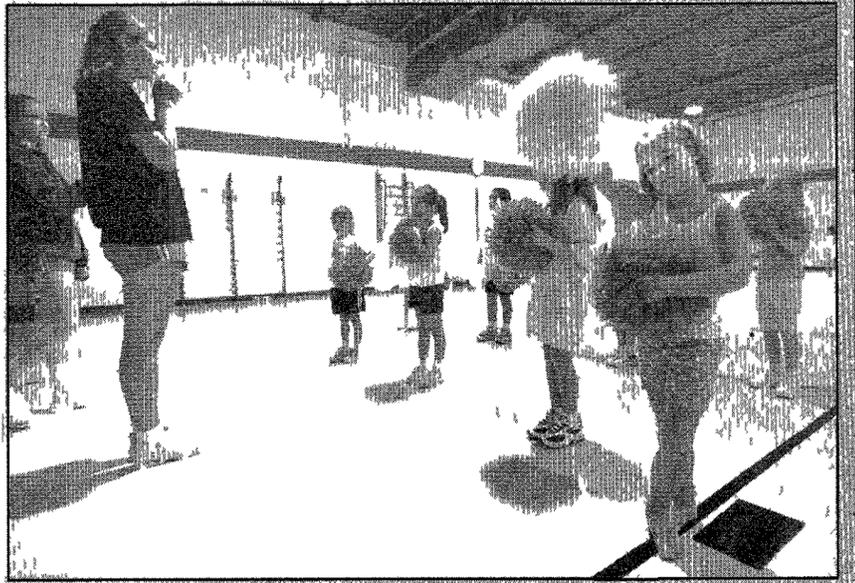
In the 2001 election, according to the LWV, statewide voter turnout was 62 percent. Survey respondents said even though it is costly to mail ballots, more absentee ballots would relieve significant pressure on election night. However, failure of voters to sign ballots or sending them in late are two major reasons absentee votes sometimes must be thrown out.

Election officials recommended the following changes to help improve voter turnout:

- Mail sample ballots to each household
- Mail absentee voter applications to everyone 60 and older
- Put election information on each clerk's Web site
- Split shifts for poll workers
- Train all poll workers, not just precinct chairs
- Recruit poll workers from colleges and honors-level high school students
- Use videos, practice training for first-time voters
- Educate voters about change of registration when they move

"We were pleased to find studies have shown that voter turnout is greater than the state average in areas where a local league chapter is providing voter education services," said Patricia Donath, president of the League of Women Voters of Michigan.

Pom perfection



Chieffettes clinic: Hannah Sensius of Canton, 5, twirls her pompons while Canton Chieffettes instructor Julie Smith leads a group in learning a routine during the Chieffettes Pom Clinic Wednesday at Hoben Elementary School in Canton. Fifty-seven young girls hoping to grow up to be pompon girls attended the event under the tutelage of 24 varsity Chieffettes and several intermediate squad members. Attendees learned dance and pom routines during the day-long event and enjoyed a lunch of submarines and fruit.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

David Medley ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
(734) 397-5435

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BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEETING NOTICE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

A regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be held on Thursday September 9, 2001 at 7:00 PM in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI to consider the following items:

Z 01 14	555 Forest Ave	Non Use Variance Requested Lot Split, Lot Area & Street Frontage Zoned B 2 Central Business Applicant: Ross Financial
Z 01 15	399 Ann Street	Non Use Variance Requested Back Yard Setback - New Two Car Garage Zoned R 1 Single Family Residential Applicant: Bill & Marge Szeszechowski
Z 01 16	774 Pacific Street	Non Use Variance Requested Side Yard Setback - New One Car Garage Zoned R 1 Single Family Residential Applicant: Mary Herr
Z 01 17	300 N. Mill	Non Use Variance Requested Front Yard Parking Zoned RM 1 Multiple Family Residential Applicant: April & Paul Dobbs

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Carol Stone, ADA Coordinator
201 S. Main Street
Plymouth, MI 48170 (734) 453-1234 Ext. 206

All interested persons are invited to attend.

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2001 7:00 PM

A regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall to consider the following:

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE REZONING
231, 233, 261 AND 263 W. SPRING
REZONE FROM R 1, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO RM-1, MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL
APPLICANT: BRIAN MIKULEC

SITE PLAN APPROVAL
TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan as amended and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, September 10, 2001 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

HROMEK REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 021.99.0014.001 FROM RR RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO R 1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located on the south side of Joy Road between Ridge and Napier Roads.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, September 6, 2001 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON
Chairman

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POLICE BLOTTER

Burglar busted at Lake Pointe

A Plymouth Township police officer arrested a man breaking into cars at the Lake Pointe Village Apartments early Thursday morning.

The officer was sent to the apartment complex on Five Mile when a resident called police dispatch after seeing two men going into cars, and then taking items over to a dumpster to go through them.

When the officer arrived around 1:45 a.m., he allegedly saw the man bent over in a red Chevy Blazer. The man, a 20-year-old South Lyon resident, initially told the officer the vehicle belonged to his girlfriend.

The officer was suspicious and decided to search the man. He allegedly found several film containers filled with quarters, a set of keys and several gold coins. After placing the man in the back of the patrol car, the officer located the owner of the Blazer, who identified the film containers as his. Later, another

victim told the officer he was missing the set of keys and gold coins. The officer arrested the man. He was charged with burglary.

Home invasion

Plymouth Township police arrested an 18-year-old Westland man in the early morning hours of Aug. 27 for breaking into a township home on the 49000 block of Oak.

The man is accused of stealing a Sony VCR and a jar containing more than \$130 in coins. Police believe the man left a small house gathering on the same street, and broke into the house around 10 p.m.

According to police reports, the man was visiting friends who live two doors down from the victims. Police officers questioned the friends about their knowledge of the home invasion. One of the friends allegedly told officers the Westland man was acting strange that night, and, around midnight, had asked to be taken to the Meijer at Ford and Canton Center roads, so he could exchange some coins for bills.

Officers searched the man and found \$124 in bills, as well as several dollars of Canadian coins. The officers also allegedly found the discarded jar behind a shed, where the friends told police the man had been counting coins earlier in the night.

After arresting the man for home invasion, the officers contacted Meijer officials and watched a video of the man allegedly exchanging the coins for bills. The tape was taken for evidence.

The man was also charged with being intoxicated as a minor.

School vandalized

Two 11-year-old boys allegedly vandalized Farrand Elementary School Aug. 18. Witnesses said the two boys set off fire extinguishers and broke school property with an ax.

When officers arrived at the scene around 6:30 p.m., the boys had already left. However, a witness followed them to a house on nearby Lakewood Street, where officers found them. After officers took them back to the school, the boys allegedly confessed to the vandalism.

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Expect delays, detours as major road work continues

Students heading back to school this week - or, in most cases, the bus drivers, parents and guardians who chauffeured them - likely found road maintenance projects that will slow traffic well into the fall.

In Livonia, scheduled work on most major thoroughfares is complete, with the big exception of the I-96/I-275/M-14 repairs. That \$51 million Michigan Department of Transportation project, which includes extensive resurfacing, the rebuilding of a stretch of the freeway, and repairs to bridges and the I-275 interchange, will run at least through October.

On Newburgh Road, which is maintained by the city, drivers can expect periodic lane closures between Five and Eight Mile roads as workers replace individual concrete pavement slabs. Newburgh is the only major road in this year's slab replacement

program, said city engineer Bob Schron.

A scheduled Wayne County project, the widening of Merriman between Seven Mile and Eight Mile, has been postponed until next spring.

Beginning the project as planned would mean leaving the road in poor condition over the winter, and a natural gas pipeline also has to be moved before work can begin, said John Roach, spokesman for the county's roads department.

Here is a roundup of the status of major road projects in area communities.

Redford Township

In Redford, the resurfacing of Beech Daly between Six Mile and Grand River, the only major road project to be done in the township this year, should be completed by mid to late September, Roach said. Expect lane closures.

Canton Township

Canton has several projects in various stages of completion.

■ Canton Center Road between Ford Road and just north of Warren Road is being widened to five lanes. Canton Center from Ford north to

Maben Road has been reopened. Traffic shifts will occur until late September.

The entire project is expected to be completed in early October, according to the township's Web site.

■ Beck Road has been repaved between Cherry Hill and Ford, but restoration work and sign installation will continue until mid-September.

■ A traffic shift has taken place between the county line and just west of Beck on Michigan Avenue, which is being rebuilt. Most of the work is expected to be done by mid-November.

Westland

In Westland, two major resurfacing projects are nearly complete. One is on Carlson between Marquette and Ford, and the other is on Marquette between Wayne Road and Newburgh. Both are expected to be finished just after Labor Day.

Plymouth area

In the city of Plymouth, the intersection of Ann Arbor Trail and Harvey is closed for infrastructure repairs. It is expected to reopen next week.

In Plymouth Township, Haggerty will be closed north of Ann

Arbor Trail until late fall.

Farmington area

Two Farmington-area road-widening projects - on Farmington Road between Eight Mile and Nine Mile, and on Orchard Lake Road from I-696 to 10 Mile - will likely tie up back-to-school traffic, according to Craig Bryson of the Road Commission for Oakland County.

Both projects are being completed without detours. "They will cause traffic delays," Bryson said.

Both are expected to be completed at the end of November.

Job Fair scheduled for Sept. 19

Those looking for a job in virtually any career, but don't know where to turn, might want to circle Wednesday, Sept. 19, on their calendars.

That's the scheduled date for the sixth annual Job Fair, co-hosted by the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and Home-Town Communications.

When: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19. Where: Burton Manor in Livonia, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

What: Sixth Annual Job Fair
Who: Co-hosted by Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and Home-Town Communications
When: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19
Where: Burton Manor in Livonia, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Schoolcraft Road in Livonia
Why: To enable employers and job hunters a chance to meet

Last year's event drew approximately 2,000 job hunters from throughout metropolitan Detroit and hopes are to duplicate that level of interest.

Meg Lyczak, manager of inside outside classified sales for the Observer, said because the job fair is general in scope, there is no particular theme or focus.

"We have banks, health care (companies), retail stores and industries" lined up to get acquainted with those who are looking for new jobs and careers, explained Lyczak. "It's going to be across-the-board."

Lyczak does suggest that attendees come to Burton Manor armed with plenty of resumes.

Meanwhile, Lyczak said there still is plenty of room for businesses to sign up for the "across-the-board" event. She can be reached at (734) 953-2068.

Burton Manor is located at 27777 Schoolcraft Road, west of Inkster Road and on the south side of Schoolcraft.

Head Start calls toll free

Wayne County Head Start has just made it easier and less expensive for parents to learn more about Head Start.

A new toll free phone number, 1-(866)534-KIDS, now links any called to a Head Start operator.

Wayne County Head Start is a free child development program for 3 and 4-year-olds. Wayne County offers programs serving most all communities except Detroit (its operates its own Head Start) throughout the County.

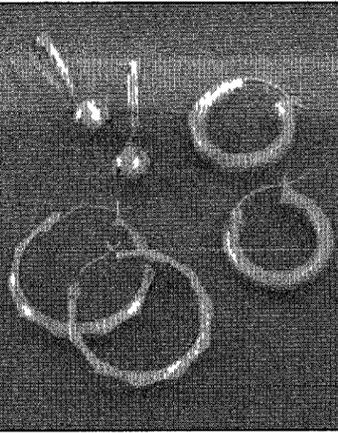
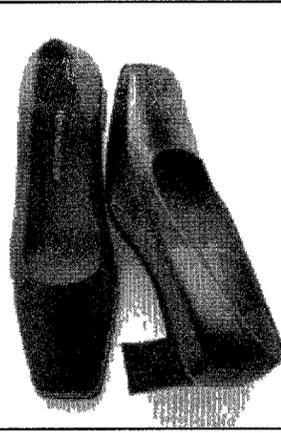
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CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND PLYMOUTH AND CANTON

AROUND TOWN

SUICIDE PREVENTION

■ Youth Suicide Prevention Week will be observed Sept 16-21. The first event will be held on the steps of the capitol in Lansing on Sunday, Sept 16, by families who have lost a loved one to suicide. For more information or to participate contact Glenda at (313) 561-2456.

LEAGUE MEETING

■ The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County hosts a membership meeting at 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, Sept 12, at the Civic Center Library on Five Mile. Laura Callow of ERAmerica will speak on new developments in the fight to pass the ERA, and a film will be shown. Paula Bowman (734) 689-5830 days or (734) 455-4726 evenings.

FLEA MARKET

■ Royal Holiday Clubhouse on Warren in Canton is holding a flea market 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept 15.

MUSIC CLASSES

■ Village Music offers the complete Kindermusik program for children ages newborn to 8 years old. Call (734) 354-9825 for further information.

AMERICAN CANCER WALK

■ On Saturday, Oct 13 the American Cancer Society will host "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer," a walking event that celebrates breast cancer survivorship and promotes breast health awareness. Being held at Detroit's Belle Isle Park with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. For more information call (800) ACS-2345.

CLOTHING SALE

■ Northwest Suburban Mothers of Multiples will hold their annual Fall/Winter Clothing Sale 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept 8, at Our Lady of Loretto Church. More than 25 tables of children's items, a bake sale, and a Discovery Toys representative will be featured. Admission for adults is \$1.

GENEALOGY CLASS

■ Northville Genealogical Society presents Tom Thompson, former President of Western Wayne Genealogical Society, holding a class on how to plan your research and the pitfalls he has uncovered in doing research for 25 years. This class is at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept 9 at the Northville District Library. For more information call (734) 420-3622.

CRAFT SHOW

■ Crafters are needed for the 15th annual juried show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct 20 at West Middle School in Plymouth. Call Terri at (248) 349-5344 for more information.

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY AUDITIONS

■ Evola Music Center of Canton will host auditions for the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra from 4-8 p.m. Monday, Sept 10. The Symphony is seeking experienced players with advanced musical skills for fall auditions for the 56th concert season. Contact personnel manager, William Hulsker, at (313) 640-1773.

KINDERMUSIK MUSICAL STORIES

■ Engaging songs, instrument play, playful stories and little feet moving in time to music. September sessions, 4:15 p.m. Wednesday, Sept 12 at the Great Harvest Bread in Northville, 9:30 a.m. and Tuesday, Sept 18 at the Plymouth Coffee Bean in Plymouth. Call Evola Music (734) 455-4877 for classes or for a free

brochure

FALL AUDITIONS

■ The Ann Arbor Youth Chorale is holding auditions for the 2001-2002 season, 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept 6, 5-8 p.m. Friday, Sept 7, 9 a.m. - noon Saturday, Sept 8 at Huron High School. No preparations necessary. Call (734) 996-4404 for information.

THEATER AUDITIONS

■ Auditions for *Halloween Hocus Pocus* will be held at the Mornings Theatre at 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept 9. Children 8-16 years old can audition. Performers must prepare a song in their vocal range and bring their own sheet music. Performers must also prepare to read a poem, no longer than two minutes. It does not have to be memorized. For more information, call (248) 349-8110.

INFANT CARE CLASS

■ St. Mary Mercy Hospital will offer a two-part Infant Care Class, Sept 6 and Sept 13, designed for parents and caregivers of newborns and infants. Participants may attend one or both classes. Call (734) 655-1100 for further information.

POWER TEAM

■ John Jacobs and the Power Team, a group of world class athletes, will give an exhibition of power, strength and speed - with a message of motivation and inspiration next month at The United Assembly of God. Performances are 7 p.m. Sept 5-9. For more information contact the Rev. Andy Lapins at (734) 453-4530.

COMPOSTER PROGRAM

■ Learn the how-to's of Rouge River water quality protection through composting, yard waste reduction and gardening during Wayne County's Master Composter Program. The program runs 6:30-8 p.m. Thursdays, Sept 6 through Oct 11. The classes will be held at Summit on the Park in Canton. For further information call (734) 326-3936.

FLOWER EXCHANGE

■ Trailwood Garden Club Presents the Perennial Exchange from 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Sept 8 in front of the Wilcox House. Open to the whole community. Bring your healthy plants to exchange.

HIGH SCHOOL REUNION

■ Plymouth High School Reunion, classes of '65/'66 picnic at Maybury State Park from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept 8. Call J. Norquist for information at (734) 455-6319. All school classes pre-1971 reunion party at Plymouth Elks on Ann Arbor Road beginning at noon Sunday, Sept 9.

FLEA MARKET

■ Livonia Historical Society presenting a flea market from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept 9 at Greenmead Historical Park. Admission is \$1 for children under 12. Free food and refreshments available. For more information call (248) 477-7375.

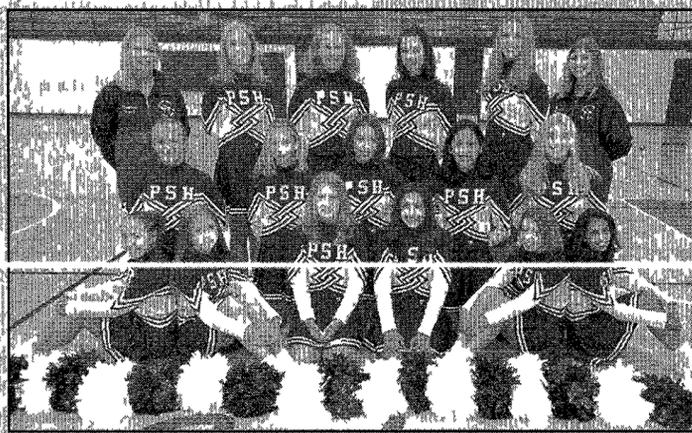
PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY SOCIETY

■ The 55th annual meeting is set for 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept 5. It will celebrate a successful 55th concert season and feature a special presentation by music director and conductor Nan Washburn previewing the 56th concert season "Alive with Musical Color."

CRAFT SHOW

■ The Village Painters present The Treasure Chest Craft Show 2001, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept 8 and 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept 9 at Central Middle School. Admission is \$2.

Spirits soaring



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHELMANN

Intermediate Rockettes: Front row (l-r) Emily Arble, Janice Markwood, Missy Lachowski, Heather Cornell, Jennifer Furniss and Imari Patel; Second row (l-r) Kristen Dobias, Courtney Gromicki, Emily Nicolau, Shelly Catalan and Kristina Zaumseil; Back row (l-r) Coach Laura Novkov, Missy Mestrovich, Ashley Schopieray, Kate Geary, Lisa Stemmermann and coach Nichole Barrett.

New team set to raise school spirit

There are 16 new girls raising school spirit for the Salem Junior Varsity football and basketball teams this year. The Salem Rockettes Intermediate Team was formed recently for the 2001-2002 school year.

Each spring when as many as 80 hopeful girls try out for the Rockettes Pompon squad, they know that there are only 24 slots available to be a member of the varsity dance/pompon team.

In this year Rockettes coach Aileen Balatico and Canton Chiefettes coach Danielle Voyles talked with administrators about adding an intermediate squad to each of their rosters. The idea was approved, though not in time for official funding and being considered a junior varsity squad.

"Technically, we're not a JV but in competitions that's the category they will compete in," said Salem Intermediate coach Laura Novkov. Consisting of mainly freshmen and sophomores, the 16-member crew was selected based on a point system, following the same criteria as the varsity squad.

The girls will be performing at Plymouth Salem Junior Varsity football and basketball games throughout the season.

— PAUL HURSCHELMANN

INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKER

■ Tim Lee, former Marine, will deliver a message for our times hosted by the Solid Rock Bible Church 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept 2. The service will be held at Central Middle School in the auditorium.

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY LEAGUE

■ The Plymouth Symphony League is selling 2002 Entertainment books to support the Symphony's 2001-2002 concert season. Buyers ordering now will receive a free 2001 Values Book, while supplies last. The 2002 book price has been reduced to \$30. To order call (734) 451-2112.

GOLF OUTING

■ The second-annual Good Grief Golf Outing to benefit New Hope Center for Grief Support will be held at Tanglewood Golf Club in South Lyon, with a 10 a.m. shotgun start Saturday, Sept 8. The cost for this four-person scramble, which includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch, dinner and prizes, is \$100 per golfer. Dinner and Silent Auction only \$50. Contact the center for information (248) 348-0115.

TAI CHI CLASSES

■ Beginner classes start at 7 p.m. Monday, Sept 10 in Livonia and Bloomfield Hills. Classes for seniors begin at 1 p.m., Wednesday, Sept 12 at the Livonia location. For more information call the society at (248) 332-1281.

■ Leagues are now forming for kids 4-17 to play at the new Arctic Edge of Canton starting this fall. Applications are available through September in the Summit on the Park lobby or by calling the Canton Hockey Association at (734) 207-1002.

ICE HOCKEY LEAGUES

■ D & M Studios Annual Summer Student Art Camp Show and Exhibit will be held 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. Monday, Aug 27-Friday, Aug 31, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept 1, Noon-4 p.m., Sunday, Sept 2. This year's theme is "Australian Outback-Down Under" exhibiting art work completed by young artists ages 3-16. Call (734) 453-3710 for further information.

ANNIVERSARY PARTY

■ Bird Elementary School will celebrate 50 years of learning with a '50s-style party and open house noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept 22, at the school, 220 Sheldon (northwest corner of Sheldon and Ann Arbor Trail). Parents, students, alumni, former administrators, teachers and support staff may attend. For more information, call the Bird School office at (734) 416-3100 or the Bird 50th hot line at (734) 454-0487.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

■ Plymouth Community Chorus is selling 2002 Entertainment Books to pay for its charitable and educational activities. Buyers ordering now will receive a free 2001 Values Book, while supplies last. Cost of book has been reduced to \$30. To order, call Stan at (734) 459-6829.

■ Summer Evening Series 7 p.m. each Thursday. Each week a different topic is covered from Maybury's natural or cultural history with hikes and slide programs. All programs are free, however, a state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry to the park.

DUFFERS & DINERS

■ Sundays at the Golden Fox of Fox Hills through September. Eighteen holes at \$100/couple - tee times noon to 4 p.m., nine holes \$80/couple - tee times 2-4 p.m. Price includes your choice of steak or chicken dinner, golf and cart. Please call for tee times (734) 453-7272.

BICYCLE RIDES

■ Bike tours throughout the Plymouth community, starting at 6:00 p.m. Mondays through October at the Comerica Bank on Ann Arbor Road, west of Sheldon. Find out how to bike to the area focal points while minimizing sharing the road with fast-moving motorists. For further information, call Alan

VanKerckhove (734) 455-9144.

HISTORICAL MUSEUM

■ Hours for the Canton Historical Museum are 1-4 p.m. Tuesday and Saturday. Tours for school, Scouts or other groups may be arranged by calling (734) 397-0088.

VILLAGE MUSIC

■ Group classes in piano and hammer dulcimer for people ages 5 to adult. The complete Kindermusik curriculum is offered for newborns to children 7 years old. For information, call Norma Atwood at (734) 354-9825.

HATHA YOGA

■ Classes in Plymouth 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Call Cynthia Gray, (734) 420-2418, for further information.

RECREATION

■ The city of Plymouth is taking registration for its children's/tots gymnastics, dance, arts, Jump-A Rama, tai kwan do, personal development, aerobics and more. For more information call the recreation division at (734) 455-6620.

SKATING CLASSES

■ Learn to roller-skate at Skatin' Station II in Canton for children or adults, 7-8 p.m. every Sunday. The cost is \$6 per session or \$30 for six weeks. Inline roller hockey leagues for all ages. Ten-week session with one game a week for all ages. Call (734) 459-6401 for information.

CREATIVE MUSIC

■ The Creative Music Center of Plymouth/Canton has registration for its Kindermusik classes. Ages infant to seven years old. Classes are held at the First Baptist Church of Plymouth, 45000 N. Territorial (just west of Sheldon), beginning Sept 4. For information, call Amy Brewer at (734) 513-5855 or (734) 207-8654.

CLUBS

MOMS IN TOUCH

■ A Fall Rally from 9 a.m. - Noon Sept 28 at Huron Hills Baptist Church in Ann Arbor. Come be encouraged, and challenged by the difference you can make in the lives of children, teacher, administrators and other school staff. RSVP by Sept 14 to Karen Jeffries at (734) 397-2771.

NACW

■ The September meeting of West Suburban Chapter of National Association of Career Women is at 11:45 a.m. Tues Sept 11 at Ernest's in Plymouth. Cost is \$18 for members and \$22 for non-members. RSVP Brenda Durling (734) 462-4670.

MOMS CLUB

■ Western Wayne County stay-at-home mothers may meet at 10 a.m. the third Tuesday of each month. The group offer play groups, activities, outings and community service opportunities. Call Tamme at (734) 525-8955 for further information.

K OF C OX ROAST

■ Knights of Columbus Ox Roast from 1-6 p.m. Monday, Sept 3 at 150 Fair, Plymouth. Roast beef dinners, take out, family fun, games, prizes, a raffle and refreshments will be available. The public is welcome. Call (734) 459-9833 for more information.

SINGLETONS

■ Single adults ages 45 and older wishing further information regarding activities may write Dearborn-Livonia Singletons, P.O. Box 2175, Fort Dearborn Station, Dearborn, MI 48123.

WEST SUBURBAN STAMP

CLUB

■ Meeting at 8 p.m. the first and third Fridays of the month at the Plymouth Historical Society, 155 S. Main St., Plymouth.

PLYMOUTH CANTON JAYCEES

■ Looking for people 21-39 interested in making friends, helping with good causes and having a good time. The Jaycees meet at 7:30 p.m. every second Wednesday of the month at the Plymouth Township Clerk's office. Call (734) 455-0407 or show up at the group's monthly meeting.

COMMUNITY DEMOCRATS

■ The Community Democratic Club meets at 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month at UAW Local 845 Hall Business meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. The club serves Canton, Northville, Plymouth and the Livonia 13th District. For further information, call Becky Tavarozzi (734) 398-5845.

TOASTMASTERS

■ 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

■ Westside Singles presents dances every Friday night at the Burton Manor. Doors open at 8 p.m., dressy attire, 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.

K 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-you-can-eat buffet. Newly remodeled breakfast room. Call (734) 453-9833 for further information.

ARTS COUNCIL

■ Every second Tuesday at noon you may take your lunch and learn about art with the speakers from the DIA. The cost is \$5 for members and \$8 for others. Lectures are free to senior citizens. Winter 2001 classes for children-acting, singing, drawing, sketching and painting. For adults: photography, drawing, sketching, watercolor, salsa dance, and figure drawing with models. Art or drama birthday parties or Scout workshops custom designed for each group (any age) at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. For information, call (734) 416-4278.

KIWANIS BREAKFAST CLUB

■ The Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club meets 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. Guests are welcome. Call Charr Briggs at (810) 406-8489.

BUSINESS NETWORK INTERNATIONAL

■ The Canton II Chapter of Business Network International (BNI) holds its regular meetings 7-8:30 a.m. every Wednesday at Roman Forum Restaurant, 41601 Ford, Canton. The Laurel Park Chapter meets 7-8:30 a.m. at Archie's Family Restaurant on Plymouth Road, east of Merriman, Livonia. The Plymouth Chapter meets every Thursday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. The Livonia Chapter meets 7-8:30 a.m. at Senate Coney Island on Plymouth at Stark, Livonia. Call the BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800.

CALENDAR FORM

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

Event:

Date and Time:

Location:

Telephone:

Additional Info.:

Use additional sheet if necessary

Pet pool



PHOTO BY DONALD J. ALLEY

Gone to the dogs: Erin Collin and Buddy, a Schitzu, came from Plymouth to play during the Canton Summit Dog Daze last weekend. While the Summit was closed for maintenance, management opened the pools to dogs and their owners. When the pets were done frolicking, maintenance workers cleaned out the pools, and the Summit reopens Tuesday.

Family rallied behind kitten

BY LARRY O'CONNOR
STAFF WRITER
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A furry freak of nature turned into a rallying cause for a Livonia family

On Aug. 19, the Ross' family cat, Carlyle, gave birth to four kittens, which is not unusual except the last one to emerge bore two faces. Shadow lived four days before dying Aug. 23.

"When I would tell people, they would say, 'C'mon. How gross,'" Tom Ross said. "When they would see it, they would say 'Aw, how cute.'"

"They were all rooting for it to live because it would have been an interesting cat to have."

The oddity sparked interest in Ross' household. Family stopped by the Parkdale home to see the curiosity.

The animal shared one skull and brain, but had four eyes and two mouths. When Shadow yawned, both mouths opened simultaneously but the cry only came from one. Ross said.

Shadow was the last born in the litter and weighed 3.36 ounces. Ross and wife Maralee tried to keep the kitten alive by feeding it with an eye dropper after the mother ignored it.

"Nature was probably taking its course," Ross said. "Maybe



PHOTO BY TOM ROSS

Im-purr-fect: This is Shadow, before she died. "They were all rooting for her to live," said Tom Ross.

the mother realized it wasn't going to live that long."

Ross researched the probability of such a deformity on the Internet.

A pathologist with Michigan State University's Animal Health Diagnostic Lab said the congenital malformation likely occurred early in the embryonic process.

A virus or exposure to toxic substance can be a factor in such abnormalities, Dr. Ben Yamini said. Without examining the animal in this case, he would be guessing at a cause.

In 25 years, the pathologist

has encountered other unusual cases such as two-headed calves.

"It's very, very rare," said Yamini, who works in AHDL's patho-biology investigative department. "I've never seen one in a cat."

Ross e-mailed a Philadelphia Physicians College staff member, who is interested in possibly examining the dead kitten. The kitten's remains are being kept in the family's freezer. He wants a hospital to use the dead animal for research.

The remaining three kittens are fine. The family has to wait a few more weeks before adopting them out.

The mother is a 2 1/2-year-old stray the Ross family found as a kitten in northwest Detroit. This is Carlyle's third litter.

A trip to the vet may be in store for the prolific mother. The family has found homes for kittens in the past, but it's getting increasingly difficult.

"We weren't expecting this litter," Ross said.

The Ross family has experience with unusual looking pets. They took in a kitten who was born with an extra paw on one leg. Mittens remained the Ross' cat for more than 20 years.

"I guess we have an affinity for oddities," Maralee Ross said.

OBITUARIES

VIVIAN M. GERRES

Services for Vivian Gerres, 79, of Canton were held Aug. 31 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with the Rev. Andrew Webster officiating.

Mrs. Gerres was born Sept. 6, 1921, in Shabbona, Mich., and died Aug. 28 in Port Huron. She was an executive secretary with an automotive company.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Adam Joseph, and brother, Edward Phetteplace.

Survivors include sisters, Jane Huggard, Eunice Kreger and Helen (John) Farry.

Memorial contributions may be made to Karmanos Cancer Institute.

Arrangements were made by Neely-Turowski Funeral Home.

LILLIAN PRZYSTUP

Lillian Przystup, 87, of Plymouth died Aug. 25 in Livonia. She was born Aug. 21, 1914, in Detroit. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her son, William Przystup.

Survivors include son, Jack Przystup of Plymouth, 11 grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

THOMAS C. ANTAYA

Services for Thomas Antaya, 69, of Plymouth were held Sept. 1 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church.

Mr. Antaya was born Aug. 8, 1932, in Canada and died Aug. 30 at Angela Hospice. He worked as a driver for a linen company.

Survivors include his wife, Theresa, son, Jeffrey T., daughter, Janet T. (Richard) Nelson, daughter, Joan M. (Douglas) Budden, daughter, Julie A. (Phillip) Kerr, and six grandchil-

dren.

Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice.

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

LINDA R. WILSON

Services for Linda Wilson, 60, of Plymouth were held Aug. 28 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. Dean Klump and the Rev. Dennis J. Wilson officiating.

Burial was at Highland Cemetery in Brooklyn, Mich.

Ms. Wilson was born Feb. 12, 1941, in Jackson and died Aug. 24 in Plymouth. She has been a resident of Plymouth for 21 years, previously of Cincinnati.

She was a big University of Michigan fan. She was a graduate of Oakwood High School in Oakwood, Ohio, and also attended Cincinnati Business College.

She retired from Ford Motor Company after working more than 30 years. She began her career as a keypunch operator, eventually rising to the level of

Processing Center Analyst.

After her retirement, she worked as a consultant to Ford Motor Company, implementing a nationwide dealer training program. In her spare time, she enjoyed studying genealogy, and had produced an extensive family genealogy.

She also enjoyed ceramics and reading as well as spending time at Hilton Head, S.C., where she wintered for several years.

She was preceded in death by her father, Woodrow V. Wilson.

Survivors include mother, Cecile M. Wilson of Plymouth, sister, Sandra J. Wilson of Livonia, nephew, Dennis J. Wilson of Warsaw, Ind., niece, Stephanie J. Jackson and Cynthia A. Wilson of Cincinnati, and nine great-nieces and great-nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to Arbor Hospice, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48103.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

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The Charter Township of Plymouth is seeking proposals for developing a comprehensive Township website and providing Internet website hosting service. The Township would prefer a single source for both services. Bid packets, containing instruction and bid specifications, are available in the Office of the Clerk, Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road Building No. 3, Plymouth, MI, during regular office hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Bid packets cannot be mailed. All proposals must be submitted by 3 p.m. on September 21, 2001 in a sealed envelope, clearly marked as "WEBSITE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT AND WEBSITE HOSTING SERVICE" and hand delivered to the Office of the Clerk, Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road Building No. 3, Plymouth, MI.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC
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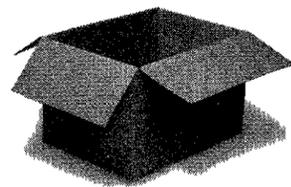
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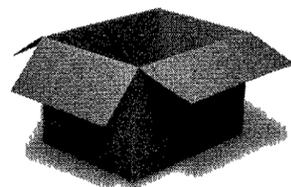
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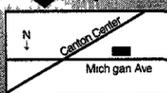
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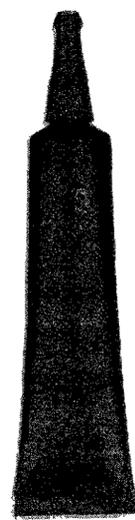
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SPORTS & RECREATION

Sunday, September 2, 2001

OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Wolcott awarded

The Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association has awarded one of its four annual \$1,000 scholarships to Oliver Wolcott, son of former Plymouth-Canton athletic administrator Brian Wolcott.

Oliver Wolcott graduated from Plymouth Canton HS last June with a 3.89 grade-point average. He was a standout on the football, basketball and baseball teams, earning all-conference honors as a shortstop in baseball.

"Oliver Wolcott was an exceptional athlete, but more importantly, he was an exceptional individual," said Canton baseball coach Scott Dickey. "He is the type of person that you just love to coach."

The MIAAA has awarded more than \$30,000 in scholarships to sons and daughters of the state's athletic directors. Since 1997, the MIAAA has awarded four \$1,000 scholarships.

Oliver Wolcott will start his freshman year at Michigan State in the next few days, planning to study molecular biology.

Heinzman certified

Sue Heinzman, athletic director at Plymouth Canton HS, has been recognized by the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association as a certified athletic administrator.

To earn this distinction, Heinzman "demonstrated the highest level of knowledge and expertise in the field of interscholastic athletic administration," according to the NIAAA release. In gaining the certification, Heinzman went through a process that included an evaluation of the candidate's educational background, experience and professional contributions, as well as a rigorous, comprehensive written exam.

The NIAAA is a national organization consisting of all 50 state athletic administrators associations and more than 5,800 individuals.

Madonna falls

Madonna University's men's soccer team gave up two second half goals and ended up losing to Judson College 3-2 in its opening match of the Ralph Ketner Classic at Tri-State University in Angola, Ind.

Goals by Nick Szczechowski (from Plymouth Salem), assisted by Patrick Griffin (Plymouth/Catholic Central) and Casey Cook (Canton/CC), and Jonathan Johnson (Plymouth Canton), assisted by Griffin and Matt Koontz (Livonia Stevenson), gave the Crusaders a 2-1 lead. But they couldn't hold on to it.

Doug Koontz (Canton) started and made seven stops in goal for Madonna. He was relieved by Matt Strabbing (Canton) with 12 minutes remaining.

The loss left the Crusaders at 1-1.

Tryouts

Tryouts for a newly formed Michigan Indians 12 and under travel baseball team will be at 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9 at Massey Field in Plymouth. The team will play approximately 50 games next summer, including Little Caesars League and tournaments.

For more information call Ben Kosmal ski at (734) 416-1151 or e-mail Bob Cleary at realey79@mediaone.net.

The Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association (CCJBSA) 13 and under boys travel baseball teams will have tryouts for the 2002 season at 10 a.m. Sept. 8 at Flodin Park located off Saltz. The team will play 40 plus games plus tournaments.

For more information call Dan Boylan at (734) 981-4855, Dave Giove at (734) 981-4471 or Ron Myers at (734) 459-4026.

The Canton Cardinals 11 and under travel baseball team will have a tryout for its 2002 squad at 9 a.m. Saturday and again at 5 p.m. next Sunday (Sept. 9) at McClumpha Field No. 2 in Plymouth Township Park. The team will play in Little Caesars a 40-50 game schedule, including five tournaments.

For further information call Kevin Betz at (734) 397-5995.

The Canton Cardinals 12 and under baseball team will have a tryout for its 2002 team at 6 p.m. Sept. 9 at McClumpha Field No. 4 in Plymouth Township Park. The team will play in Little Caesars a 40-50 game schedule including five tournaments.

For more information call Don Plester at (734) 453-7089.

Salem survives Troy

BY C.J. RISAK
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SOCCER

Cover sports long enough and you realize coaches are the absolute worst barometer when trying to figure who won and lost a game.

Oh, they'll know the final score (usually), but if you bypass that and just listen to their description of the game and how it played out, then try to decide on your own who won and who lost, chances are you'll draw the wrong conclusion.

Case in point — Plymouth Salem hosting Troy in boys soccer Wednesday.

Troy coach Carlos Wheatley "I'm very pleased with our play. We needed a game like this. We played Clarkston last night and even though we won 3-2 we didn't play as well."

"We played very well tonight. I'm much happier with the way we played."

Salem coach Ed McCarthy "I think we caught them pretty flat at the start. We had a chance to put a couple in early and didn't take advantage of it. And we absolutely did not defend well in the second half."

"We have to get stronger in the back. No question I thought going to something more traditional, with a sweeper (in the second half), would help, but even when we adjusted we didn't do it very well."

So who won? Why Salem, of course — 2-1.

The victory raised the Rocks' record to 2-2-1. Troy, which

played Thursday, fell to 1-1. Truth be told, the Rocks played very well for the first 20 minutes. And they got a goal, scored by Shane Smith following a Brian Popeney restart from 40 yards out. Colts' keeper Edin Alic attempted to come out and grab the kick, but it escaped him and Smith was there to bury it.

That goal came 10:21 into the match, but it was all Salem could manage despite being quicker to the ball and keeping the play in Troy's end most of the time. The Colts started to adjust, however, and for the final 20 minutes of the opening half, play was even.

It didn't stay that way in the second half. Troy came out looking like a different team, taking



Ball control: Salem's Chris Conlisk (8) and Troy's Nathan Zuzga (9) battle for control of the ball during Wednesday's hard-fought match.

Please see SOCCER, B2

Chiefs club North

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Due to a Michigan high school football mercy rule, the game clock ran non-stop throughout the entire second half of Friday night's Plymouth Canton-North Farmington game.

Due to a deceptive, well-oiled offensive attack, the Chiefs' running backs ran non-stop throughout the entire first half of the game, pacing Canton to a 35-0 halftime lead and 42-0 victory over the outmanned Raiders.

The convincing home win boosted Canton to 2-0 (1-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association). The Raiders dropped to 0-2 (0-1 in the WLAA).

Once a team gains at least a 35-point advantage over its opponent — like Canton did Friday night — the game clock is stopped only for timeouts in the second half, according to the rule.

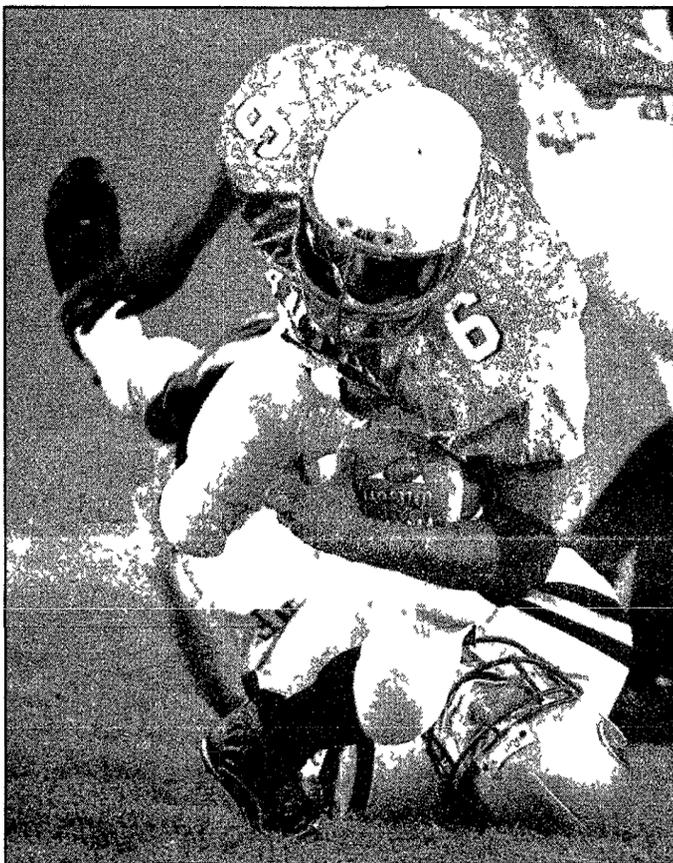
It made for a very swift and uneventful second half for both teams after a one-sided fireworks show for the Chiefs in the opening 24 minutes.

No matter who we're playing or what the score is, we're always looking for improvement, Canton coach Tim Baechler emphasized, a few minutes after Friday's game. "And I saw improvement tonight, especially on special teams and in our tackling."

"Offensively, I was pleased with the way we blocked tonight. Defensively, I liked the way we played on third downs. We're still committing too many penalties (five for 52 yards). We still have a ways to go, but we're getting there."

North Farmington coach Rich Burrell said his team's execution could have been better against the Chiefs, but he couldn't have been happier with some of the intangibles his team displayed.

"I was very proud of the way our team stayed composed, even when we were down 42-0," Burrell said. "A lot of times, a team will get way down and lose its composure. But these kids kept a positive attitude and they kept working hard right up until the last whistle. You can't ask for much more than that."



Plunging ahead: Canton had little trouble moving the ball against North Farmington, demonstrated by Brandon Yopp as he runs over a would-be Raider tackler.

You also can't ask for much more than Canton running back Dane Kobus contributed to the Chiefs' offense: 158 yards on 12 carries and three touchdowns in just over two quarters of action. Baechler sent in the reserves on

offense and defense following the first series of the third quarter.

Kobus, who also played a solid game at linebacker on defense, reeled off four runs of 25 yards or better.

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FOOTBALL

Harrison's 1st quarter buries Rocks

Farmington Harrison rolled to its second victory of the young football season Friday, scoring a 56-13 victory over visiting Plymouth Salem.

The top-ranked Hawks, who needed just nine plays to score their first six touchdowns, racked up 37 points in the first quarter and led at halftime, 50-13.

Harrison opened the scoring with quarterback Drew Stanton throwing the first of two TD passes to flanker Agim Shabaj, the first covering 40 yards. Mike Kloosterman kicked the first of six straight extra points.

Marcus Woods had scoring runs of 2 and 56 yards to help boost the score to 21-0, and Harrison added a two-point safety when a bad snap on a Salem punt sailed out of the end zone.

Stanton connected with Shabaj, his future Michigan State University teammate, for a 46-yard TD pass, and Charles Pickett had an 8-yard run to complete the scoring in the opening period.

Woods had another 56-yard touchdown run early in the second quarter to give the Hawks a 44-0 lead.

Facing the Harrison second-team defense, Salem's Myron Covington scored touchdowns on runs of 9 and 1 yards.

The Rocks (0-2) had scoring drives of 12 and five plays, respectively. Drew Bringley kicked the PAT after the second touchdown.

With seven seconds left in the half, Pickett scored his second TD on a 1-yard run to make the halftime score 50-13.

Harrison's Bill Richeson finished

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MEN'S SOCCER

New coaches aim to take Ocelots to NJCAA title

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The forces of nature are something Dominic Sciuna strongly believes in. As he assumes the title as coach of Schoolcraft College's men's soccer team, together with Joe Kurta and Lamar Peters, he wants his team to believe it, too.

Which is why he begins practices by reciting philosophical passages, aimed at making the players realize that everything, the mental and the physical, are fused. Whatever a player does, it affects everything around him.

"Like dropping a pebble in water," Sciuna said, "and watching the ripples spread."

The three SC coaches know the kind of ripples this Ocelot team could cause in the NJCAA Division I.

"Our goal is to win the national championship," said Kurta. "This is my fourth year on this team and I have to say this is the best talent we've had."

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Big story

Taller Ocelots may pose quite a threat

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There will always be losses to overcome — it's the nature of collegiate coaching. Some years, those losses will be more prominent than others.

It could be a season like that for Schoolcraft College's volleyball team, which loses five players who were starters on last season's 24-13 team. Lauren Ruprecht, Nicole Boyd, Amanda Yaklin, Meagan Sheehan and Rebekah Thornton started at some time last year, and Jessica Tilson was a key substitute.

Knowing that St. Clair County CC, which captured the NJCAA Division II title last year as well as the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference crown, has some key returnees to bolster a strong recruiting class won't make SC coach Tom Teeters' job any easier. But Teeters hasn't exactly been sitting around waiting for prospects to knock on his door.



Major asset: Jana Nitschke showed she could do it all last season, including set.

In fact, this could prove to be one of the best teams the Lady Ocelots have fielded in quite a while. It certainly will be one of the tallest.

"We're taller than we've ever been, by far," said Teeters, whose team last year finished second to St. Clair in the conference with a 14-2 mark.

He does have some notable returnees. Like Andrea Kmet (from Westland/Livonia Franklin), a 5-foot-10 outside hitter, and Fran Hamilton, a 5-11 talent who could end up playing outside hitter, middle hitter or setter, and Jana Nitschke, a 5-10 setter/outside hitter from Germany, and Amy Kiefer, another strong 5-10 outside hitter who started last season.

Although the losses from a year ago are severe, there are reasons Teeters believes this team will be better. Notably, last year's team was without Ruprecht, perhaps their best middle hitter, for most of the season due to injuries. That

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Rocks repel Laker comeback; Agape wins

First games can be treacherous, up-and-down affairs, the kind that drive coaches batty. Which must've happened to Plymouth Salem girls basketball coach Fred Thomann when the Rocks opened at home against West Bloomfield.

Salem went from down two after one quarter to up by nine at the half, which made Thomann happy. What happened at the start of the second half didn't, however, the Lakers knocked down 13-straight points, giving them a four-point lead.

"We figured out a way to get back in it," said Thomann after his Rocks manufactured a 45-39 triumph.

Salem is 1-0, West Bloomfield, which lost to Plymouth Canton last Tuesday, is 0-2.

"It was a great win," added Thomann. "We got a couple of big buckets from

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Kelly Holka and that got us back on track."

Salem ended the third leading 30-29, then outpointed the Lakers 15-10 in the fourth for the victory. Kelly Jaskot's 13 points paced the Rocks, she also had seven rebounds, tying her with Laura Baumgart for the team lead. Shannon Miller and Mary Lou Liebau contributed nine points apiece, and Amy Szawara had six.

West Bloomfield got 16 points from Samantha Mahoney and 12 from Veronica White.

Free throws made a difference in this game. Salem made 11-of-16 from the line to 5-of-9 for the Lakers.

Agape 45, PCA 33: Canton Agape Christian got off to a quick start in the final of the Eagle Kickoff Classic, hosted Thursday by Plymouth Christian Academy, and the Wolverines never let up in capturing their third-straight season-opening championship.

Agape improved to 2-0. PCA is 1-1. "It's nice to start the season with two wins and a tournament victory," said Agape coach Chuck Henry. "We got a nice lead in the first quarter and kept it throughout the game."

That "nice lead" amounted to a 17-6 advantage after one quarter. Neither team could find the basket in the second quarter, but the Wolverines still led 20-8 at the half. The two teams played evenly in the second half.

Amy Henry led all scorers with 20 points, she also had seven steals. Kelly Hayes added eight points and Kandace

Bednark scored six points and pulled down six rebounds.

PCA got 10 points and 11 rebounds from Amy Brandt. Amanda Saagman netted eight points and Lisa Ther grabbed seven boards.

Marian 57, Canton 36: Birmingham Marian got its running game in gear early Thursday against visiting Plymouth Canton, enabling the Mustangs to open up a 21-12 lead — which just kept growing the rest of the evening.

Marian improved to 2-0 with the win. Canton slipped to 1-1.

"In the first quarter, it was not good defense," said Canton coach Bob Blohm, noting his team's play was particularly "bad in transition defense. They did a great job getting up court, and they were good at releasing off the rebound."

The Chiefs trailed 32-19 at the half and 49-27 after three periods. Kennice Halloran led Marian with 13 points, Megan Milczarski added 12.

Canton got nine points from Jessica Johnson and eight from Kristen Lake.

Ladywood 52, Athens 39: Livonia Ladywood (1-1) bounced back from Tuesday's thrashing at the hands of Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day to win Thursday's consolation game of the Eccentric Newspapers Tip-Off Classic against Troy Athens (0-2).

Senior center Liz Obrecht scored 12 points for the victorious Blazers. Ruth Sventickas and Amber Willoughby added 10 and eight, respectively, for the Blazers, who led 18-6 after one quarter and 27-17 at the half.

Junior forward Colleen Cupples had 11 for the Red Hawks.

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command and taking the play to Salem. After 12:44 of the half the Colts carried the ball into the corner to the right of the Rocks' goal and centered it. Salem keeper Tavio Palazzolo stopped the initial shot but could not corral the rebound. Troy's Aaron Hasenjager reached it and knocked it home to knot the score at 1-1.

The Colts did not let up, continuing to apply the pressure and narrowly missing on several chances — the most notable coming with 23 minutes left to play. A hard shot from 25 yards out got over a leaping Palazzolo and banged off the crossbar, bounding out to a hard-charging Jim Spencer — whose header somehow went over the net.

"We were just unlucky with our finishing," said Wheatley. "I know the kids are a bit disheartened, but they played with a lot of heart."

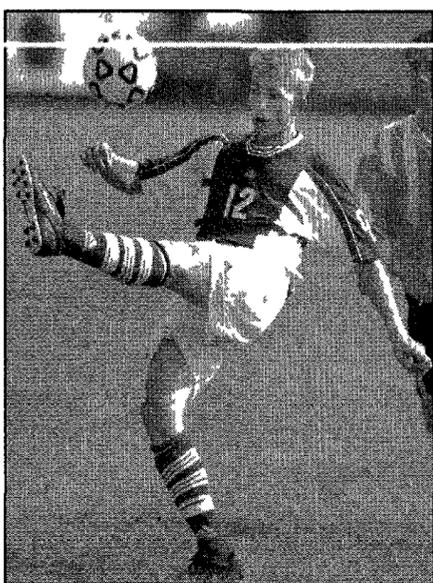
The Rocks got a chance three minutes later, and they made the most of it. Ryan Fazzo's shot from 22 yards went just wide of the Troy net, but Kevin Peurasaari reached it and sent it in front to Jared Lamborn for the finish and a 2-1 Salem lead.

A lead the Rocks managed to maintain, although Troy pressed to the very end.

"We were fortunate to get out of here with a win," said McCarthy before returning to talk to his team — a conversation that lasted several animated minutes, proving that performance can't always be defined by the scoreboard.

At least not in a coach's viewpoint.

Canton 2, DeLaSalle 1: Plymouth Canton kept its record perfect with a victory over visiting Warren DeLaSalle, the



All mine: CC's Brad Filips tries to gain control of the ball before an onrushing Dearborn defender can gain possession during Thursday's match.

STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

defending state co-champion, Thursday.

The Chiefs, who improved to 5-0, got goals from Nick Houdek and Nahshon Washington. Nick Rolfe assisted on Houdek's goal, Ryan Busse drew the assist on Washington's score.

Greg Musser was in goal for Canton, making five saves.

PCA 10, C'ville 0: This match, played Thursday at Plymouth Christian Academy, proved to be little challenge for the Eagles, who improved to 4-0. Livonia Clarenceville fell to 0-2.

Dan Carty, Matt Gallagher and Jacob Williams each scored two goals for PCA, with Tim Oswalt, Brian Kaczmarek, John Wendt and Michael Thomas getting one goal apiece.

Mark Ericson and Drew Gal-

agher split time in goal to earn the shutout.

Dearborn 1, CC 0: Redford Catholic Central (1-2) gave up an "own" goal with 15 minutes left in the first half and that proved to be the difference Thursday as visiting Dearborn (1-2) earned a non-league victory.

"It's disappointing, we should have won," CC coach Dana Orsucci said. "But we didn't play with any sense of urgency."

"I don't care if we lose, but if we do we have to play with some dignity. We have to play with some fire and some spirit out there."

"We're still not clicking and we're still not on the same page. But it's early in the season and I won't hit the panic button."

East Lansing stuns CC

The final score: Antoine Bagwell 28, Mike Banaszak 21.

Bagwell scored all of East Lansing's touchdowns Friday night while Banaszak tallied all of Redford Catholic Central's (no quibbling about extra points, please) and the Trojans defeated the Shamrocks, 28-21.

It was host East Lansing's season-opener while CC suffered its first defeat in two games.

The Trojans had pretty much a one-dimensional offense. Give Bagwell the ball and let him go wherever he could. Which is to say, wherever he wanted.

The teams alternated touchdowns with Bagwell scoring first on a 50-yard run. In all, he gained 220 yards rushing on 30 carries.

Banaszck countered with an

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11-yard run with 4:40 left in the opening period to tie the score but East Lansing countered with another drive capped by Bagwell's 6-yard scoring reception from quarterback Malcolm Hardy. That came with 1:48 left in the opening period.

Banaszak scored again, from three yards out, with 5:14 left in the half to create a 14-14 half-time deadlock. Banaszak finished with 137 yards on 16 rushes.

The Shamrocks got some mileage through the air, with quarterback Tom Jakacki and receiver Ryan Wroblewski proving to be a formidable combination.

Wroblewski caught 10 passes for

122 yards as Jakacki threw for 137 altogether. Jakacki completed 12-of-26 passes with one interception.

Bagwell scooted over from the 4 with 5:35 left in the third quarter, while Banaszak re-tied it, 21-21, on a 3-yard run with 31 seconds left in the period.

Bagwell scored the winner with 9:59 to play on a 37-yard touchdown run.

The Shamrocks got to the Trojans' 30 with 20 seconds left but a trio of penalties and a sack ran out the clock. Derek Brooks was the No. 2 rusher with 53 yards on 15 carries.

CC had one interception, by Randall Means, that snuffed out an East Lansing drive inside the Shamrocks' 30 in the second quarter.

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He was complemented nicely by backfield mates Chad Fuller (48 yards on 11 carries) and Reggie Joyner (40 yards on eight carries).

As well as they ran, Canton's ball-carriers did not outshine senior quarterback Brendan Murphy who completed all five of his passes for 62 yards and a touchdown. He also manned the controls of an offense that often times leaves defenders wondering, "Who has the ball?"

"I'm trying to establish a passing game a little bit more this year," Baechler admitted. "Brendan showed good poise tonight and he made some nice throws."

Junior signal-caller Rich Hegstrom was the silver lining on a dark cloud of a night for the Raiders. Despite constant pressure applied by the Chiefs' front seven, Hegstrom completed 8-of-14 passes for 53 yards.

North's running game was stuck in neutral and racked up just 4 yards. The Raiders longest run of the night was a 6-yard

quarterback keeper by back-up Bryan Smith late in the fourth quarter.

"We always try to establish the run early, but if it's not working, we look to open it up," Burrell said. "We weren't moving the ball on the ground tonight, so we had to pass a little more than we would have liked."

Canton scored on its first possession on a 6-yard run by Kobus, who, thanks to some nifty faking by Murphy and Fuller, didn't have a Raider within 5 yards of him when he crossed the goal line. Kicker Anket Kachhal followed with the first of his six extra points to make it 7-0 with 7:13 left in the first quarter.

Three plays after a Kyle Lasko interception gave the Chiefs the ball on the Raiders' 29, Fuller rammed it in from 3 yards out to make it 14-0. Kobus closed out the first-quarter scoring with an 11-yard TD run on a third-and-10 play to make it 21-0.

Following another three-and-out series for North Farmington, the Chiefs pieced together an eight-play, 65-yard scoring drive that was climaxed by a 10-yard Murphy-to-Chris Smilo touchdown pass to make it 28-0.

Canton scored its final points of the half on a 1-yard plunge by Fuller with just 37 seconds left.

The Chiefs' first possession of the second half — and last with their starters still in the game — also ended with a touchdown when Kobus found paydirt from 4 yards out. The run put the icing on a 10-play, 73-yard drive that used up almost six minutes of the second-half clock.

North Farmington entered Canton territory just once all night and managed just three first downs compared to the Chiefs' 11.

Burrell praised Justin Kasgoris and Bryan Smith for their defensive effort. Several Canton defenders shined, most notably Mike Tomasaitis, Todd Shirkman and Mike Tolhurst.

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the scoring with a 1-yard run midway through the third quarter.

The Hawks had 459 total yards — 231 passing and 228 running. The Rocks had 205 yards, all of it rushing yardage.

Stanton was 4-of-8 passing for

128 yards, and Jake Ghannam was 5-of-8 for 195. Shabab caught four passes for 122 yards and Mike Bartley three for 69.

Woods rushed nine times for 168 yards and Pickett five for 33. Salem's Covington gained 136 yards on 23 carries, the Rocks

were 0-for-2 passing. Senior noseguard Steve Wolff made seven tackles to lead Harrison defensively. Senior Jason Lyngklip, junior Mitch Huzar and senior Paul Hart had six each. The Hawks recovered five fumbles.

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Thurston at RU (Kraft) 7 p m
Churchill at Franklin 7 30 p m
John Glenn at Stevenson 7 30 p m
Harrison at W L Western 7 30 p m
N Farmington at Salem 7 30 p m
W L Central at N Farm 7 30 p m
Canton at Northville 7 30 p m

Saturday Sept 8

Cville at Luth Northwest 1 p m
Luggett at Luth Westland 1 p m
St Agatha vs Light & Life at Taylor Kennedy 1 p m
Borgess at Benedictine 2 p m
Redford CC vs O L St Mary at RU s Kraft Field 7 p m

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Tuesday, Sept 4

Fairlane at Cville 6 30 p m
Woodhaven at Ladywood 7 p m
St Agatha at Franklin Road 7 p m
Ply Christian at A A Richard 7 p m
Ypsilant at Churchill 7 p m
Franklin at Garden City 7 p m
Stevenson at Wyandotte 7 p m

Wednesday, Sept 5

Monroe at Wayne 5 30 p m
N Farmington at RU 7 p m
Milford at Harrison 7 p m
Howell at Canton 7 p m
Salem at A A Pioneer 7 p m

Thursday Sept 6

Huron Valley at School Dear 5 30 p m
Cville at Roeper 6 30 p m
Luth Wsd at Flat Rock 7 p m
Flint N western at Ladywood 7 p m
Mercy at Notre Dame Prep 7 p m
Ply Christian at Flat Rock 7 p m
Churchill at Garden City 7 p m
Woodhaven at Franklin 7 p m
Stevenson at Redford Union 7 p m
John Glenn at Thurston 7 p m
Wayne at Belleville 7 p m

Brighton at N Farmington 7 p m
Bekeley at Farmington 7 p m
(Salem Tournament)

Northville vs Nov 5 30 p m
Salem vs A A Hu on 7 p m

Saturday Sept 8

Salem Tourney 3 30 & 5 p m

PREP BOYS SOCCER

Monday Sept 3

Salem at E Lansing TBA

Tuesday Sept 4

Grosse Pointe at Cville 4 30 p m
Garden City at Luth Wsd 4 30 p m
CC at Toledo St John 4 30 p m
Baptist at Huron Valley 4 30 p m
Church at Rochester 7 p m
Salem at Franklin 7 p m

Wednesday Sept 5

Church at Canton 7 p m
W L Central at Harrison 7 p m
Northville at N Farm 7 p m
Farmington at W L Western 7 p m
Crestwood at Thurston 7 p m

Thursday Sept 6

Cville at RU (Kraft Field) 4 p m
John Glenn at Stevenson 7 p m

Friday Sept 7

Wayne at Grosse Pointe 4 p m
Garden City at John Glenn 5 30 p m
(Huron Valley Luth Invitational)

Luth Wsd at Huron Valley 4 30 p m
Agape vs Michigan Lutheran at Lutheran West and 4 30 p m

Saturday Sept 8

Redford CC at Farmington 12 30 p m
Wat Mott at Harrison 12 30 p m
N Farm at Wat Kettering 12 30 p m
Stevenson at Troy 1 p m
(Huron Valley Luth Invitational)

Winners at Luth West and 11 a m
Losses at Huron Valley 11 a m

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday Sept 6

Wayne at Woodhaven 4 p m
Churchill Stevenson Farmington

Canton at Oakland CC 4 p m
Harrison W L Western N Farm
Glenn at Central City Park 4 p m
Salem Franklin Northville
W L Central at Cass Benton 4 p m

Saturday Sept 8

W Bloomfield Invitational at Kensington Metropark 9 30 a m
Dearborn Invitational 10 a m

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Tuesday Sept 4

Ladywood at N D Prep 4 p m

Thursday Sept 6

Salem Franklin Northville
W L Central at Cass Benton 4 p m
Mega Quad at Wayne 4 p m
Church Stevenson Farmington
Canton at Oak and CC 4 p m
Harrison W L Western N Farm
Glenn at Central City Park 4 p m

Saturday Sept 8

W Bloomfield Invitational at Kensington Metropark 9 30 a m
Dearborn Invitational 10 a m
U D Mercy Invitational at Cass Benton Park 10 a m

GIRLS TENNIS

Tuesday Sept 4

Ladywood at Divine Child 4 p m

Wednesday Sept 5

Romulus at Wayne 4 p m

Thursday Sept 6

Nov at Canton 4 p m
Ma an at Ladywood 4 p m
John Glenn at Garden City 4 p m

Saturday Sept 8

Salem Invitational 8 30 a m
Monroe Invitational 8 a m

BOYS GOLF

Wednesday Sept 5

Livonia Public Schools Inv at Fox Creek 3 p m
Wayne vs Trenton at West Shore 3 p m

Thursday, Sept 6

Redford CC at DeLaSalle 4 p m

Friday, Sept 7

Riv Richard Inv TBA

GIRLS SWIMMING

Tuesday, Sept 4

Churchill at W L Central 7 p m

Thursday, Sept 6

Dearborn at Salem 7 p m
Churchill at John Glenn 6 p m
G P North at Stevenson 7 p m

Saturday Sept 8

WLA Relays at Salem noon
EMU Relays TBA

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Sunday, Sept 2

S craft at Coll of DuPage (II) TBA

Monday, Sept 3

Ind Wesleyan at Madonna 3 p m

Wednesday, Sept 5

Kellogg at Schoolcraft 4 p m

Saturday Sept 8

S craft vs O L St Mary at Macomb Tourney noon
Madonna at St Francis (Ind) 2 p m

Sunday, Sept 9

S craft vs Hudson (N Y) at Macomb Tourney TBA

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Sunday Sept 2

S craft at Lake County TBA

Saturday, Sept 8

S craft vs Moraine Valley at College of DuPage (III) TBA

Sunday, Sept 9

S craft at Coll of DuPage (I) TBA

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Tuesday, Sept 4

Madonna at Spring Arbor 7 p m

Friday-Saturday, Sept 7-8

Julie Martin Memorial Tourney at Madonna TBA

TBA — time to be announced

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to work with " Scicluna agreed "We have the potential to win the national championship," the former Redford Catholic Central standout said. "But that doesn't mean anything when compared to a team that isn't as talented but works hard and achieves it."

There are several obstacles that must be dealt with for the Ocelots to make a title run — not the least of which is the change in coaching. Van Dimitriou, who has served as SC's head coach for the past 18 years, has been battling cancer for the past year. In the last two weeks, his health has taken a turn for the worse and he relinquished his position, leaving it to his assistants.

It hasn't been easy. "He was like a father to me," said Kurta. Added Scicluna, who lost another of his mentors, his uncle Paul Scicluna, to a car accident two years ago. "It's been an emotional transition for all of us."

Still, the team carries on. Its season started yesterday with a match against Meramec CC in the College of DuPage Tournament outside Chicago. The Ocelots play Springfield in their second match of the tournament today.

These games should help the coaches put together a starting lineup — which isn't easy, simply because of the abundance of talent. "Everyone will have a big influence on the team," said Kurta. "They're going to have to fight for their spots at every practice."

No one will have a guaranteed spot. It's the only way a team can be successful.

At the top of the potential list is Tom Eller, considered one of the state premier players at Livonia Stevenson in 1999. Eller, however, neglected his studies and had to put his collegiate soccer plans on hold — until this season.

What will make Eller even more dangerous is the company surrounding him. Dan Lipon, another Stevenson grad, led SC in goals scored last season. He's also a valuable leader

off the field.

Other returnees — they total seven from a team that went 13-4-2 last season losing in a shootout to Cuyahoga CC in the NJCAA Region 12 final — include forward/midfielder Kevin Callendar, keeper Kevin Small, marking backs Chris Lamasse (from Plymouth Salem) and Phil Moore, defender Shawn Presnell (Redford Union) and forward Tim Moxie (RU).

Many other newcomers, other than Eller, may find their way into the starting lineup. Like Mike Thomas (Stevenson) at forward, Zoran Goljac, a 28-year-old native of Yugoslavia, at sweeper, Worth Sampson at center, middle stopper, Ryan Mallord, stopper, and Eric Sicily, Livonia (Churchill) at keeper.

But as Scicluna noted when asked, "no else could have an impact on the season. It could be the whole starting lineup." And that hasn't even been decided. Not yet.

Blessing the egos on this team into a functioning team is something Peter and Scicluna want to accomplish by using Yuzoga, a combination of jiu-jitsu (Japanese for technique) and yoga. This fully integrated fitness program blends several philosophies revolving around complete mental awareness. It is a process Scicluna and Peters, a former standout at Birmingham Brother Rice, have formed into a business.

We teach them that they are always evolving, that they must flow like water and strike like ice, said Scicluna.

For this team to accomplish its rather lofty goals, Kurta said. They have to be disciplined from the first minute to the last minute. They have to work hard and use the season as they do on the first day of practice if they want to be successful.

There's a lot for this group of young men to absorb from the loss of a long time coach to the mental approaches being applied by the new coaching staff. How well they handle it will determine how long their season lasts.

WHALER NOTES

WHALERS TICKETS

Individual game tickets for the Plymouth Whalers are now on sale. The Compuware Sports Arena box office. They may be purchased by calling (734) 453-8400 or by logging on to www.plymouthwhalers.com.

Ticket prices will remain the same for the third straight year with executive reserved

seats at \$8 each and VIP tickets at \$12 each. The Whalers also offer a special Family Value Pack for certain games. The Family Value Pack includes four executive reserved tickets, four hot dogs, four soft drinks and two game programs for \$36.

The Whalers play most of their home games on Friday and Saturday nights with the home

season-opener scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15 vs the Erie Otters. Fans can come early for a pre-game celebration featuring Nickelodeon characters Angelica and Rocco from Rugrats. Joining them will be Whalers mascot Shooter, Lovely the Clown and Balloon Man Dan.

Pre game festivities start at 6:00 p.m.

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and a lack of depth made SC vulnerable.

This team will be much deeper, said Teeters.

This team will be particularly tough to handle if those returning can handle their new expanded roles. Kmet "is probably our top athlete," Teeters said. "She'll play on the left side this year. And she's our top returning receiver."

Hamilton was the team's most valuable performer, an honor she shared with Yaklin. She can play any one of the front row positions, and she did some setting for us last year and may this year, too, said Teeters. "She has a really strong attitude."

Nitschke is another with all around ability, she was SC's main setter last season. "She has good court sense and is a serving specialist," Teeters said. Kiefer started at outside hitter last season and has improved defensively but an ankle injury this season has set her back a bit.

Now the newcomers. First set-

ters Teeters is planning to use — and he is thinking about utilizing an offense with two setters — are 5-7 freshmen. Kelly Vescovi and Kellie Korn. Vescovi is a 6-1 outside hitter from Romulus who has an abundance of experience and is strong defensively while Korn is a very good athlete with great ball control and a very good jump serve.

As far as the offense is concerned, Teeters won't lack options. Noelle Swartz (Canton/Westland/John Glenn) a 6-0 outside hitter was signed last year but injures to both knees kept her out of action. Now after a redshirt season she returns and could play anywhere on the front row.

Katie Drews (Livonia/Stevenson) is a 6-0 hitter and strong blocker who will play the right side or middle while Kaitlin Marshall (Livonia/Franklin) is a 6-2 presence in the middle on the right side armed with a potent serve.

There's more. Sarah Hesse is a 6-0 right side hitter who has solid blocking skills and is improving quickly while Carly Szajnecki is a 5-11 middle/right side hitter who boasts great leaping ability to go with strong all around talents. And Meghan Mitchell was a 5-8 middle hitter at Dearborn Divine Child who can fill any of the hitting spots and be a primary passer, too.

Filling defensive specialist roles

will be Jessica Walker (Redford/Thurston), who is just recovering from an ankle injury, and Desiree Betts (Livonia/Ladywood) a good back row hitter as well as setter and defender.

It should all add up to a better all around team. "I think defensively we'll be a much stronger team and offensively we'll be stronger," said Teeters. "We recruited the best athletes we could get and in the process we got a lot of middle hitters. That's going to give us some options."

Should Teeters be able to piece this together properly, in the next month or so, then the Ocelots just might give St. Clair a bit of a run. Maybe.



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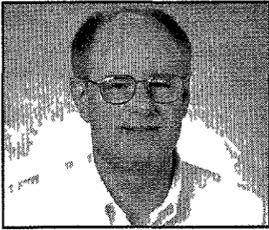
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RECREATION

Balancing act: Intro to bicycling

NATURE NOTES



TIM NOWICKI

Rest areas habitations for history

Rest areas along our nation's expressways can be full of natural history.

They are built in a variety of locations representing many different habitats transected by our roads.

Earlier this summer, my family and I drove to Colorado. Along the way we stopped, as many families do, at several rest areas.

I remember having lunch at one rest area in northern Illinois that looked just like an oak-savanna with short grass. An oak-savanna has scattered oak trees, often burr oak, with plenty of medium length grasses growing in between.

Oak-savanna was a common habitat in southern Michigan, too, because it was close to the long grass prairie that extended into the southwestern corner of the state, and the hardwood forests of the northern latitudes.

Historically, this land was more easily cleared than a dense forest, so it became the first farmland when settlers arrived.

Lights on the rest area buildings are on all night and are attractive to moths and other insects.

I frequently check the walls on the outside of the building for moths that seek shelter behind the vending machine, or on the brick wall. Some species are very camouflaged even when exposed on the side of a brick wall.

In Nebraska we encountered large cicadas that were calling in the trees and clinging to the side of the building. Once we saw them, it confirmed our suspicion that a large insect which hit our windshield while driving, was big enough to have been a cicada. It probably was, but there was nothing left to trace its identity.

We did not travel late at night, but I'll bet the insects attracted to the light attracted bats. Years ago in Kentucky I found nothing but moth wings outside a rest room in the morning. Bats eat the nutritious body and discard the useless wings.

At one Nebraska rest stop we were able to identify the butterflies that were flying in massive numbers as we drove along the expressway. For several miles we encountered these butterflies as we drove in a straight line. How many were there away from the path of our car?

When we stopped at the rest area, there were butterfly bodies littering the parking lot. They turned out to be painted ladies, a butterfly related to the red admiral that was extremely abundant earlier this spring and summer in southeastern Michigan. Much more pleasant to see were the live butterflies nectaring at planted flowers.

Periodically painted lady butterflies produce bumper crops of young in the southern states. Adult butterflies produced in the south move northward to take advantage of new nectar sources. They lay eggs and raise young which yields even more painted lady butterflies.

Interestingly though, none will survive the winter. No eggs, or chrysalis, will remain during the winter in the northern latitudes. All the painted ladies we see in Michigan move northward from the southern states each year.

One of Nebraska's rest stops served as an interpretive center. There were historic photos incorporated into wall tiles of the lobby with accompanying text to explain the significance of the photo.

They had some quotations from early settlers that took up residence in the area. Behind a clear block of the wall were some kernels of corn which represented the mainstay of people in the area.

Putting interpretive information in the rest area was a great way to expose thousands of people to the history and natural history of the area.

Wouldn't it be great if Michigan incorporated more interpretation at its rest areas?

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

For parents, teaching a child to ride a bike is the next great challenge after potty training, and the same axiom used for the later is true for the former.

When a child is ready to do it, he will.

So why is it almost seven-year-old Bobby Mason, when asked who taught him to ride a bicycle, skips over Mom and Dad to say it was his Grandpa.

His reason? "Grandpa said I was big enough."

It's not the first time someone else has been credited with teaching him to ride. The transition from faux bicycle to a real one with rubber tires and a chain was credited to the neighbors' grandson, Jorey.

One night, Jorey whizzed by on a bike his grandparents had got him as we were leaving for dinner. When we returned, Bobby climbed on his bike and went flying down the driveway, yelling at us to "Look what Jorey taught me!"

In both cases, it wasn't a case of what we didn't do, it was just the time to do it. And Grandpa, the astute man that he is, could see it was time.

"You know, most of the time he's balancing on that bike," he told me watching Bobby race up and down the Lake City Elementary School parking lot. "I could raise the other wheel just a little, so if he started to tip, it would be there to catch him before he fell."

I nodded in agreement, knowing Grandpa would use his analytical skills before taking action. Grandpa — known to friends and relatives as Harold Burkholder — used those skills many times during his days as a science teacher at Vogel Junior High School and as a football coach at West High School, both in Garden City, and later as a coach at Brother Rice.

I imagine he assumed his sideline stance and watched closely as Bobby chased after his older cousins on an old bike, one of several he and

Grandma had picked up used and refurbished so the grandkids would have something to do. The bike, which Grandma painted red and yellow, was of my era, with wide tires and fenders. The training wheels were new, but one bracket didn't quite fit snugged and had the knack of slipping, off making the wheel useless.

I say imagine because I had headed off for some adult conversation with my mother-in-law Bev. We had hardly had a chance to talk when I was summoned back outside to see something.

"Mom, look what I can do," I heard as I rounded the corner of the parking lot. My son, whom we were beginning to think would have training wheels on his mountain bike when he was an adult, was speeding up and down the parking lot on two wheels.

Ironically, his Dad, who was situating a hunting blind on the property he and his brother lease, called at the same time and he got to hear the news from his breathless and excited son.

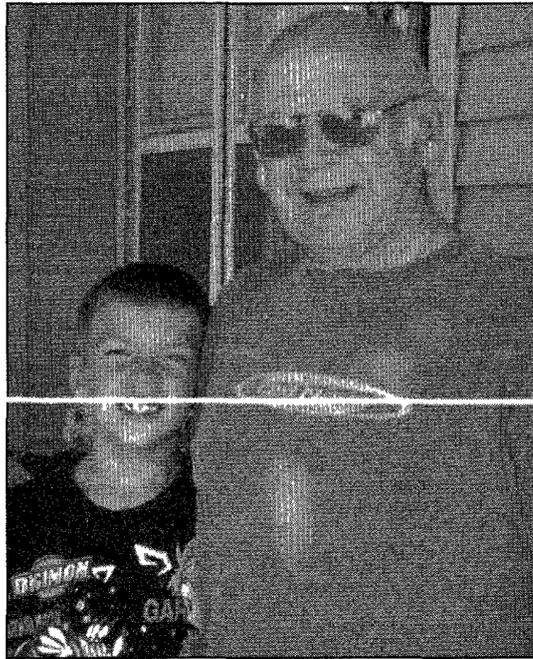
Dad had called because they needed some tools ferried to the hunting site, but the sons waited as a proud Grandpa watched his grandson enjoy his first real bicycle ride.

So, is it any wonder he says Grandpa taught him?

The funny thing is his Dad and I were constantly encouraging Bobby to learn to balance, so we could buy him a bigger bike. He had outgrown his shiny red 16-incher. The seat was raised as high as it would go and that wasn't enough. He was just about smacking his chin with his knees when he rode it.

We had tried taking the training wheels off last summer. He came home from day care one day insistent that they be taken off because his buddy, Jamie, was riding without them. He expected to get on the bike and ride like Jamie, but his first spill — luckily on the grass — showed him it was harder than it looked.

Being the person who took the training wheels off, I ran



Student and teacher: Bobby Mason (left) got his first real bike riding lesson from his grandfather Harold Burkholder.

behind him and held the rear of his seat to steady him as he peddled. I'd let go intermittently, but as soon as my hands left the seat he was on his way down. He didn't realize he needed only to set his foot down to steady himself.

His Dad encouraged him sit on the bike and practice balancing. He'd do that for a few minutes and then drop the bike and find something else to do.

Actually, I remember doing that when I was about that age. I wanted to ride my sister's bike — it was so big my feet didn't touch come any where near touching the ground — and worked on balancing as I rolled along the side my parents' garage. By the time I got to the end, I could balance, but my left leg and arm were a mass of scratches from hitting the bricks.

With Bobby, the more times he fell, the less he wanted to ride. Needless to say, not much riding took place last summer until the training wheels were put back on.

During all of this, I'm surprised he didn't revert back to his earlier days. When Bobby came into our lives at age 2½, he could break the sidewalk speed limit on one of those foot-powered, animal-shaped riding toys, but he just loved to walk an old bike twice his size around the backyard lap after lap. (Maybe that's where he got the idea that balancing on a bike means a seriously lean to the left?)

He did use the three-step toddler bike his aunt and uncle had gotten him as a welcome gift. It had four-inch wide plastic wheels and training wheels of about the same thickness that could take a toddler right up to a real bicy-

cle — with no training wheels. It didn't work that way for Bobby. He quickly outgrew it and moved up to his 16-inch bike by his third birthday.

By the next spring and "instructions" from Jorey, he was burning up the sidewalk. Of course, we did spend countless hours, providing pushes when his training wheels got hung up on a crack and the rear tire just spun around aimlessly.

Now that he can ride a two-wheeler, he's zipping all over the place — across the lawn, down the driveway and a quick sojourn into the street before getting yelled at by his Dad.

And being able to balance has helped him ride his scooter. Instead of endlessly pushing, he's figured out he can balance and coast and even use the foot brake successfully.

His red bike has been replaced by a snazzy electric blue-and-orange one. The old one has been passed down to his 4-year-old cousin Daniel who, upon seeing it, wanted the training wheels off so he could ride like Bobby.

If only Bobby could only inspire his sister. A few days shy of her fifth birthday, Carolee shows no interest. She'll zip along on the old tricycle when we're up north, but back home, she goes 10 feet on her Little Mermaid bike and quits. It's too hard, she says. So's her Barbie scooter that came with its own training wheels.

Frankly, I think she's holding out for an electric (not likely) pink Barbie car.

And Grandpa, who isn't the sort of person to rest on his laurels, already has his eye on his youngest grandson Daniel also has inherited Bobby's yellow and red bike. Grandpa's sideline analysis says he's pretty close to getting rid of those wheels.

(Mason, who gets to go through this again when Carolee decides she's ready, is the editor of the Garden City Observer and can be reached at (734) 953-2107 or by e-mail at smason@oe.homecomm.net.)

OUTDOOR CALENDAR

ACTIVITIES/EVENTS

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. Visit www.mffc.org on the Internet 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 Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for more information.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony

Creek, 1-800-477-7756, Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192, Kensington, 1-800-477-3178, Hudson Mills, 1-800-477-3191.

HAWKFEST

Lake Erie Metropark, one of the premier hawk watching sites in North America, will host the 12th annual Hawkfest, a two-day celebration of the annual fall migration of birds of prey (hawks, eagles, falcons, owls and vultures) on Saturday, Sept. 15 and Sunday, Sept. 16 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. each day. Hawkwatchers will be counting migrating raptors and using their spotting scopes to take a peek at birds. For more information, call 1-800-477-3189.

WAYNE COUNTY PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

Wayne County Parks offers nature interpretive programs throughout the year. Advanced registration is requested. Call (734) 261-1990 to register and for more information.

(To submit items for consideration in the Observer & Eccentric's Outdoor Calendar send information to Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009, fax information to 248-644-1314.)

All-Star Bowlerettes move to Plaza

Last Monday night was the opener for the All-Star Bowlerettes at Plaza Lanes in Plymouth No., that is not a typo, the ladies have moved away from Cloverlanes after calling it "home" for the last 10 years. The new owners at Plaza, Steve Klein and Gerald Johnson were fortunate enough to have the league select their house to bowl in for their inaugural season as proprietors.

This league was originally formed by Maxine Cruchoin in 1946 and it has thrived ever since with some of the greatest names in the annals of women's bowling history having at one time or another competed in the All-Star Bowlerettes.

They first bowled at Wurm's Recreation, centrally located in Detroit. The very first sponsor was the Detroit Times. When the newspaper went out of business, Brunswick took over the sponsorship for many years.

They became nomadic in the early years, having moved to Eastland Bowl, then North Lanes became its home in 1962, and Motor Lanes in 1963. In

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1981 they received a nice offer from Luxury Lanes in Ferndale and remained there until 1992 when they moved to Cloverlanes in Livonia. Now in Plymouth, they are looking forward to another year of sensational bowling. How could they top last year, when they set new all-time records? We'll just have to watch and see how it all plays out at Plaza Lanes.

•There is a new TV show of interest to all and to bowlers in particular as Comedy Central now shows "Let's Bowl." As you might guess, this is very funny stuff, with cheerleaders doing their thing out on the lanes. It was seen Sunday nights at 10:30 p.m. and also at other times. This show has some funny twists to it as some very ordinary randomly picked bowlers vie against each other to win various prizes. It is quite entertaining and is definitely a "plus" for our favorite pastime.

•Want something different? How about a bowling tournament with a modified Baker System format? We now have the "Can-Am" Bakers Doubles Classic Cup Challenge. In this event, first place pays out \$1,000 guaranteed and 1 in 4 entrants will win cash. The event will have eight games across eight pairs of lanes with a maximum team average of 420. The first

one will take place 11:30 a.m. Sept. 15 at Novi Bowl with a maximum limit of 60 teams. The next stop will be 11 a.m. Sept. 29 at Cherry Hill Lanes followed by stops at Sterling Lanes, Century Bowl, Westland Bowl, Plaza Lanes, Taylor Lanes and a few more. T.B.A. The Red Robin Grand Championship will feature a first prize of \$2,000 guaranteed. The prize fee is returned 100 percent.

Format: (1) A team consists of two bowlers. (2) One bowler bowling on the odd number lane, (3) The bowler on the even number lane to complete a single game. (4) Each team will complete an 8 game block. (5) Then 1 out of 4 will qualify for the finals. Finals: Survival elimination.

All teams will then bowl again with elimination the lowest score(s) each time until there is only one team remaining. For more information, call the tournament directors, Todd & Debbie Cullen (519) 974-9819, Joe Parks (734) 421-9055 or Lew Ansara (248) 417-7600.

•The U.S. Open, which takes place in December was about to be boycotted by the PWBA women's pro bowlers tour. All things are not created equal, shouted the ladies, and they were right. More prize funds available to the PBA male bowlers and all 90 min-

utes of television was going to be of the men's events only. This was causing a lot of problems and yet they were able to work it out with a few compromises, and the fact that ESPN was able to find equal TV times for the women in a spot adjacent to the men's telecast helped soothe the wounds. Jan Schmidt, PWBA Director of Marketing announced that PWBA and ESPN have reached an agreement to air the finals of the Dec. 1-9, 2001 women's U.S. Open live on ESPN Sunday Dec. 9 from 2:30-4 p.m. The broadcast will immediately follow the TV finals of the Men's U.S. Open, also airing on ESPN. Each gender receives \$187,500 in prize money generated through sponsors, but the ex-Microsoft group, led by Chris Peters has added \$100,000 to the prize money for PBA major events, but they do not have any ownership of the PWBA, thus the inequity.

The women's sports foundation has now become involved and pledges to raise money from its members to boost the women's prize fund. The U.S. Open is unique, since it is "open" with the best pros, the best amateurs and some of the highest qualifiers at the tournament.

It seems that everyone is now satisfied and the games will go on.

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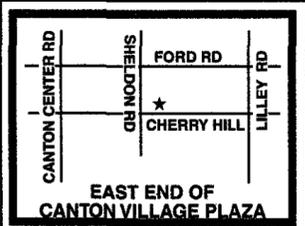
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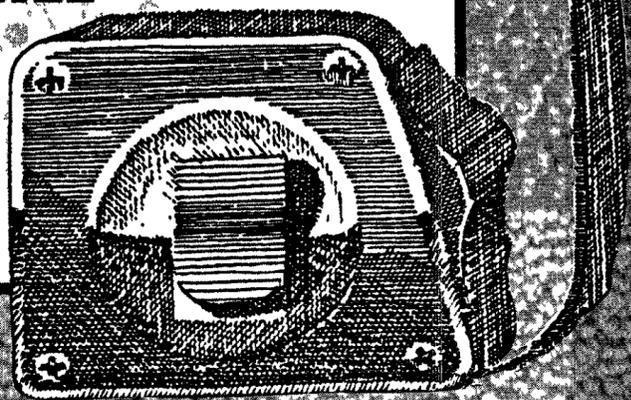
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SPORTS ROUNDUP

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Total Baseball of Wixom, located at 30990 Wixom Road, will stage its annual line drive hitting camp from 9-11 a.m. (ages 7-12) and noon-2 p.m. (ages 13-19). Space is limited, so sign up early.

The skilled camp, directed by Michigan Baseball Coaches Hall of Fame member Lee Bjerke, will teach techniques in batting swing and bat speed.

Fees are \$75 per player (\$10 off on each additional child).

For more information, call (248) 668-0166 or email totalballwixom@aol.com to register.

YOUTH BASEBALL TRYOUTS

•Tryouts for the 13-year-old Michigan Lake Area Rams baseball team will be Sunday, Sept. 9, 16 and 23.

For more information, call Mark Falvo at (313) 537-3449 or Jack Falvo (248) 471-1748.

•For more information about the WaCo Wolves' 2001 10-year-old travel baseball tryouts, call Tim Broughton at (734) 953-0786.

For WaCo Wolves 13-year-old tryouts, call Dan Martin at (734) 516-3723.

MOTOR CITY VOLLEYBALL

The Motor City Volleyball Club is running a fall training season from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Sept. 9 through Nov. 11 at Henry Ford Community College.

The cost is \$325. For more information, call Larry Wyatt at (734) 522-1680.

ADULT HOCKEY SIGNUP

The Farmington Hills Adult Hockey Association is in need of goalies, primarily in the over-40 age group, for the upcoming season.

But the FHAHA is still accepting team entries for its 18-and-over division, and it has player openings in the over-30 and over-40 leagues.

The season starts Sept. 4. The team fee for the 18-and-over bracket is \$3,750 for 22 games and playoffs. For players in the older age groups, the fee is \$650 for 44 games and playoffs.

To register call the FHAHA at 471-6004 and leave a voice-mail message.

BASEBALL TRYOUTS

The Michigan Rattlers are scheduling fall baseball tryouts for its 13-year-old travel baseball team for the 2002 season. The season consists of league, tournament and national play, running about 65 games.

Interested players and parents should call Jim Martin at (248) 477-9830.

SOCCER SHOOT EVENT

The Livonia Parks and Recreation Department and the Livonia Elks Lodge will hold a Soccer Shoot Competition for youngsters 8-13 at 6 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 12 at Bicentennial Park.

Winners from the competition, on fields 3 and 4 in back of the park, advance to the state contest in Big Rapids on Saturday, Oct. 13.

Boys and girls competition will be held in three age divisions, 8-9, 10-11 and 12-13. Ages are as of Aug. 1, 2001.

Registration is day of the event only.

The 8-9 age group gets three kicks at each of five variously sized goals while the other two age categories get 15 shots with points scored for hitting various sectors of the net.

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

INLINE HOCKEY LEAGUES

The Skating Skating II is accepting registrations for its fall and adult leagues.

Several youth age brackets available from 16 and under.

The youth cost is \$120 for 10 games (includes jersey, championship shirts and referee fees).

Youth evaluations begin Friday, Sept. 14. Ages are determined as of Jan. 1, 2001.

Adult leagues are 17 and over, also 30 and over.

For more information, call Dave Jackson at (734) 459-6401, or visit www.skatingstation2.com.

ADULT HOCKEY LEAGUES

•Registrations are now being taken for the Fall and Winter Adult Hockey Leagues playing in the Plymouth Cultural Center, the Arctic Pond and the new Canton Ice Arena.

Leagues will be for over-21,

over-30, over 40 and over-50 and will play from September through March Games will be played in the evenings.

For registration forms, see the web site at www.rspl.net.

Call John Wilson at (248) 471-0658 with questions or email him at john@rspl.net, or call the Arctic Pond at (734) 207-7663.

•The Retirees' Hockey league for over-50 players is resuming drop-in play Aug. 21 at the Arctic Pond Ice Arena in Plymouth. Cost is \$11 per game with play scheduled for 9 a.m. Tuesday and Friday mornings.

All Senior players are welcome. Free coffee and doughnuts are provided after the games.

Call John Wilson at (248) 471-0658 with questions or email him at john@rspl.net, or call the Arctic Pond at (734) 207-7663.

FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Total Soccer of Wixom will hold a seven-on-seven flag football league for men 18-and-over on Tuesdays from Sept. 18 through Oct. 30.

The season will consist of six games followed by playoffs. There is a six-team minimum and a 12-team maximum.

The cost is \$525 per team or \$69 per individual. All individuals will be placed on a team and receive a uniform. Age is determined as of Sept. 1, 2001.

To register, call (248) 669-9817, or email totalballwixom@aol.com. Registration forms and checks should be made payable to Total Soccer Wixom, 30990 Wixom Road, Wixom, MI 48393.

WHALERS NEED INTERNS

The Plymouth Whalers are accepting applications for game night interns for the upcoming season. Whaler interns will assist with game night activities, including give-aways, promotions, assisting in running the matrix board and music, and reporting game scores to the media.

While this is a non-paying position, interns will receive two game tickets for each home game along with Whaler apparel to be worn on game nights. Interns will be required to work all home

games and possible outside appearances during the season.

If interested, contact Scott Kelley at (734) 453-8400 or fax your resume to (734) 453-4201 by Aug. 30. The Whalers' season starts Sept. 13 at Windsor.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

The Canton Soccer Club and the Great Lakes Women's Soccer League are teaming up to form an eight-week recreational soccer league this fall.

All games will be played at 5 p.m. Sundays at Independence Park in Canton, beginning Sept. 9.

If interested, contact Becky Widlak at (734) 737-0137 or register on-line at www.GLWSL.com.

FIGURE SKATING SIGNUP

The City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation will hold registration for figure skating from 5-8 p.m. (residents) and 7-8 p.m. (non-residents) Wednesday, Sept. 5 at Edgar Arena, 33841 Lyndon.

Half-hour sessions are available for seven weeks. Classes will be available from 4-7 p.m. Mondays and 4:30-7 p.m. Thursdays. A class for tots will be from 9-9:30 a.m. Fridays.

The fees are \$40 (residents) and \$55 (non-residents).

For more information, call (734) 466-2679.

HUNTER SAFETY COURSE

The City of Livonia Parks and Recreation Department is staging a hunter safety course from 6-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21 and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22 at the Sheldon Senior Citizen Center, 10800 Farmington Road (south of Plymouth Road).

The cost is \$10 per person. Minimum age requirement is 11 1/2. Participants must show a social security number (Persons born after Jan. 1, 1961 or later need certification in order to obtain a hunters license).

Pre-registration is required beginning Monday, Aug. 13 at the Parks and Recreation office. Registration is from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

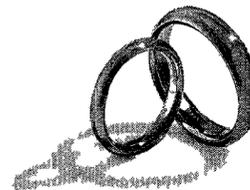


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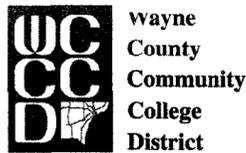
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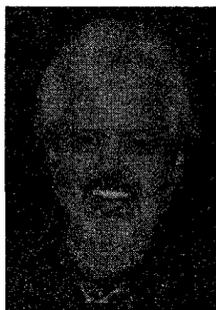
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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Musicians use creativity to survive in New York

Michele Ramo leans across the table as if to share his excitement. On Labor Day he'll play violin with the National Jazz Orchestra of Detroit at the Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival in Hart Plaza.

What musician wouldn't be enthusiastic about performing a tribute to Detroit jazz legend Harold McKinney with Marcus Belgrave and Teddy Harris? But the concert holds special meaning for Ramo. When the former Livonia resident arrived in Detroit from Sicily 12 years ago, McKinney took him under his wing. Ramo played his last concert with McKinney who recently died, in 1999.

Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival
What: Michele Ramo and the National Jazz Orchestra of Detroit perform a tribute to Harold McKinney
When: 3 p.m. Monday, Sept. 3
Where: Absopure Waterfront Stage in Hart Plaza on Jefferson Avenue along the Detroit River. For information, call (313) 963-7622 or visit the Web site at www.detroitjazzfest.com

"Playing with all those cats is interesting even to be included with them is an honor," said Ramo, who played concerts in Switzerland, Spain, Germany, Italy, Norway and France with James Carter's Chasin' the Gypsy Band in June and July and as recently as Saturday at the Detroit jazz festival. Ramo isn't letting any grass grow under his feet since moving to New York with his wife Heidi in October of 1999. The two made the move as a way to further their career as a jazz duo. But it hasn't been easy. New York is a tough market for any performer. The competition is overwhelming. Your best chance of being found is by playing the smaller clubs and restaurants around the city. And that's just what Ramo and Hepler have been doing.

When they first arrived in New York from Livonia, the duo took a 6-month gig at the Italian restaurant Grand Torino in Greenwich Village.

"You never know who's sitting in the room listening to you," said Ramo. "It can be a small room with three people in the audience. You never know who they are. You always have people thinking about developing and promoting talent and going around to these places looking for fresh talent."

To be in New York is risky and chancy," concedes Ramo. "A lot of people can't afford to do just music while they're waiting."

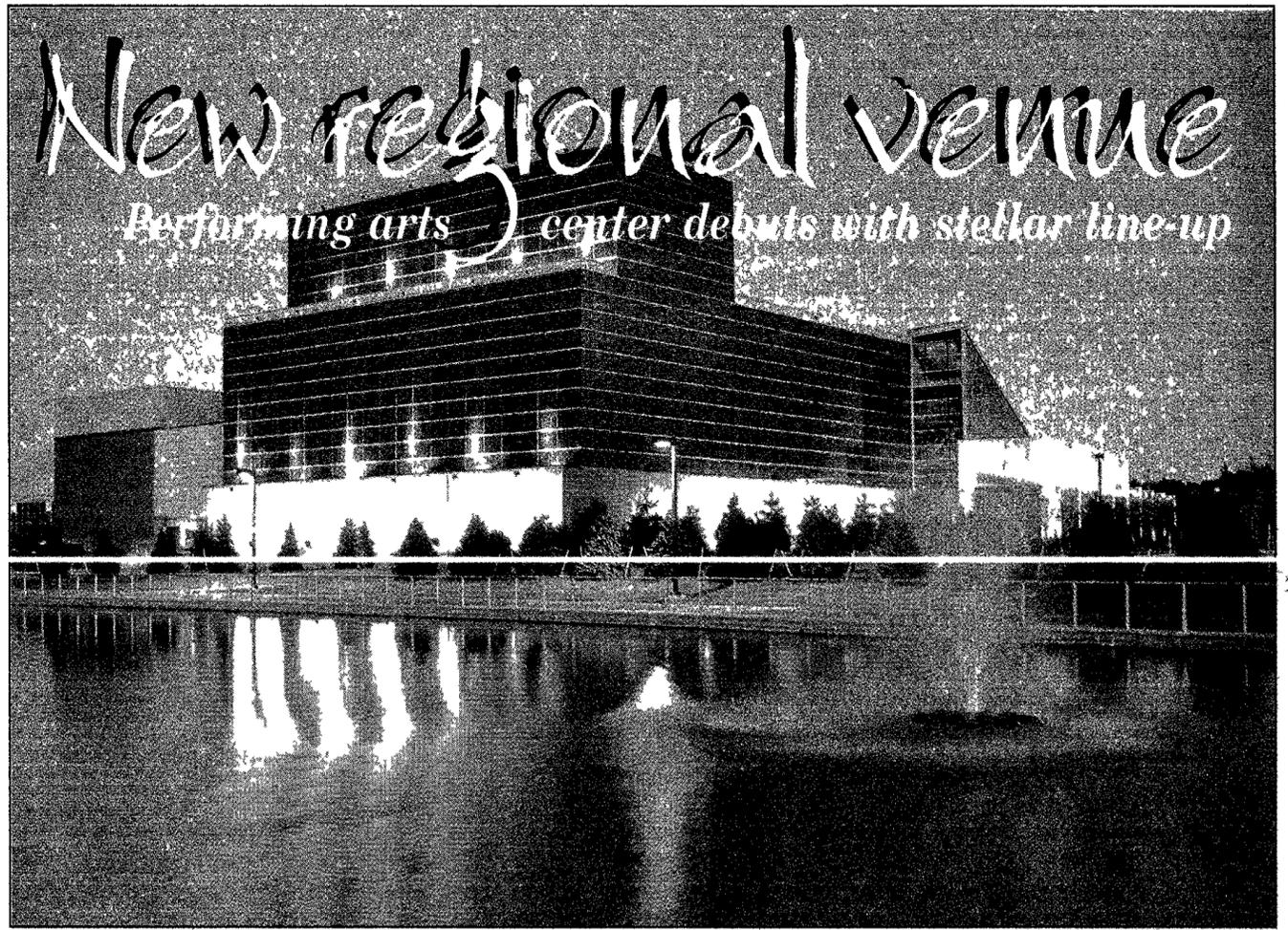
Ramo initially supplemented the couple's income by teaching classical guitar at Luther Music in Manhattan. That's where he met guitarist George Benson who walked into the store one day. Within minutes of their meeting the two began jamming together on their instruments.

"It's important to make these connections so when they need a guitarist or violinist they know who you are," said

Please see **EXPRESSIONS, C2**



Jazzy duo: Michele Ramo plays with the National Jazz Orchestra of Detroit on Labor Day. He and wife Heidi Hepler moved to New York in October 1999 to pursue their music career.



Regional venue: The Ford Community & Performing Arts Center will spotlight a variety of artists when it opens. The \$43 million facility, designed by TMP architects of Bloomfield Hills, will seat 1,201 theater patrons (below).

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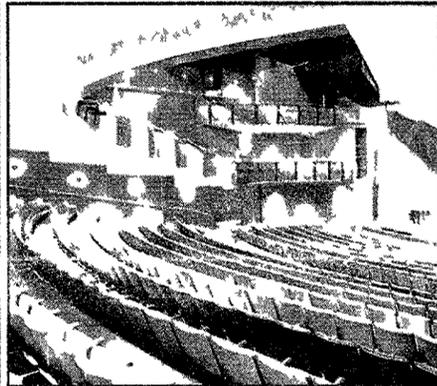
Workers hurriedly move flats across the floor back stage. With less than a week to go before the opening of the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center, there's little time for more than a smile and hello.

The set must be in place when Dick Van Patten and Frank Gorshin begin rehearsals for *The Sunshine Boys* the next day. Van Patten and Gorshin kick off a national tour of the Neil Simon comedy with three performances at the Dearborn Performing Arts Center. Sept. 4, 5 and 6. But before the city will host a series of opening events and concerts in the \$43 million facility. Designed by TMP Architects of Bloomfield Hills, the contemporary style structure will house an 1,800 square foot art gallery in addition to the 1,201 seat theater.

An open house is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 5 to introduce the public to the 198,000 square foot space. The Padzieski Art Gallery presents its pre-



Upcoming production: Dick Van Patten and Frank Gorshin are currently in rehearsals at the new performing arts center.



mier exhibit on Thursday, and on Friday Melissa Manchester launches the performance series. The following night Lou Rawls gives a concert in conjunction with a gala benefit which includes a performance by the Mark Phillips Band.

Ford Community & Performing Arts Center

What: Open house with performances by the Dearborn Big Band and Ford Motor Chorus and backstage tours.
Admission: is free
When: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 5.
Where: 15801 Michigan Ave., east of the Southfield Expressway, Dearborn. For information, call (313) 943-2354.

Please see inside for upcoming events.

Money raised from the black tie event will go to the Dearborn Community Foundation, a nonprofit that supports the center, and cultural and recreational programs in the city.

So far, the nonprofit has raised \$10 million for the center. An additional \$23.8 million came from a bond approved by the city's voters. A nearly \$400,000 cultural arts

budget will keep the city-owned and operated facility running. Ticket sales and rental fees will provide additional revenue.

"I'm excited we're opening the art gallery with an exhibit that features artists with ties to Dearborn including Robert Gnewek, Robert Scheffman, Lois Teicher, Frederick Birkhill, and Robert Piepenburg (Farmington Hills)," said cultural arts coordinator Emma Jean Woodyard as she led a tour of the new community and performing arts center. "The evening concludes with the unveiling of an outdoor sculpture by Russell Thayer (Lathrup Village)."

We have a very ambitious schedule that includes professional and community artists. A partition system for dividing the gallery into two will give flexibility when we hold our *Small in Scale* show, a statewide juried art competition, and an exhibit of Japanese dolls from the Japan Foundation. We have all sorts of exhibits planned through the end of 2002.

Patrons attending concerts, plays, opera and ballet will appreciate all of the planning that went into the center which also houses swimming pools and a health and fitness area for city residents. The theater is a work of art in itself with no seat more than 90 feet from the stage and its 87 foot high orchestra

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Gala evening: In addition to a concert by Lou Rawls, a fundraising celebration will offer a strolling dinner and an opportunity to meet the singer.

Museum reopens with miniatures and dollhouse show

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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Beth Stewart marvels at the large scale Victorian doll house greeting visitors to the Plymouth Historical Museum. It's no wonder it took McLean Ambrose 10 years to build the Queen Anne style home. The peak of the high tower alone measures 56 inches.

As director of the museum, Stewart couldn't let the recent acquisition go unnoticed so she decided to curate a miniatures and doll house exhibition to welcome it to the collection. The 4 foot by 4 foot doll house is the perfect accompaniment to an exhibit of miniature furniture and paintings by N.D. Walker just a few steps away. Walker's full scale paintings, miniature paintings and furniture are arranged as room settings.

"I think it's so unique," said Beth Stewart who discovered Walker's talent while he was painting walls during renovations at the museum. "I've never seen them combined."

Miniature Collector magazine thought Walker's Togetherness Sets unusual enough to feature them in its January edition.

"It incorporates my art and miniatures into one complete unit," said Walker, who began painting on canvas 23 years ago after his brother asked him to do a mural in his home.

Walker painted walls for a contractor by day to support his family so he thought why not. Before long a geometric rainbow colored the wall. Word of mouth spread about his talents for brightening up

home interiors. More murals followed until one day Walker decided to give canvas a try.

"I wanted to learn to blend background colors for the geometric shapes," said Walker who began showing his oil paintings in 1994. Since then, he's exhibited at the Museum of African American History, ArtTram in Wayne in 1999 and several times at the National Conference of Artists Gallery in the Fisher Building in Detroit.

Plymouth Historical Museum

What: An exhibit of miniatures by N.D. Walker, Judy Sheehaas and David Reitzel.
When: Through Thursday, Nov. 15. Hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Saturday-Sunday.
Where: 155 S. Main, Plymouth.
Admission: \$3, \$1 children ages 5-17, \$7 a family. For information, call (734) 455-8940.
Related event: N.D. Walker will be on hand to discuss his work from noon to 6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 8-9.

At the same time he was developing painting skills Walker began building miniatures. Much later, a perfume box belonging to his wife, gave him the idea for the Togetherness Sets.

"I'd like to see people have a better understanding of miniatures," said Walker who will be on hand to discuss his work Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 8-9 at the museum. "Most people associate miniatures with toy and doll furniture but miniatures are done to scale. It gave me a better understanding of antique furniture -

Chippendale, Heppelwhite, which I'm not able to afford but I can build the miniatures."

And of course, he needed paintings to go with the furniture.

"Miniature paintings are not that difficult to do," said Walker. "It helped me develop my patience."

Walker needs plenty of patience in his day job.

Please see **EXHIBIT, C2**



Small stuff: N.D. Walker exhibits his paintings and miniatures at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

Expressions from page C1

Ramo, who returns to France and Italy to tour with James Carter's Chasin' The Gypsy Band in September

It's Hepler's day job to connect with agents and club owners. The couple's one bedroom Queens apartment is filled to overflowing with press releases and other materials submitted in the hope of finding work — or that one big break

"You have to have a strong spirit, it takes lots of energy going around the city," said Hepler, who's staying at her family's Livonia home while in town. "We've been hitting the bricks like we did in Detroit only a hundred times harder. You're in the subways at 3 a.m. after visiting clubs to distribute press packets in the middle of the night. It's a very interesting process because there's no formula. There are no specific auditions you can go to but you still have lots of bills to pay."

When they return to New York the couple will be paying the

bills by playing in an upper west side Brazilian restaurant. They've also recorded a CD of original music, *We Finally Met*, scheduled to be released in the next couple of months, along with a reissue of Ramo's *Essence of Romance*, retitled as *Costiera*, the village in Sicily where Ramo grew up

Eventually, they know some one will discover them. But until then, Hepler and Ramo are taking it one day at a time

"One day you have work, one day you don't," said Hepler. "It takes creativity to survive, creative juggling, creative financial management."

And if their creativity carries over from their music writing, the two will have no problem surviving in New York until that big break

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

Exhibit from page C1

where he paints everything free hand. The weathered looking sign for the Plymouth fairground, at the end of Main Street inside the museum, is Walker's handiwork. The fairgrounds stood south of Ann Arbor Trail, east of Main for 30 years and hosted many a horse race

Looking at the sign, as well as the shops along Main Street, brings back memories of early

Plymouth. Designed by architect David Reitzel, the museum first opened in 1976 with 1,600 square feet of displays including the general store and shops. Thanks to the generosity of Margaret Dunning, the museum was able to add an extra 10,000 square feet to help educate visitors about Plymouth's history. But the displays and public research center, complete with computer, are only part of the renovation. A new gift shop will

help the museum raise money. Plymouth potter Kathy Sandberg has created plates and bowls especially for the museum to sell in the shop

"We're really pleased with how everything came out," said Stewart. "Luckily Plymouth architect David Reitzel was still around to design the addition. The size of the building was adequate when it first opened, but as time went on, our collections were increas-

ing. Then we acquired the big Lincoln collection. We needed more space. There's huge amounts of archival material. We never had room for anything before. Now we have plenty of space for labeling, cataloging and organizing items in the collection."

The Lincoln collection, which will be on permanent display at the museum, opens with a gala event in February

Art Center from page C1

and choral shell

"It's very accessible for people with disabilities," said Woodyard. "There's continental seating with no center aisles and lots of leg room. It's a very intimate theater."

The green room back stage boasts a bath and shower for the star. Chorus members are treated nearly as well in a dressing room where rows of chairs rest ghost-like in front of mirrored walls. Soon the room will fill with performers putting on make-up and changing costumes

"The chorus dressing room is just like you'd see in the movies," said Woodyard. "There's also a costume shop, and a loading dock to unload sets. It was designed to bring in professional productions. But it will also be home to the Dearborn Symphony, Youth Theatre, Community Chorus, Big Band, and Vanguard Voices."

"We're striking a balance between professional and community theater but also community groups like the Dearborn Ballet Theatre and Dearborn Symphony."

Work on spaces like the studio theater or black box, which will be used to hold smaller productions, rehearsals, auditions and receptions, is nearly complete. Activities housed in the older part of building which served for years as the civic center, are well underway. Seniors are already

Ford Community & Performing Arts Center Upcoming Events

- Opening of the Padzieski Art Gallery and premier exhibit 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 6. No charge.
- Melissa Manchester in concert 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7. For tickets to any of the performances, call the box office at (313) 943-2354.
- Lou Rawls concert 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8. In conjunction with the concert, the center will hold a grand opening gala fundraiser that begins with a 6:30 p.m. strolling dinner and concludes with an afterglow reception for Rawls. Tickets are \$250. Proceeds go to the Dearborn Community Fund, a nonprofit supporting cultural and recreational programs in the city.
- The Sunshine Boys starring Dick Van Patten and Frank Gorshin 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15 and 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16.
- Verdi's *Messa da Requiem* 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22.

meeting in rooms to do wood carving, quilt and paint

"I'm more nervous than excited now," said Woodyard. "I'm concerned about the little details."

Theater manager Jack Raeburn is running around attending to all those details as well

"Things are coming together," said Raeburn. "I'm excited. It's sort of a special opening. It's the only performing arts center opening in the area in the last 10-15 years. I think it's a strong statement about Dearborn and western Wayne County. I hope it will do for this area what the Macomb Center did. We're filling a local and regional niche, offering things you don't normally get to see in an intimate setting."

Volodymyr Shesniuk wishes the city of Livonia would open a similar facility. He's been talking about recycling the George Burns Theatre for 10 years. Shesniuk conducts the Livonia Symphony Orchestra which presents its regular season concerts in the Churchill High School Auditorium. He's especially looking forward to leading the orchestra when it joins the Dearborn Ballet Theatre in a production of *The Nutcracker* at the new performing arts center in late November

"I'm jealous," said Shesniuk who also plays violin with the Dearborn Symphony Orchestra. "I wish Livonia would also have a performing arts center. I'm more for a modest size. We don't need something so extravagant."

It can be a place that draws people together — a good auditorium with good acoustics."

Quinto Milto is grateful that Dearborn decided to build the new performing arts center onto the old Dearborn Civic Center. As artistic director of the Friends of the Opera, he's waited years to be able to present a major production in the area. On Saturday, Sept. 22, his wish comes true when the Friends of the Opera present Verdi's *Messa da Requiem*. The program features mezzo soprano Irina Mishura from New York's Metropolitan Opera, soprano Fabienne Colson from France and tenor Lee Eung Jin and bass Lee Eun Suk, Korea, along with the Dearborn Symphony Orchestra under Kypros Markou and the Vanguard Grand Chorus with director G. Kevin Dewey. A bronze sculpture of Verdi by artist Robert Scheffman will be unveiled that evening in the lobby

"It's the greatest thing that could happen to the community and surroundings," said Milto. "I've performed throughout Europe and longed to have an opera house here. The dream's come true."

The performing arts center is still looking for volunteers to work during performances and art exhibits. If you'd like to become an usher or gallery docent, call (313) 943-2354.

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Mark Wahlberg stars in *Rock Star*

ROCK STAR

Inspired by the story of salesman Tim "Ripper" Owens, the front man of a Judas Priest cover band who wound up becoming the new lead singer in the actual group, this heavy metal fable features Mark Wahlberg as Chris "Izzy" Coles, a supply salesman who performs in a tribute band, Blood Pollution, before

getting a part in *Steel Dawn*. Featured among Blood Pollution are musicians Blas Elias (Slaughter), Nick Catanese, Brian Vander Ark (Verve Pipe) and actor Timothy Olyphant. Numbering among Steel Dragon are actors Dominic West and Jason Fliemyng, and musicians Jason Bonham (Bonham), Zack Wylde (Ozzy Osborne) and Jeff Pilson. Lending femme support throughout is Friends Jennifer Aniston as Wahlberg's love interest.

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The Michigan Porcelain Artists Show Sale & Convention Sept. 6-7 will be held at the Bavarian Inn Convention Center, 1 Covered Bridge Lane, Frankenmuth. Items for sale include hand-painted jewelry, Christmas ornaments, dishes, picture frames, vases and more. Free admission. For more information, call Ann Kornek at (313) 562-1386

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DOWNRIVER COUNCIL

The Home Gallery presents a fine-arts sale and exhibition through Sept. 29 to support the Ashes to Action Fund, which provides assistance to artists affected by the March 16 fire in Wyandotte. Artists wishing to participate in *Ashes + Action = Art* should call (734) 287-6103

CALL FOR ARTISTS & AUDITIONS

COMMUNITY CHOIR

Schoolcraft College Community Choir is holding auditions Sept. 5 and Sept. 11 in Room 310 of the campus Forum Building, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Call director Gerald Custer at (734) 481-3453

COMMUNITY THEATRE

OF HOWELL
Auditions will be held for the musical *Singin' in the Rain* Saturday Sept. 8. Performances are in May 2002. Auditions will be held at McPherson Middle School, 1400 W. Grand River, Howell. Call Linda Peasley, producer, at (517) 548-6577

CRAFTERS SOUGHT

Crafters are needed for the St. Valentine's Holiday Arts & Craft Shoppe on Saturday, Nov. 10 (313) 255-6825 or visit www.geocities.com/stvalcraft

GENERAL MOTORS CHORUS

Accepting new members for the fall/Christmas season Sept. 10 and 17th at 6:45 p.m. All new, former and current members should report to Lincoln High School chorus room at 22900 Federal, Warren. The GEMEC is open to the public and participants must be 18 to join (810) 447-2319

HALLOWEEN HOCUS POCUS

Children ages 8-16 are invited to audition for Halloween Hocus Pocus at the Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main, Northville, at 7 p.m. Sunday Sept. 9 (248) 349-8110

HOLIDAY ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW

Artists and crafters sought for this juried show at North Farmington High School, Nov. 17. No manufactured goods accepted. 32900 W. 13 Mile, Farmington Hills. Contact Dianne at (248) 553-0913

JACKSON CHORALE

Auditions for new members are at 8:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10. Open to men and women past high school age. Vocal Music Room, Adams High School, 3200 W. Trienken, Rochester Hills (248) 651-3085

MATURE ARTISTS EXHIBIT

Artists 62 and older are invited to submit their works for an art show in the Ellen Kayrod Gallery of the Hannan Foundation. Creative Expression submissions must be completely framed and ready for hanging, no larger than 24 by 30 inches, with no more than three works submitted. All media is acceptable and must be dropped off at the Hannan House on Tuesday, Sept. 4 and Friday, Sept. 7, 4750 Woodward, Detroit. Call Mary Corbett at (313) 833-1300, ext. 18 or (734) 692-4971

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Auditions for the *Nutcracker* are Sept. 9 (ages 6-9, 12 p.m.), ages 10-12 (2-3 p.m.) and 13 and up (3-4 p.m.) and Sept. 12 (ages 10 and up, 7-8:15 p.m.) at Geiger Classic Ballet Academy in

Bloomfield Hills. Audition fee is \$15

SINGERS SOUGHT

Farmington Community Chorus will hold new member auditions Tuesday, Sept. 4 and Tuesday, Sept. 11, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the William Costick Activities Center on 11 Mile Road, just east of Middlebelt in Farmington Hills. Contact Chorus Manager Kathy Hall at (248) 471-4516

SPOTLIGHT ARTS AND CRAFTS

Quality vendors are sought for this juried 11th annual show on Sept. 7-8 at the Rochester Elks Club in downtown Rochester. Indoor and outdoor space available. (248) 641-7608 or (248) 651-8681

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Manuscripts and poetry will be accepted through Oct. 5 for an individual and group writing conference. Writers Conference on the Oakland University campus near Rochester. Budding writers attending a Michigan college or university are invited to apply for a scholarship to attend the Oct. 20 conference, which offers an opportunity to learn from professional writers, agents and editors. Deadline for receipt of application materials is Sept. 21. (248) 370-3125

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Fall course terms beginning Sept. 10 through Dec. 8 and includes All Levels of Drawing at the Museum Woodcut Printing and Creativity is Fun for preschool and kindergartners. 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham (248) 644-0866

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Accepting registrations for its fall continuing education classes which will begin in late September at the campus on Kirby and John R. in Detroit and at the Civic Center in Novi. For a schedule or more information, call (313) 664-7456 or e-mail cce@ccs.edu

PEWABIC POTTERY

Offering 12 week classes beginning Sept. 10 in ceramics, tile making, wheel throwing, salt firing, precious metal clay and more. 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit (313) 822-0954

VISUAL ART ASSOCIATION OF LIVONIA

Classes in various arts forms at the Jefferson Center, Room 16, 9501 Henry, Livonia. Call Mary Ann Adams at (734) 455-9517

CONCERTS

KIRK IN THE HILLS

The 2001-02 Kirk Concert Series opens at 8 p.m. Sept. 6 with a concert in the Sanctuary by the Choir of Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge University, 1340 W. Long Lake, Bloomfield Hills. For tickets, call (248) 626-2515

ORCHARD LAKE SCHOOLS

Contemporary Japanese jazz pianist Keiko Matsui will highlight the sixth annual Jazz on the Lake Sunday, Sept. 9 on the campus of Orchard Lake Schools. Also starring Alexander Zonjic and Orchard Lake Schools student Angela Bofill. Located at Orchard Lake and Commerce roads in Orchard Lake (248) 683-1750

DANCE

DETROIT BALLET

Classes in child and adult classical ballet, tap and jazz. Adult beginners welcomed. Classes offered at the Betty Johnston Dance Studio in Farmington Hills at Folsom and Nine Mile (248) 474-3174

EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE

All levels of classes for recreational and professional students including modern, ballet, pointe, tap and jazz for children ages 3 and older. 1541 W. Hamlin, between Crooks and Livernois, Rochester Hills (248) 852-5850

DEBBIE FELTON'S ACADEMY OF DANCE

Taking registrations for fall enrollment. 16312 Middlebelt, Livonia (734) 524-0104

GEIGER CLASSIC BALLET ACADEMY

Classes are forming in classical Russian ballet training for the 2001-02 school year for ages 4 and up. Classes begin Sept. 5 (248) 334-1300 or www.geigerballet.com

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

Offering classes for preschool children at the Oak Park campus, 15110 W. Ten Mile (248) 967-4030

METRO DANCE

Boys only classes in ballet, tap and

hip-hop. A pilates based conditioning class Tuesday evenings for ages 12 adult. Beginning through advanced adult tap and ballet, adult jazz and hip-hop. Times and fee vary. 541 S. Mill, Plymouth (734) 207-8970

EVENTS

CHURCHILL HIGH

Accepting applications for the fall craft show Saturday, Oct. 20, 8900 Newburgh, Livonia (734) 523-0022

ART, MUSIC, FASHION AND FILM

Detroit Contemporary presents the premiere of its fourth season with an evening of art, music, fashion and film beginning at 5 p.m. Sept. 15 with the opening reception for artists Mitch Cope, Gerry Craig, Sherry Gaines and Nelson Smith. Also features music performances, a drive-in theatre with live musical accompaniment and a strolling fashion show. 5141 Rosa Parks, Detroit (313) 898-4ART

MEADOW BROOK HALL

Offers Dodge Brothers Motor Car Exhibition through Sept. 30 and Tea on Tuesdays the third Tuesday of each month from 3-4:30 p.m. Reservations required. (248) 370-3140

ORIGINAL WORLD MARKET

The International Institute is celebrating its 75th Anniversary Original World Market Sept. 14-16 featuring world-class international performing groups, arts and crafts booths, ethnic foods, children's activities, craft demonstrations and exhibits and raffle and door prizes. Free admission. 111 E. Kirby, Detroit (313) 871-8600

FOR KIDS

BLUE LAKE FINE ARTS CAMP

Weekend camp for children 3-10 with Williams Syndrome. Sept. 14-16, 300 E. Crystal Lake, Twin Lake (800) 221-3796

works will be featured. Her great grandfather was Vincent van Gogh, first cousin to the famous painter. Farmington Hills Library on 12 Mile Road next to post office (248) 324-2525

GEORGE R. GRAVELDINGER

Sept. 9 - George R. Gravelindinger is having a studio open house of paintings, sculpture and drawings. 37 p.m. Detroit Federation of Musicians Building, 20833 Southfield Service Dr. between 8 and 9 Mile roads (248) 569-4171

HABITAT GALLERIES

Opens Sept. 7 - Works of Bella Feldman and Emily Brock featured through Sept. 29. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac (248) 333-2060

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY

Opens Sept. 7 - New paintings by Moe Brooker and glass sculpture by Christina Bothwell featured through Sept. 20. 107 Tenthon, Birmingham (248) 842-3909

DAVID KLEIN GALLERY

Opens Sept. 8 - Latin American figurative artist Fernando Botero. *Paintings, Drawings and Sculpture* runs through Oct. 20 with an opening reception from 1-4 p.m. Sept. 8, 163 Townsend, Birmingham (248) 433-3700

MEADOWBROOK ART GALLERY

Opens Sept. 7 - *New Generation Detroit* features contemporary art by eight new Detroit artists celebrating Detroit's 300th birthday. The exhibit runs through Oct. 7 with an opening reception 5-7 p.m. Sept. 7, 208 Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester campus (248) 370-3005

REVOLUTION

Opens Sept. 8 - *Anne Wilson Edges and Stephen Tourlentes New Work* through Oct. 20 with artists' receptions 5-7 p.m. Sept. 14, 23257 Woodward, Ferndale (248) 541-3444

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

Opens Sept. 3 - An exhibition of Haitian art and artifacts by Emily C. Hall runs through Sept. 29

Through September



Imagine this: *Imagen* (above) is one of the works by Royo in the exhibition *Seduction at Art Leaders Gallery in West Bloomfield through Sept. 30. Fine art, handblown glass and bronze sculpture are also on display at this new location at 33030 Northwestern Highway, West Bloomfield. For more information, call (248) 539-0262.*

KINDERMUSIK

Classes begin the week of Sept. 3 at Village Music in Plymouth for ages newborn to 7 years. To register, call (734) 354-9825

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

A.C.T. GALLERY

Opens Sept. 7 - *Photography Images from Six Detroit area Artists* through Oct. 5, 35 East Grand River, Detroit (313) 961-4336

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER

Opens Sept. 7 - *In Essence A Study in Abstract Art* featuring Michigan artists Karin Bodycombe, Larry Cressman, Richard Fairfield, Barbara Costello and Karen Izenberg, runs through Oct. 7, 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor (734) 994-8004, ext. 104

BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER

Opens Sept. 7 - Robert Wilbert. *Watercolors* through Oct. 5 with an artist reception 6-8 p.m. Sept. 7. Robinson Fine Arts Gallery at the BBAC, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham

FARMINGTON ARTIST CLUB

Opens Sept. 12 - B.J. Blackford

24350 Southfield in Southfield (248) 424-9022

SYBARIS GALLERY

Opens Sept. 8 - *The Man Who Knew Too Much*, a sculpture and jewelry exhibition by J. Fred Woell runs through Oct. 20 with an opening reception 5-7 p.m. Sept. 8, 202 E. Third, Royal Oak (248) 544-3388

ZEITGEIST GALLERY

Opens Sept. 7 - Two Painters - Robert Hyde and Greg Stevens with Stone Sculpture - Ron Gabaldon runs through October and features an opening reception Friday, Sept. 7 with musical entertainment by Audra Kubat and Friends. 2661 Michigan, Detroit (313) 965-9192

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ONGOING)

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER

Through Sept. 2 - *Domestic Relations* highlights the accomplishments of Ben Upton and Sarah Innes at the art center, 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor (734) 994-8004, ext. 101. Through Oct. 22 - Works of Ypsilanti artist Daniel Wheeler. His oils on canvas and boards will be on display at Workbench Furniture, 410 N. Fourth, Ann Arbor

ART LEADERS GALLERY

Through Sept. 30 - *Seduction* an exhibition of world renowned artist Royo featuring original oils and limited edition serigraphs. Fine art, handblown glass and bronze sculpture also on display at this new location. 33030 Northwestern Hwy., West Bloomfield (248) 539-0262

BIDDLE GALLERY

Through Sept. 5 - *Up With Downriver* featuring paintings, photographs and sculptures. 2840 Biddle, Wyandotte (734) 281-4779

CPOP GALLERY

Through Sept. 30 - Works by Winston Smith, David Le Batard and Tony Agee. 4160 Woodward, Detroit (313) 833-9901

CARY GALLERY

Through Sept. 8 - Julie Mahoney. *The Small Still Life*. 226 Walnut, Rochester (248) 651-3656

CASS CAFE

Through Labor Day - *We Do The Work* part II, an exhibition of photography of people at work. 4620 Cass, Detroit (313) 831-1400

COFFEE BEANERY

Through Sept. 6 - *Soda Fountain Favorties and Other Desserts* featuring mixed media paintings with glitter by Donna Tracey and Alexandra Gierak of Troy. 152 N. Woodward, Birmingham (248) 646-6022

DETROIT ZOO

Through Sept. 3 - *Quit Buggin' Me* a glass sculpture exhibit in the Wildlife Interpretive Gallery. 8450 W. Ten Mile, Royal Oak (248) 398-0903

FLATLANDERS ART GALLERY

Through Oct. 13 - Kevin Schroeder - *Recent Work*. 11993 E. U.S. 223, Blissfield (517) 486-4591

FORD GALLERY

Through Sept. 15 - Eastern Silversmiths Guild Alumni Show with an opening reception Wednesday, Sept. 5 followed by a gallery talk by professor Skip Hunter. Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti (734) 487-0465

FRAMES-N-ART

Through September - *Original Watercolors of Betty Sturley*. 5889 Dixie Hwy., Clarkston (248) 623-1552

GALLERY 212

Through Sept. 16 - *Guilty Pleasures* an all media group exhibition featuring works by Anthony Kahn, John Dinsler, Glen Barr, Jack O. Summers, Rachel Wright, Daniel N. Marder and Mara Trachtenburg. 207 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor. www.gallery212.org

GATE VI GALLERY

Through Sept. 14 - *Paintings and Pastels* by Penny Thorsen and Novi Civic Center Group. 45175 W. Ten Mile, Novi (248) 347-0400

ELLEN KAYROD ART GALLERY

Through Sept. 25 - Two Women Exhibit featuring Eloise Brown Hill and Mary E. Corbett. (313) 833-1300, ext. 18

LAPEER ART ASSOCIATION

Through Sept. 30 - Illustrator Fran Piazens and member show. Farnsworth Gallery, 241 Daley, Lapeer (810) 667-3632

LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY

Through September - Three local artists are kicking off the fall art season at the gallery. *Images by Juan - Color, Clay, Collage* features Pontiac artist Juan M. Limon's photographs. Orchard Lake clay artist Eva Monson and collages of Pontiac artist Jacqueline Sullivan, a graphic designer for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. The works will also be available for viewing at Pontiac Arts, Beats and Eats during the Labor Day weekend. 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac (248) 334-6716

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Through Sept. 22 - *Made in Michigan* an exhibition of more than 50 artists in all media will be showcased in the First Floor Gallery. Main Gallery and PCCA Galleries. 407 Pine, Rochester (248) 651-4110

THE PRINT GALLERY

Through Sept. 15 - *Automotive Images in Art* featuring canvases, silk screen prints and posters by various artists. 29173 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield (248) 356-5454

THE SCARAB CLUB

Through Sept. 16 - *Within-These Walls - Scarab Member Exhibition*, with an opening reception 6-10 p.m. Sept. 7, 217 Farnsworth, Detroit (313) 831-1250

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN MUSEUM OF ART

Through Nov. 25 - *Donald Sultan The Smoke Rings* will feature large scale iris prints and small-scale photographs in three of the museum's galleries. 525 S. State, Ann Arbor (734) 764-0395

WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY

Through Sept. 15 - Barry Avedon professor of painting and drawing at Eastern Michigan University will have his works featured in Painting

and Drawing. 215 E. Washington, Ann Arbor (734) 761-2287

THE WOODS GALLERY

Through Oct. 11 - Palette and Brush Club. Lower level of the Huntington Woods Library, 26415 Scotia, Huntington Woods (248) 543-9720

LECTURES

ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Vartan Gregorian, president of Carnegie Corp. of New York, will deliver a lecture on academic freedom titled *Universities in the 21st Century: Perils, Challenges and Prospects* on Sept. 11 at the University of Michigan. 412 Maynard, Ann Arbor (734) 764-0303

MUSEUMS

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

Through Sept. 23 - *Cranbrook in the City: Verifying Visions With Detroit* presents the work of Academy of Art alumni and students. Through Sept. 30 - *Shaping the Heart of Detroit*, the Saarinen Family's plans for the Waterfront. (248) 645-3300

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In the beginning, Prodigy is a self-proclaimed "Player," using his charms to gain random one-night stands with a variety of women, one of which is married to a pro-football player

It's not until roguish behavior has him teetering on the edge of losing his job as well as the respect of his mentor and father figure, Poppa Doc, that Prodigy decides to take a closer look at himself and his behavior

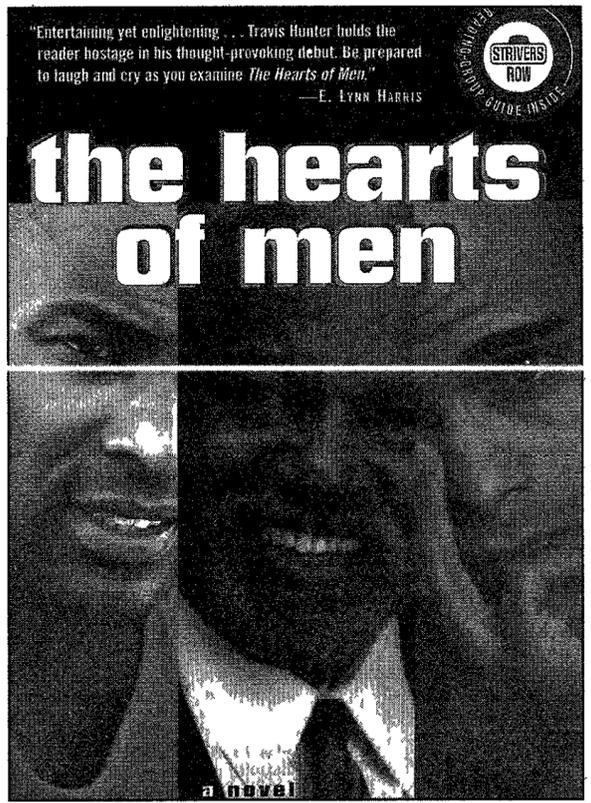
In his quest to have the heart of a man, Prodigy must realize that the past has a way of haunting, and in order to make a new relationship with the first woman he has ever truly loved, he must put the old Prodigy to rest for good

Bernard, Poppa Doc's son-in-law, is a man devoted to his 9-year-old daughter and his wife, and has an intense desire to provide for them everything he missed as a child living off the charity of others

He soon discovers errors bringing home a paycheck isn't all of what makes a good father and husband

As his family complains about his time spent at work coupled with growing tension in the bedroom, a wedge quickly forms and threatens to drive them apart for good

When he comes to a sharp fork



in the tangled, overgrown road of his marriage, he needs his father-in-law's wisdom to give him the courage to cut through the thorny underbrush of deception and bitterness

Only this will show him what it will take to make himself a new man and cultivate stronger relationship with his wife

Poppa Doc himself, though the source of comfort and counsel for many others, is not without his own hardships

Recently diagnosed with cancer and struggling to get a message of responsibility and respect through to his own 33-year old son, he contemplates the struggles of his family mem-

bers and strives to give them the emotional and spiritual support they need to move out of difficult phases of selfishness and denial

Above all, he teaches his children, son-in-law and Prodigy, the values of love and responsibility, the importance of a strong marriage, and that the bonds of family should never be broken

The Hearts of Men is an honest, eye-opening novel that raises and addresses many questions of modern society from the view points of both the younger and older generations

and shows that although not always easy, the road to self-improvement is worth the struggle

BOOK HAPPENINGS

Book Happenings features events at area bookstores, libraries and literary gatherings

Send news leads to Steve Kowal ski, Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009, or fax them to (248) 901-2573 or e mail to skowalski@oehomecomm.net

Baldwin Public Library in downtown Birmingham has the following event planned

THROUGH SEPTEMBER The Children's Buggy Art Show, a collection of children's drawings and poems of insects, will be exhibited

Barnes & Noble at 2800 S Rochester in Rochester Hills, has the following events planned

'MAKE IT MONDAYS' Activities, adventures in crafts and storytime are held each Monday at 11 a.m.

CHILDREN'S STORYTIME These fun sessions for kids are at 7 p.m. Fridays and 11 a.m. Saturdays

Barnes & Noble, at 6800 Orchard Lake in West Bloomfield has the following events planned

FRIDAY-SATURDAY, SEPT. 7-8 A Salute to Grandparents Grandparents Day is Sept. 9 and we'll read stories all about our best buddies in the world 11 a.m. each day

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 12 Author Arthur W. Wiggins, professor of Physics and Physical Sciences Department Head at Oakland University, will sign copies of his newest book, Quantum Leaps in the wrong Direction

Get the straight story on things like astrology, ghosts, spontaneous human combustion, psychic surgery and ESP 7 p.m.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY, SEPT. 14-15 Hat's on Storytime Wear your favorite chapeau to out-swingin' sombrero storytime We'll even make a funny hat for you to wear And this time only, you can keep your hat on indoors 11 a.m. each day

TUESDAY, SEPT. 25 Author Gregory F. Michno signs his newest Death on the Hell ships This book describes the heroic efforts of World War II American and Allied Prisoners of War 7 p.m.

The Book Beat, at 26010 Greenfield in Oak Park, has the following event planned

SUNDAY, SEPT. 2 Meet Sally Ryan, artist of forbidden drawings, The Psychosketch books of SAINTRYAN, from 1-4 p.m. Exhibit curator Mike Moshier will make a presentation at 3

The drawings will be on display through Sept. 29

TUESDAY, SEPT. 11 An underground reception with the Weathermen Underground (Bill Ayers and Bernardine Dorn) Ayers will autograph his book Fugitive Days from 7-9 p.m.

Borders Books, Music, Video & Cafe, 1122 S. Rochester in Rochester Hills, has the following events planned

THURSDAYS Borders and Mr. Don want to remind folks that reading aloud is not just for tykes with a program titled "Reading Without a Net" Stop into Borders at 7 p.m. to experience the neglected art of reading aloud It isn't radio, or TV, it's live

FRIDAYS Toddler Time with Ms. Allison presents stories and songs and lots of wiggle room for children 4-under Older kids are welcomed to come along 10 a.m.

Borders, at 34300 Woodward in Birmingham, has the following events

SATURDAY, SEPT. 22 Local author Marcy Heller Fisher and former Birmingham resident Christine Collins Woomer, an illustrator, sign copies of their book The Outdoor Museum: The Magic of Michigan's Marshall M. Fredericks (Wayne State University Press, Great Lakes Books, 2001) 7 p.m. Fisher also will speak on the legacy of Fredericks' Sculpture in our community at 7:30 p.m. Res-

day, Sept. 25 at the First Baptist Church of Birmingham Seating is limited

Southfield Public Library has the following announcements

DREAM GARDEN SERIES A display by Elaine Redmond titled Dream Garden will be hosted Mondays every day but Sunday Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday

Redmond was inspired to make these images while looking through her own negatives of flower gardens By using a reversal process, a pink cone flower becomes a rich black daisy with a blue center eye

Water droplets on leaves become shiny black beads All the images have a dream quality Some photos are shown in pairs the positive and negative side by side while other like the purple amaryllis stand dramatically alone

SEPTEMBER DISPLAYS The Southfield Public Library and the Southfield Historical Society present Southfield Remembers, an exhibit of Southfield memorabilia on loan from the Southfield Historical Museum

A display of 12 quilts by the Wednesday Night Quilting Sisters Ministry, an organization founded in 1985 by Dr. Carolyn Reese as part of a program of the African-American Heritage Council

THURSDAY, SEPT. 6 "Getting Started on the Web" introduces people to the Internet Cost is \$5 for Southfield and Lathrup residents, \$10 for non-residents Bring residency identification 6:30-8 p.m. in the Marcotte Room

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Volunteers play an important part in the Southfield Public Library organization, participating in many jobs that help to provide the public with excellent library service For more information on becoming a volunteer, click on

www.metronet14bmi.us/SFLD/volunteer_job_description.html

ART BEAT

Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send Wayne County arts news leads to Art Beat, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150, fax them to (734) 591-7279, or e-mail (as a text file) to lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

ARTS CLUB MEETING

Three Cities Art Club holds its first meeting of the season 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 4 at the Plymouth Township Administration Building on the northeast corner of Ann Arbor Road and Lilley.

The program features Al Larson who will bring examples of paintings/photographs to show how Frameworks reproduces them as prints. Everyone is welcome to attend.

For more information, call Marilyn Meredith at (248) 262-9711 weekdays, or (734) 397-2348.

GUEST SCULPTOR

Redford sculptor Silvio Barile will be the guest lecturer for the Garden City Fine Arts Association meeting 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 5 at the Redford Bakery on Plymouth Road, between Inkster and Beech Daly.

For anyone who'd like to car pool, meet at the back entrance and parking lot of the Maplewood Community Center off Balmoral and Merriman in Garden City at 6 p.m.

For more information, call Shekinah Errington at (734) 764-2247 or the bakery for directions (313) 937-2288.

Barile will give a tour of his sculpture garden behind his bakery. The garden features sculptures made from poured, shaped and imprinted concrete. Many of the pieces are over 6-ft tall.

Barile's folk art style reflects his love of his native Sicily, Roman/Italian history, and his life experiences and perceptions. His work often incorporates text, marble, glass and found objects.

SINGERS WANTED

The Farmington Community Chorus holds auditions for new members 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 4 and 11 at the Costick Activities Center on 11 Mile Road east of Middlebelt Farmington Hills.

The 80-voice chorus, under the direction of Steve SeGraves, is seeking to expand its membership. It includes singers from the metro Detroit area.

For more information, call chorus

manager Kathy Hall at (248) 471-4516.

The Plymouth Community Chorus is holding auditions for new members 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 4 at the First Baptist Church of Plymouth, 45000 North Territorial.

Additional audition dates are Sept. 11, 18 and 25, by appointment only. To schedule a time or for the location of the Sept. 11, 18 and 25 auditions, call (734) 455-4080.

Schoolcraft College Community Choir holds auditions for new members 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 4 and 11 in room 310 of the Forum Building on campus, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia.

Fall semester choir rehearsals begin Tuesday, Sept. 11. The 50+ voice choir includes Schoolcraft students and experienced singers of all ages from communities throughout the metropolitan area. Participants may elect to receive regular academic credit through the college.

For more information, call choir president Shari Clason at (248) 349-8175 or the college's liberal arts department at (734) 462-3453. To schedule an audition, call director Gerald Custer at (734) 481-3453. Clason and Custer can also be contacted via e-mail by visiting the Web site at <http://members.tripod.com/schoolcraftchoir>.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Plymouth Symphony Society holds the 55th season annual meeting and 56th season kick-off 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 5 at the Joanne Winkelman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 North Sheldon at Junction, Plymouth.

In addition to a review of the past season, music director/conductor Nan Washburn will talk about upcoming programs in the *Alive With Musical Color* season. Season subscriptions will also be available.

Light refreshments will be provided courtesy of U Take the Cake of Plymouth. For information about the meeting, new season, sponsorships and volunteer opportunities, call (734) 451-2112 or visit the Web site at www.plymouthsymphony.org.

TENT SALE

The Village Potters Guild is holding a tent sale 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8 in the parking lot outside the Guild, 340 North Main behind Jack Dunleavy's Grill, Plymouth.

For information, call (734) 207-8807.

Twenty potters will exhibit a variety of items, none priced at more than \$30.

"Some of them are leftover items from the season and slight irregulars so it should be lots of fun," said Donna Williams, a Plymouth potter. "You make lots of work as a potter and this is a way of clearing our shelves. And we thought it would be a nice way for people to meet us."

If you'd like to try your hand at making art, don't miss the tile table where for \$5 you can paint your own. Proceeds will be donated to First Step, a Plymouth-based organization dedicated to helping victims of domestic violence and rape.

TREASURE CHEST CRAFT SHOW

The Village Painters present their fifth annual Treasure Chest Craft Show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8-9 at Central Middle School, Church and Main Street, Plymouth.

Admission is \$2. For more information, call (734) 454-4168.

This boutique style show was previously held at the Plymouth Cultural Center. It features many hand-painted items including furniture, jewelry, and clothing as well as oil paintings and watercolors.

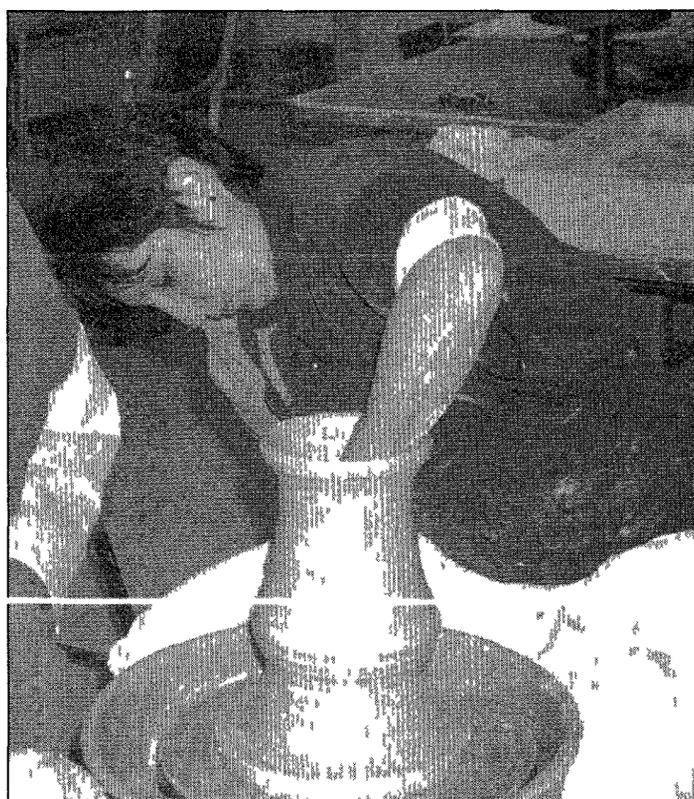
The Village Painters is a local chapter of the National Society of Tole & Decorative Painters. The show is a fundraiser for the chapter. A portion of sales will help continue The Village Painters' education program for members. It also helps fund a needy family at Christmas and for supplies to paint ornaments to decorate a tree for the Festival of Trees (benefits Children's Hospital). Money will also go toward the memory boxes which members paint for the infant bereavement program at Providence Hospital.

YOUTH THEATER

Paper Bag Productions announces auditions for its 19th show, a musical version of *Stuart Little* 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8 and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9 at 19586 Farmington Road, three blocks north of Seven Mile on the southeast corner of Farmington and Carl, Livonia.

Auditioners should be prepared to sing whatever they sing best. Cold readings will be from the script.

For information, call C.J. Nodus at (810) 344-7774.



Tent sale: Rachael Laine is one of 20 members exhibiting in the Village Potters Guild Tent Sale Saturday, Sept. 8, in Plymouth.

CHILDREN'S ART EXHIBIT

D & M Studios holds its 11th annual student show Monday, Sunday, Aug. 27 to Sept. 2 at 8691 North Lilley Road at Joy, Canton.

The works culminated from this summer's 26 art camps at D & M Studios, Canton Summit on the Park, and the Plymouth Cultural Center. Hours are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday to Friday until 3 p.m. Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday.

For information about the exhibit or fall classes, call (734) 453-3710.

GLASS BEADMaking WORKSHOP

The University of Michigan Dearborn is holding a 10-week frameworking workshop Sept. 14 to Nov. 1 in the

department of natural sciences on campus, 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn.

Livonia resident Don Miller, a faculty member in the department of natural sciences, will teach the workshop. Glass beads have been made by winding molten glass onto metal rods for several thousand years. This form of beadmaking is currently the fastest growing area of the glass crafts.

The history and basics of beadmaking characteristics of various glasses, and a wide range of decorating techniques will be covered.

The cost is \$250 and includes all instructional and material fees. Enrollment is limited. Call Miller at (313) 593-5262.

Get the recipe in Sunday's Taste section

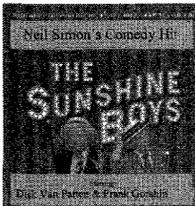
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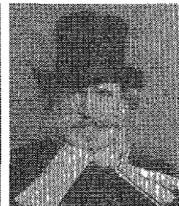
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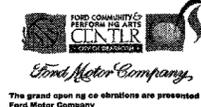
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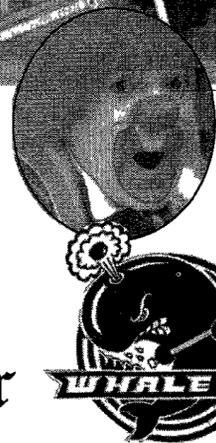
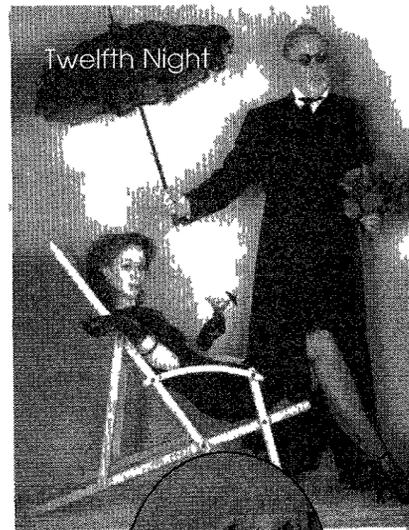
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Water isn't always good for the skin

DISCOVERING BEAUTY



MARY ANNE TOCCALINO

By now I'm sure you know water is the healthiest drink you can consume

But you probably don't know about the unhealthy effects that water can have on skin and hair

Rather than having a hydrating effect, water sometimes robs your body of external moisture, especially in the summer when water comes with the sun

But just because you're exposed to the outdoors and

frequenting chlorinated pools in the summer, doesn't mean the season has to be a dry one

A few do-it-yourself tricks will allow to jump right in and make a splash

How does the pool affect skin?

They say it's important to rinse out a swimsuit after being in a pool, so the garment's color does not fade. Well, the same applies to your body. Chlorine really sticks to the body and when it's not rinsed off, the chemical causes drying, itching, flaking and blotching

To avoid these unpleasant effects, use an exfoliating alpha-hydroxy acid cream such as Eucerin Dry Skin Therapy Lotion, which is available at any good drug store. An alpha-hydroxy cream will aid in shedding dry skin cells that have absorbed chlorine, leaving you with a healthy glow

What about hair after pool use?

Chlorine chemically falls in the same category as bleach. It extracts moisture from the hair shaft and lightens color, whether it's your real color or not

Though it's unlikely you spend as much time in a pool as an athlete training for the Olympics, even small amounts of chlorine can drastically change hair color and texture

To protect color and texture, spray a mixture of conditioner and water on to the hair before going in a pool

The hair shaft is like a sponge, so the conditioner in the spray fills the shaft, leaving no room for chlorine. The spray also prevents chemical treatments applied to your hair and prevents dryness

What are the lakes doing to my hair?

Believe or not, local waters do have impurities

But, wait, all the news isn't bad, as fresh water does have some healing powers

Fresh water aids in mending acne more quickly. It also has been known to induce skin detoxification

Still, long exposure can dry and irritate the skin

To avoid such negative effects, frequently apply a heavy sunscreen. Doctors recommend one with an SPF of 30

Besides, sunscreen works double-duty, it protects against harmful sun rays in addition to being a moisturizer

How does fresh water affect hair?

Good news! Fresh water isn't bad for your hair

It gives thickness, which is always great, plus a beautiful, healthy shine

But you still have to be careful. When you're at the lake, the sun is sucking moisture from your hair and drastically lightening its color

Some women pay a lot of money for that California beach hue, but if you like your hair color the way it is, try adding a protective barrier of oil, such as Philip Kingsley Hair Cap (available at Saks Fifth Avenue) before you swim. It's a great conditioner, too

How does shower and bath water affect skin and hair?

Most homes have hard water, which means it contains dissolved minerals like calcium and magnesium. When you bathe in hard water, soap and mineral "curd" settle on the skin, leaving a residue. This not only makes you feel unclean but also can clog pores, causing breakouts and even a rash

Ideally, use a water-softening unit. However, there are soaps that break down hard water scum. Just remember to apply moisturizer after showering because these soaps can dry out the skin

When you shampoo with hard water, hair feels sticky and looks dull and limp. The culprit is the "curd," which forms when shampoo meets minerals

Remember, chlorine is often added to tap water to kill bacteria and this can definitely damage hair

Use a clarifying shampoo once a week, and don't wash your hair with every shower. Just style it as usual and see what happens. You may be surprised how healthy your hair becomes

Now you're ready to enjoy the last few weeks of summer with a big splash

If you have a question for Mary Anne Toccalino, send her an e-mail at matmkup@yahoo.com. Toccalino is a professional makeup artist and skin care consultant. She studied at Joe Blasco's School of Cosmetics in Hollywood where her training included work in special effects for film and print

Stylish, but why not healthy?

Annual fashion show will focus on well-being



STAFF PHOTOS BY TOM HOFFMEYER

Creative forces: Barsoum Bouchar (left), owner of Birmingham's Virtuoso Salon, and Phyllis Johnson, a lifestyle expert, will unite style and well-being on the Birmingham Fall Spectacular runway

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When Barsoum Bouchar, owner of Birmingham's Virtuoso salon, detects even a vibe of negative energy lurking near his clients, he jumps to his feet and prepares to sweep it out the front door

Phyllis Johnson, a lifestyle expert and native of Detroit, feels as strongly about her role as a nurturer of positive spirit. The quest for good health and spirituality is the most important lifestyle trend of the new century she insists

Since well being and style are the themes of this year's Birmingham Fall Spectacular, slated for Sept. 12, it only makes sense to have Bouchar and Johnson behind the scenes

"There's a way to balance wellness and style," says Johnson, who developed the event's themes and is producing its fashion show. The annual event, a benefit for the Beaumont Pediatric Cancer

Survivors Scholarship Fund, begins with a strolling dinner and hits its peak with a runway show of fall fashion provided by local retailers. Bouchar and his team of stylists and makeup artists will work their magic on the show's models

Runway looks will fall into four categories, the natural elements of earth, air, water and fire, as a way to show that style and well-being aren't exclusive

"Our challenge is to look at the models and see how we can represent the elements and this approach of well being and natural beauty," says Bouchar

Hair pulled back into slick ponytails might represent water, while the season's rich burgundy and brown tones might symbolize earth

By focusing the event on health and well-being, Bouchar and Johnson hope to draw more attention to the cause. "We hope to identify Birmingham as this wonderful stylish town that nurtures itself and promotes personal growth," says Johnson

What: 12th Annual Birmingham Fall Spectacular to benefit the Beaumont Pediatric Cancer Survivors Scholarship Fund

When: 5:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12

Where: Under outdoor tents between The Community House and the Townsend Hotel in downtown Birmingham

Tickets: General admission \$65 in advance and \$75 at show. Patron seats \$175, and benefactor seats, \$250. Patron and benefactor tickets include early admission, VIP show seating, bar tickets and valet parking. To purchase, call (248) 644-1700 or visit Astreim's Jewelers, Tender or Imelda's Closet, all on Maple Road in downtown Birmingham

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, SEPTEMBER 2

SCHOOL SHOPPING PROMOTION

Westland Shopping Center marks back-to-school time with a shopping promotion. Shoppers with store receipts of \$150 or more receive a messenger bag and Westland Shopping Center gift certificate worth \$5. Bring receipts to the mall's customer service center in East Court, through Sept. 10 and while supplies last. For more information, call (734) 421-0291.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

ART ON THE GREEN

Downtown Franklin's Labor Day celebration features the 21st Annual Art on the Green fine art show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., at the Village Green on Franklin Road, just south of 14 Mile Road. Event is free. For additional information about the art show and Labor Day events, call (248) 865-9382.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

FALL TRUNK SHOW

The Apple Tree Room, 32749 Franklin Road in Franklin, hosts a fall trunk show featuring Maralce Ferree jackets, vests, coats and outer wear accessories, through Sept. 8. Store hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday and Friday-Saturday, and 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Thursday. For additional information, call (248) 851-9862.

YARN GARMENT SHOW

The Knitting Room, 251 Merrill Street in Birmingham, hosts a samples show of garments made with fibers from Rowan Yarns featuring both current and new yarns, through Sept. 16. Store hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday. For additional information, call (248) 540-3623.

MAC MAKEUP EVENT

Makeup artists from MAC introduce Haute Voltage, the line's fall color collection, and consult with customers, through Sept. 8, at Nordstrom, the Somerset Collection in Troy. To schedule an appointment with a makeup artist, call (248) 816-

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

NORTH CONCERT SERIES

Northland Shopping Center in Southfield hosts a series of free jazz concerts on Friday and Saturday afternoons every other week through September 22. Join John Douglas & Jazz Head on Sept. 7 and 8. All concerts run noon-2 p.m. at center's Outdoor Court. Free refreshments will be provided. For additional information, call (248) 569-6272.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

FASHION SHOW AUDITION

Audition for the Livonia Mall's back-to-school fashion show, to be held Saturday, Sept. 22. Registration runs 10 a.m.-noon. Auditions run 1-3 p.m. For additional information, call (248) 476-1160.

ANNUAL CHILI CONTEST

Prepare your palate for the 23rd Annual Michigan State Chili Championship Cook-off during Plymouth's annual fall festival in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth, 7 a.m.-9 p.m. Event includes a chili cook-off, pancake breakfast, children's activities and live entertainment. Proceeds benefit several Plymouth service organizations. For more information including how to enter chili cook-off, call (734) 455-8838.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

TIFFANY BRIDAL SHOW

Tiffany & Co., the Somerset Collection in Troy, hosts a bridal show featuring fashions by Alvin's Bride, three seminars covering pearls, table settings and wedding stationery, and information about entertainment, catering, photography and floral services, 6:30-8:30 p.m. For additional information or to make a reservation, call Margot Abramson at (248) 637-2800.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

ESCADA FOR FALL

Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, presents the Escada fall 2001 collection in an informal fashion show with light buffet lunch, noon, Escada Boutique, second floor. Tickets are \$25 and benefit the Michigan Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation. Please make reservations by Sept. 10 by calling (248) 424-9001, ext. 40.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

BRIDGE COLLECTIONS SHOW

Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, presents the Best of Bridge, a showing of fall 2001 sportswear collections, to benefit The Child Abuse and Neglect Council, 5 p.m. wine and hors d'oeuvre reception, 6 p.m. fashion show, Designer Bridge Sportswear, second floor. Tickets are \$35 and \$50. To make a reservation, call (248) 332-7173.

TRUNK SHOW

Sherrin's at the Orchard Mall in West Bloomfield features Skinz Designs in a trunk show with informal modeling, through Sept. 15. For more information, call (248) 626-7470.

LANCÔME FOR FALL

Learn about Altitude, Lancôme's fall color collection, at Nordstrom, the Somerset Collection in Troy, through Sept. 15. To make a personal appointment with a makeup artist, call (248) 816-5100, ext. 1064.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

JEWELRY DESIGNERS VISIT

Jules R. Schubot Jewellers, 3001 West Big Beaver in Troy, welcomes jewelry designers Leo de Vroomen of De Vroomen Designs and Gianni Stivanello of Ambrosi, along with their recent collections, at a champagne reception, noon-8 p.m. The designers and their collections will also be in the store from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15. For more details, call (248) 649-1122 or (800) SCHUBOT.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

BILL BURNS VISITS

Meet designer Bill Burns and view his fall collection at Nordstrom, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Event includes informal modeling and lunch in Studio 121, second floor. To make a reservation, call (248) 816-5100, ext. 1550.

WHERE CAN I FIND?

This interactive feature is dedicated to helping readers locate retail merchandise that's difficult to find through reader feedback.

If you have a request or information about where a product is sold or service is available, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number.

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WHAT WE FOUND:

- **Travel Smith**, an outfitting guide and catalog, sells women's travel clothing with hidden pockets, call (800) 950-1600 or write to, Travel Smith, 60 Leveron Court, Novato CA 94949

- **Princess Gardner wallets** can be purchased at area Mervyn's stores

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- **Easy Wash** can be purchased at area Holiday Market stores and at the F & M store on Middlebelt Road

- **The Land's End catalog** sells 100-percent cotton pajamas, call (800) 356-4444

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- **Dye magnets** can be purchased at area K-mart stores and on the Internet at www.Quixtar.com

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- **To rent an antique**

phonograph, try Antique Audio in Plymouth

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- **An dock that illuminates** can be purchased through the Wireless catalog, call (800) 669-9999

WHERE CAN I FIND?:

- **A red bowl from a nest of four Pyrex mixing bowls (#402)** for Janet, who lives in Rochester Hills

- **A store that sells old-fashioned shaving mugs** for Paul, who resides in Farmington

- **A store that sells Pine Tar soap** for Ellen

- **A restaurant that serves Finn & Hattie**, a fish dish formerly served at Muer restaurants for Marilyn, a resident of Southfield

- **A store that sells children's cassette tapes with recorded birthday messages** for Anne, who resides in Redford

- **A store where old paper doll cutouts can be bought** for Judy of Livonia

- **A business in the Farmington area where home craft items are taken on consignment** for Marian

- **A store that sells Cope aspirin** for Debbie

- **A store where Heinz macaroni and cheese in a can be purchased** for Virginia, who lives in Redford

- **A store where the Get Sexy perfume can be purchased** for Mary

- **A store where Pretty Feet can be purchased** for Mary, who resides in Waterford

- **A store where purses by Ambassador can be bought** for Jo, who resides in Canton

- **A store where Finish or Calgonite dishwasher detergent is carried** for Lorraine

- **A store or business where a videocassette tape of the film Tour of the White House with Jacqueline Kennedy made in 1962 can be pur-**

chased for Joanne, a resident of Livonia

- **A store where a videocassette tape of the children's animated film Hug a Bunch made in 1984** can be bought for Cindy

- **A store that sells L'Origin perfume** by Coty for Lois, who resides in Clarkston

- **A store or business where table ware and kitchen pieces (dishes, salt and pepper shakers and cookie jar) in the pattern Blue Ribbon Goose** can be purchased for Pat, who lives in Bloomfield Hills

- **A store or business in the Southfield or Royal Oak area that buys used women's clothing or takes it on consignment**

- **A store that sells vinyl siding made by All Side in the color Glacier White** for Steve

- **A business or company that will repair a 1950s pinball machine** for Carol

- **A store that sells American Weekend or Northwest blue jeans (which were carried by Montgomery Wards)** for Grace

- **A store or business that sells or rents new or used 16-millimeter movie projectors (sound is optional)** for Don

- **A store where a ceramic wall clock for the bathroom that looks like the top of a toilet seat can be purchased** for Nancy, a resident of Garden City

- **A store that sells non-mercerized, soft, cotton bandannas** for Robert

- **A store where Suavitel fabric softener is available for purchase** for Marilyn

- **A store that carries Vel soap bars** for Carmen, a resident of Livonia

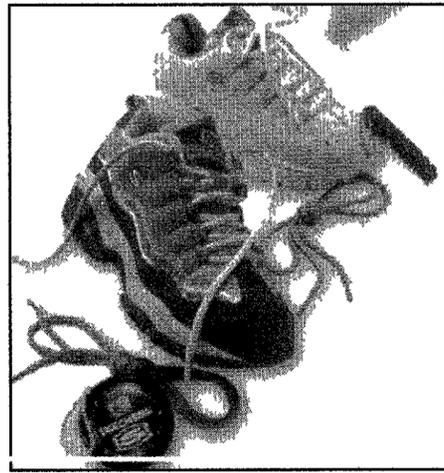
- **A store where the Swedish toothpaste Vademecum can be purchased** for Edith

- **A store that sells ladies shirt-waist dresses** for Edith

- *Compiled by Sandi Jarackas*

a la carte

STUFF WE CRAVE



Fast track: Skechers Foul Energy (front) and Energy Jogger shoes are sure to keep kids fast on their feet come the start of school, both \$38 at Mervyn's stores

RETAIL RAP

Cheryl Daskas, co-owner of Tender women's clothing boutique in downtown Birmingham, snared some editorial coverage in the September issue of *Town & Country* magazine, the publication's special fashion issue for the fall season.

Daskas was featured in an article about personal stylists, putting her store, its unique services and downtown Birmingham in the national spotlight. Daskas acts as a personal shopper for many of Tender's customers, setting aside a selection of merchandise for them each fashion season. She's also been known to give clients recommendations on hair stylists and makeup artists.

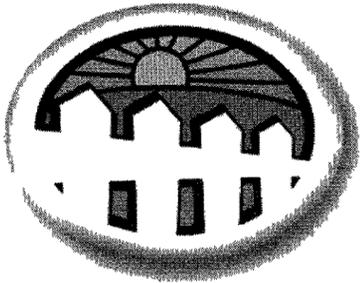
Jacobson's Stores Inc., which is based in Jackson, was invited by

Women's Wear Daily to celebrate in the publication's 90th anniversary. Along with other fashion retailers, Jacobson's devoted retail window space to salute *Women's Wear Daily*.

Tamara Institut de Beaute in Farmington Hills, was featured as one of the best spas in the Midwest for manicures and pedicures in the May 2001 issue of *Ladies Home Journal*. To contact the spa, call (248) 855-0474.

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Berlin, still struggling with its past, looks ahead

BY JUDITH DONER BERNE
SPECIAL WRITER

When the new Jewish Museum opens Sept 9 in Berlin, Germany, perhaps it can serve to mark an end to that city's guilt over World War II and the Holocaust.

• More than 55 years of penance should be a long enough prison term, especially since Germany's young people are three generations removed from Hitler's regime.

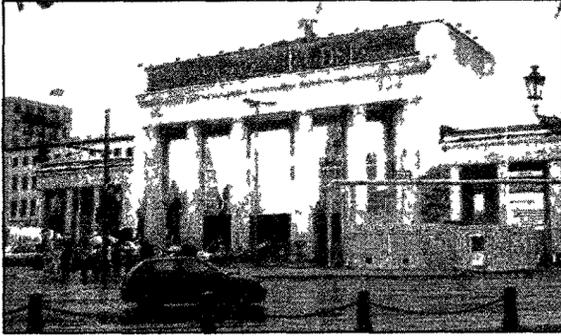
• To me, the city publicly apologizes for World War II in many ways. These include Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church with its bombed-scarred steeple juxtaposed against a modern version erected in the early 60's, subterranean rows of empty white bookshelves outside the university library memorializing the Nazi book burning on that spot May 10, 1933, a site immediately adjacent to the Brandenburg Gate designated for a Holocaust Memorial.

• Rather it is Berlin's progress away from its years as a city divided between east and west that fascinated me when, in early August, I returned to Berlin for the first time in 40 years.

• My husband and I spent three days in Berlin in August 1961 during a summer of student travel in Europe. Although construction of the Berlin Wall was a week away, the tension between east and west was already concrete. So were the blocks of gray, prefabricated Soviet-inspired buildings, and the lack of goods in the stores, and the total indifference to anything resembling merchandising compared to the vivacity and relative prosperity of West Berlin.

• Now distinctions between east and west are disappearing daily beneath the sounds and sights of construction cranes.

• In my mind, it began with the rebuilding of Potsdamer Platz — a no man's land during the years of the wall. Now, with its avant-garde architecture and wealth of entertainment venues and cafes, the square has returned to its



To Freedom: Memorial to those who died trying to defy the Berlin Wall

pre-World War II function as the heart of Berlin.

To some degree we tried to retrace the steps we took all those years back, along a route that National Geographic Travel magazine recently labeled one of the most famous walks in Europe.

We begin at the breathtakingly remodeled Reichstag building (never occupied by Hitler) and climb its winding ramps (think the Guggenheim Museum in New York City) under a glass dome for views of Berlin in every direction. We, by chance, set off early and are there by 8:45 a.m. Later, we read that this is Berlin's No. 1 tourist attraction. The lines are long as we leave.

The Berlin Wall

Heading east we examine the outlines of the Berlin Wall deliberately set into the pavement and pass the memorial of painted crosses representing those who died trying to escape.

We walk through the Brandenburg Gate in quite a different manner than 40 years ago. Then, although it was open, Communist guards scrutinized our passage. This time, we only have to wend our way through construction, as the gate is in the process of renovation. Immediately inside, the gray pre-Wall cityscape either has been replaced with new buildings or is

marked for reconstruction.

A new bank designed by California-based architect Frank Gehry and the rebuilt Hotel Adlon lead off the restoration of the famous Unter den Linden — Berlin's famed pre-war Champs Elysee. It is also home to the Russian, French and British embassies. Fears of terrorism reportedly have delayed reconstruction of the United States Embassy on its original site.

If I ever go back I'd stay at the Adlon which, according to Fodor's "was until its destruction during World War II Europe's ultimate luxury resort, hosting the likes of Kaiser Wilhelm II and Greta Garbo." Just walking through its exquisitely designed lobby, you know that it once again is Berlin's hotel of choice for those who opt for both luxury and history.

Equally impressive is the rebirth of Friedrichstrasse — the city's pre-war Fifth Avenue. Yes, we were agog at the size and wares at KaDeWe, the largest department store in Europe which on our previous visit put to shame its Communist counterpart. Its gastronomic floors, complete with cafes for every food item imaginable, relegate even Bloomingdale's New York City store to the back burner.

But our purchases are made along Friedrichstrasse, where one-of-a-kind boutiques and the

renown French department store Galeries Lafayette offer the latest European fashions beautifully displayed in stores designed by the latest architects.

A block east, the French and German churches mirror one another across Gendarmenmarkt, a truly beautiful square. Between the churches is the reconstructed 17th Century Schauspielhaus, one of Berlin's main concert halls.

Doubling back to Avenue der Linden we come upon a series of buildings including the German State Opera House, Humboldt University and the New Guard House which are representative of classic German architecture. In what I take as still another apology, the New Guard House is deliberately empty except for a modern Pieta, a statue of a mother holding her son killed in war.

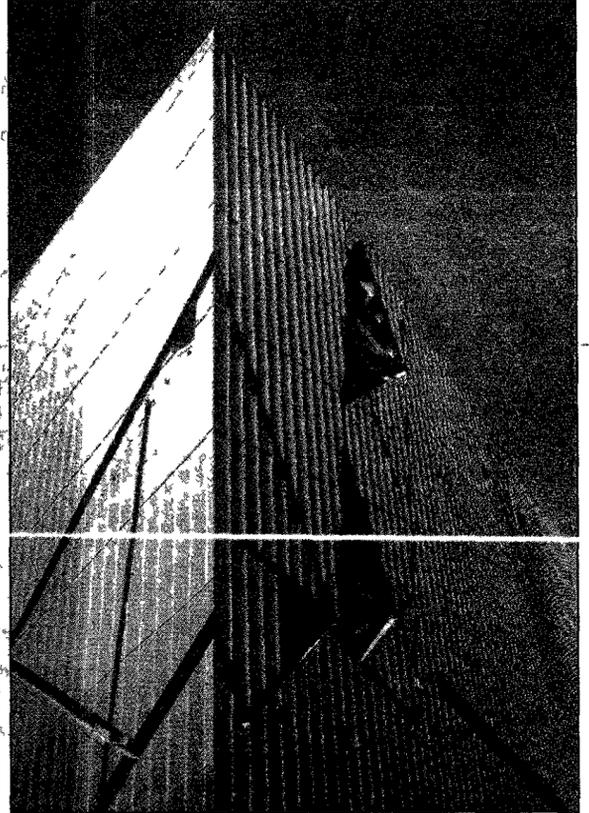
Many museums

Museum Island across the Palace Bridge over the Spree Canal hosts five museums, three of which are being restored. We are able to visit The Pergamon, which was built to house the Pergamon Altar, a massive Greek Temple dating from 180 BC. It was discovered in what is now Turkey in the late 19th Century and somehow carted off to Berlin.

Heading further east toward Alexanderplatz, reminders of the Communist regime are more in evidence. Apartment buildings, the Communist's pride — the highest TV tower in Europe — indeed the square itself lack imagination and grace.

Though large, Berlin demands to be walked or biked. Public transportation is easy and efficient and bike lanes run throughout the city even alongside the Tiergarten — Berlin's Central Park — that has plenty of paths of its own.

Food wise, Berlin is making its way although a couple of the highly-touted restaurants we wanted to try — notably the Michelin starred First Floor — are closed in August, when Europeans are on vacation. (Cultural-



Grand opening: The Jewish Museum that opens Sunday, Sept. 9, is titled "Between the Lines" by its architect Daniel Libeskind.

ly, it also was off-season.)

We stick to baguettes with tomato and mozzarella for lunch and that great dark beer, but have a truly outstanding dinner at Bamberger Reiter which fuses German cuisine with Asian and French. I have to confess that I absolutely devoured French fries in a bag from a street vendor, choosing what the friendly vendor said was a "home made" curry from a variety of sauces you can choose to pour on top.

Travel agents say that Berlin's a hard sell. In fact, the trip that

I took was only a third full. I attribute that to still-lingering post-war attitudes. Maybe the opening of the Jewish Museum, if not the offer by Germany to aid the peace process between the Israelis and Palestinians, will heal hearts and open minds.

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Experts in the industry evaluated floor plans and pictures.

All 45 homes across southeastern Michigan nominated for Showcase of Distinctive Homes will be open at no charge through Sept 23. Price of the homes ranges from \$183,500 to \$3.2 million.

Ten addition homes for low income buyers in Pontiac's Unity Park nominated for showcase awards are open for visitation only by appointment.

"People can take a break from their daily routines to dream a little and get ideas and inspiration as they tour these homes," said Stephen J. Taglione, president of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan and Westminster & Abbey Homes in Bingham Farms.

"The showcase is a great time to see some truly amazing homes built by BIA master builders," Taglione added.

A plan book containing pictures, descriptions and locations are available at Standard Federal Bank branches and at the model homes.

The information also is available on the BIA web site at www.builders.org. Here's a brief summary of the showcase winners.

Unity Park, low income housing, Pontiac. The Aspen, Skyler Homes

The house of 1,250 square feet features three bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths. The builder also notes its gourmet kitchen, elegant master suite with cathedral ceiling, full basement and attractive exterior elevation.

Price is \$120,000. The Aspen, (Lighthouse Community Development, (248) 920-6060 Ext 2400) is on Osmun east of Woodward and south of Auburn Road.

Condominiums. Indian Wells Condo, MacLeish Building

This home can range from 1,720 to 2,100 square feet with a three or four bedroom option and 2 1/2 baths. The model has three bedrooms



Wilton II: Gourmet kitchens and dramatic master suites are featured in homes like this one built by Heritage-Nosan Homes in White Lake.



Huntington III: This home of 3,500 square feet in Plymouth contains four bedrooms, 3-1/2 baths and a three-car garage.

including a first-floor master, decorative cabinets, volume ceilings and architectural moldings.

Price is \$349,900. Indian Wells Condo, (248) 524 3244, is off Crooks north of 13 Mile Road in Royal Oak and open by appointment.

Homes priced \$170,000 to

\$300,000. (TIE) The Crestwood, Westminster & Abbey Homes, and Greenbriar IV, Ivanhoe Huntley.

The Crestwood, 2,379 square feet, features three bedrooms with loft or optional fourth bedroom and 2 1/2 baths.

Price is \$252,900. The Silver Creek community in

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The Crestwood, (734) 783-5851, is off Van Horn Road west of Telegraph.

The Greenbriar IV contains 2,450 square feet with four bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, custom windows in the family room and volume ceilings throughout.

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The Wilton II, (248) 698-3011, is in White Lake's North Broadmoor community off Union Lake Road about a mile north of Cooley Lake Road.

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Paint adds luster to decor

BY CAROL MCGARVEY
BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS BOOKS
For AP Weekly Features

Nothing transforms a room to a quick, fresh look like paint. It's an easy and economical way to change the mood of a house. Today's carefree decorating techniques have opened up the home to new ideas. Don't be shy about trying some of the colorful techniques. Sponging and ragging are only the beginning. Many other ideas can help you showcase your imagination and can act as a backdrop for items in your home that are special in achieving an overall look. There are room-by-room approaches using decorative finishes, which can work in all rooms of the house, from kitchen, dining and living rooms, bathrooms and bedrooms and home offices.

Decorative finishes work easily in contemporary or traditional homes and in casual or more formal settings. Creating faded fresco,

rolling and ragging, combing, linen, moire stripes and blended spots offer inspiration. These hints will add to a project's success. ■ Allow yourself several days on decorative finish projects. While some steps take a short while, the overall project might take time. ■ Repair the walls, if necessary, before you start. ■ Try color combinations on a practice board. ■ When choosing the sheen of your base coat remember, the higher the sheen, the more decorative coats of paint or glaze will slide around, allowing for easier manipulation. A flat base coat will act like a sponge and absorb color from top layers of paint. ■ Mix commercial glaze with paint or pigment for transparent colors for walls. When using glaze, the more glaze added to the glaze/paint mixture, the more transparent the glaze will be. ■ Use colored pencils that match your paint colors to mark your walls.

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U.S. Averages Rates at a Glance

30-yr fixed mortgage	7.04%
15-yr fixed mortgage	6.62%
Adjustable mortgage	6.25%
FHA-insured mortgage	7.11%
Fed funds	3.53%

Finance Rates

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6-mo T-Bill	3.35%
1-yr T-Bill	3.41%
2-yr T-Note	3.69%
10-yr T-Bond	4.87%
30-yr T-Bond	5.44%

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This week's releases

- Aug 27 - Department of the Treasury 13 & 26 Week Treasury Auction Results
- Aug 29 - Department of Commerce Gross Domestic Product
- Aug 29 - Bureau of Labor Statistics Metropolitan Area Employment & Unemployment
- Aug 30 - Department of Agriculture U.S. Export Sales
- Aug 30 - Bureau of Labor Statistics Unemployment Insurance Weekly Claims Report
- Aug 31 - Department of Commerce Selected Economic Indicators

Michigan Averages

Program	Avg Rate*	Avg APR*	Disc pts	Orig fee	Mo pmt	Income required
30-Yr. fixed	6.94%	7.04%	0%	0%	\$661	\$26,444
15-Yr. fixed	6.38%	6.55%	0%	0%	\$864	\$34,570
5/1-Yr. ARM	6.38%	6.59%	0%	0%	\$623	\$24,954

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MEYERS ON MORTGAGES

by GARY S MEYERS

ARMS TAKE A SHOT IN WEAKER ECONOMY?

One of the best standbys for savvy home buyers has been the adjustable rate mortgage, better known as an ARM, which traditionally rides slightly lower than fixed-rate mortgages (FRMs). However, the recent downturn in economic indicators, along with tweaking of interest rates by the Fed, has caused a shift in the relative advantages between the two.

The trouble started last year, when the Fed started raising interest rates to counter fears of inflation. In the first half of the year, rates went up a full percentage point. At the time, ARMs and FRMs rose at about the same rate, with ARM rates staying about 1.5 percentage points below FRM rates, according to a report recently released by Freddie Mac. The report adds that ARMs held 30 percent of the mortgage market during that period.

During the last half of the year, however, things started changing. The rate increases started being felt in the economy. The U.S. Treasury Department started issuing fewer securities and began paying off long-term debt, reducing the supply of securities that many interest rates are tied to.

"We entered an inverted bond curve," said Norm Stein, vice president of lending with a major Bancorp. "When that happens, long-term debt starts looking better than short-term debt, and fixed rate mortgages start to look better and better against ARMs."

According to Freddie Mac, as the economy slowed in the second half of 2000, interest rates on FRMs fell over 1.7 percentage points, while short-term rates stayed at relatively high levels.

According to Freddie Mac's 17th Annual ARM Survey, the interest-rate advantage between ARMs and fixed-rate mortgages fell to a record 0.37 percentage points for the traditional one-year ARM, said Frank Nothaft, deputy chief economist for Freddie Mac. Consequently, the ARM share fell to 16 percent of loans issued in November, compared to 29 percent at the same time last year, according to industry sources.

Stein said that in many cases, the effects are temporary, but in this case, the inverted curve had some staying power.

"This particular situation usually comes right before a recession," Stein said. "At first we thought that it was happening because the country was paying down a lot of long-term debt, but then the other indicators started sliding, and it didn't let up."

What does this mean for consumers? In the short run, said Stein, it means don't go running after ARMs. They'll be pretty hard to find anyway.

"We've been seeing this trend for the last six or seven months, as rates have gone down. It's not that we're not offering them anymore, it's just that ARMs don't make sense right now. You're better off getting a fixed rate, and if rates go down any more, you can always refinance."

But if you're already in an ARM, don't just ditch it because they don't look good. Take a closer look and determine whether or not it can still benefit you. If you're in a one-year ARM, you may want to see how low it goes. Timing, however, is everything.

"Many people are getting out of their ARMs because the effects are delayed," said Stein. "Even though rates are going down, they're still making monthly payments based on higher rates, and it's going to be a year or so before they see the effects. If they get into a lower interest fixed-rate, they'll see the effects immediately."

In addition, longer-term ARMs may cause some people to miss lower rates completely. "If you got in a three year ARM at the beginning of this cycle and rates start going back up," said Stein, "you could miss all of the benefits, so it's better to lock in a lower rate now."

While the Fed's emergency rate cut earlier this month and the expected rate cut in the next few weeks could take some of the sting out of the economic picture, it may not be enough to reset the ARM/FRM relationship for a while.

According to Freddie Mac projections, the interest rate easing will have the greatest effect on short-term ARMs tied to the one year treasury note. It adds, however that the ARMs' share of the mortgage origination market will more than likely not break the 25% mark anytime soon.

"In any event," Stein remarked, "it's all relative. In these good times, we've gotten greedy for the low rate. I remember a time in the not-too-distant past when we thought the interest rates would never again go into the single digits. Now we're scrambling to scoop up that extra one-half or one percentage point to get the absolute lowest possible rate."

So if you love the thrill of the hunt, it may be time to dis-ARM yourself.

"If you're in an ARM," said Stein, "especially a long-term one, you may want to get out and lock in the low rate. If you're not in one, it doesn't make sense to think about it."

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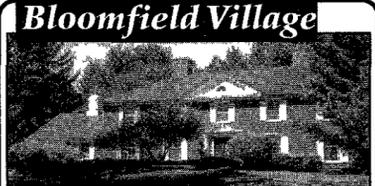
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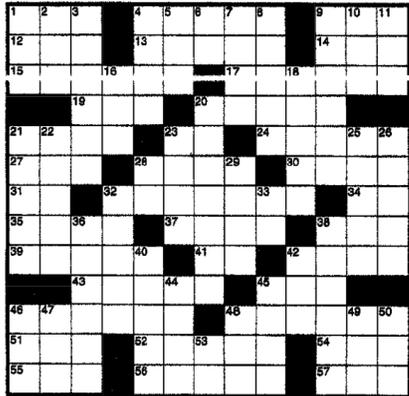
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The garage sits on the left side facing the side. Columns have been used with the porch railing to enhance the facade

The foyer inside the front door has an archway to the left into the formal dining room and a stairwell beyond. The dining room has a coffered ceiling and large windows facing the front. There are swinging doors leading to the kitchen at the rear.

To the side of the kitchen is

the laundry/utility room. On the opposite wall is storage closet and the door to the two-car garage is between. A pantry is situated on the wall opposite the kitchen next to the swinging doors.

The C-shaped kitchen makes excellent use of the counter space with an eating bar running along the outside of the counters facing the breakfast/family rooms.

Off the breakfast room is a door leading to a large screened porch. The porch is illuminated with two skylights overhead.

The elongated family room has an entertainment center on the rear wall with a bookshelf on one

side and bench for storing games and controls on the other side.

A door to the covered front porch is on the front corner of the family room.

Off the foyer to the right is a study/guest suite. This would also be ideal for use as an in-home office. There is a full bath accessible to the rest of the home, just outside the study/guest suite.

The bedrooms for this farmhouse are upstairs.

The master suite has a coffered ceiling with archways between a large walk-in closet and a smaller wall closet. The master bath beyond has an oversized corner shower, a sunken tub with a skylight overhead and dual sinks.

The other two bedrooms are on the opposite side of the upstairs and a full bath with a tub and dual sinks is between at the head of the stairs.

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Such an inventory can become invaluable if your home becomes the target of a burglary. The inventory is available by calling (800) 638-5433.

"Although many people feel that they have a good handle on what valuables they possess, you'd be surprised how many items you may overlook," said Chris Cawley, MetLife Auto & Home's senior vice president of customer service.

"Take this simple test: Close your eyes and try to recall every item you have in your own living room. Then check to see how many items you've

forgotten. How would you be able to report these items to the police or your claim adjuster in the event of a break-in?"

Two out of every three burglaries in 1999 were residential in nature, with the greatest number occurring during summer months while people were on vacation, according to the Insurance Information Institute.

Property theft is estimated to cost consumers over \$3 billion, with an average loss per burglary of \$1,458.

"Having an inventory on hand most definitely helps in the event of a theft," says Detective Sgt. Napoleon Bruto of the Providence R.I., Bureau of Criminal Identification.

"Without an inventory, people often don't realize something's missing until days or weeks later, at which point, the trail is colder."

"Also, in the event that stolen property is recovered, there are a number of occasions where we cannot return it to its rightful owners because we don't have an adequate description. Inventories help to ensure that recovered valuables make it back where they belong," Bruto said.

Making an inventory is easy. The important things are:

- List the major items in every room of your house,

■ Take down the name of the manufacturer, brand and date of purchase,

■ Record the make, model and serial number of all electronic items,

■ Videotape or photograph your valuables and keep receipts of major purchases,

■ Store the videos, photos, and receipts in a safe place away from the home - such as your office or in a safety deposit box, if you have one,

■ Make sure you update your inventory every few years.

To secure more information about the inventory brochure, you can visit MetLife's Web site at www.metlife.com or call (800) 422 4272.

Remodeling affects air

Dirty indoor air may pose an even greater risk for those living in the midst of a major home renovation. That's because common renovation and remodeling tasks - such as sanding, sawing, painting and putting up drywall - often release dust and other tiny particles in the air.

As part of an ongoing educational partnership to raise awareness about indoor air quality issues, the American Lung Association Health House Project and 3M have just released "A Guide for Healthier Home Remodeling."

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Here are several tips:

■ Consider isolating work areas from the living space with plastic sheeting or zipper doors.

■ Shut off air ducts in the work area so dust and contaminants are not drawn into the living area.

■ Don't occupy a recently painted room until it's been thoroughly ventilated for several days.

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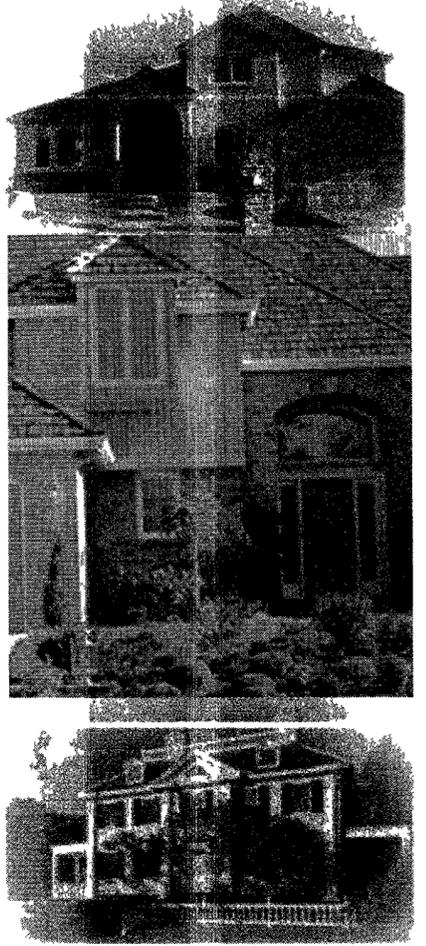
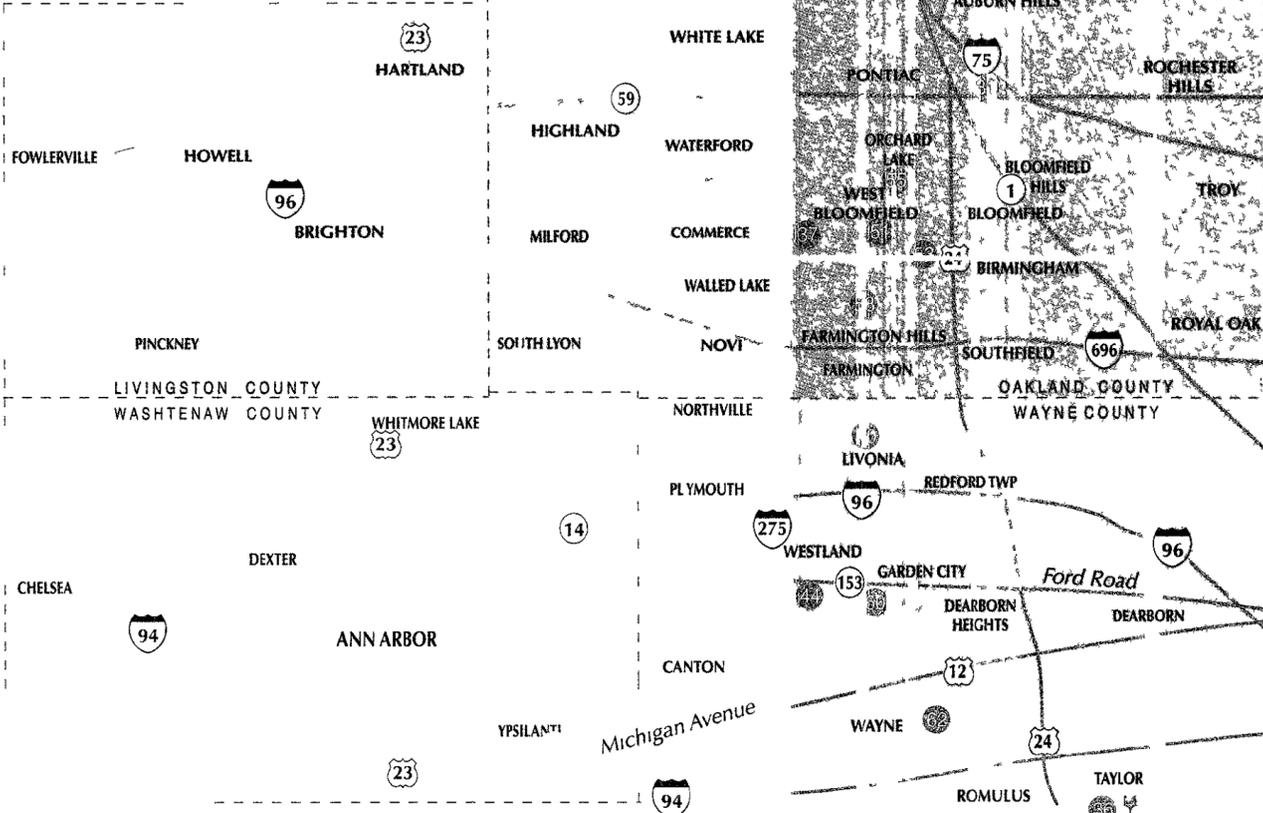
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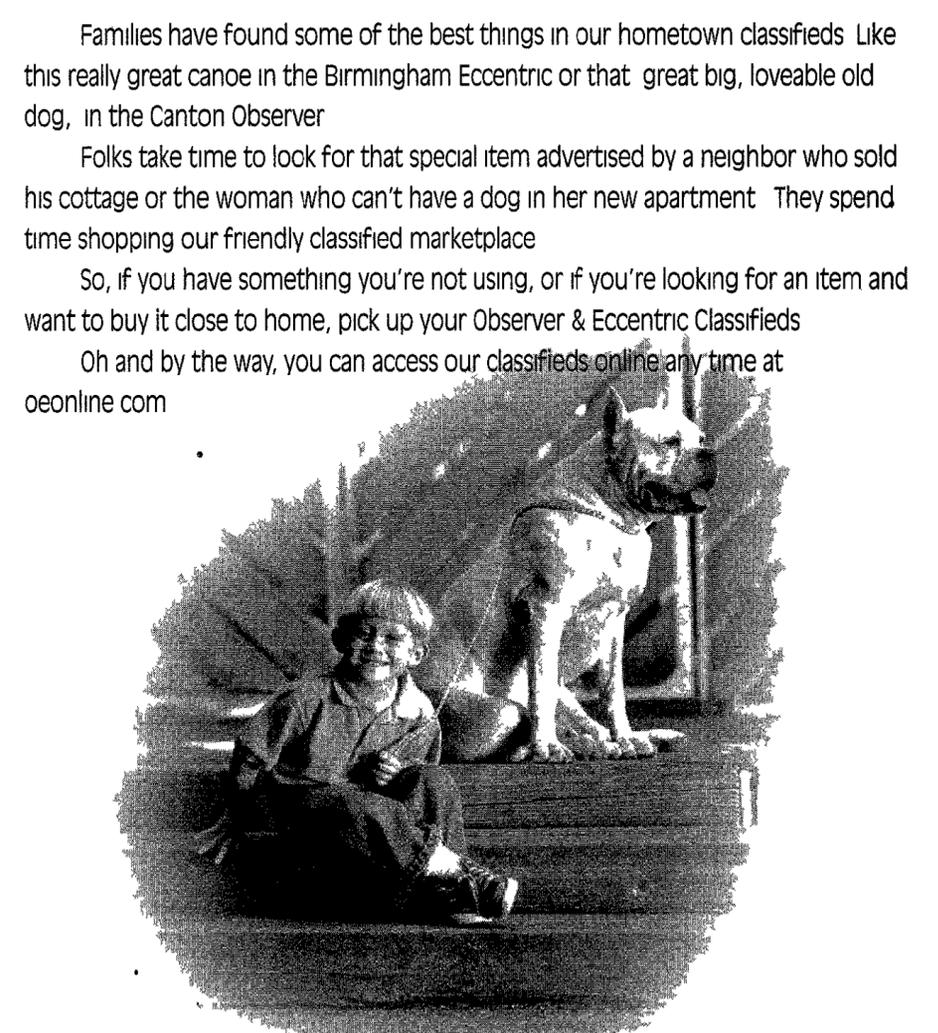
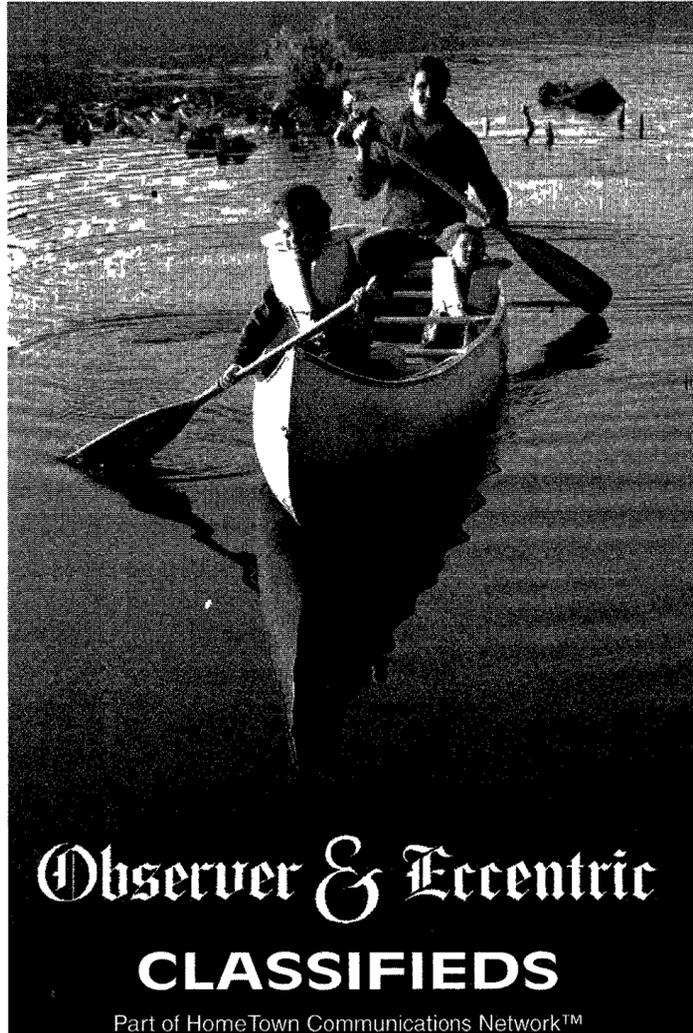
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Single white female 40 57" height light purple hair hazel eyes Enjoys horseback riding swimming driving out moves Seeking dependable secure single white male 42 to 48 for possible relationship Wayne County BOX 33719

TALL & INTELLIGENT

51 young looking 45 Christian professional lady with very attractive personality very active opt m stic well educated Enjoys the good life boat riding nature hiking travel and dining out Seeking someone with same interest 40 to 50 secure and tall to share a life BOX 30191

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ARE YOU OUT THERE?

Attractive divorced red head 49 57 160 lbs Enjoys travel movies concerts music Nascar and out er events all time looking for honest down to earth guy for friendship and companionship leading to long term relationship down river area Wayne county BOX 31910

NASCAR FAN

Lonely red head 49 57 150 lbs likes to do a little bit of every thing from traveling up North on week end to enjoy a nice glass of wine NASCAR on telev sion Looking for down to earth n v 48 to 55 who enjoys the same for companionship Wayne County BOX 31912

COULD BE MORE

Single white female mother 54 115 lbs attractive Enjoys camping boating motorcycles gardening and more Social drinker seeking caring honest easy going guy for friendship dating and possibly more if the chemistry is there for a possible relationship BOX 12133

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Seeking a sincere honest non games played non smoking social drinking single white male by a divorcee white female 54 who likes to do almost everything Looking for friendship companion ship or something long term West 8th Wayne County BOX 25333

HONESTY + BASEBALL

Single white Christian professional female 46 attractive with a heart of gold great cook Enjoys quiet times and movies walker Seeks well groomed white male non smoker w/ Christian values non smoking gentleman 59 plus 48 to 56 with similar interests Macomb County BOX 27021

BEAUTIFUL

Intelligent classy lady 50s loves travel boating golf tennis walks on the beach and romantic dinners Searching for a male fun with similar interests BOX 26072

LET'S GO OUT

White female fit brunette 38 yrs old attractive music pass onate artistic non smoker Enjoys gardening concerts and more Seeking a non smoking it male 38 to 45 profess onal w/ sm art interest BOX 30212

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BUBBLY & CLASSY

Intelligent fit 56 brown eyed blonde pass onate about life and laughing enjoys golf biking the ater boating and great conversat ions interested in meeting tall 50 to 58 1 franc ally/emotionally stable true gentleman w th similar inter ests Oakland county BOX 27010

JACQUELINE SMITH

I'm told often that I resemble her and Jackie Kennedy Big hazel eyes auburn hair great smile very classy looking 56 mother h gh energy person Loves water boat ng shing travelng Seeking non smoking gentlemen 59 plus 48 to 56 with similar interests Macomb County BOX 27021

NEW BEGINNINGS

Single white female 47 54 176 lbs never married 3 grown child dren who enjoys candlelight d ners movies homebody seeking black male 49 to 52 for datng and possible relationship Wayne County BOX 27024

30 SOMETHING

Degreed single Christ an black female 35 attractive with Hispan c descent looks marriage minded and loves Seinfeld desires single Christian professional with male health degree 5'10" us 160 lbs 37 preferably sl m Macomb County BOX 27028

COUNTRY GIRL

Divorced white lady non smoker non drinker likes horseback ridng has own horses Enjoys camping wkg boating flea markets old cars movies Seeks gentleman 57 to 65 with a mlar interest Monroe County BOX 27030

LOVELY BUT LONELY

Tall slender attractive romantic lady seeks honest loyal romantic flexible gentleman that's 58 plus over 510 and fun to be with Let start out as friends first Oakland County BOX 27034

FIND YOUR FUTURE

Single white female 37 looking for tall smart non smoker who enjoys time with family and fr ends Friendship leading into relationship w/ive and a astng relationship BOX 30167

CIRCLE THIS AD

Single white female 51 emot onal lyf nart ally seeking a gentleman who enjoys dancing adventures Seeking compassionate non smoking single white male 50 plus with similar interests and similar interests BOX 30256

DIVORCED AND LOOKING

47 yr old white female 55 150 lbs blonde hair blue eyes open out sports street fairs Sunday drives day trips and car shows Seeking a non smoker soca friend who is fun to be with 48 to 58 who enjoys life up North too much stay in shape and who s ready for a steady committed relationship Oakland County BOX 35992

62 EYES OF BLUE

On what I could do for you? I've always had a good time and staying at home Seeking someone with same interest 40 to 50 secure and tall to share a life BOX 30191

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FOR CHUBBY CHASERS

Single blonde female 46 medium build figured bright and active in search of single male any race who is mature and affect onate for friendship Wayne County BOX 36029

WEEKENDS ARE BACK

28 yr old black female 54 125 lbs hard workng Seeking an honest understanding non smoking energetic male who enjoys weekends children bowling and romance BOX 30028

LET'S HAVE A LAUGH

Divorced white female 63 emot onally nancaly secure Enjoys dancing dining traveling laughing good conversation Seeking single white male 50s to share these activites with BOX 30255

OUTGOING GAL

Single black female attractive 52 57 hghtwht gh proportionate Seeking non smoker soca all drinker caring considerate outgoing employed Enjoys dining out evenngs at home what I has to offer BOX 30259

LET'S GO OUT

Single female 59 28 35 lbs short brown hair brown eyes open minded sense of humor adventurous Enjoys movies dancing boing playing pool and much more Looking for a man to share sim ar activities BOX 30263

START AS FRIENDS

Single black female 32 brown complexion dark eyes and hair full figured attractive professional Seeking a God fearing someone to be a friend for life spend time with and get to know Enjoys comedy music BOX 30266

JUST A CALL AWAY

Enjoys dining out moves travel Seeking a sincere single male with sm lar interests 44 to 50 for catng and possibly more BOX 30322

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STILL ROMANTIC

Divorced white female 61 affect onate healthy active attractive and fun to be with seeks counter part to share the good life and poss sble long term relationship Macomb county BOX 35901

ACTIVE SENIORS ONLY

Well traveled educated young with profess onal female Seeking a sophisticated Christ an man 62 to 72 who can also be down to earth Interests a class cal musc art apprecat on world events and travel Comfortable one on one and n social situat ons Oakland County BOX 35911

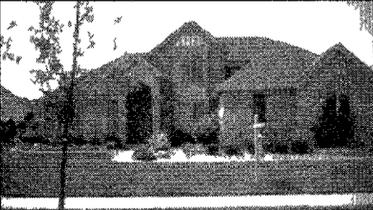
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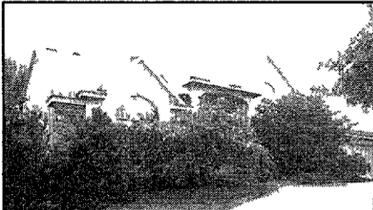
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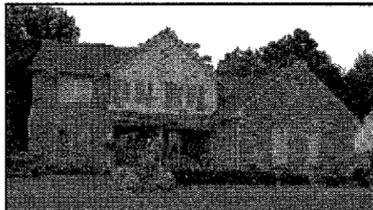
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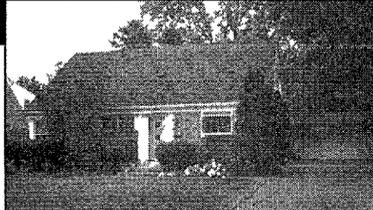
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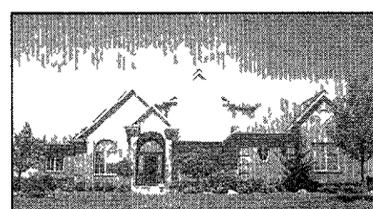
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Blackjack: Dealers at Motor City Casino have to go through extensive training to do their jobs right

Jobs on a roll at city casinos

BY ANNE BAUERS
SPECIAL WRITER

Casinos offer a diverse array of positions and there are now three casinos available in Detroit to choose from. Jobs in a casino range from pit bosses to gardeners and all the casinos in the area have new positions posted every week.

Mike Rivera has been a dealer (draps) since December of 1999 at Motor City Casino. Rivera explains, "I never thought about being a dealer before. But when the casino was getting ready to open I filled out an application and they called me for an interview."

However, the process of being a dealer is not as simple as filling out an application. To be a dealer at Motor City Casino you must attend training provided by them.

"The training is provided by the casino. We have always had a dealer school

right here in Detroit for our successful dealer applicants to train at," said Jack Barthwell, director of public relations at Motor City Casino.

"The training was intense. We went to class five days a week for four hours a day. Upon completion we were given a test on the training," Rivera said.

Rivera was among the first to join Motor City. "I had the opportunity to train with the dealers at Motor City. I was the first to train with the dealers at the casino in Detroit."

Greenwich Casino hires experienced dealers only. The casino does have an array of positions, and they provide an employee hotline. The employment line will list the job requirements and if a caller feels qualified they can schedule an appointment on the phone. The employment line is updated every Monday.

MGM Grand Casino provides a four-week course to successful applicants at their Dealer Academy.

Core values

MGM Grand spokesperson Yvette Monet said, "What we look for in an applicant is someone who represents our core values. Our core values here at MGM include leadership, a commitment to excellence and team work ability."

The MGM Grand Casino also has a job hotline that updates weekly. Monet said that a wide range of positions are always available at the casino and training is provided for anyone with limited or no experience.

The employment opportunities at a casino are not limited to casino operations positions such as dealers, pit manager and floor person. The positions available to the applicant are varied.

Please see CASINOS, G2

Big company pedigree may hurt job search

Q. I designed and improved many products for my former employer, a large automotive company. This was my first and only employer out of college and I stayed 15 years. Since leaving last March, I have answered many ads and spoken with dozens of recruiters, but I have had difficulty getting interviews. What can I do?

JOB SEARCH



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A. Employees who leave large companies are often shocked by the way the current market reacts to them as candidates. Adventurers, malcontents and early retirees sometimes expect smaller firms to be highly impressed by their easily recognized alma maters. They believe a Fortune 100 pedigree will grease more doors. That's not always the case. A name like Microsoft, PepsiCo or Goodyear can also be intimidating. There is, in fact, a great deal of bias against job seekers coming from the big brands.

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Casinos *from page G1*

The cage operation's department employs cashiers and the food and beverage operations area has positions for bartenders, cocktail waitresses, cooks and food servers

Valet attendants and security officers could find employment in the security operations department. Administrative positions are also available in the areas of human resources, advertising and marketing. A casino even has a place for porters and gardeners in their engineer maintenance divisions.

Is the gamble worth it? In retrospect Rivera would play the odds on a new career again.

"There is never a boring day," he said. "I meet new people everyday and the money and benefits are great."

All the casinos claim they offer top pay and excellent benefits. The pay rates vary for all positions due to experience and position. For more information contact any of the casinos.

Motor City Casino has a Career Center located at 1922 Cass Ave in Detroit. You can stop by and check new posting and fill out an application.

"You will get to talk to someone at the Career Center and they will give you a screening interview while you are there," Jack Barthwell said.

Greektown Casino has an employment hotline updated every Monday. The employment line number is (313)223-2999. Choose number 7 on the voice mail options to reach the employment division.

MGM Grand can be hotline can be reached at 800-455-7305. All the casinos have web pages if you prefer to job search on them.

They are www.motorcitycasino.com, www.mgmgrand.com/detroit/ and www.greektowncasino.net



Jackpot: Slot machines are a popular feature at the Motor City Casino.

Pedigree *from page G1*

In here, we are all painfully and personally aware of the pennies going in and out. At your old place, you probably let the accounting department worry about the numbers and you certainly did things on a much grander scale.

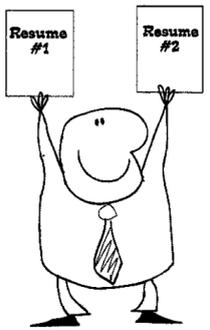
Finally, we couldn't offer you the growth opportunities that you had at Shell Oil. I mean, there isn't layer after layer of management and, in here, your upward mobility would be restricted by the progress of the company as a whole. I'm afraid we couldn't keep you motivated.

Are these dumb or valid prejudices? It doesn't matter. They exist. You must anticipate and be prepared to address them in a preemptory manner. Structure your cover letter, resume and presentation in a way that will put these fears to rest.

In a few cases, I've suggested that candidates remove the name of their last employer from their resumes if it seems to be working against them.

For example, "Automotive Manufacturing Company" might be a substitute for Ford Motor Co. You could even have two resumes, essentially the same, but one a little less intimidating version.

George Hayes is an outplacement consultant and a recruiter. Contact him through www.emplexcorp.com



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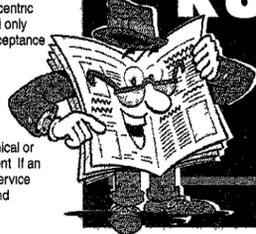
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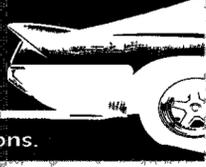


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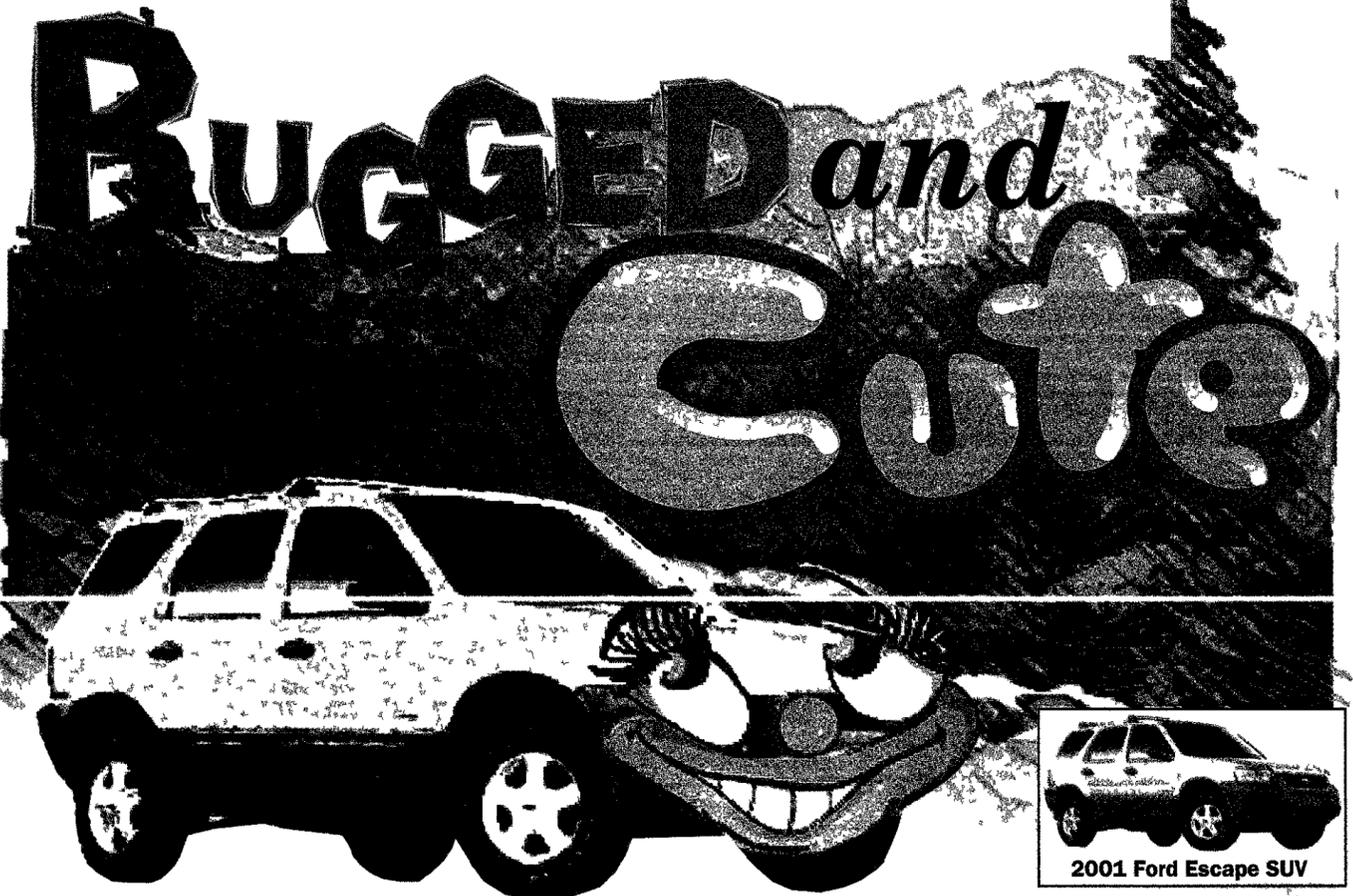
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Ford's out with a 2001 "Cute ute" SUV



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The Ford Explorer helped launch the sport utility vehicle explosion of the 1990s. But Toyota, Honda and Kia, among others, created a healthy market for

smaller SUVs, sometimes referred to as "cute utes." Seeing an opportunity, Ford now has one too.

With a brand new, larger 2002 Explorer in the wings, Ford introduced its 2001 Escape last fall, with high hopes for another home run. Ford gave the compact Escape some things to help it do battle against the import brands.

First of all, they gave the Escape a name beginning with an "E" That links it to a family that includes the Explorer, the larger Expedition and the

behemoth 3 1/2-ton Excursion.

Secondly, the designers gave the Escape a strong family resemblance to the Explorer. Why go far afield when you already have a winner? The upright, chunky SUV profile is all there, slightly updated for the 21st Century. Scuff-resistant cladding covers the front fascia, rear bumper, and lower body panels. The wheel wells bulge out, and a deep fold runs between them to impart thickness and strength. A

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wide stance and bold wheels wearing off road tires say "truck" A roof rack comes as standard equipment

Thirdly, the Escape is significantly smaller than the Explorer, but Ford engineers made it a little bigger than its competition The Escape's 133.9 cubic feet of interior capacity is the largest in its class The engineers designed fold-flat rear seats for useful cargo hauling Service Human beings will appreciate the tall ceiling and generous legroom, too

Fourth, Ford offered a class exclusive, an optional 3.0-liter, 200-horsepower V6 engine My tester was so equipped, and although it is not the world's quietest engine, it propels the little SUV onto freeways and through quick passing maneuvers as if it sat on a cactus Mileage figures are 18 city, 24 highway

The standard 2.0-liter Zetec four-cylinder engine puts out 127 horsepower, which is typical of the import competition, and earns the 3,300-pound Escape mileage ratings of 23 city, 28 highway with two-wheel drive

The designers went to great lengths to give the Escape a feeling of quality, strength, and beauty For example, they spent time and energy designing the perfect outside door handle, blending truck ruggedness with car sophistication

Another style consideration was painting the rear differential.

drive shaft and lateral links flat black so drivers following an Escape will find the view harmonious The Escape is a very pleasant commuter Its car like unibody construction and four-wheel independent suspension help it drive like a tall car rather than a truck

The side body panels are stamped in single sections that encompass the door openings to minimize vibration and create a better quality door fit The interior mixes a rugged, blocky truck ambience with nicely rendered details to induce a sense of quality and comfort

The high-mounted radio and climate controls are easy to reach and operate In my tester, the grab handles attached to the front window pillars didn't blend into the surrounding plastic very well, but otherwise the inside looked and felt very cozy

The front buckets are firm for a Ford, and comfortable, too The engineers used "anthropometric" data (a fancy way of saying they measured a bunch of people and asked their opinion) to build seats that can accommodate the widest possible range of drivers

The rear cargo area holds 33 cubic feet of your stuff with the seats up A week's worth of groceries disappeared into it with ease With the rear seats folded down, you could go buy furniture

Escapes come in two models, the XLS base model and the XLT upper series Both have front-wheel drive standard, with four-wheel drive optional Because many people want the sporty off road look

rather than the actual experience, you can save money by getting a two-wheel-drive version, and no one is the wiser My test unit was a perfect example, with two-wheel-drive in an XLT model

The optional four-wheel-drive system is called Control Trac II When set in the 4x4 Auto position, it automatically proportions torque to the rear wheels when the fronts start to slip And, for the few rugged outdoor persons, the 4x4 On feature locks the front and rear axles together for a Jeep like 50/50 torque split

The XLT gets standard power windows, mirrors, and locks with a remote Also standard are air conditioning, variable speed wipers, rear window defogger and wiper, AM/FM stereo with cassette and CD slots, too That's a nice list of equipment for \$19,195

My tester also came with options, most notably the 3.0-liter engine (\$1,480) and the Comfort Group (\$870), which includes an overhead console, perforated leather-wrapped steering wheel, and leather seats with six-way adjustment for the driver Stylish and practical side step bars (\$275), an upgraded stereo system (\$505), fancier alloy wheels (\$175) and the safety of side airbags (\$345) brought the grand total to \$23,635

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