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ON THE MOVE: Matthew R. Modrack, assistant director of Community Economic Development for Canton Township will be leaving local government service next month to become director of community development with the Charter Township of Northville. "I move on to Northville, Canton Township's citizens, boards, committees and commission will serve as my personal benchmark for commitment to the community interest," Modrack wrote in his letter of resignation Dec. 5.

'TIS THE SEASON for burglaries, armed robberies and larcenies. During the holiday season these types of crimes are on the increase, according to the Canton Township Police Department. When people leave their homes they should use caution, and possibly contact a neighbor to watch their house. Residents also should take note of suspicious incidents in their neighborhood and be careful in parking lots at shopping centers. If you notice anything unusual call Canton Police at 397-3350.

LOOKIN' FOR A HOME: A giant poinsettia plant at Sir Speedy Printing, 41739 Joy, Canton, is looking for a home for the holidays. Now through Dec. 20, Sir Speedy will be accepting donations for the Salvation Army/Omnicon "Baskets Filled With Love" food drive. For each donation of canned goods you may enter your name in a drawing to be held Dec. 20 for the plant which is now on display in the store lobby.

EXTRA-MILERS: Two Plymouth-Canton school district employees were given Extra-Miler awards during the last meeting of the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education. Paul Cummings, director of athletics and health education and employee for 22 years, and teacher Norma Foster received the awards. Cummings was cited for "leadership in coaching and his efforts to bring about summer swim lessons and a sixth grade camp program." The Extra-Miler award given to Cummings mentioned that he was one

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Judge listens to Fisher's 911 calls

By Diane Gale
staff writer

A 911 tape was played in court last week depicting the strained voice of Dr. Charles R. Fisher calling for emergency help for his wife who suffocated after being gagged with duct tape in the couple's Canton Township home. A trial, charging Fisher with the first-degree murder of Ella Marie Mercado-Fisher, began last week. Wayne Circuit Court Judge Claudia

House Morcom listened to the tape in the absence of the jury and is expected to announce today whether the tape — which in some places is distorted and hard to hear — will be played for the jurors.

Fisher, a microbiologist, sat composed with a reddened face, as the tape was played in open court.

Douglas Baker, assistant Wayne County prosecutor, said the tape "goes to the heart" of the prosecution's case.

BECAUSE FISHER tells the 911 operator of a burglary attempt during the emergency call, "it's a beginning link in a chain of evidence in the case," Baker said.

When Fisher called the 911 emergency number at around 1:54 a.m. July 15, 1984 his voice was shaken and cracking.

"My wife can't breathe," Fisher said on the tape. Fisher, a microbiologist, requested a rescue unit, and gave the operator the wrong street address for

their Thornwood home.

He called back a few minutes later and told the operator the correct house number and explained their house had been burglarized and the assailants placed duct tape around his and Mercado-Fisher's face.

"I can't make her breathe," Fisher said.

In a voice that sounded as if he were crying, Fisher added: "I don't want her to die."

FISHER EXPLAINED Mercado-

Fisher was unconscious, breathing heavily and making a gurgling sound. Fisher, who didn't have any apparent injuries at the time, was waiting for the rescue units with his underwear on outside the house.

Testimony has been heard by the 911 operator as well as Canton Township firefighter Jack Raker, who was the first rescue person to arrive at the scene. Raker said he found Mercado-Fisher lying on her stomach with her head turned to the side. He also noted that she was having a hard time breathing and making gurgling noises.

Raker said the room was dark and he had to ask for a light to be turned on. Mercado-Fisher was taken to Oakwood Hospital Canton Center and transported to St. Joseph Hospital, where she died five days later after life support systems were removed. She never regained consciousness.

Fisher told Canton firefighters and officers he and his wife had been robbed, and he gave the assailants all his money as well as the keys to his red pickup truck which was in the garage. The car was later found in Detroit by police.

Fisher, Mercado-Fisher's third husband, said he was awakened by noises around 12 a.m. He went back to sleep, later got up and walked in a dark hallway where he was knocked out.

When he regained consciousness he freed himself, removed duct tape from his face and tried to revive his wife, said Fisher. He was unable to provide police with any identification of the assailants.

RESCUE WORKERS observed a blanket lying on Mercado-Fisher's body from her shoulder's down. Fisher said it was placed there by the attackers.

During opening statements from the attorneys, Baker said his case is based on physical facts at the crime scene, Fisher's actions following the crime and marriage problems — including a separation in 1981.

Mercado-Fisher planned a trip to Germany July 17 to visit her cousin Javier Hortato, with whom Fisher believed she was having an affair. Fisher was allegedly obsessed with jealousy about the relationship which Baker contends was the motive for murder. Fisher staged the breaking and entering to cover his tracks, Baker said.

Also, Fisher's mourning period for his wife was cut short, Baker said, when he placed an advertisement Aug. 14 in the Detroit Free Press "Companion Corner" requesting responses from white, Hispanic or Oriental women who would be a "friend, wife or possible lover." He asked a respondent to the ad to marry him in September, Baker said.

His attorney, Daniel Burras, contended that Canton Police investigators were convinced Fisher committed the crime and failed to follow-up on other leads that would point to other possibilities.

He pointed to numerous breaking and enterings in the neighborhood around the time of the attack.

Mercado-Fisher's father, Manuel Mercado — apparently a key witness for the prosecution — waited outside the courtroom while trial was in session last week.

1st Baby is awaited

Canton Township's first baby born in the new year will receive a rousing welcome from the Canton Chamber of Commerce, Canton merchants and the Canton Observer. The Chamber of Commerce, in cooperation with the Canton Observer, plans to honor Canton's "First Baby of the Year" born in 1986 with a number of gifts donated by merchants.

Parents must be residents of Canton to be eligible for the gifts. Parents of babies born after Jan. 1, who believe their baby may qualify as Canton's First Baby of the Year, are asked to contact the Canton Chamber of Commerce at 453-4040 or the Canton Observer at 459-2400. The deadline to report the First Baby will be 3 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10.

Once the date and time of birth are verified, and the baby officially named, a family photo will be taken for publication in a January edition of the Canton Observer.

Mail firms stamp out the yule crunch

By Dennis Coffman
staff writer

Plymouth and Canton residents who want to avoid the holiday crowds at local post offices might want to try one of the two private services in the area.

One such business is Express Package Service at Lilley and Warren in Canton, and the other is The Shipping Depot in the City of Plymouth.

At The Shipping Depot Inc., 631 S. Main, Plymouth, the customer can drop off an item for mailing, and the store will do the rest: packaging, stamping and delivery to the Plymouth Post Office.

The Shipping Depot has the advantage of owner Jeff Flotkoetter's years of experience in the trucking business.

Flotkoetter can mail anything, large or small, anywhere the sender wants to ship it. He said United Parcel Service makes a daily stop at the store. Or, if the customer prefers, he will contact Federal Express and have them pick up the package at the Main Street store.

The Shipping Depot, Flotkoetter said, also ships by Purolator Courier and all common carriers.

THE SHIPPING DEPOT, which opened for business Nov. 23, makes it possible for customers to bypass the public post office completely, if they wish.

The store rents private mail boxes but allows customers to use the store's street address because some prefer not to use a post office box as a mailing address.

"The boxes are used by lawyers or professionals who prefer that their mail not be delivered to their office," said Flotkoetter.

Flotkoetter visits the post office every morning to get his customer's mail, which they can pick up at their private boxes at 9 a.m. He also takes their mail to the post office daily.

Private mailbox customers don't have to worry about packages being delivered to a vacant house because The Shipping Depot accepts all deliveries to their boxes and holds the parcels until they are picked up.

Having a private box is especially useful during the gift-giving season.

The cost of leasing a private mailbox is \$10 per month, \$15 for businesses. The store will throw in one free month of box rental with a six-month lease and two free months with a 12-month lease. Minimum rental period is three months.

EXPRESS PACKAGE SERVICE, 7365 Lilley, Canton, offers about the same type of service that The Shipping Depot does.

Express Package will send or receive packages, by United Parcel Service, Federal Express or Purolator Courier.

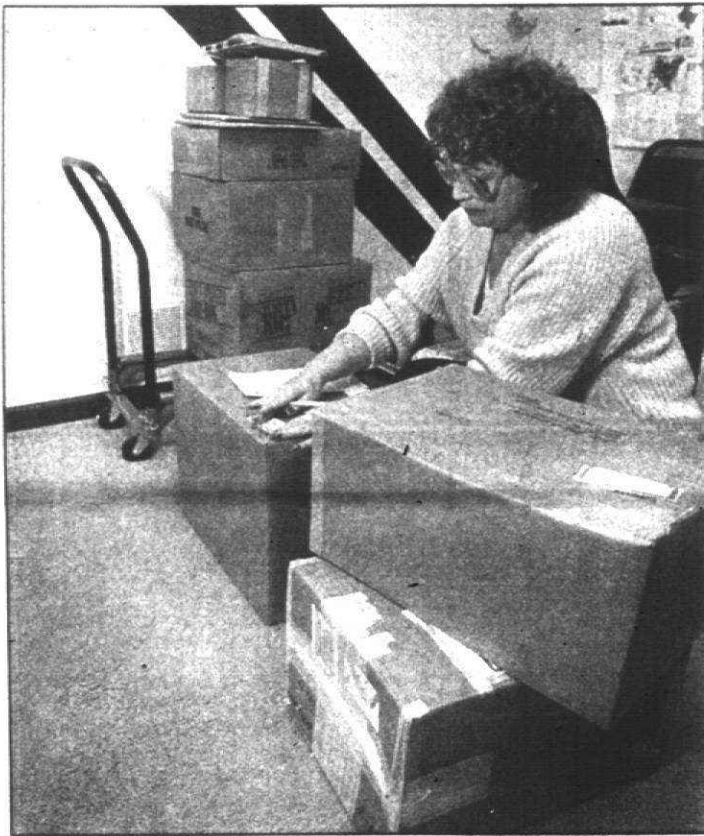
It, too, provides packaging materials and services and mailbox "suites."

But both companies supplement their mailing-packaging-mailbox services with an array of other services.

Express Package offers word processing and sends telegrams or mailgrams.

The Shipping Depot makes keys (in addition to the ones that fit mailboxes) and does photocopying.

The Shipping Depot also provides a telephone message service; messages are placed in customers' boxes if they rent a box.



Renie Larson tapes labels on packages by customers of Larson's Express Package at Warren and Lilley in Canton.

The message service costs \$18 per month if the customer has a box, or \$22 for non-boxholders for 30 messages or less.

For people who don't stay in one place for very long, or who don't like to stand in line, private mailboxes could be the answer.

Resident dies in hospice fire

By Sandra Armbruster
staff writer

A 39-year-old Canton woman was among six patients who died in a fire early Sunday at the Hospice of Southeast Michigan in Southfield.

Fire officials are still investigating the cause of the blaze which claimed the lives of the terminally ill patients.

Listed as dead from smoke inhalation are Luana Teramino of Canton Township, Mattie Leke, 58, of Detroit; Jessie Newsome, 72, of Detroit; Eugene O'Neill, 61, of Dearborn Heights; Richard Smith, 68, of Roseville, and Howard Winegardner, 82, of Ferndale.

Another six of the 27 patients in the hospice were put on the critical list at three area hospitals.

There was no estimate of building damage available as of Sunday evening.

THE FIRE REPORTEDLY broke out between 6:20 and 6:40 a.m. Sunday, according to Steve Barnaby, president of the hospice board of directors.

Two of the seven nurses on duty at

the time noticed the fire in a patient's room as they went to prayer services, to be conducted by a chaplain, Brother Dan McCullough.

"The rooms filled so quickly with smoke that they had to leave immediately," Barnaby said.

However, the nurses were able to evacuate at least one patient before firefighters arrived.

FIREFIGHTERS HAD the blaze under control in 10 to 15 minutes, according to Southfield Fire Inspector Jake Pierce.

Investigating the cause of the fire were State Police Fire Marshal Sgt. Monty Grimes and Southfield fire officials. Pierce said that an electrical engineer was called in from Fowlerville to help with the investigation.

While not ruling out other causes, Fire Chief Jerome McGrath said Sunday night that officials found an "extension cord plugged into an area close to the point of origin" of the fire in one patient's room. However, McGrath added that officials were "systematically" ruling out other causes.

McGrath said this is Southfield's worst fire disaster in his 25 years with the department.

FIREFIGHTERS were on the scene and "operational" six minutes after receiving the alarm at 6:40 a.m., according to Pierce.

Responding first to the scene were firefighters from the station at Nine Mile and Southfield Road, less than a mile from the hospice, which is located on the second floor of the Southfield Rehabilitation Center, on Foster Winter Drive in the Greenfield and Nine Mile area.

When the first crew of firefighters arrived, they found heavy smoke and a window that had been broken out on the south side of the L-shaped building, Pierce said.

The fire was contained in the west wing, which has seven rooms and 14 beds, on the second floor of the building.

Some smoke was reported to have partially filled the stairwells and to have filtered onto other floors.

Men and equipment from South-

field's other three stations responded within 10 minutes, Pierce said. McGrath estimated that a total of 45 firefighters were on the scene. A Royal Oak firefighting unit was stationed at the main Southfield station on Lahser, under a cooperative agreement, in case of another emergency.

"The thing that may have prevented more deaths than did occur was when we got the call, there were a couple (fire) shifts on duty. It was 20 minutes before the change in shift, and they usually arrive half an hour early," Pierce said.

"To put that in perspective, there was a (firefighter) who said that after he knocked down the fire in one room, he went into an adjacent room and his air pack (warning) bell went off. There already were two firemen in that room from the on-coming shift, who had driven over in a department pickup truck."

ALL PATIENTS from the hospice,

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Canton wants to buy 50 acres for park

Canton Township is approaching the final hurdle in earning a \$50,000 Michigan Land Trust Fund Grant to purchase a 50-acre parcel adjacent to the Canton Recreation Complex.

The proposal passed through the third round of project cuts on Dec. 4 and now goes to the Michigan Legislature for a final recommendation.

Acquisition projects totaling \$60 million completed for the \$14 million in available funds.

Mike Gouin, director of parks and recreation in Canton, stated: "There is

a tremendous demand in this community for park and recreation facilities to the extent that many areas are suffering from overuse. It is gratifying that the Land Trust Review Board recognized the need for additional acreage in Canton."

Because the fund operates on a matching basis, \$50,000 will be provided by both the state of Michigan and Canton Township to purchase the project site. The conceptual plan calls for development of athletic fields, an arboretum and grounds for community

events. The additional land will bring the recreation complex to a total of 100 acres.

David Nicholson, director of community and economic development, says he is pleased. "This is the second grant we have obtained for the Canton recreation complex in the past year. A land and water conservation fund grant for \$65,000 was received in 1984 and is being used for improvements on the original acreage."

The Michigan Land Trust Fund, originally known as the Kammer Recre-

ational Land Trust, was enacted in 1976. It provides that revenues from certain oil and gas leases, and royalties from mining production, be invested with the earned income used to acquire lands for recreational purposes.

The original objective of the fund was to provide lands to support game animal habitat. Following passage of Proposal B in the 1984 general election, however, objectives were modified to permit acquisition of park and recreation lands in more urban areas.

neighbors on cable

CHANNEL 8

MONDAY (Dec. 16)
 5 p.m. Tell Me a Story
 5:30 p.m. Healthcize — Tune up your body with exercises for legs, arms and waist at Total Spa in Canton
 6 p.m. Masters of Dance — Host Mary Ellen Stewart interviews several students. Four jazz routines are performed with a special solo by Jim Bray
 6:30 p.m. The Guest Chain — Host Debi Silverman and guest Lynn Glazewski talk about eating out on a low fat diet
 7 p.m. Come Craft With Me — Dian Smith creates Christmas tree skirts with appliques
 7:30 p.m. High School Sports — Plymouth Canton Chiefs vs. Ann Arbor Huron. Also wrestling action with Plymouth Salem High vs. Livonia Franklin at Salem
 9:30 p.m. Single Touch Live — J.P. McCarthy and co-hosts discuss the single scene while viewers can call in to report events for singles and to discuss problems and solutions singles face each day

TUESDAY (Dec. 17)
 5 p.m. Cinematique — John Martin reviews classic movies on Family Home Theater "Country Fair," "Bedside Manner," and "Jamaica Inn"
 5:30 p.m. Economic Club of Detroit — "Economic Outlook Meeting" concludes the 1985 series
 6:30 p.m. Investment Times — Brian Davis and Jim Lanz discuss investment opportunities
 7 p.m. Beyond the Moon — Host Mike Best
 7:30 p.m. Belleville Christmas Parade — A look back at the annual parade in downtown Belleville
 8 p.m. Tailgate Ramblers in the Park
 9 p.m. Vivian School of Dance
 9:30 p.m. Single Touch — J.P. McCarthy and singles over 30 talk about "change"

WEDNESDAY (Dec. 18)
 (Wednesday programming same as Monday's schedule for Omni-8)

CHANNEL 15

MONDAY (Dec. 16)
 noon Total Fitness — Jackie Starr helps you tone up with aerobics
 12:30 p.m. For Your Health — Host Pat Sciberras talks with Carrie Peebles and Barbara Lewis about death, and how to prepare for the trauma
 1 p.m. Cooking With Cas — Cas prepares "Summit Supper," pork chops and an avocado salad
 1:30 p.m. Michelle's Craft Show — Michelle Wozniak makes Christmas decorations
 2 p.m. Human Images — The psychology club at Centennial Educational Park (CEP) discuss apartheid
 2:30 p.m. Perspective — Host Debra Danko talks with a doctor about sports and medical treatments
 3:30 p.m. Sandy Show — Sandy Preblich talks with Barbara Simons about suicide prevention

4 p.m. Communications in Silence — A special presentation on mime
 4:30 p.m. Disaster Management Planning — A re-enactment of a disaster shows shows involved when disaster strikes
 5 p.m. First Presbyterian Church of Northville Presents: A Celebration
 6 p.m. MESC Job Show
 6:30 p.m. East Middle Honors Assembly — Honors Assembly for 1984-85 school awards at East Middle School in Plymouth
 8 p.m. IRS — What Happened To My Paycheck?
 9 p.m. 1st Presbyterian Church of Plymouth — A presentation on the sequentennial celebration of First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. History and information on the church

TUESDAY (Dec. 17)
 noon Hamtramck Rotary — A discussion about newspapers
 12:30 p.m. Psychic Sciences — Ellie talks about colors and their effects
 1 p.m. School Daze
 1:30 p.m. Stages of Life Fashion Show — For all the moments in your life, fashions for you. Includes wedding fashions, casual, formal, sporty, etc.
 2:30 p.m. What Happened to my Paycheck?
 3 p.m. Quiz Bowl — Area high schools compete
 3:30 p.m. Omnicon Game of Week — Plymouth-Canton Hockey Association debuts season with the Plymouth Oilers vs. the Plymouth Flyers. Participating are 7, 8 and 9-year-olds
 5 p.m. Plymouth Ice Spectacular — A look back at this annual event in Kellogg Park, Plymouth

WEDNESDAY (Dec. 18)

1st Presbyterian Church of Northville Presents a Celebration
 1 p.m. The MESC Job Show
 1:30 p.m. Marching Band Competition — St. Charles High School Marching Band performs in Plymouth with burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Arrangements were made by Schrader Funeral Home Memorial contributions

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obituaries

MARION W. STEVENS

Funeral services for Mrs. Stevens, 89, of Plymouth were held recently in Schrader Funeral Home in Plymouth with burial at Riverside Cemetery. Officiating was the Rev. Philip Rodgers Magee. Memorial contributions may be made to the Michigan Cancer Foundation or to the First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

Mrs. Stevens, who died Dec. 10 in Ann Arbor, was born in Detroit and moved from there to Plymouth in 1955. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include daughter, Betty Leach of Plymouth; brothers, James Dykes of Detroit and Al Dykes of Columbiaville, Mich.; sisters, Margaret Johnson of Palm Coast, Fla., and Helen Chumock of Detroit; and two grandchildren.

AVARETTA L. CRONIN

Funeral services for Mrs. Cronin, 82, of Plymouth were held recently in Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth with burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Arrangements were made by Schrader Funeral Home. Memorial contributions

may be made in the form of Mass offerings.

Mrs. Cronin, who died Dec. 6 in Superior Township, was born in St. Thomas, Ontario, Canada, and moved to Plymouth in 1976 from Highland Park. A homemaker, she became a U.S. citizen in 1923.

Survivors include sons, John of Plymouth and Donald of Livonia; sister, Margaret Norry of Windsor; six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

STEPHEN D. MARKIEWICZ

Funeral services for Stephen, 6, of Toledo were held recently in Schrader Funeral Home with burial at Riverside Cemetery. Officiating was the Rev. William C. Moore.

Stephen, who died Dec. 6 in Toledo as a result of an auto accident, was born in Ann Arbor. Survivors include parents, Lynda and Daniel Markiewicz of Toledo; brothers, Scott and Jeffrey at home; grandparents, Shirley and Irwin Brink of Plymouth; Frances and Richard Markiewicz of Naples, Fla.; great-grandparents, George Brink of Plymouth, Verna and Victor Bombach of Livonia and Jeannette Markiewicz of Dearborn Heights.

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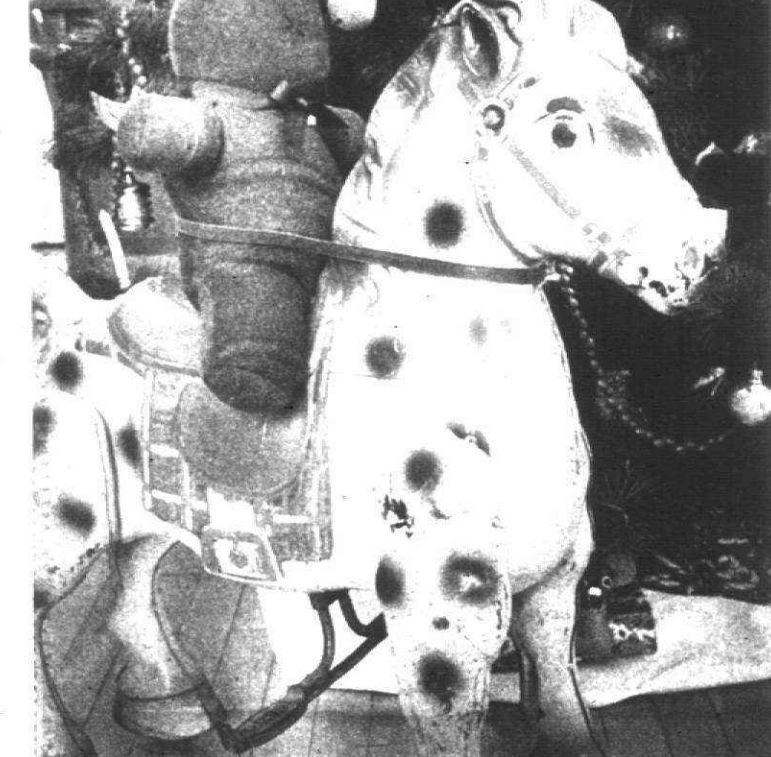


Dorothy West hangs an authentic antique plastic Santa head at the entrance to the museum.



The Canton Historical Museum, at Proctor and Canton Center roads, is getting dressed up for the holidays.

Museum readied for holidays



Teddy bear rides an antique hobby horse.



Museum volunteers put up the Christmas tree and add other festive touches.

BILL BRESLER/staff photographer



Frosty the Snowman peeks into the sewing corner from the window.



A wreath adorns the entrance to museum.

Youth is held for crimes in 3 communities

A 17-year-old Plymouth youth is scheduled to appear in 35th District Court this morning on breaking and entering and safe-cracking charges.

Brian K. McMullen was arrested following a police chase — in connection with crimes committed in Canton, Plymouth and Northville Township.

McMullen is charged with breaking into Cabaron, an auto refurbishing shop, at 929 Holbrook in Plymouth, at 10 p.m. Dec. 6 and stealing a 1982 BMW, according to Plymouth Police Lt. Bob Commier.

From about 12:30 to 1 a.m. the same night, the Canton Calvary Assembly of God at 7933 Sheldon Road in Canton was broken into.

ENTRY WAS GAINED by prying open a church window. The thief entered the main office and found a key to a metal cabinet that held a safe containing from \$150 to \$200. The money was stolen.

Police said they suspect McMullen spent the day Saturday driving the BMW.

"Saturday night he was cruising around Northville Township and Northville Township Police attempted to make a stop on the vehicle," said Canton Police Detective Rene LeBlanc.

"They got into a car chase, which resulted in him rolling the BMW over," LeBlanc said.

The car was heavily damaged but

not totaled, Commier said. No one was injured.

McMullen was arrested by Northville Township Police and charged with three traffic violations — never obtaining a valid license, fleeing and eluding police officers, and speeding, LeBlanc said.

IN PLYMOUTH McMullen was charged with unlawfully driving away an automobile (UDAA) and breaking and entering (B&E). Felony warrants were obtained for both crimes.

Canton Township Police received felony warrants for B&E and safe cracking charges.

The safe-cracking charge, "from an old case law," carries a possible life-

in-prison sentence, LeBlanc said. The UDAA charge carries a possible five-year prison sentence.

McMullen was arraigned in 35th District Court before Judge John MacDonald Tuesday on both the Plymouth and Canton charges. Judge MacDonald entered a plea of not guilty.

MacDonald set a \$15,000 cash bond, and disallowed a 10 percent surety. McMullen failed to post the bond and was jailed until the preliminary examination.

A preliminary examination — to determine if there is enough evidence to link McMullen to the crimes — was to be 10:30 a.m. today in 35th District Court.

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Jacobson's

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Schools OK telephone system

The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education Monday approved the purchase of new telephone equipment from American Telephone & Telephone Co. (AT&T), and 26 new Apple computers.

Money from the district's general fund will be used to purchase and install the telephone system under a contract awarded to AT&T for \$272,000. Of that, \$222,000 will be charged to the 1985-86 operating fund and \$50,000 to the 86-87 operating fund.

THE PHONE SYSTEM is expected to save the district \$360,000, which would have been spent on leasing the system over 10 years and, according to Raymond Hoedel, associate superintendent for business, would provide better phone coverage.

Representatives from AT&T claimed

the system would provide uniformity throughout the system. It has a "user-friendly" terminal, service facilities are nearby, the company has a large local customer service support team, and phones can be preprogrammed so employees don't have to learn a large number of codes.

The accounting firm of Plante & Moran completed research on several phone system proposals and recommended the AT&T system be installed from February through May 1986.

The AT&T system is called ATTIS (American Telephone & Telegraph Information Systems).

The phone company said system's capacity is more than adequate for the school district's needs and will provide

state-of-the-art communications, especially in the high schools and administration building.

Other bids were received from Excuteone, MBCI, ROLL and United Tech.

THE BOARD also approved the purchase of 26 Apple computers for use in special education classes. The purchase is made possible by federal grant funds totaling \$46,000.

A year ago Apple II's also were purchased by the special education department with federal funds.

The board also approved:

• A summer tax levy. According to Hoedel, this is the first time in 30 years that the district hasn't had to borrow money. When taxes were collected once a year, the district would have to borrow (tax anticipation notes) to meet

payroll until tax revenues arrived.

• A middle-school attendance procedure calling for disciplinary action when a student has 10, 15 and 25 absences.

• A contract with Datacenter for Centennial Educational Park (CEP) student scheduling for the 1986-87 school year for \$12,000.

• The district's application to the Michigan Department of Education for vocational-technical course offerings in electronics-computer repair and electronics-robotics beginning with the 1986-87 school year.

The district will provide \$70,000-75,000 to meet the matching fund requirement.

Because of the Christmas holidays, the board canceled its regular board meeting scheduled for Dec. 23.

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of those dedicated people who work quietly behind the scenes without getting extra credit. Foster was praised for her "positive approach." Parents have been asking for her to teach their children. She helps struggling children and has been involved in an instructional skills program. She is a model for the staff and relates her summer workshop information to her fellow staff. She is a professional — patient, caring and sensitive.

NEW NEIGHBORS: Wayne Community Living Services is planning to open a group home for six adults with retardation on Warren Road in Canton Township. The home will be run by Rayne-Bo Homes Inc., which will provide staff 24-hour to care for the residents who will attend school or workshop activities during the day, and spend evenings and weekends in supervised recreational and training activities. Letters are being sent to neighbors living within 500 feet of the home to inform them

of plans and to inform them of a temporary information center being established.

WHITE CHRISTMAS:

Time is running out to have a chance to win a White Christmas by entering a contest being sponsored by Canton Parks and Recreation. Entry forms are available at Canton Township Hall, 1150 Canton Center Road. The winners name will be drawn on Dec. 19. The winner, who must be a resident of Canton, will win a snow-covered front yard to be delivered on Friday, Dec. 20, and also will receive a copy of Bing Crosby's "White Christmas" album.

HOLIDAY TREAT:

Need something to put you in the holiday mood? The Northern Ballet will present the holiday classic "The Nutcracker" at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22, in the auditorium of Plymouth Salem High School on Joy Road in Canton. The Oakway Symphony with conductor Francesco Di Biasi will accompany the dancers of the Northern Ballet. Theater directed by Michelle Wolfe. Tickets for both performances are \$7 for adults, \$5 for children younger than 12, and \$5 for senior citizens. All seats are reserved and may be obtained from Northern Ballet Theater, 331 N. Main, Plymouth.

WSDP / 88.1

(WSDP-FM 88.1 is the student-operated radio station at Plymouth Centennial Educational Park (CEP).)

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

MONDAY (Dec. 16)
4:05 p.m. This Day In History.
5:05 p.m. Family Health — Kidney stones.

TUESDAY (Dec. 17)

4:05 p.m. This Day In History.
5:05 p.m. Family Health — Treatment of kidney stones.
6:10 p.m. Family Report — Adoption, Part V.

WEDNESDAY (Dec. 18)

4:05 p.m. This Day In History.
5:05 p.m. Family Health — How the brain affects the body.
6:10 p.m. Community Focus — Host

Noelle Torrance.

THURSDAY (Dec. 19)

4:05 p.m. This Day In History — Students from CEP report on historical events.
5:05 p.m. Family Health — Arteriosclerosis.
6:10 p.m. Chamber Chatter — Tani Secunda hosts with information about the Canton Chamber of Commerce.

FRIDAY (Dec. 20)

4:05 p.m. This Day In History.
5:05 p.m. Family Health — Types of contact lenses.
6:10 p.m. CEP Sports Weekly — Dan Johnston hosts.

7:30 p.m. Basketball Game of the Week — Plymouth Salem plays at home against Stevenson.

MONDAY-SUNDAY

(Dec. 23 to Jan. 5)

(WSDP will not broadcast due to Christmas vacation.)

MONDAY (Jan. 6)

7:30 a.m. to noon Adult contemporary music.
4:05 p.m. This Day In History.
5:05 p.m. Family Report — Parents as sex educators?

TUESDAY (Jan. 7)

4:05 p.m. This Day In History.
5:05 p.m. Family Health — Parents as sex educators?
6:10 p.m. Family Report — Parents as sex educators?

WEDNESDAY (Jan. 8)

4:05 p.m. This Day In History.
5:05 p.m. Family Health.
6:10 p.m. Community Focus — Host Noelle Torrance interviews an important person from Plymouth or Canton.

excursions

CARIBBEAN CRUISE

Wednesday, Dec. 18 — City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation will be having a slide presentation at 10:30 a.m. Dec. 18 in the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, on its upcoming Florida trip. The Florida trip is sponsored by the recreation department in cooperation with Bianco Travel & Tours. The Florida and Caribbean vacation package will depart Jan. 22 and the charge will be \$1,299 per person, based on double occupancy. The trip will include seven days in Florida (Fort Lauderdale and Orlando) and

a seven-day Cruise (St. Thomas, St. Croix and Nassau). Any interested adult may call the recreation department at 455-6620 for more information.

HAWAII CRUISE

Jan. 30 — The Plymouth Y Travellers are planning a seven-day Hawaii Cruise on the S.S. Independence from Jan. 30 through Feb. 9. The cruise includes tours of Hilo, Kona, Maui and Kauai. The pre-cruise features includes three days and two nights in

the Hawaiian Regent Hotel. Features on the cruise include a Wednesday night buffet, the Johnny Lum Mo Polynesian Show, a Showtime at Sea revue, major motion picture daily, dancing nightly with the ship's orchestra, pool party and Hawaiian singalong, bingo, lei making, ukulele and hula classes, ping pong, shuffleboard, dancercise and exercise classes, a passenger talent show, Captain's Aloha Dinner and a Broadway Revue Farewell Show. For information, call the Plymouth Community Family YMCA at 453-2904.

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Officials probe hospice fire

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which cares for the terminally ill, were evacuated by firefighters on elevators and stairways. Pierce said Hospice staff members said nine were taken to the adjacent Providence Hospital in Southfield, 13 went to William Beaumont in Royal Oak and two others went to Botsford in Farmington Hills.

Transporting was done by Suburban Ambulance, which called in several cars from other areas.

The hospice staff directed family members who called to the appropriate hospital, and coffee, doughnuts and sandwiches were provided for family and staff members who came immediately to the hospice after hearing radio reports of the disaster.

By Sunday night, 10 patients had been returned to the fourth floor of the building, where other rehabilitation patients are housed. Others were expected to return on Monday, according to Gayle Good, executive director of the Hospice Foundation.

The hospice leases the second floor

from the rehabilitation center, which also has patients on the third and fourth floors of the building. The basement of the building is leased by Providence Radiation Therapy.

THE BUILDING is owned and operated by the Southfield Rehabilitation Center, whose executive director is Dr. Claude Oster. He said there were 60 patients on the third and fourth floors of the building. The patients were "evacuated from danger to smoke-free areas," he said.



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1973 Chevrolet Ambulance Van 13-416-7428

Inquiries regarding this vehicle should be directed to Larry F. Groth, Fire Chief, Plymouth Township Fire Department, at 453-2566.

ESTHER HULSING, Clerk

Charter Township of Plymouth

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Specifications, proposal forms and other contract documents may be obtained at the Housing Commission office during regular hours.

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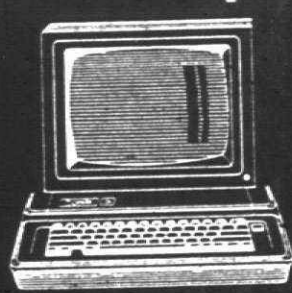
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DEADLINES

Announcements for Brevities should be submitted by noon Monday for the Thursday issue and by noon Thursday for the Monday issue. Bring in or mail announcements to the Observer at 485 S. Main.

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE
Tuesday, Dec. 17 — Smith Elementary

ry School PFO will sponsor a Christmas Holiday Open House at the school beginning at 7 p.m. There will be refreshments in front of the school and refreshments in the gym afterward. All rooms will be decorated and open to the public.

TRACING ROOTS
Wednesday, Dec. 18 — The Western Wayne County Genealogical Society will hold its regular meeting at 8 p.m.

in the Carl Sandburg Library, 30100 W. Seven Mile near Middlebelt in Livonia. The program will be on "Christmas Customs."

GUARANTEED WHITE CHRISTMAS
Thursday, Dec. 19 — The Canton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring its "Guaranteed White Christmas" contest for Canton residents. The contest winner will have his

yard covered with snow on Friday, Dec. 20, and receive a copy of Bing Crosby's "White Christmas" album. Entry forms are available at the parks and recreation department or by sending your name, address and telephone number to: Canton Parks and Recreation, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Mich. 48188. The deadline to receive entries is 5 p.m. Dec. 18. The winner will be picked Thursday, Dec. 19.

BLOOD DONATIONS
Saturday, Dec. 21 — The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at Jeanette Pontiac, 14949 Sheldon, Plymouth, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The visit is sponsored by the CNP Girl Scouts. For an appointment, call Verna George at 981-4890.

MUPPETS ON TOUR
Saturday, Dec. 28 — A special family field trip to see "The Muppets on Tour" stage show will leave Canton Township Administration Building at 9:30 a.m. for Cobo Arena Mini-Theatre. The charge is \$7 per person for admission ticket and transportation. Canton Parks and Recreation is sponsoring the trip to see Jim Henson's famous muppets, all bigger than life. Space is limited, so sign up early by calling 397-1000.

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between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays.

CANTON CRICKETS
Saturday, Jan. 4 — Registration for

the Canton Crickets preschool program will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, in the lower level of Canton Township Administration Building on Canton Center Road just south of Proctor. The state-licensed program for 3- and 4-year-olds

meets 9:30-11:30 a.m. Mondays-Fridays with an afternoon session 1-3 Tuesdays and Thursdays from Feb. 3 to June 13. The class, limited to 13 pupils, is for Canton residents only. Driver's license required for proof of residency with

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Registration is underway for the winter semester beginning Jan. 3 at Schoolcraft College. Registrations are being accepted from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Dec. 9-12 and Dec. 16-19 at the registration center on the main campus, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia.

The college is offering over 900 classes for the winter semester. Day and evening classes are held at the main campus in Livonia as well as at centers in Garden City, Northville and Plymouth-Canton.

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Now I'm in my seventh week of adjustments and I feel like a new person. My imbalance is almost corrected and it was done without surgery.

I am most grateful and appreciative to Dr. Chase and his staff for the kindness and understanding they have shown me, and especially for alleviating my pain.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Delores Palfalvi



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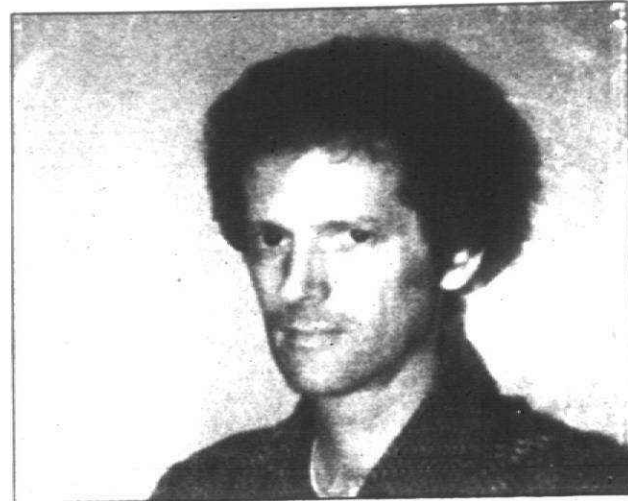
I had taken Darvon and Percadon for 2 months and was completely laid up prior to coming into the Chase Chiropractic Office.

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Rose Ravetta



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Hunter's first try nets 500-pound

By Dennis Coffman
staff writer

Seasoned hunters rightfully ought to be more than a little jealous of Cindy Smiatcz of Plymouth Township.

The young mother of two, who never hunted anything in her life, shot a 500-pound bull elk on her first try Tuesday.

She and husband Mark moved into their Plymouth home on Terry only a month ago. Now they'll have to make room on their basement wall for the mounted head and "five-by-five" rack of antlers of the big beast.

"This has got to be a joke," Cindy Smiatcz said when her husband submitted her name on an application for an elk permit.

Mark Smiatcz, a veteran hunter, helped his wife learn to shoot a .30-06 rifle at a shooting range. When she became the only woman in Plymouth and one of the few in the state to get an elk permit, Mark joined her on her first hunting expedition, to Atlanta, Mich., near Gaylord. "I was her assistant."

HIS COMMENT after he saw his wife down the big elk was, "This is unreal."

The hardest thing was getting through the snow with my gun," said Cindy. There were 18 inches on the ground that day.

She had followed her guide for about 10 minutes when she saw five bull elk. "I looked through the scope and aimed through two trees," she said. There was another, larger elk next to the one she was aiming at but she fired and hit the smaller one — from 125 yards.

"I told my guide, 'I think I hit it' and he said he didn't think so because he was looking at the other elk. Mine was on the ground. I hit it on the first shot," said Cindy.

Her shot hit the elk in the shoulder area, in the lungs. She fired two more shots into the elk's head before it finally died.

"The men at the DNR (Department of Natural Resources) said, 'Did you really shoot that elk?' They couldn't believe it."

The elk then had to be hauled about three-quarters of a mile out of the woods, with the help of a farmer and his horse.

IT MEASURED five feet from its hooves to shoulders, eight feet from rump to nose. The Smiatczs kept it in their garage until Wednesday because the weather stayed cold, then began butchering it into steaks and ribs. Elk is said to taste more like beef than deer venison.

More than 52,000 people applied for elk permits in Michigan but only 120 were awarded, with Cindy being only the second woman.

"One woman saw a 17-point elk and froze up," said Cindy. "I guess she just couldn't believe it, and she missed the shot."

But in Cindy's case, seeing the elk didn't make her uptight. "Getting used to the kickback of the rifle was hard. But when I saw the elk and fired, I didn't even notice it. Getting up the ridges was more exciting, catching my breath."

The elk was taken on state land. Cindy's guide, who was paid \$100 for his services, suggested the area, about 35 miles east of Gaylord. Some guides charge \$100 a day, plus \$500 for a kill.

FARMERS in the area also have been known to charge for the use of their land, even though hunters do them a favor by getting rid of the elk which eat their crops.

"These elk are tame compared to those out west," said Cindy. "They spend more money to shoot western elk, too."

The most dangerous part of the hunt, for the Smiatczs, was driving home as other motorists nearly cut them off the road as they rubbernecked to get a look at the animal.

Mark Smiatcz said it would take him three or four hours to remove the elk's hide and a day to butcher and put the meat in a freezer for storage.

But if his wife can do this well on her first hunting try, he may need an extra freezer to store what she shoots on her second try.

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2nd District (includes Plymouth and Plymouth Township) U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth, 134 N. Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.
15th District (includes Canton) U.S. Rep. William D. Ford, D-Taylor, Canton Building, Room 239, Washington D.C. 20515. District Office: 3716 Newberry Street, Wayne 48184.

U.S. SENATE
Donald W. Riegle Jr., D-Flint, 253 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington D.C. 20510.
Carl Levin, D-Detroit, 353 Russell Building, Washington D.C. 20510.

MICHIGAN SENATE
6th District (includes Canton, Plymouth and Plymouth Township) Robert Geake, R-Northville, Michigan State Senate, Box 30036, State Capitol Building, Lansing, Mich. 48909. Home phone 349-2319. Phone in Lansing is 1-517-373-1707.

MICHIGAN HOUSE
36th District (includes part of Canton, Plymouth and Plymouth Township) State Rep. Gerald Law, 45209 Woodleigh Way, Plymouth, Mich. 48170. Phone in Lansing is 1-517-373-3816.
37th District (includes part of Canton) State Rep. James Kosteva, D-Canton, Room 546 Roosevelt Building, Lansing, Mich. 48909.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER
10th District (includes Plymouth, and Plymouth Townships) Mary Dumas, R-Livonia, 702 City-County Building, Woodward 2, Detroit, Mich. 48226.

CANTON TOWNSHIP
Meetings first, second and fourth Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Supervisor James Poole, Clerk Linda Chubran, Treasurer Gerald Brown, 397-1090.

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP
Meetings first, second and fourth Tuesday of each month except during July and August at 7:30 p.m. in Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Supervisor Maurice Breen, Clerk Esther Hulsing, Treasurer Mary Brooks, 453-3840.

CITY OF PLYMOUTH
Meetings first and third Monday at 7:30 p.m. in city hall, 201 S. Main. City Manager Henry Graper, Treasurer Assessor Ken Way, Clerk Gordon Limburg, Mayor David Pugh, 453-1234.

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Homemade sled fails trial run

Each year when the white flakes of snow come drifting down out of the sky, we meet them with mixed emotions.

We hope that the flakes won't pile up too much so that we would have to shovel them to clear the driveways and the entrance to the streets.

At the same time, we look around and when we can't find bobsled hills, we feel sorry for the younger generation. Without these hills, they are missing a good part of the young lives.

These days leave lasting memories. And there was one opening of the bobsled season that never will be forgotten. The memory of it has been lodged deep in our minds and even at these late dates we can visualize one of the most exciting nights of the entire year.

It had been a great summer. Our baseball games had been exciting and our football games, especially with the high school team, aroused the entire community. But all the while in the back of our young minds, we had a



the stroller
W.W. Edgar

plan. A group of us discussed an idea to become king of the bobsled hill. We planned to build our own sled—in secret. This was to be a new sort of sled and we worked on it behind closed doors at a neighbor's home.

Up to that time, the captain and the driver of the sled were forced to bend forward and steer it by pulling on ropes. We youngsters had a better idea. We envisioned a bobsled that could be steered like you would steer an automobile.

AFTER WHAT SEEMED like a long summer, the sled was finished and we longed for a snow heavy enough to take it to the hill for a tryout.

Finally, after a long wait, the snow came. We welcomed it in no uncertain

terms. Then came the evening of a day when the snow fell. This was what we had been waiting for. So, off to the hill we went. We had a sled that steered with the use of a steering wheel.

Everyone marveled and every person at the top of the hill wanted to be a passenger on the initial trip.

Then we got our first shock. The sled was built so low that each passenger had to hold up the legs of the rider in back of him. It was odd. But this made it more exciting.

We could hardly wait to get started. We wanted to see just how far and fast we could go. If we had any luck, we could get across the bridge that crossed the Lehigh River and take us to the railroad station. What a thrill we hoped that would be.

cal environmental projects. Any student enrolled in a Michigan school is eligible. Program entries must create and implement an environmental program that would benefit their community.

The 1985-86 theme is "Water," which coincides with the "World conference on Large Lakes" May 18-21 at Mackinac Island.

Nine regional finalists will be chosen in February—three from each DNR Region—and the state's best three groups will be selected in April by a panel of DNR personnel, a natural resources commissioner, state conservation group members and community leaders.

Our hearts were beating as we started down hill. It was a ride we had hoped would be remembered. It was not in the manner in which we had hoped.

WE WERE only about halfway down the hill in the center of the business section when something went wrong. The sled took a sharp turn to the right. There was a loud scream. When the sled came to a stop and many of the riders were turned into spectators, there was one person still on the ground.

It was a girl. She lay there moaning. We were almost afraid to try to lift her. But we finally did. Then we raced to a nearby doctor's office. We begged him to come over and take a look. He did and ruled that the girl's leg had been broken and quite badly.

That concerned us. But not as much as we were concerned when we saw our "modern" bobsled, lying on its side, a candidate for the work shop.

You see, it is spills like that one that causes a fellow to turn back the pages to his young life and get a thrill out of a snowfall just because it brings back memories.

All program entries will receive specially designed DNR arm patches, commemorative award ribbons. The three top competition groups will be presented first-place awards by Gov. Blanchard during the World Conference on Large Lakes.

Sponsors are to notify the DNR of their student group's participation in the program by submitting an enrollment card by the Dec. 9 deadline. A schoolwide competition must be held in the case of more than one competing group in a school. Sponsors are to apply for the regional competition by Feb. 28.

Michigan Department of Natural Resources

from our readers

Letters must be original copies and contain the signature and address of the sender. Limit letters to 300 words.

Youth can vie for DNR awards

To the editor:

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is administering a new Governor's Environmental Youth

Awards competition, geared to promote environmental education among Michigan's youth.

Coordinated by the DNR Public Affairs Offices, the Governor's Environmental Youth Awards will give kindergarten through 12th-grade students in the state's 4,466 public and private schools a chance to compete for awards by actively participating in lo-

for your information

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Plymouth Centennial Educational Park (CEP) needs adult community members to donate their time and expertise at the high schools. Needed is help phoning, typing, creating bulletin board displays and serving as resource people for careers and for German culture. If you can volunteer an hour or two, contact Cyndi Burnstein at 459-9435 after noon.

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TOUGH LOVE

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BEGINNING STRINGS

Group lessons for beginners on violin, viola or

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SPECIAL OLYMPICS

The Plymouth-Canton Special Olympics Parent Advisory Council (SOPAC) will be sponsoring a Special Olympics program for mentally impaired individuals ages 6 and older in the Plymouth-Canton area. Anyone wishing information on registration for the upcoming season or who would like to volunteer to help, call 451-6610 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or 397-7911 after 5 p.m.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

The Plymouth Police Department is organizing a Neighborhood Watch program for city residents. Anyone interested in becoming involved in the program may call 453-8600 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. The program is a protection against residential break-ins and burglaries.

CANTON BEAUTIFIERS

The Canton Beautification Committee meets at 7 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at Canton Township Hall, Canton Center Road south of Proctor.

FENCING CLUB

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ASSERTIVENESS FOR WOMEN

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ZESTERS

Zesters, a club for residents 55 and older, meets 1 p.m. Thursdays in the Canton Recreation Center, 44237 Michigan Ave. at Sheldon. Membership fees are \$1 to join and \$1 per month. The Zesters have monthly potlucks, bingo, movies and trips. The club is looking for pinocle players. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m., and reservations for lunch can be made 24 hours in advance. For more information about the club, call the Canton Senior Citizen office at 397-1000, Ext. 278.

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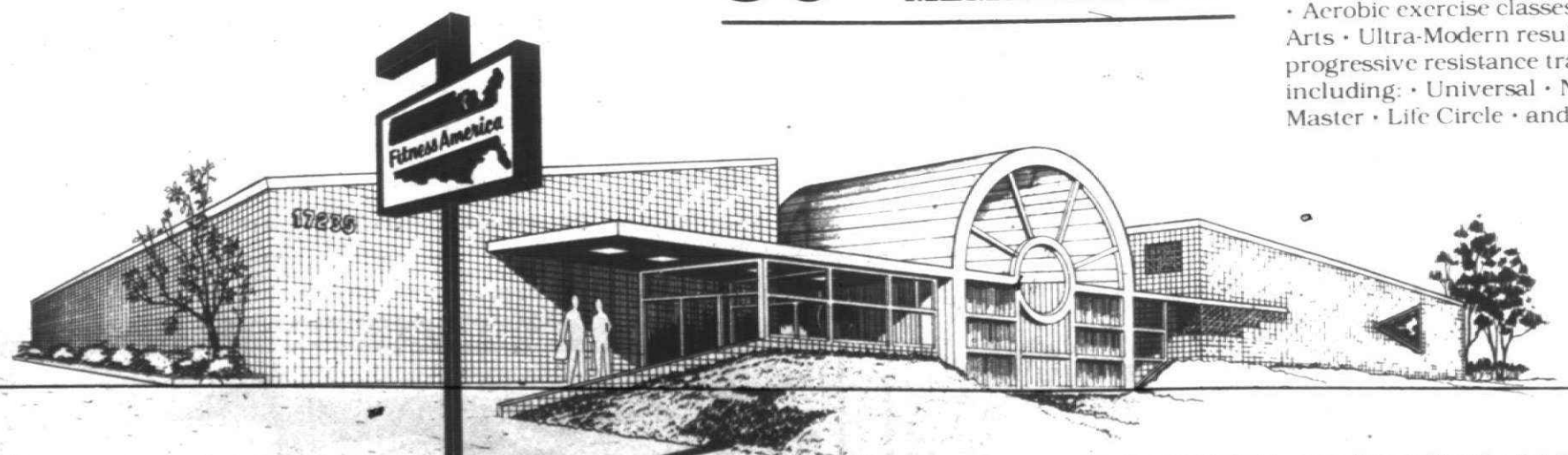
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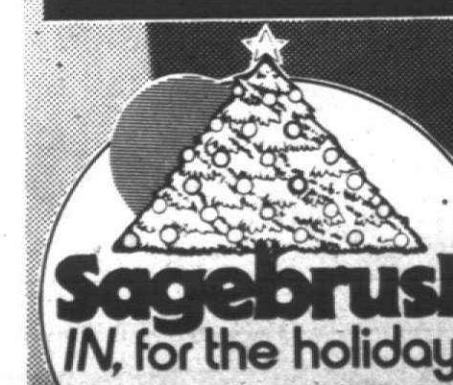
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Student of Month

William Scott, a senior at Plymouth Salem High School, has been selected student of the month for December by Plymouth Elks Lodge No. 1780. Scott was nominated by Cary Gary, a culinary arts and Skills for Living instructor at Salem High. Students are judged on their achievement, character, leadership, service, citizenship and scholarship.

Student of month

Jennifer Headrick, daughter of Joan and Tom Hendrick of Plymouth, has been named Student of the Month by the Plymouth Elks. A senior at Plymouth Canton High, she has been a member for three years of the Plymouth Centennial Educational Park (CEP) Marching Band, a student council representative, National Honor Society member, forensics team member, and school nominee for the U.S. Youth Senate Scholarship. She is a junior choir member at her church, a political campaign volunteer, was in the Lions International youth campaign by going to Germany for six weeks, and was in Interlochen's All-State Music Camp Program.



for your information

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● VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Residents are encouraged to volunteer their time to deliver meals one day per week to the homebound elderly in the city of Plymouth and Plymouth Township. Delivery takes about one hour, 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Drivers are needed daily except Thursday. Mileage reimbursement of 23 cents per mile is available. For information, call Margaret Foster, 453-9703, 10-11 a.m. Monday-Friday.

● SENIOR CITIZENS

The Senior Network will answer questions and help solve problems for people 60 and older. The program, provided by the Out-Wayne County Area Council on Aging, has information about programs and services for older people. Call 422-1052 between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

● HANDYMEN AVAILABLE

The Plymouth Community Council on Aging has senior handymen available to do work. Call 455-4907, 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Volunteer handymen are needed.

● FINGERPRINTING CHILDREN

The Plymouth Police Department will fingerprint children ages 3-12 from Plymouth and Plymouth Township free from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. the first Saturday of each month. Appointments must be made. To participate, the child must have a parent or legal guardian present and have a valid birth certificate to present when fingerprinted. All records will be turned over to the parent or guardian. All appointments are on a first-come basis.

● FREE READING CLASSES

Do you know someone who cannot read this newspaper? Adult non-readers and those reading below eighth-grade level are eligible for free reading classes. Each person will be interviewed, evaluated and placed into an individualized program which meets their personal needs. English-as-a-second-language adults interested in improving English reading skills are welcome. This is a non-credit course made possible by special federal funds.

The classes will be held at the Starkweather Center, 550 N. Holbrook, Plymouth. To register or for information, call Plymouth-Canton Community Education offices at 451-6555 or 451-6660.

● MEALS FOR SENIORS

Food, fellowship and fun: Hot meals are available to persons 60 and older for a suggested donation of \$1 at noon Monday through Wednesday and 11:30 a.m. Thursday and Friday at the Canton Recreation Center, Sheldon at Michigan Avenue. Monthly members are available. Reservations must be made by calling 227-1000.

● EFFECTIVE PARENTING

Suburban West Community Center, a non-profit community mental health agency with an office at 875 S. Main, Plymouth, is promoting good parent/child communication by making available to the public Dr. Thomas Gordon's Parent Effectiveness Training Home Program to review. Those interested may purchase the home study kit for \$29.95 directly from Gordon's organization. Dr. Thomas Herzberg, Suburban West's executive director, is a licensed P.E.T. instructor and will schedule courses for a nominal fee. For information, call 981-2665.

● GREAT BOOKS

The Adult Great Books discussion group of western Wayne County will meet 8-10 p.m. the first and third Thursday of each month in the Carl Sandburg Branch Library, 30100 Seven Mile (next to Livonia Mall), Livonia. For information and a reading list, call Zo Chisnell at 349-3121.

● GARBAGE BAGS

Heavy-duty garbage bags are available at \$11 for a box of 100 from the city of Plymouth at either the Fire Department or the DPW office.

● PLYMOUTH FAMILY SERVICE

Plymouth Family Service, 880 Wing, Plymouth,

is open 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Wednesdays. The agency also is open 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays and 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. For more information or for an appointment, call 453-0890.

● OLD VILLAGE HQ

The Old Village Association operates an office at Heide's-Bill Ruehr Florist on Mill Street from 9:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Monday-Friday. The association's phone number is 455-7011 and its mailing address is P.O. Box 483, Plymouth 48170.

● IBM USERS CLUB

Washtenaw IBM Personal Computer User Society (WIPCUS) meets every third Thursday in Room 140 of the University of Michigan Business School, Tappan and Monroe, Ann Arbor. Meeting time is 7 p.m. for beginners and 7:30 p.m. for the general meeting, which consists of a question-answer session, general discussion and a guest speaker. The group also puts out a monthly newsletter. Dues are \$18 per year, \$12 for students and senior citizens. Questions may be mailed to Heather Hadwick, 1211 City Drive, Ann Arbor MI 48103, or call Hadwick at 769-0785.

● WISER GROUP

Widowed In Service (WISER), a small informal support group especially helpful for recently widowed persons, meets at the Newman House, 17300 Haggerty, south of the Schoolcraft College campus, every Thursday 10 to 11:30 a.m. For more information, call the Women's Resource Center at 591-6400, Ext. 430.

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DRESSING FOR A WARM RECEPTION

Port of Spain Salad Dressing

- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon paprika
- 1/3 cup salad oil
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon aromatic bitters
- 1 tablespoon each of minced onion, minced green pepper, minced celery

Combine salt, sugar and paprika. Add salad oil and blend. Add lemon juice, aromatic bitters, onion, green pepper and celery; beat well. Toss with a salad of not only greens, but radish roses, tomato slices, sweet onions, carrots, cauliflowererets and cucumber slices.

CELEBRATING IN STYLE

Rock Lobster Star Casserole

- 6 (4 oz. ea.) frozen rock lobster tails
- 3 cups cooked potatoes, diced
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 2 cups milk
- 1/2 teaspoon salt (or to taste)
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon aromatic bitters
- 1/4 cup drained capers
- 1 tablespoon onion, finely chopped
- 1/2 lb. grated mild cheddar cheese
- Parsley sprig garnish, optional

Parboil frozen rock lobster tails by dropping into boiling salted water; when water reboils boil for 4 minutes. Drain immediately and drench with cold water. Cut underside membrane and insert fingers between shell and meat at heavy end of tail. Work meat loose from shell and remove in one piece. Slice meat from three tails into medallions; slice the remaining three tails in half lengthwise and reserve. Combine diced potatoes and rock lobster medallions in greased 2-quart oven dish. In saucepan, melt butter or margarine; stir in flour and add milk gradually. Cook over low flame stirring constantly until smooth and thickened. Add salt, pepper, aromatic bitters, capers and onions; stir cheese into hot sauce and continue cooking until cheese is melted. Pour sauce over rock lobster and potato mixture. Bake at 375°F. for 15 minutes. Remove from oven and arrange reserved 6 halves on top in star fashion. Bake an additional 5 minutes. Yield: 6 servings. NOTE: This recipe can be doubled or tripled for larger parties. The rock lobster and potatoes can be prepared ahead of time.

MAKING MERRY WITH A BERRY

Blueberry "Mincemeat" Pie

- Unbaked pastry for one 2-crust 10-inch pie
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 beef bouillon cube
- 3 green apples, unpeeled, cored and finely chopped
- 4 cups dry-pack frozen blueberries
- 2 medium zucchini squash, trimmed and finely chopped
- 2 tablespoons minced orange peel
- 1 tablespoon aromatic bitters
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
- 2 envelopes unflavored gelatine
- 1/2 cup water

In a large saucepan, mix water, lemon juice, bouillon cube, apples, blueberries, squash, orange peel, aromatic bitters, sugar and nutmeg. Cover and simmer for 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Stir gelatine into cold water. Add gelatine mixture to hot mincemeat and stir to dissolve. Cover and chill until set, about 5 hours or overnight. Preheat oven to 425 degree F. Divide pastry dough in half. Roll out one piece and fit into pie pan. Roll out second piece and cut into 1/4-inch wide strips. Pour 5 cups of mincemeat into pie shell. Brush edge of pie rim with beaten egg. Place strips of pie dough on top of pie in a lattice. Trim pastry to one inch from edge of pie and fold pastry inward to seal edge. Make a decorative edge on rim. Brush pastry with beaten egg if desired and bake on rack below center of oven for approximately 40 minutes or until crust is golden brown. NOTE: Keep any leftover mincemeat in refrigerator. It is delicious served as a relish with meat or poultry. This mixture cannot be frozen, since freezing would break down the jelling action of the gelatine.

It's no fun to be away from family and/or old and good friends during the holidays.

But it happens to a lot of people, and you probably know some of them. Maybe you just might be one of them yourself.

There are certainly a lot of career-oriented singles who face the prospect of being far from "home" at the festive season. Many are too recently arrived in new locations to have made more than passing acquaintances.

Then there are the recently divorced or widowed of both sexes who moved back into town because "the suburbs are for couples," only to discover that cities can be pretty solitary, too. As in lonely.

If you're serious about expanding your circle, as everybody should be, look around. Find those others whose lifestyles are stuck just now in an alone-at-the-holidays scenario. These who you gather together might be people who work where you do, live in the same apartment complex, shop in your supermarket — or even cashier there. Talk and ask. Ask them to share a holiday get-together with you at your place.

Now having gotten a crowd together, get the act together. This is going to be an easy and relaxed holiday feast, one that can be put together in the most challenging small-space kitchen.

When guests arrive at whatever is the appointed time, a festive way to greet them is with a delicious sangria — this one different because it has a tea base. Tea and white wine seem to have a particular affinity, and if you've never tried the idea before you'll feel a thrill of discovery. If it's a seasonably chilly day or evening, a hot mulled tea may be part of the welcome. Teetotalers (no pun intended) and designated drivers will appreciate this nice touch. The hot tea drink tastes so good it's hard to believe that alcohol is missing.

Whether the affair takes place at midday, early or late evening, or brunch, the main event will be worth celebrating. The star casserole of rock lobster is festive to look at, luscious to taste, elegant and very easy to make. The rock lobster meat and the potatoes can be prepared ahead of time and assembled in the sauce just before being put into the oven for a cooking time of less than half an hour.

Since this succulent seafood is everybody's favorite when eating out, the person who is hosting this party will know he or she has a winner in this dish. Nice, also, is that the potatoes stretch the rock lobster meat. Six four-ounce tails in this dish serve six people very generously.

There's a thread of good flavor that binds everything together in this holiday repast. It's used in the sangria, as a flavoring in the main dish, as an ingredient in the salad dressing. It's aromatic bitters, a blend of all the exciting and exotic spices we all associate with the holidays. There's nothing like it. This versatile seasoning and flavoring agent does different things for everything it's used in, since it has the unique quality of marrying other flavors in the dish or the drink, while adding a subtle touch of its own.

The dessert for this holiday party is a "mincemeat" pie. It seems that many people actually don't like mincemeat, seemingly tolerating a small slice of pie only in deference to the holiday spirit. Well, this "mincemeat" pie is made from blueberries, so it's guaranteed to please everybody! It's got all the holiday taste without the dried fruits and suet. You've never tasted a blueberry pie like this one. It's different, delicious and is about to build a holiday tradition of its own.

When you do make this pie, go to the little extra effort to put on the lattice top, rather than a solid top crust. The tradition of lattice-topped pies at holiday time originated in England centuries ago. The lattice represents the hay rack in the stable where the Christ Child was born. It's an interesting conversation piece.

Good conversation, good food and good fellowship will make your guests feel warm and belonging. After all, you provided an interesting bright spot in their holiday season.

And in your own.

LIFTING A CONVIVIAL CUP

Festive Tea Sangria

(makes about 9 cups)

- 6 rounded tablespoons lemon-flavored iced tea mix
- 1 tablespoon aromatic bitters
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 4 cups cold water
- 3 cups apple juice, chilled
- 2 cups dry white wine, chilled
- 1 lime, sliced
- 2/3 cup sliced strawberries

Combine tea mix, aromatic bitters, sugar and water; stir to dissolve sugar. Mix in apple juice and wine. Chill. When ready to serve, add lime slices and berries. Pour over ice in large pitcher.

Aromatic Mulled Tea

(makes about 9 cups)

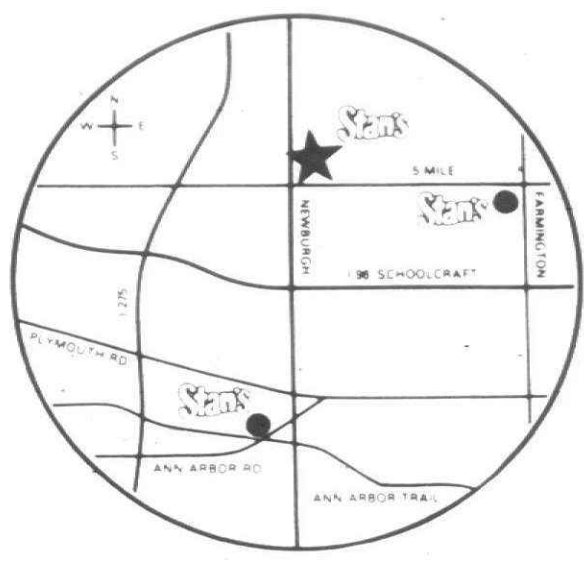
- 6 cups boiling water
- 8 teabags
- 2 tablespoons aromatic bitters
- 1/2 cup sugar or to taste
- 6 orange slices, halved and studded with 1 whole clove per half
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 3 cups cranberry drink

Pour boiling water over tea, aromatic bitters, sugar, orange slices and spices; stir to dissolve sugar. Cover and let stand 5 minutes. Meanwhile, heat cranberry drink. Combine with tea. Remove teabags. Serve piping hot with a half orange slice in each mug.



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"My father likes to make it for salads," said Carolina, my new daughter-in-law from Montreal. Her dad is Italian.

Carolina prepared a batch one afternoon. The most difficult task is peeling and cutting up a head of garlic. The key ingredient is leftover dry red wine, which can be refilled. You just let the stuff sit and age.

You'll have to use a funnel to get the ingredients into wine bottles with skinny necks. When you pass by the bottle, placed in a dark corner, just shake it a few times.

I let the seasoning sit for two weeks before using it on a green salad, mixed with a little oil. It was fine, I thought, but nothing spectacular. I returned it to the kitchen counter.

But the seasoning is versatile. You can saute onions and mushrooms in it or baste barbecue.

Two weeks later, I braised a roast in it. It really flavored the eye of round.

Naturally, I invited Carolina for dinner. She and Tony made a meal of the roast. Lucky I'm a faster eater.

ALL-PURPOSE ITALIAN SEASONING

Head of garlic, chopped
1-1/2 Tbsp. dried parsley flakes
1 Tbsp. dried oregano leaves

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- 1/2 Tbsp. dried basil leaves
- 1 tsp. dill weed
- 1/2 tsp. black pepper
- 1/2 tsp. garlic salt
- 1/2 bottle (1.5 liters) dry Italian red wine

Add garlic, herbs and seasonings to wine, screw on cap, shake and let stand in dark place until ready to use. Secure cheese cloth over mouth of bottle before pouring.

BRASIED EYE OF ROUND

- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- pinch of black pepper
- 4 lb. beef eye of round roast, excess fat trimmed
- 2 Tbsp. vegetable shortening
- 3 Tbsp. prepared horseradish
- 1 cup all-purpose Italian seasoning

Combine flour, salt and pepper, rub over meat. In Dutch oven, melt shortening and brown meat on medium heat. Spread horseradish over top half of meat, return to pot, add seasoning, reduce heat to medium low, cover and cook 3 hours, occasionally turning and basting. Slice thin. Top with juices. Serves 6-8.

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Croissant-wiches make light supper

Too much to do and too little time need not be deterrents to holiday entertaining. Save elaborate meals until January and invite a few friends to share a festive fireside supper.

Supper describes the evening meal when the main meal is served earlier in the day. So, by its very nature, supper calls for the light, casual fare that makes a soup and sandwich just right.

The supermarket provides all the fixings. A soup to fit every sandwich, for example, can be purchased already prepared or in convenient condensed and dried forms. Serve steaming mugs in front of the fire as an appetizer.

Since every sandwich requires a foundation, make the deli/bakery your next stop. There you'll find a variety of breads and rolls from fat loaves of pumpernickel to buttery croissants.

At the deli, pick up the meats, poultry and cheeses which can be mixed and matched to create delectable and different sandwich fillings. At the deli, you'll also find the quality, convenience and personalized service especially appreciated during this hectic time of year.

Special requests are never a problem since meats and poultry are sliced to order.

Then, store in the coldest part of the refrigerator and use within three days.

Smoked turkey breast from the deli adds sophisticated flavor to East Meets West Turkey Croissant-Wiches. For the filling, cubes of juicy smoked turkey breast are combined with a mixture of crunchy veggies and toasted sesame seeds. A soy and sesame oil-flavored mayonnaise moistens and adds richness.

As the sandwich heats, the flavors intensify, and the exterior of the croissant becomes crisp and light. Save time by assembling the filling ahead. Refrigerate tightly covered until ready to use.

EAST MEETS WEST TURKEY CROISSANT-WICHES

- 1/4 lb. smoked turkey breast
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1 Tbsp. soy sauce
- sesame oil, to taste (optional)

Cut turkey into 1/2-inch cubes; set aside. Combine mayonnaise, soy sauce and sesame oil in large bowl. Add wa-

- 1/4 cup thinly sliced water chestnuts
- 1/4 cup diced green pepper
- 1/4 cup shredded carrot
- 3 Tbsp. sesame seeds, toasted
- 2 Tbsp. sliced green onion
- 4 large croissants

ter chestnuts, green pepper, carrot, sesame seeds, onion and turkey; mix well. Split croissants in half lengthwise. Arrange bottom halves on cookie sheet. Top with turkey mixture. Close sandwiches with croissant tops. Bake at 350 degrees F. until heated through, about 12 to 15 minutes. Cover loosely with foil if tops of croissants brown too quickly. Makes 4 sandwiches.

Holiday entertaining tips

When trying to get everything ready for your holiday, it always seems you could use a few more hours to prepare. This is especially true for working couples.

Make things easy for yourself, serve foods that can be prepared ahead of time and frozen or refrigerated. Serve an hors d'oeuvre such as miniature meatballs that can be prepared and frozen days before the party and simply reheated before guests arrive.

The day before the big party do as

much of the cleaning, decorating and set-up as you can. And collect serving utensils and dishes so that you know where they are.

Lastly, make a schedule for the day of the party and include everything. Be sure to schedule yourself 15 or 20 minutes to relax before the guests are due to arrive.

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By the time New Year's arrives, many holiday revelers are partied out. Instead of big crowds and lots of noise, celebrating the arrival of a new year can feature a relaxed dinner for two or four.

A quiet dinner with a few loved ones can bring renewed meaning to the tradition of reviewing the old year and making resolutions for the new. Plan ahead to break in a new tradition by bringing together a few special people in your life for an elegant New Year's dinner, featuring Pork Scallops Supreme.

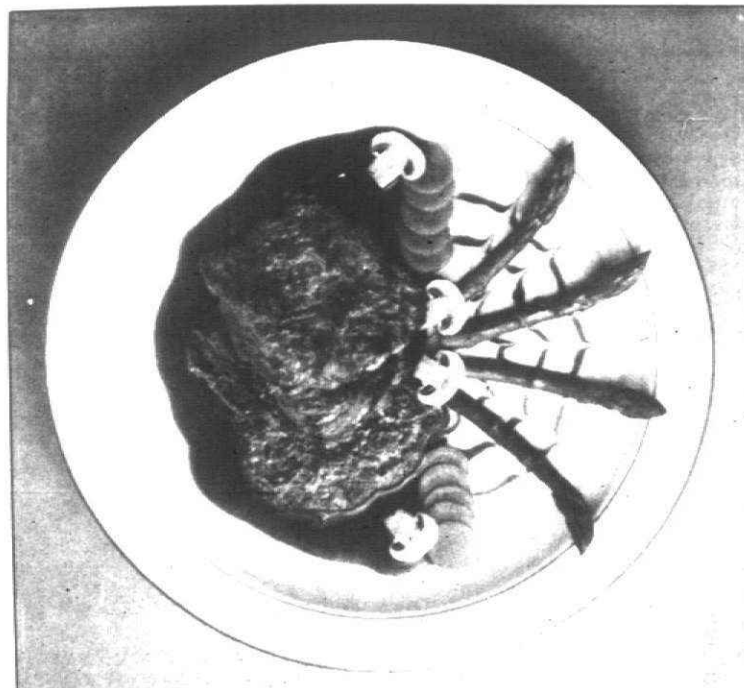
Pork scallops, or boneless pork cutlets, are extremely versatile. Cut from the tenderloin, they can be pan-fried, cut into strips for stir-fry, or cubed for kabobs. The following recipe features pork scallops at their most elegant — simply sautéed and beautifully sauced for a company-special presentation. Accompanied by a tossed salad and warm dinner rolls, these pork scallops can be the star of an intimate elegant dinner.

PORK SCALLOPS SUPREME

1 1/2 lbs. pork scallops or cutlets
1/4 cup butter
1/4 cup diced carrots
1/4 cup diced celery
1/4 cup diced onion
2 Tbsp. chopped parsley
2 Tbsp. all-purpose flour
2 1/2 cups chicken broth

1 egg yolk, lightly beaten
1/4 cup dry red wine
1 1/2 tsp. all-purpose flour
1 lb. fresh asparagus spears, cleaned and cooked
1 carrot, thinly sliced and cooked
4 mushrooms, sliced and sautéed

Heat 1/4 cup butter in a 1 1/2-quart saucepan. Add carrots, celery, onion and parsley. Cook and stir until tender. Stir in 2 Tbsp. flour, then chicken broth. Bring to a boil and simmer 30 minutes. Strain, there should be 2 cups. Stir 1 cup into the beaten egg yolk, return to heat for a few seconds. Keep warm. Melt 2 tablespoons butter in a frypan. Sauté pork, turning a couple of times until browned, adding butter as needed. Keep warm. When all pork is browned, pour off extra fat, add remaining chicken broth. To thicken sauce, mix a little wine with 1 1/2 tsp. flour, add remaining wine, stirring until mixture boils and thickens. Return meat to sauce and heat. Heat vegetables if necessary. To serve, spoon wine sauce over bottom half of 4 plates, spoon sauce over top half. Quickly drizzle 3 thin lines of wine sauce in half circles over egg sauce. Using a knife draw radiating lines from plate center through egg sauce to outer edges — arrange pork scallops in wine sauce, asparagus in egg sauce, carrot slices where sauces meet. Garnish with mushroom slices. Makes 4 servings.



Ring in the new year with a special dinner of elegant pork scallops.

Sour cream gives flavor to muffins

Some of the world's most time-tested recipes, dating back as far as the 17th century, include sour cream as a basic ingredient. Many Old World dishes, such as schnitzels and beef stroganoffs, owe a large measure of their popularity to the rich, tangy flavor of sour cream.

As its name implies, sour cream is made through a fermentation process with cream. The result is a thick, smooth product with a rich, robust flavor. In spite of its name, sour cream has become an extremely popular dairy product with American consumers.

Until the early 1900s, however, virtually all the sour cream produced in the United States was homemade — mostly by chefs preparing their favorite recipes. The way it was made was rather primitive by today's standards. After being separated from milk, the cream was set aside on the back of the stove. In two or three days' time it gradually soured. Although its texture was so soft and unpredictable, it did provide the unique flavor chefs found appealing.

The invention of the sour cream separator late in the 19th century changed the way sour cream and other popular dairy products were made. The separator, along with other advances in processing, brought the consistent, smooth texture that is a trademark of sour cream today.

The arrival of the refrigerator in most households in the 1900s also opened America's homes and imaginative appetites to sour cream. While chefs of the 1700s valued sour cream for its full-bodied flavor, Americans today have learned to appreciate it for its versatility as well as its taste. Today consumers use sour cream in their desserts, appetizers, entrees, soups and salad dressings.

BLUEBERRY N' CREAM MUFFINS

1 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
1/2 cup sugar
1 tsp. baking powder
1/2 tsp. baking soda
1/2 tsp. salt
1 cup (8 oz.) sour cream
1/2 cup skim milk
1 egg, beaten
1 cup fresh or frozen blueberries
2 Tbsp. all-purpose flour

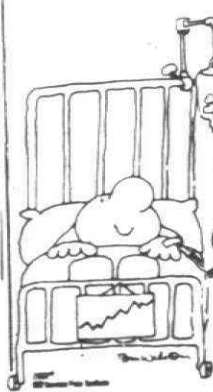
Heat oven to 400 degrees. In medium bowl stir together flour, sugar, baking powder, baking soda and salt, set aside. In small bowl stir together sour cream, egg and milk. Add sour cream mixture to flour mixture, stir just enough to moisten. In medium bowl toss together blueberries and 2 Tbsp. flour; fold into batter. Spoon into greased 12-cup muffin pan. Bake for 20-25 minutes or until golden brown. Makes 12 muffins.



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THE STAFF at Fiegel Elementary School and the Parent-Teacher Organization are planning a very special event — a retirement tea for M. John Howe.

They cordially invite his former students, their parents, teachers and friends to the tea 4-6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17, at Fiegel, 39750 Joy Road, Plymouth Township.

IT WILL BE an authors' weekend at the Little Professor on the Park book store. Ernie Harwell, the voice of the Detroit Tigers, will be in town Friday evening.

He will be autographing copies of his book, "Tuned to Baseball," 6-8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20. The book sells for \$14.45.

Jackie Powers, owner of the shop, invites everyone to drop in, meet the celebrity authors, and have a cup of punch and an hors d'oeuvre.

JULIE ALLEN will represent the United States at the All-World Irish Dance Competition in Dublin, Ireland, at Eastertime. Julie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Allen of Canton, competed recently in the Midwest Irish Step Dancing Oireachtas in Cleveland, Ohio.

(Oireachtas is Gaelic for competitions.) She received a certificate of qualification to participate in the Dublin competition.

She attends Hulsing Elementary School and is a student of the Tim O'Hare School of Irish Dance in Plymouth.

KAREN CARTER and Kelli Vernick, 1985 graduates of Plymouth Salem High School, attended the 1985 NACA Great Lakes Regional Conference in Cleveland, Ohio. They represented Grand Valley State College Program Board at the meeting.

Karen is co-chair of the film and lecture committee of the program board at Grand Valley.

EVER HEAR OF Le Disc, a little clear plastic disc that can be worn with any pierced earring? It prevents flapping and drooping and makes earrings more comfortable. It is especially good for people with tiny ear lobes.

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WALTER HOOPS, with 4,260 points, had high score at Thursday's party bridge games at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Boyd Shaffer came in second with 4,190.

There were nine tables in play. The group decided, by vote, to play Thursday, Dec. 26, the day after Christmas.

TOTS-IN-TRANSIT car stickers are designed to alert and caution nearby drivers that there are children in a car. The stickers will be sold through mid-January in 56 Pizza Hut Restaurants to raise money for Children's Hospital of Detroit. The fund-raiser is sponsored by Pizza Hut and Pepsi-Cola Bottling Group.

The Tots-in-Transit stickers, selling for 50 cents, are accompanied by Pizza Hut and Pepsi coupons worth more than \$3. All proceeds from the sticker sales go toward the purchase of a kidney dialysis machine for Children's Hospital.

The Tots-in-Transit program — reinforces the Michigan seatbelt law by warning drivers to execute caution while driving near the stickered vehicle.



How does Santa Claus deliver presents to homes that have no fireplace? To get the answer to these and other perplexing questions about St. Nick, Observer reporter Richard Lech interviewed a panel of experts at New Morning School in Plymouth. Giving Lech the lowdown are (from top left) Justin Cieply, Christian Duweke, Dante DePizzo, Aaron Heaven, Laura Bucrek, Elizabeth Bucrek, Noah Allor, Robyn Ellison, Erika Wilson and Michael Clark.

Ho-ho-how?

Kids explain how Santa gets the job done

By Richard Lech
staff writer

Brenden Holmes Santa's a button pusher

A group of children at New Morning School, a private cooperative school in Plymouth, offered their observations on how their favorite elf does the things he does.

BRENDEN HOLMES, 6, of Westland said a film he once saw offers an interesting hypothesis as to how Santa really enters a house.

"I saw this in a movie, and I don't know if it's true," he cautioned, "but he presses some buttons on the sleigh, disappears and appears in your house."

Robyn Ellison, 5, of Plymouth figures some sort of mystical powers are involved.

"He's magic, and he can vanish and be right in the house," she said.

Aaron Heaven, 7, of Chelsea had a more prosaic explanation for Santa's entrance. He said Santa merely will go through your door.

"But what if it's locked?"

"I never lock my door," Aaron said.

DANTE DEPIZZO, 7, of Northville and Laura Bucrek, 7, of Novi both said Santa uses a window to get in.

Noah Allor, 5, of Plymouth said his house has a chimney and fireplace, so Santa has a handy access. Nonetheless, certain precautions have to be taken, Noah stressed.

"We have stockings on our chimney, and we leave the chimney door open so he can get out, 'cause we got a lock on it," Noah said.

Christian Duweke, 6, of Plymouth said his new house has a fireplace so Santa won't have to come in through the window anymore.

"It's kind of fat," Chris said of the chimney. "Santa Claus can shrink down and go through it."

SO ONE way or another, the kids pointed out, Santa Claus is going to get in. But what do you do for him once he's inside? The youngsters offered plenty of useful tips on the right type of hors d'oeuvres to leave.

Justin Cieply, 6, of Northville, formerly of Westland, said he would give him plenty of chocolate chip cookies and milk. Laura Bucrek and her sister, Elizabeth, 4, would leave the milk and cookies and add a carrot for each reindeer.

"If we don't have carrots we'll leave him celery or apples, same as our gerbils eat," she said. But she pointed out that while gerbils — and people — will eat pretzels and oranges, it is not a good idea to leave those two snacks for

reindeer. They just won't eat them.

Erika Wilson, 5, of Westland said she's never left Santa anything before, but certainly will this year.

"This is my first time, and I'll give him carrots and milk and cookies," she said.

WITH A MEAL at every stop, doesn't Santa reach the point where he just can't eat another bite? Aaron Heaven said that just doesn't happen because Santa's stomach is a magical, bottomless pit.

"I don't think Santa gets full," he said.

"Me either," agreed several other kids.

Since they spoke so authoritatively about Santa Claus, it was reasonable to assume that the children had some direct personal contact with him. Most of them had indeed.

Noah Allor maintained he had actually visited the North Pole to visit Santa.

"He gave me three presents," said Noah, who said his parents didn't drive

him there. "I just went there myself."

Noah said he also saw Santa at Cobo Hall, where St. Nick wore glasses. That sparked a debate, as some of the other kids laughed and said, "he doesn't wear glasses."

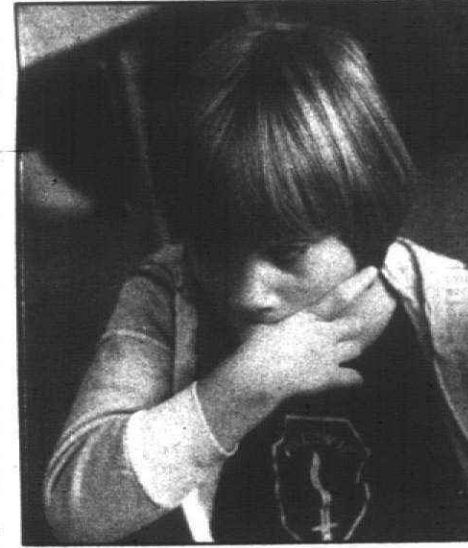
But others pointed out that Santa needs spectacles, but just to read those Christmas lists he has to check twice in order to determine who has been naughty or nice.

LAURA BUCREK recalled seeing Santa Claus from a distance one Christmas Eve.

"Me and my mom looked up and saw a red light in the sky," she said. "It was probably Rudolph."

Dante DePizzo saw Santa at the New Morning School, where he passed out suckers. But Dante warned everyone not to try to sneak a peek at Santa while he makes his rounds on Christmas Eve.

"I always stay asleep in the middle of the night," Dante said. "If you see him the magic goes away, and he'll have to walk to all the places."



Robyn Ellison Santa uses magic

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Contestants had their choice of four categories in which to display their culinary skills — pies, breads, cakes and cookies.

Judges for the event were Dave Lengel of Bakers Square, George Trajkowski of Canton Bakery, Chris Smith, Mr. Steak, Gunther Esser, pack and troop resident gourmet cook, and from Schoolcraft College's Culinary Arts Department, students Chris Marano and Chris Misiak.



Forks in hand, the judges sample the bakeoff entries.

How to submit news items to newspaper

News of clubs, service organizations, engagements, weddings and wedding anniversaries are printed without cost in the Suburban Life Section of the Plymouth Observer and Canton Observer newspapers.

News items may be dropped off or mailed to the office at 489 S. Main St., Plymouth 48170. Special forms are available for club news, engagements, weddings and 50th wedding anniversary announcements.

Black and white pictures are preferred as they reproduce more clearly than color photographs. A self-addressed, stamped envelope assures return of the pictures, or they can be

picked up at the office a week after they have been published. Mail should be addressed to the attention of Elinor Graham, Suburban Life Editor.

Activities of more major scope than regular club meetings may warrant more extensive coverage and a photograph. Call the newspaper, 453-2700, in advance of the event to permit scheduling a photograph.

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clubs in action

- **ST. THOMAS A'BECKET WOMEN'S CLUB**
Women's Club will have its Christmas party at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18, in the basement of the church, 1111 Cherry Hill. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to pass. For reservations call Pat Bar-del, 397-8971, or Trish Connell, 397-1960. Non-members are requested to make a donation of \$1.
- **PLYMOUTH LIONS**
Lions Club of Plymouth will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, at the Mayflower Hotel. Program topic will be health.
- **WAYNE MOTHERS OF TWINS**
Western Wayne County Mothers of Twins Club annual Christmas meeting will be Monday, Dec. 16, with an auction and cookie exchange. Members are requested to provide a bake, make or grow auction item. Profits from the auction will benefit club's service project for needy families. Meeting will be in Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia, between Middlebelt and Merriman. For information, call Evelyn Griwicki, 421-3557.
- **REFUNDERS CLUB**
Refunders Club will meet at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18, in the Plymouth Grange Hall, 273 Union St. Bring refund forms, proofs of purchase, and complete deals to trade. New members are welcome.
- **CHRISTMAS CONCERT**
"Heaven Came to Earth," featuring the Antioch Choir, will be at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22. The Christmas concert will be at Antioch Baptist Church, 6538 Rawsonville Road, Bellevue. The public is invited and admission is free.
- **EXPECTANT ADOPTIVE PARENT CLASSES**
Registrations now are being accepted for a series of five weekly classes for families waiting to adopt a child up to 2 years of age. Classes begin at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10, at Botsford Hospital. Classes will provide information on the physical care of an infant, growth and development, selecting infant clothes and accessories, common infant health problems and child safety. The classes also provide an opportunity to explore parenthood and its relationship to being an adoptive parent. To register and for more information call Terry or Jim Allor, project directors, 459-7383.
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Introduction to the Lamaze birth technique will be at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 16, at Newburg Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Birth film will be shown. There is a \$1 per person charge at the door. For information, call the Plymouth Childbirth Education Association, 459-7477.
- **LIBRARY CHRISTMAS PARTIES FOR CHILDREN**
Dunning Hough Library, 223 S. Main St., Plymouth, will present two Christmas parties for children Saturday, Dec. 21. The first, at 10:30 a.m., will be for children ages 3-5. The second party at 1:30 p.m. will be for 6-11-year-olds. Both parties will last about one hour and feature stories, games and crafts. Parents must remain in the library during the parties.
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- **CIVITAN ESSAY CONTEST**
Plymouth-Canton Civitan Citizenship Essay Contest is in progress and will continue until deadline of March 15. All high school students in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools area are eligible to compete. The topic is "Is There Too Much Sex and Violence in the Youth-Oriented Record and Video Cassette Market?" First prize, \$100; second, \$50; and third, \$25. Information available at Plymouth-Canton and Salem high schools general offices, or call Joe Henshaw, contest chairman, 451-6321, or 432-7569.
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- **VFW PANCAKE BREAKFAST**
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The 50-Up Club meets at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month at the church on Warren Road, west of Sheldon. New members may attend. For information, call Betty Gruchala, president.
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Power and finesse: Observer's elite

By Chris McCosky
staff writer

WHAT DO YOU make of the state of girls basketball in Observerland?

Sure, the level of individual talent continues to climb to new heights. Girls are doing things on the

basketball courts these days that would have surpassed coaches' wildest dreams 10 years ago.

You only have to look at the skill levels of the likes of Dena Head and Yvette Maison to find proof of that claim — and those two will return to the prep scene next year.

But there's a problem.

There seems to be no middle ground in terms of team strength. For every powerhouse, for every Livonia Ladywood, Farmington Hills Mercy or Plymouth Salem, there's a Farmington Harrison, a Bishop Borgess or a Farmington.

The margin of victory for the elite teams for most of the season was vast — an unproductive situation for both the winner and loser.

What conclusions can be drawn? Is there a lack of concerned and capable coaches? Is there a shortage of quality players? Do some schools place a higher priority on girls basketball than others?

Perhaps it's a combination of all those factors. Perhaps it's the nature of athletic competition.

Whatever, when the Observerland girls basketball coaches gathered to select the 1985 All-Area squad, there was no problem filling out the three seven-member teams.

Here's a look at the first team choices.

FIRST TEAM

Sue Laliberte, Livonia Ladywood, senior: A three-year starter for the Blazers, the 6-foot post player has helped her team to a state Class B championship in 1983, a state runner-up spot last year and a berth in the final four again this year. She is a strong inside player with a soft shooting touch. She averaged 15.5 points and nearly 10 rebounds per game for Ladywood this season. She's a diligent worker and a highly recruited major college prospect.

Missy Duczynski, Mercy, senior: After seeing limited duty as a junior, Duczynski made the most of her opportunity this season. She has already signed a letter of intent with Central Michigan University. Midway through the season, Mercy coach Larry Baker decided to make Duczynski the focal point of his offensive attack. She responded with 20-point performances against Divine Child and Cass Tech, and an 18-point night against Flint

Northwestern in the quarterfinals last Wednesday. She averaged 11 points and seven rebounds on the season. Her best weapon is her fluid outside shooting touch. She can also be a force inside.

Dena Head, Plymouth Salem, sophomore: In terms of pure basketball and athletic skills, she is the cream of the All-Area crop. Because of her abundant skills, she can and has played every position for the Rocks. She was primarily a post player last year (5th team all-state) and primarily a guard this season. She runs the floor extremely well, jumps even better. She averaged 15.5 points per game, 14.4 rebounds and 4.6 assists this year. Salem is 40-8 with her on the court. "She has the opportunity to become one of the best players this area has ever had," said coach Fred Thomann, who doesn't often make those kinds of statements about his players.

Denise Kokowicz, Garden City, junior: She may have possessed the best perimeter jump shot of anyone in the area. She averaged 13.5 points per game on a very balanced, very good Garden City basketball team this season. She owns four school scoring records. A 5-10 forward, she also pulled in better than nine rebounds per game. "She excels at both ends of the floor for us," GC coach Marshall Henry said. The best thing about her game, from a Garden City perspective, is that it is still getting better.

Diana Knickerbocker, Plymouth Canton, senior: Plymouth Canton was ranked No. 2 in the area for much of this season. A major contributor to the team's success was this multi-faceted talent. She scored (10.3), she rebounded (8.2), she made steals (7.0 of them in 21 games), she had assists (6.8) and she played defense. But her biggest role on the team was as its leader. A three-year player, she served as a role model for the team with her tireless work habits and her hustle and determination on the court. Her leadership abilities didn't go unnoticed. She was named

co-captain of the all-Western Lakes team.

Marie Becker, Redford Union, senior: A player with many of the same all-around skills that Knickerbocker possesses — only Becker played more of a scorer's role with RU. She averaged 19.2 points per game and grabbed 13.5 rebounds. She also averaged 4.1 assists and 4.6 steals. She also showed a good deal of grit playing the last nine games of the season with a fractured knuckle and broken left hand. Her efforts have earned her a full-ride with Saginaw Valley State College.

Yvette Maison, Mercy, junior: After a rocky emotional start — she transferred from Bishop Gallagher, was initially ruled ineligible, then ruled eligible by the Michigan High School Athletic Association — Maison became Mercy's floor general. She averaged close to 11 points per game, 4.5 assists and four steals. She had three games in which she scored more than 20 points, including 25 against Salem, the toughest defensive team in the area. Mercy coach Larry Baker, who has coached several outstanding point guards, has high praise for Maison. "She's an exceptional ball handler, not real flashy, but (has) super control of the ball and she sees the whole court. She sees the court better than anyone I've coached and better than anyone I've seen in quite a while."

Ed Kavanaugh, Livonia Ladywood, coach: Many basketball experts thought this would be a down year for Ladywood after losing four starters from last year's state-finalist team. Kavanaugh had to replace Michigan's Miss Basketball, Emily Wagner (Stanford), and consensus All-Stater Char Govan (Illinois State).

But Kavanaugh molded a cohesive, balanced all-senior attack, setting a school record for most wins in a season (25) after Wednesday's quarterfinal victory over Flint Beecher.

Kavanaugh is a veteran of the coaching ranks, concurrently serving as the Schoolcraft College women's coach.

all-area girls basketball

FIRST TEAM

Sue Laliberte	Livonia Ladywood
Missy Duczynski	Farmington Hills Mercy
Dena Head	Plymouth Salem
Denise Kokowicz	Garden City
Diana Knickerbocker	Plymouth Canton
Marie Becker	Redford Union
Yvette Maison	Farmington Hills Mercy
Ed Kavanaugh (Coach)	Livonia Ladywood

SECOND TEAM

Tracy Letica	Livonia Franklin
Heather McPhillips	N. Farmington
Cathy Schram	Livonia Ladywood
Jenny Nadeau	Livonia Ladywood
Terri Ford	Farmington Hills Mercy
Kelly Kowalski	Livonia Stevenson
Jessica Handley	Plymouth Salem

THIRD TEAM

Beth Frigg	Plymouth Canton
Jenny Olson	John Glenn
Arny Weber	Livonia Churchill
Tracy Greenwald	Livonia Churchill
Kristen Horynski	Plymouth Salem
Dante Hawkins	Wayne Memorial
Debbie Lapinski	Livonia Ladywood

HONORABLE MENTION: Ladywood: Mary Joy Konzal; Churchill: Jackie Wozniak; Franklin: Rose Obey; Gayle Cheside; Stevenson: Sue Zatorski; Redford Union: Caryn Shannon; Redford: Thurston; Carolyn Michalik; Holly Seesholtz; Bishop Borgess: Cheryl Livingston; John Glenn: Stacy Gratham; Michele Reddy; Wayne: Laura Adams; Farmington: Becky Piro, Lisa Spence; Stacy Swanderski; Harrison: Jennifer Hughes; North Farmington: Ann Howard; Sandy Spahn; Mercy: Michelle Fryatt; Terri Nalodka; Salem: Laura Clifford, Julie Tortora; Canton: Laura Derby; Plymouth Christian: Becky LeBar; Garden City: Karen Sandmann, Linda Lankford; Terri Paul, Kim Olsen; Clarencville: Kelly Watson, Ann Ledda; St. Agatha: Maryann Kick.

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Robert Khoenle gets Canton post

By Chris McCosky
staff writer

Robert Khoenle knows a good deal about winning football — it's in his blood. He was born and bred in Massillon, Ohio, where winning football is more than a common occurrence, it's a way of life. Just ask the legion of fired high school football coaches, who have passed through the town.

Khoenle has been assigned to bring that winning feeling to the Plymouth Canton football program — the losingest football program in Observerland over the past five seasons.

Athletic director Paul Cummings announced Thursday that Khoenle (pronounced Kahn-lee) would replace Richard Barr, who resigned the head football post after the fall season.

"We feel Bob is the best qualified of a number of well-qualified candidates," Cummings said in a prepared statement. "His experience with Canton football and his being in the building (he's a physical education teacher at Canton) ... both were pluses in our consideration."

"We know he has a sound knowledge of football, but we are also pleased to know he has an excellent ability to work with young people and bring out the best they have to offer."

KHOENLE, WHO has been an assistant under two football coaches at Canton the past eight years, knows the magnitude of his task.

"We've lost a lot in the past but I think we have the talent here to win," Khoenle said. "I wouldn't have taken the job if I didn't think so. The problem has been the attitude and the effort of the kids. They have lost so much that they believe they can't win. We have to work on improving the attitude and the effort."

Khoenle has an impressive football background. After a sterling All-American high school career, he took a football scholarship to Purdue where, in his junior season, he was the leading pass catcher in the Big 10 and earned honorable mention All-American honors. He

played in both the North-South and Senior Bowl games before his pro plans were dashed by injuries in his senior season.

He also played basketball and baseball at Purdue. He holds a bachelor's degree and a master's in administration and guidance from the university.

For 13 years Khoenle held various coaching posts in Ohio, including a six-year stint as head coach at Toronto High School.

IN THE LAST three seasons at Canton, he has helped build the most positive aspect of the team — its defense.

"I've been around here long enough to know what has to be done," he said. "I'm used to winning from my background, and it gets real frustrating losing for so long here. The feeling has even trickled down into the elementary schools. The kids ask me where I coach and when I tell them Canton there's an immediate negative response — that attitude has to change."

Khoenle is also aware that the prevailing desire of the community was to see Cummings hire a coach from outside the district so that the program could be given a completely fresh start.

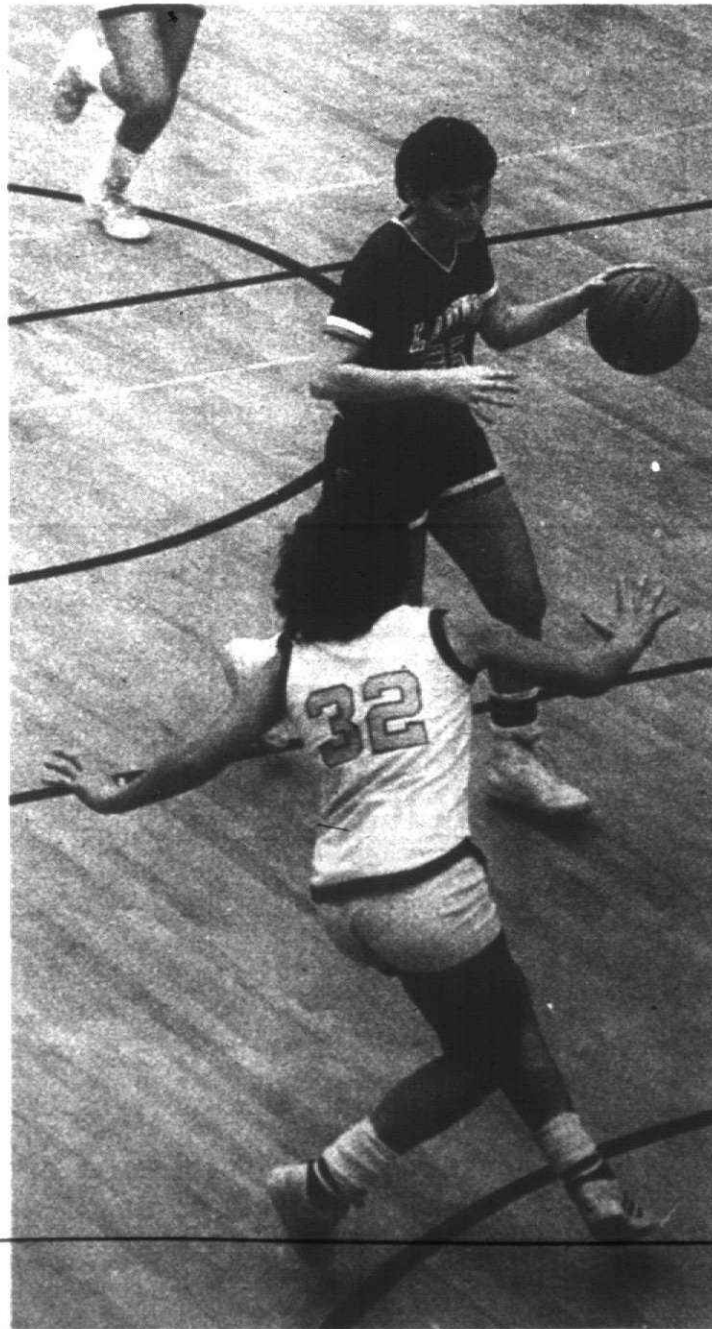
"That's a natural reaction," he said. "They may perceive this as keeping the same people and that things will be done as they had been in the past. But anyone who knows anything about it knows that things were done here in the past by one person. We'll be bringing in a totally different picture on all sides of the spectrum."

He said the defensive structure of the team would remain virtually intact, but on offense, wholesale changes will be made.

"We have to completely overhaul our offense," he said. "We would have had to do that in any case. There's just no confidence in it."

Khoenle plans to keep former Canton assistants Craig Bell and Dan Riggs on his staff.

"I'm excited," he said. "We have the talent. Hopefully we can change the attitude and the concentration levels and get some consistent effort."



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Ladywood's Cathy Schram speeds down court on a Blazer fast break during Friday's state Class B semifinal victory over Frankenthuth.

Ladywood battles back to win second 'B' title

By Brad Emons
staff writer

Twelve months ago Livonia Ladywood dreamed what appeared to be the impossible dream.

But the impossible dream came true as Ladywood captured the state Class B girls basketball title with a 45-41 victory Saturday night over Catholic League nemesis Dearborn Divine Child before 1,843 fans at Western Michigan's Read Fieldhouse in Kalamazoo.

The Blazers, who lost a one-point heartbreaker in last year's state final to River Rouge, was given little chance of returning after losing four starters, including Miss Basketball Emily Wagner.

"As the summer progressed and we won some tournaments, the girls started to believe in themselves and I thought we would be here again," said Ladywood coach Ed Kavanaugh, who carried off his second state championship trophy. "The first one (championship) is good, but the second one is better."

LADYWOOD gained a measure of revenge in the final, atoning for their only defeat (in 28 games) of the season to Divine Child in the Catholic League championship game. It was a bitter loss after Ladywood had beaten DC handily in the second game of the season.

"The fact that we had played them twice and this was the rubber game was a big motive," Kavanaugh said. "But it's funny, it seems whoever loses in the Catholic League playoffs does better in the state tournament."

LADYWOOD WAS SLUGGISH for nearly three quarters in the nip-and-tuck affair.

But down the stretch the Blazers had the right stuff, especially guard Jenny Nadeau, who made four straight free throws and came up

with a key steal in the final minute of play.

"This is special because nobody thought we'd be here," said Nadeau, who contributed 11 points. "Because the dynamic duo (Wagner and Char Govan) were gone, nobody thought we'd be any good. But we just didn't get a chance to show our stuff last year."

Divine Child, bolstered by the inside scoring of 5-foot-11 junior Sue Nissen (a key in DC's victory over Ladywood), took a 31-26 lead early in the third quarter.

The Blazers fought back, going ahead for keeps on senior center Sue Laliberte's timely opposite-hand hook shot. That gave Ladywood a 37-35 lead with 4:36 remaining.

Mary Joy Konzal then followed with a medium-range shot to put the Blazers up by four.

Kavanaugh then had his team work the clock, drawing fouls, which ultimately led to DC's demise.

"FROM OUR REGIONAL games on, we've won it from the line," Kavanaugh said. "Free throws were definitely a big part of the tournament."

Ladywood made 19 of 29 from the line, while DC hit just 9 of 16.

Rebounding was also a big factor with Ladywood enjoying a 31-22 edge.

AFTER LOSING last year's final, Kavanaugh said he did a lot of thinking.

"We stayed up that night and talked a lot," he recalled. "We started talking about next year, believe it or not."

When asked if he would start visualizing next season, he responded, "Why not?"

That makes the 1986 season "the possible dream."

Slow pace suits Salem fine

In the first eight minutes Friday, it looked as if somebody put the Plymouth Salem/Walled Lake Central game in slow motion.

But the Rocks were able to overcome their inability to hit a basket and downed the Vikings, 46-35, in a Western Lakes game.

Salem (2-1) connected on only one field goal out of 12 attempts in the first quarter as Walled Lake Central took a 6-3 lead. Paul Makara led the Rocks with 15 points while Bryan Kears had 10.

"There was no slowdown (in the first quarter)," said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "It was a very deliberate game. It was a combination of us not scoring and them trying to get the ball inside to their big guy (Daron Edmonds)." Edmonds, who was guarded closely by Salem's Tom D'Angelo, finished the game with 13 points.

W.L. WESTERN 61, CANTON 58: The Chiefs missed their chances at the line as Walled Lake Western took the win Friday in a Western Lakes game.

Plymouth Canton (0-3) shot an abysmal eight of 19 from the line and missed a crucial front end of free throw with 33 seconds left which could've won the game.

"We played real good the last four minutes of the game," said Canton coach Tom Nemi. "We missed a ton of shots from the inside."

The Warriors didn't, however, as they connected on 17 of 32 from the line and had two players in double figures, Mark Heiber with 17 and Jack Uha-zie with 11.

The Canton loss overshadowed a 23-point performance by Joel Mies. Roger Trice added 11 for the Chiefs, who were down 32-22 at the half. Canton outscored Western 22-16 in the final eight minutes and 36-29 in the second half.

PLY. CHRISTIAN 71, FAIRLANE 61: The Eagles won their season opener Thursday night, using a balanced scoring attack to beat host Fairlane Christian in Dearborn.

Senior guard Rod Windle led the way with 17 points. Pat McCarthy and Andy Stephens chipped in 14 apiece, while Dave Cadaret and Jim McCarthy contributed 10 each.

Plymouth Christian, capitalizing on a 1-2-2 zone press, broke a 14-all first quarter deadlock by outscoring Dearborn 20-8 in the second period and 19-6 in the third quarter.

"We held them to a half-point per possession," said Plymouth coach Jeff Cook. "And we scored at 8-10ths of a point per possession."

Fairlane turned the ball over 46 percent of the time and we converted 36 points off their turn-

overs. Windle and Pat McCarthy, our quickest players, were very effective on the press. I'm pretty pleased.

Plymouth Christian returns to action Friday at Pioneer Middle School to face Troy Zion. Game time is 8 p.m.

HOLY ROSARY 62, ST. AGATHA 45: The Aggies couldn't deal with Holy Rosary's zone and lost in a home game Friday.

Redford St. Agatha (1-1) coughed up the ball in the third quarter as visiting Holy Rosary took advantage and outscored the Aggies 13-4. Holy Rosary led 33-29 at the half.

Kevin Rich scored a game-high 16 points for St. Agatha while Jim Knittel added 13. Rosary was led by Scotty Fray, who tossed in 15.

GARDEN CITY 64, EDELS FORD 59: The Cougars had their press rolling with four minutes left in Garden City's Northwest Suburban win Friday over Dearborn Edsel Ford.

The Cougars (2-1) were down by five with four minutes left, but stormed back with 11 unanswered points off the press. Garden City also came back in the second quarter to tie the game 29-29 at half-time.

"I was very pleased with the win considering we were on the road," said Garden City coach Bob Dropp. "They just beat Melvindale and John Glenn, so they were a pretty confident team."

Joe Mukavetz led a trio of Cougars in double figures with 16 points. Skip Barnett and John Sheridan both had 14.

SOUTH LYON 69, CLARENCEVILLE 39: The Trojans found themselves behind 20-0 in the first quarter and never recovered in Friday's loss to visiting South Lyon.

Livonia Clarenceville (2-1) suffered its first loss of the season as South Lyon led 42-19 at intermission. The Lions (3-0) had two players in double figures, Brad Heppner and Don Dougard both with 14 points.

Rick Larson had nine for the Trojans.

N. FARMINGTON 64, STEVENSON 54: Both teams got 27-point performances from key players but the Raiders blew away host Livonia Stevenson Friday in Western Lakes action.

Paul Warman had 27 points to go along with 10 rebounds for North Farmington (3-0) while Rick Anderson supplied 12 points and 22 rebounds. The Raiders outscored the Spartans 20-9 in the third quarter after they trailed 27-25 at the half.

"We adjusted to their box-and-one zone," said North coach Tom Negoshian. "They put one man on Anderson and the other four played a zone."

Eric Johnson also sank 27 points for Stevenson, which mounted a rally in the fourth quarter. The third quarter, though, did the damage.

"We had a little intensity breakdown," said Stevenson coach Jim McIntyre. "In the fourth quarter, with out backs against the wall, we decided to play hard."

Johnson was 11 of 15 from the line.

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Canton's Dan Young applies pressure to Western's Brent Kish during Friday's Western Lakes opener.

Hawks dunk Thurston

The Farmington Harrison boys swim team evened its dual meet record at 1-1 Thursday night with a convincing 115-47 drubbing of Redford Thurston.

Jeff Bolla, Phil Auzas and Scott Farabee each captured a pair of firsts for the Hawks.

Bolla won the 200-yard freestyle (1:56.7) and the 100 freestyle (54.7). Auzas took both the 200 individual medley (2:20.5) and the 100 butterfly (1:05.5). Farabee, a sophomore, won the 50 free (24.6) and the 500 freestyle (5:17.3).

Other winners for the Hawks were Brian Fitzgerald in the 100 backstroke (1:07.2) and Tom Styles in the 100 breaststroke 1:05.7, a state qualifying time of 4:16.4.

Fitzgerald, Sayles, Joe Lichtenberger and Marc Froesch teamed to win the 200 medley relay in 1:57.7.

CATHOLIC CENTRAL remained unbeaten in dual meet action as the Shamrocks downed host Detroit Mumford, 60-23, Thursday.

Redford Catholic Central (3-0) collected firsts in 10 events, including both relays, to seal the win. John Kovach, Jim Surowiec, Sean McDermott and Jon Teal won the 200-yard medley relay in 1:00.43. In the 400-yard medley relay, it was Ken Graczyk, Darren Macka, Dan McLeod and Sean Seneca teaming up for a first-place time of 4:16.4.

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Farmington won its second consecutive Farmington city wrestling tournament Thursday, coming from behind in all three of its matches.

The Falcons bested Plymouth Canton in a thrilling match 36-27, then trounced Farmington Harrison 36-29 and North Farmington 39-33.

"It was tough. We give up 12 points right off the bat in every match (because of voids in the 98- and 105-pound weight classes)," said Farmington coach Barry Walsh. "We really rely on our last three weight classes. They're almost in a situation where they have to win on pins all the time."

John Augustin (185), Dan Parillo (198) and Bill Critcher (heavyweight) came through impressively for the Falcons.

Farmington fell behind to Canton 24-0 before Mike Cody decided to Jay Polard 9-8 at 138 and Darroll Tharnish pinned Lee Moss in 3:37 at 145.

CANTON'S TROY McCall edged Mike Merem 4-3 at 155 and Canton needed just one more victory to clinch the match.

Andy Holiday provided the Falcons with a pleasant surprise at 167, pinning

the Rocks won 12 of the 13 weight classes, pinning the Patriots in all 12.

The first three bouts were settled in under two minutes. Todd Bourlier (98 pounds) stuck his opponent in 41 seconds, Fred Calma (105) pinned him in 39 seconds and Dennis Dameron (112) stopped his match in 43 seconds.

Kevin Freeman (126), Dave Dameron (132), Kirk Rentz (138), Eric Schnackel (145), Rod Golovoy (155), Lem Young (167), Chuck Graczyk (198) and Jamie Woodhuk (heavyweight).

Franklin's six points were earned by Glen Ploch at 185.

The Rocks are 3-0 in dual meets.

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Khoenle is right choice

SO, BOB KHOENLE is the new head football coach at Plymouth Canton.

Man, I can hear the Canton not-so-faithful howling right now.

People in the community, the many that I talked to, wanted a complete change. They wanted athletic director Paul Cummings to search outside the district for someone to guide the program. (This led to some pretty bizarre speculations. More later.)

Cummings would have been silly not to give him a shot.

He comes from Massillon, Ohio — where better to learn winning football than in a town where winning football is a matter of life and death? He was an All-Big Ten standout at Purdue and he has 21 years of coaching experience under his belt.

ADMITTEDLY, my first reaction when Richard Barr resigned was "let's

start over, fresh, from scratch." I wanted to see four or five brand new faces in here next year.

But then I thought about Khoenle's background. I thought about what he had achieved in his eight years with Canton.

I also thought about how much the man has had to endure in those eight years.

The best thing about the Canton football program the past four years has been its defense. Khoenle built that defense. Khoenle has enjoyed a strong rapport with the players, as well — which is of critical importance if he is to rebuild the team's shattered morale.

Being an assistant football coach at Canton has been a grueling in recent years. Two of Barr's assistants quit in a huff two years ago. The complaint: Barr ran the show his way and didn't often follow the advice offered by his assistants.

KHOENLE, NO doubt, ran into the same stubbornness. But he persevered, didn't complain, and was rewarded

with an opportunity to run the show himself.

His appointment to the job ends about two months worth of wild speculation and rumor. Here are some of the more bizarre theories on who would get the job:

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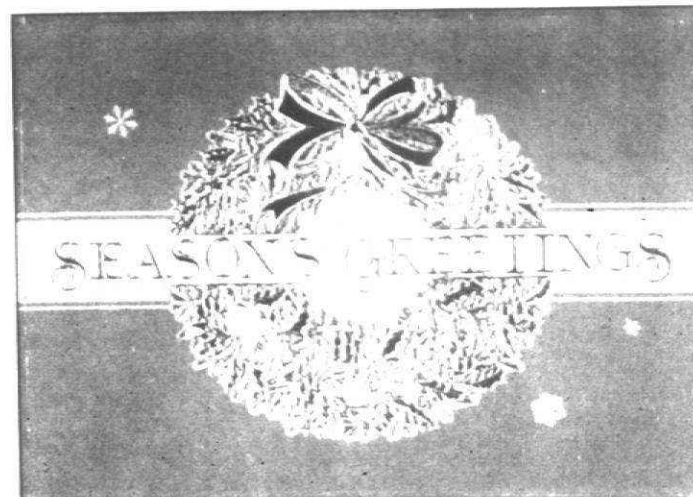
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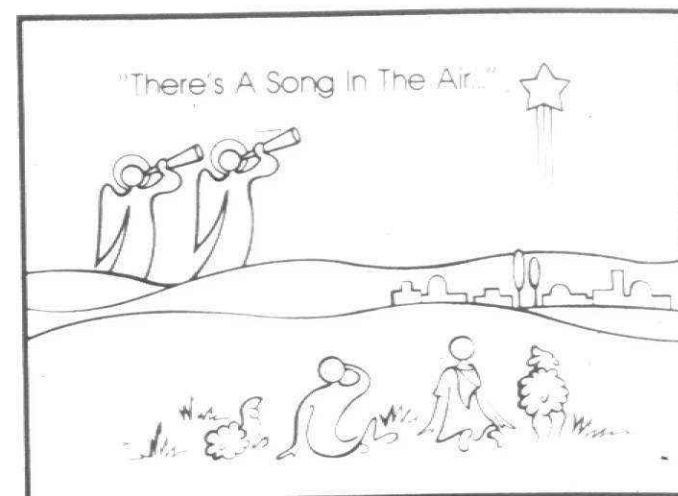
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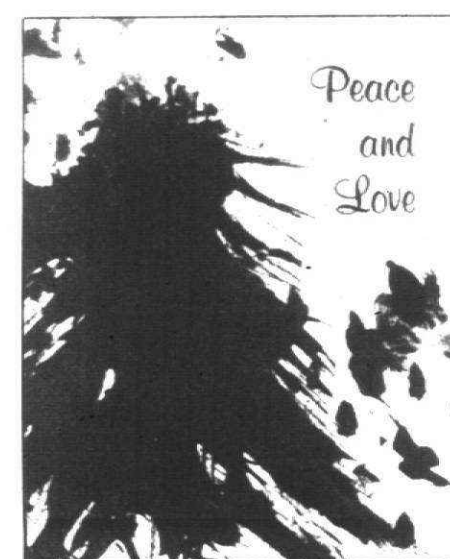
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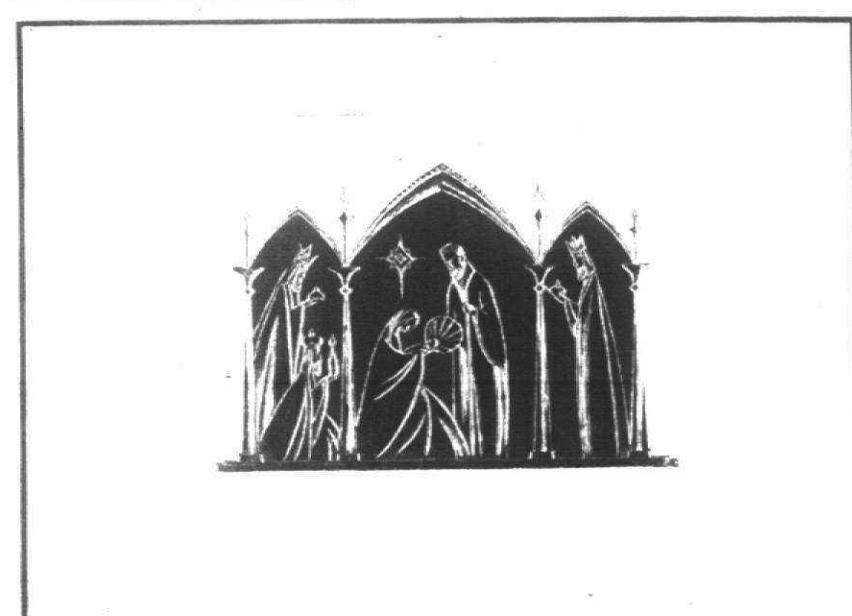


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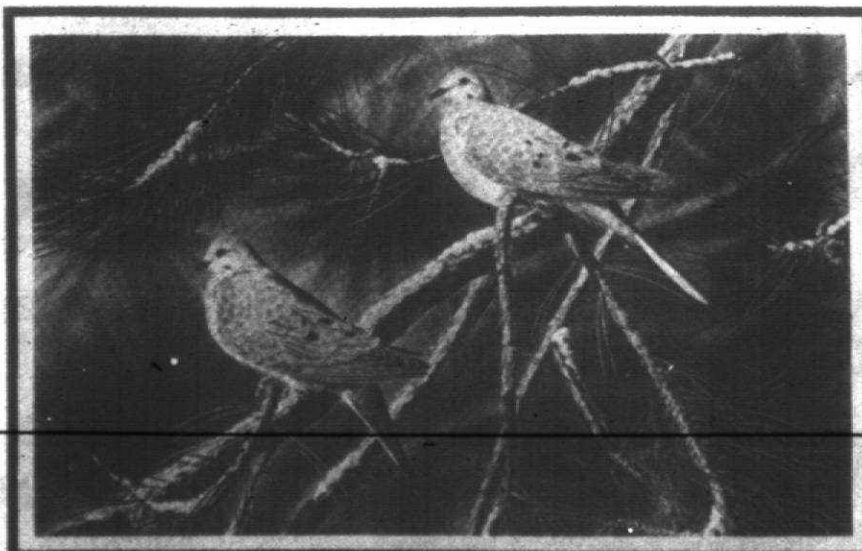


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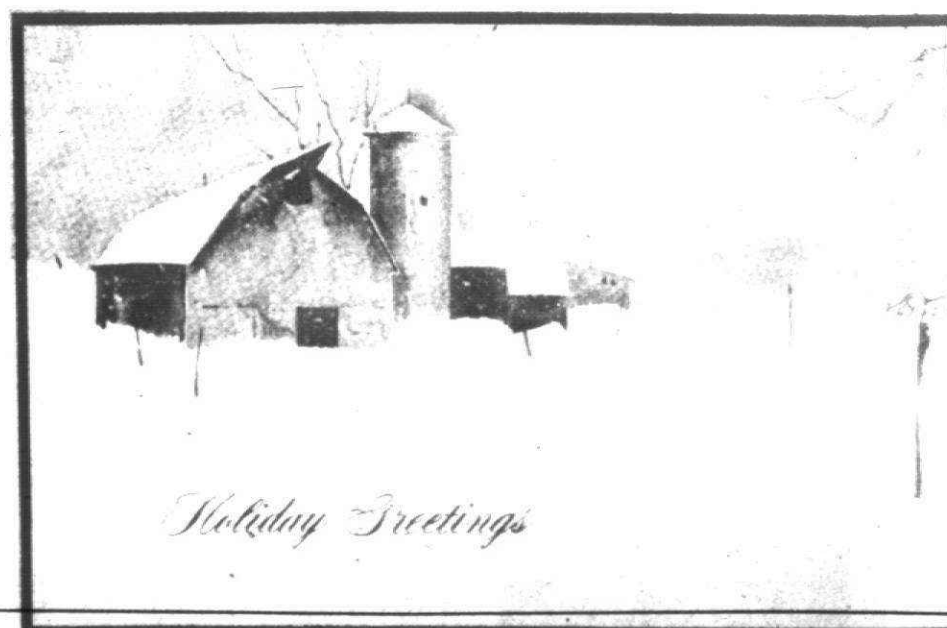
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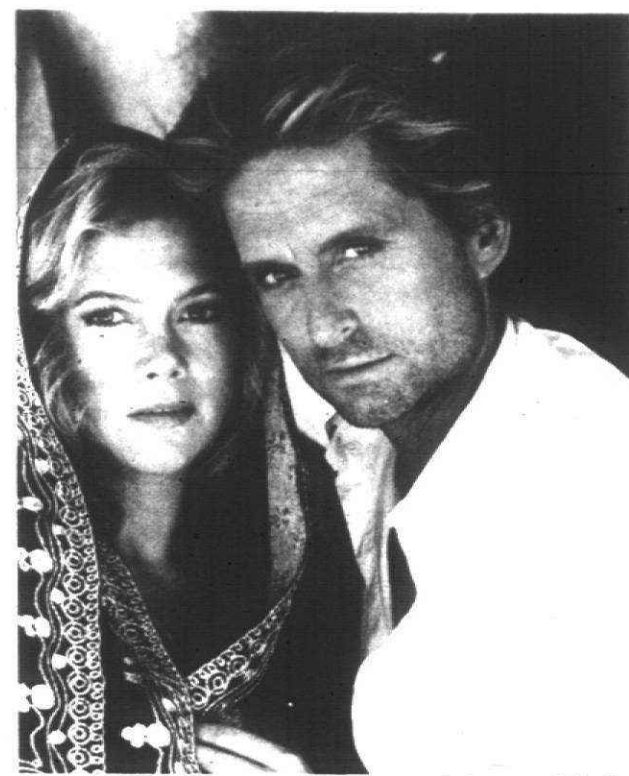
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Michael Douglas is adventurer Jack Colton and Kathleen Turner is romance novelist Joan Wilder, who share wild adventures in "The Jewel of the Nile."

the movies
Dan Greenberg

'Jewel of the Nile' returns twosome for more excitement

There is a pretty thin line between satiric romance and ridiculous tomfoolery, but producer-star Michael Douglas and director Lewis Teague have drawn it nicely in "Jewel of the Nile" (PG). The film is romantic, adventurous, entertaining and may even prove to be one of those rare sequels that outdoes the original. If you remember "Romancing the Stone," then the scene is set. World-renowned romantic novelist Joan Wilder (Kathleen Turner) and adventurer Jack Colton (Michael Douglas) have spent the past six months cruising the Mediterranean aboard the Angelina. For Jack and Joan, life is one big Mediterranean party. Joan, missing her New York study, however, is having problems with her latest novel. Jack wants to sail for Greece. They bicker.

LATER THAT day they go to a cocktail party where Joan meets the mysterious desert sheik, Omar (Spiros Focis), who's rather like Khaddafi with charm. What more do you need to set things rolling all over the Middle East?

And roll they do, as Omar engages Joan to write the story of his sweep to power. For Joan, this is an opportunity to break her writer's block and do some "important" journalism. For Jack, it's just a silly interruption of their cruise. He really wants to sail for Greece. They quarrel but part amicably.

Just as Jack is about to board his boat, the Angelina, he's greeted by Ralph (Danny DeVito), who has spent the last six months in a Colombian jail. Boy, is he ticked off. He wants revenge and attacks Jack, who is saved by a wild knife thrower just as the Angelina explodes.

Got all that? Good, because that's just the beginning.

The wild knife thrower is one of a band of Sufis (the Flying Karamazov Brothers) who want Jack's help to save Joan from danger she doesn't yet know she's in. Jack's help is also needed to recover the Jewel of the Nile. That interests greedy Ralph, who wants his share.

LITTLE DOES Ralph know that the Jewel of the Nile is the Holy Man, Al Jihara (Avner Eisenberg), whose presence and approval give any government credibility. Naturally, Omar wants the jewel.

The complications are endless and great fun in every respect. Each preposterous situation leads to another more outlandish and funnier than the last. But each has just the right touch of believability.

The film's secret lies in its lighthearted attitude. Since the plot is totally incredible, they decided to play it for laughs. Jack and Joan's adventures are as absurd as her romance novels. Underplaying actions and reactions, while adding occasional tense moments when Omar threatens, makes it work.

The principals strike just the right note, with Michael Douglas' eye-rolling and deadpan disgust conveying the weariness of a middle-aged husband trying to cope with his flighty-flake wife. Kathleen Turner balances to perfection the shy, reclusive romance writer emerging as a world-class blonde.

All three supporting roles — Ralph, Omar and the Holy Man — are terrific. DeVito's sardonic wisecracking counterpoints Eisenberg's relaxed Holy Man. In the background is big, bad, blustery Omar looking and playing it like a larger-than-life Omar Sharif. Eisenberg is a very funny man who probably was thinking how a tailor would play Woody Allen in this role.

The film has no great philosophy nor any particular message. Just enjoy.



Danny DeVito is back again as a would-be master criminal in the sequel to "Romancing the Stone."

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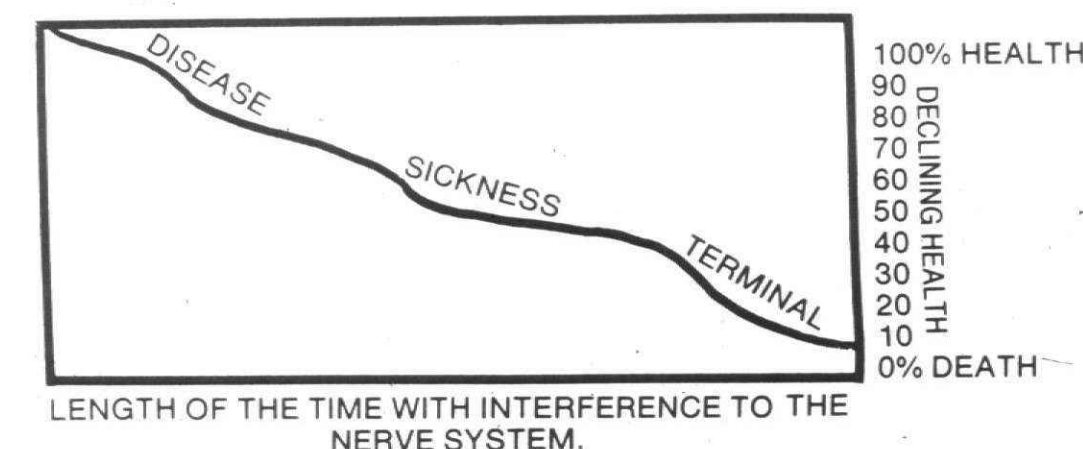
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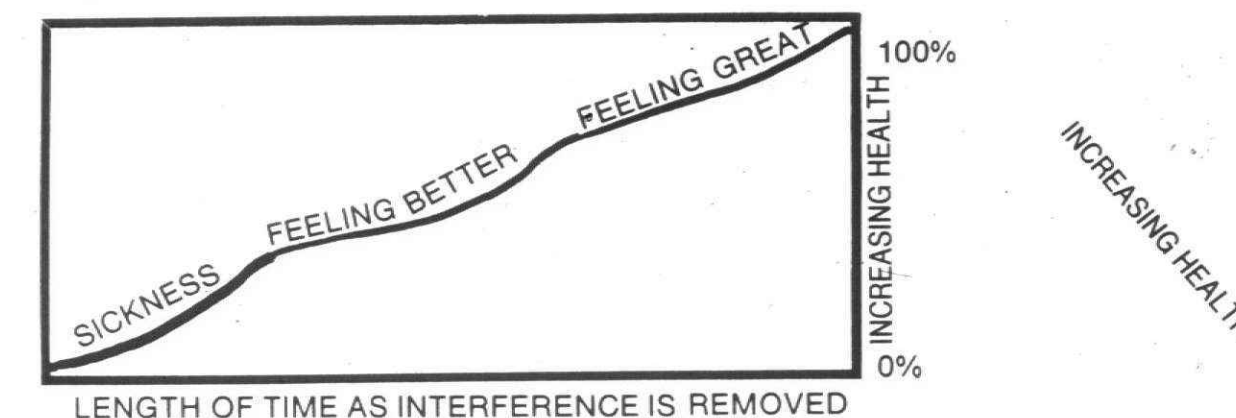
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500 Help Wanted

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OF DETROIT
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- Typists (50+ wpm)
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We offer...

- Vacation Benefits
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Call for an appointment at

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(The Courtyard at addresses
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LIFEGUARD needed for private health club in Southfield, evening and weekend hours, current lifeguarding and CPR needed. Call Lois or Eric. 444-8990

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West Bloomfield area. Evening and morning hours available. Contact Lisa. 961-1000, ext. 182 or 309

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Metro area. Part time. Ideal for College student or housewife. 471-2311

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MACHINE SETUP person experienced in silk screen printing. Must have knowledge in machine setups & machine maintenance. Only persons with experience need apply. Call between 3-5pm. Mon-Thru Fri. Ask for Alice or Joe. 834-7151

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Full time position available for mechanically oriented person to work in material room. 12 Mile. Telephone 447-8484

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For contract custodial service. Full & part time positions available for hard working, dependable individuals for accounts in the tri-county area. Afternoon & midnight shifts. Experience helpful but not required. If interested apply Mon-Thru Fri between 8:30 - 1:30. Nationwide Maintenance Inc. 27476 Franklin Rd. Regency Office Center. Southfield. 555-0500

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Carpet, linoleum and tile laying an asset. Experienced only need apply. Apply 9AM-4PM. Action Electric Appt. 33275 Riverside, between Lahar & Telegraph, Southfield.

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General cleaning duties in manufacturing plant. Includes cleaning floors, janitoring, restrooms. Also some light trash with H.L. & greasing machinery. Apply at Lindsay & Pavlovich Mfg. Co. 8595 Honda Dr., Canton, MI.

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Must be experienced and have own tools. No children or pets. Apartment, salary and insurance. Resumes only to Box 944, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, Michigan 48150

MAINTENANCE

Now Hiring! Call today! 557-1200. Job Network 273000 Southfield Fee

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Experience preferred. 977-8188

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Non-smoker, dependable. Small busy shop in Birmingham. Flat rate salary. Clientelle established. Excellent benefits & a must.

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MANUFACTURING

Growth oriented Downriver metal products manufacturing company is seeking qualified individuals to fill the following positions:

- Machinist
- Polishers & Buffers
- MIG & TIG Welders
- Welding Inspector
- Mid & Upper Level Management

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for supervision of children in nursery school. Royal Oak area. Call 9am-11am. 544-4919

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Full or part time. Must have references and experience. Call 553-3010

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MORNING RUNNER

9am-1pm. Please call. 649-5600 ext. 63

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experienced, needed immediately. Unique opportunity for one on one relationship with high volume originator in Farmington Hills office. Top \$\$\$'s, benefits & future. Only the best need apply. Call Howard Goldman for appointment. 855-0911

500 Help Wanted

SECTION LEADER

ELECTRICAL - DESIGNS

BSEE degree with 10 to 15 years experience. Successful candidate will be in charge of the electrical design of industrial test facilities. He will direct the activities of 3 to 4 designers & be responsible for specifying & packaging standard motors, actuators, controls, transducers & providing fabrication & installation documentation.

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BS degree with 5 to 10 years experience in rotating machinery/real time control. Successful candidate will coordinate the efforts of 2 to 3 programmers & subcontractors to design control systems for industrial test facilities. Candidate should have some knowledge of chassis & engine dynamometers, control of DC motors & Thyristor drives & have some knowledge of inertia & horse power & engine parameters. Experience with DEC computers, PID control beneficial.

Send resume to:

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Apartment complex in Farmington Hills has full time positions for people to do odd jobs around complex. Must have own transportation. No benefits. Apply at Independence Green Apartment, 36190 Grand Rd., Westland. 348-5971

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PHOTOGRAPHIC ASSISTANT

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PIZZA MAKER

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PORTER

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