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Schools may seek bond issue in June

By Dennis Coffman
staff writer

The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education Jan. 20 will continue to explore the possibility of seeking voter approval of a \$16 million bond issue that would be financed with an additional 2-mill tax levy per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.

The amount of millage sought will depend on the size of the bond issue and the length of the term of the bond.

If approved by Plymouth and Canton voters, the district's total millage, in-

cluding operating and debt retirement, would amount to 39.5 mills. Currently, the district's total millage stands at 37.5 mills.

At issue, is whether the influx of population in Plymouth Township and Canton Township will cause an increase in school enrollment. Such an increase could mandate the construction of schools at the elementary or middle school level.

A June election date is likely, if the board decides to go to the voters with the bond issue and millage proposals.

A spokesman for the district said this

could be a good time to issue bonds because the district could borrow and pay back at relatively favorable interest rates — the lowest in seven years.

ACCORDING TO the Citizens Bond Review Committee Report, the student population will remain "relatively constant" at about 15,000 students "for the balance of the decade."

There are now 15,132 students enrolled in the district.

The bond committee has projected an enrollment of 15,226 for the 1986-87 school year, 15,251 for '87-88; 15,124

for '88-89; 15,019 for '89-90; and 15,000 for 1990-91.

The report concludes that the district now has an enrollment capacity of about 15,200 students.

However, trend data supplied by the Middle Cities Association has projected a slight decline in overall student enrollment through 1990-91.

The data, based on residential building permits in Plymouth and Canton and pupil "yield" statistics, projects an enrollment decrease of 3.8 percent to 15.2 percent.

The bond committee, in its report is-

sued Dec. 16, stated that it was "skeptical" about the Middle Cities projections. The committee said there were "unique population factors which are at work in the Plymouth-Canton community."

As a result, "the committee is skeptical of these projections and did not think it prudent to use them for long range planning purposes."

The bond committee chose to give greater weight to data compiled by American Honda Motor Company, which forecasts a population increase in Plymouth and Canton of 5.3 percent.

That's about 1,900 new households in the school district.

"Many of these incremental households will have children. The committee has conservatively estimated that the pupil yield from each new household will be approximately 0.4, which would translate into 750 additional pupils by the end of the decade."

THE COMMITTEE balanced the two conflicting reports — one calling for a slight enrollment decline and the other calling for a moderate increase — and concluded that overall student enrollment will stay constant or increase slightly through the rest of the decade.

The committee has projected a decline in elementary enrollment, from the present 7,143 to 6,929 from 1985 to 1991; a decline in middle school enrollment from the present 4,256 to 3,522; and an increase at the high schools from 3,733 to 4,549.

During the 1990-91 school year, the ninth grade of the middle schools will become part of the high school population.

Man found guilty in kidnapping

By Diane Gale
staff writer

James Stapley, charged with kidnapping a child from Canton's Meijer Thrifty Acres in July, was found guilty in Wayne Circuit Court Thursday.

"Two things happened in this case that were very inspiring," said Canton Police Lt. Alex Wilson. "The fact that the girl was recovered and unharmed is the most important. And that we were able to identify and convict someone."

"Maybe as a result of this he won't have an opportunity to hurt someone else."

A jury of eight women and four men found Stapley, 56 of Ann Arbor, guilty of child kidnapping, which carries a maximum sentence of life in prison. Wayne Circuit Judge Sharon Finch is scheduled to sentence Stapley Jan. 15.

A forensic examination, done before a preliminary examination in 35th District Court, found that Stapley was competent to stand trial.

HOWEVER, HIS ATTORNEY, Charles Campbell, argued that Stapley's condition had since deteriorated.

Campbell argued that Stapley was incompetent during the trial, Wilson said. If it is found he was incompetent, the conviction will be void.

Campbell was unavailable for comment.

Stapley, who was jailed on a \$50,000 cash bond, did not testify during the trial.

Leila Warner, a 4-year-old Plymouth girl, was abducted July 7 while shopping with her mother, Sonia Warner, 24. She told her daughter to wait near the Barbie doll clothes for "just a minute."

When Warner returned, her daughter was missing.

A massive search, directed by Canton Police, was conducted in the store and through the field around the store at Ford and Canton Center roads.

A YOUNG COUPLE found Leila about three hours later walking alone on the side of a road in Leoni Township near Jackson.

The girl told Canton Police a man took her into the woods in Leoni Township, laid out a blanket, and had her sit down. She said the man then left the area.

Police never discovered evidence that Leila had been sexually assaulted during the incident.

Leila was unable to testify in court "due to her young age," Wilson said. However, her mother did testify.

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POLICE APPEAL: Canton Police are asking for help in solving a hit-and-run accident which left a 27-year-old woman dead.

Laurie Scarlett of Canton was hit by a light-blue pickup truck while attempting to cross Michigan Avenue at 5:45 p.m. Nov. 18. Scarlett, who was having car trouble, left her car on the median near Lotz and crossed Michigan to use the telephone at a gasoline station. She called her relatives and was re-crossing Michigan at the intersection when she was struck by a truck and thrown into another lane by the impact of the truck where she was hit by a second car. The driver of the second car stopped.

Witnesses told police Scarlett was hit by an eastbound light-blue truck with wood bench sides. Canton police are asking anyone who knows of a light blue pickup which recently has been damaged to call 397-3000 and ask for Detective Ernie Sayer.

SNOW WINNER: Annette Griggs of Fairview Drive, Canton, is the winner of Canton Recreation Department's Guaranteed White Christmas contest. She took home a Bing Crosby "White Christmas" album but won't need to have the snow delivered as all of Canton is now snow-covered and she will have a white Christmas. Annette, 11, attends Lowell Middle School. Her name was drawn Thursday afternoon last week.

GOODFELLOWS ALL:

More than \$4,000 in cash has been donated to the Canton Goodfellows. Money donations totalled about \$1,000 more than last year. Food and toys also were collected. Among those making special efforts for the Goodfellows this year were pupils from Hulsing Elementary School. Gift certificates for Meijer Thrifty Acres and Kroeger will be donated to some 65 needy families in Canton.

LASTING GIFTS:

During the holiday season you can give the "Gift of a Lifetime" by following these tips provided by the Plymouth/Canton Substance Abuse Task Force and by the Michigan AAA.

Don't let anyone drink and drive — it's better to take away car keys than a life or limb.

Be sure the one "for the road" is coffee or a non-alcohol beverage. If having a buffet, serve pasta.

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Group homes: pros and cons

By Mary Rodrigue
staff writer

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In 1978 the state Legislature established regulations for removing persons who are mentally retarded or mentally ill from state institutions and placing them into adult foster care facilities in local communities.

Seven years later the concept of group home placement is still widely misunderstood.

"MORALLY WE ARE all in favor of group homes. But we object to the dictatorial policies of the state," said Ben Marks, a Farmington Hills councilman.

Marks joined city officials from Tecumseh, Flint, Michigan's thumb area and suburban councilmen and city managers Tuesday at Livonia's Holiday Inn to study the foster care licensing issue.

Sponsored by the Michigan Municipal League and the Michigan Township Association, the forum highlighted speakers from the state departments of Social Services and Mental Health, law enforcement officers and social workers, the operators of several group homes and neighbors living adjacent to foster care facilities.

Communities with several group homes in operation, and one city await-

ing its first group home, pummeled panelists with questions on the often-controversial topic.

Specifically, city officials said they felt powerless over where the group homes are placed, enforcing local building and zoning codes, screening of residents and operators, and monitoring problems that may arise.

The state Legislature passed Public Act 218 in 1978, providing for licensing of adult foster care facilities.

"THE IDEA WAS to get the mentally ill out of institutions and mainstream these individuals in a group home setting," explained Maria Ward, director of legislative services for the city of Southfield and the panel moderator.

James Quigley, director of the adult foster care licensing division of the Michigan Department of Social Services (DSS), explained how this is done.

"An adult foster care family home is a private residence with one to six adults in addition to the residents of the home who continue to live there," he said. "Michigan has 2,061 adult foster care family homes.

"There are 1,721 homes for 12 or less. There are 250 large group homes with 13 to 20 residents and 24 congregate care facilities, with 21 or more residents. The congregate care facilities are being phased out."

"THE LARGEST majority we regulate are family homes for six or less," Quigley said.

His division receives applications from would-be group home operators and decides whether to grant the applicant a license to run the home. The state Department of Mental Health is involved in actual placement of residents, Quigley said.

"No one can operate an adult foster care facility without a license from us," Quigley said. "Our responsibility is really quite narrow."

Applicants must disclose information on health and finances. DSS checks criminal history and previous licensing complaints if the applicant operated or worked in another group home.

Notice of application is sent to the local community. If the proposed site is for six or less residents, local officials

must notify all homeowners within a 1500-foot radius of the proposed location. If there is another adult residential facility within 1500 feet, the local municipality must notify the state, and the application would be denied.

If DSS gets an original application for a group home for seven or more residents, the local community can approve or deny it.

Clarifying a portion of the act that Quigley said is often misunderstood, he told officials that local construction codes can be applied to foster care facilities as they would be to private residences.

A licensing consultant contracted by the state has inspection responsibilities in addition to reviewing employee records and the proposed program for the home. With that information, license is issued or denied.

"WE HAVE 700 applications out now," Quigley said. "Less than 40 percent will be licensed for various reasons."

One of three types of licenses is issued: temporary, to a facility that has not been licensed before and good for six months; provisional, limited to six months for a facility temporarily unable to conform to the act and application must again be made; and a regular license, good for two years.

Property values to rise after road changes

By Diane Galt
staff writer

Proposed extensions of two roads are expected to provide access to 500 acres of undeveloped light-industrial land in Canton.

Road extensions and utility construction on Koppernick and Ronda will link

Haggerty, Lilley, Warren and Joy and provide access to I-275.

If approved, Special Assessment Districts (SAD) will be created that will require affected property owners to pay for the \$2 million changes.

"We're completing our road network," said Dave Nicholson, Canton community and economic development director.

Canton Township owns 70 acres that would be affected by the proposed road changes.

PROPERTY VALUE in the area is expected to increase in value by a "conservative" estimate of 100 percent, Nicholson said. Values could rise as much as 500 to 600 percent, he added.

Information on services and activities available to Canton residents 55 and older is available by calling 397-1000, Ext. 278. The information and referral service can bring persons up to date on housing, day care, health, minor home repair, library services, and in-home services.

represent the potato processors on the commission.

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salad, spicy food, hors d'oeuvres, and cheeses. Starchy ingredients help retard the flow of alcohol from the stomach to the blood stream of persons who are drinking.

As the hour becomes late, shut off all alcoholic beverages and have a good supply of food and non-alcoholic beverages available. Remember?

"First a friend, then a host."

If you drink, don't drive. Call a friend, call a relative, or call a cab.

The task force also left this P.S. to the community: "The year 1985 can be remembered as a great year in which the Plymouth Canton community laid the foundation to help kick out substance abuse in our areas. You have shown that by loving and caring and helping each other we can make a difference in our communities. May God Bless you all. And to Rick McCoy and Nic Cooper, you are truly what Christmas is all about."

POTATO CHIEF: Charles D. Kilpatrick of Canton has been appointed by Gov. James Blanchard to the Michigan Potato Industry for a term expiring July 1, 1986. He replaces Michael Walsh, formerly of Plymouth, who has resigned.

Kilpatrick, who is plant manager for Frito-Lay Inc. of Allen Park, will

COUNT 'EM: Eleven local students from Centennial Educational Park (CEP) finished in the top five percent of the nearly 23,000 high school students in Michigan who took Part I of the 29th annual Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition in October, sponsored by the Michigan Section of the Mathematical Association of America. The 11 placing in the top five percent were Jennifer Croll, James Farrell, Kevin Hinks, Kenneth Kim, Matt Moran, Mary Massey, Lily Pao, Ning Peng, Mark Peterson, Kristal Taylor, and Gale Tang. The 11 completed in the second and final part of the state competition last week. The final 100 winners statewide will be honored Saturday, March 8, at Michigan State University with about half of the 100 state finalists receiving scholarship funds. The competition at the CEP was supervised by Frederick Libbing, counselor.

RETIRING: At the last regular meeting of the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education the following retirements were approved: Camille Wimsatt, a speech pathologist who has been with the district for almost 18 years; Betty Spradlin, a Skills for Living teacher at Plymouth Salem High who has been with the district almost 13 years; and Elaine Goodrich, coordinator of routing and training who has been employed with the district for 30 years.

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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.

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

Alpine Valley Ski area. All transportation and supervision is provided by the recreation staff. Teams without their own equipment may rent from Alpine. All fees must be paid upon registration; space is limited. The group will be leaving at 5 p.m. from Canton Township Administration Building and returning about 12:15 a.m. Fees are \$15 without your own equipment or \$8 with your own equipment. For information, call 397-1000 between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays. Registration is in person at the parks and recreation office, 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

SNOWMOBILE SAFETY

Monday, Jan. 6 — A Snowmobile Safety Class will be held 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Jan. 8, 9, and 10, in the cafeteria of Plymouth Canton High School, Canton Center Road just south of Joy, sponsored by Community Education Department of Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. The purpose is to help youth age 12-16 and adults earn a certificate to operate a snowmobile. No charge. Register the first night of the class.

TEEN SKI TRIP

Friday, Jan. 10 — Canton Parks and Recreation is sponsoring a teen ski trip

TOASTMASTERS SPEECH CONTEST

Tuesday, Feb. 11 — The Oral Majority Toastmasters Club will conduct the club's annual Speech Contest at 6 p.m. in its regular meeting room at Denny's restaurant at 3950 Ann Arbor Road, east of I-275 in Plymouth. The public is welcome. For information and reservations, call Phyllis Sullivan at 455-1635.

campus news

EMU SCHOLARS

The following residents have earned scholarships from Eastern Michigan University. Recipients of departmental Uniqueness Awards of \$750 to students with a high school grade point average of at least 3.0 and in identifiable interest in majoring in one of Eastern's departmental areas: Eric Hebel of N. Territorial Road, Plymouth, a Plymouth Canton High graduate.

Recipients of the Regents Scholarship awards are: Kelly Craig, Spinning Wheel, Canton, Canton High graduate; Patricia Janiga, Lancaster, Canton, Canton High grad; Carrie E. Bouware of Roundtable, Canton, Canton high; Deborah Choje of Stacy, Canton, Joan Glenn High; Kristina Niman of Brookfield, Canton, Joan Glenn, Cory Silver of Bar-

Recognition of Excellence scholarship awards were earned by: Ehab G. Aryan of Longwood, Canton, Canton High grad; Karie E. Bouware of Roundtable, Canton, Canton high; Deborah Choje of Stacy, Canton, Joan Glenn High; Kristina Niman of Brookfield, Canton, Joan Glenn, Cory Silver of Bar-

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Getting there is not half the fun of being there

The Smith family has just returned from Florida. Ta, Da!
After a season of scrambling, we had finally scraped together enough of our pennies to blow several thousand of them on a trip to Disney World.

Hubby says that he had a wonderful time, and that we'd better not spend any money on anything for the next ten years or so.
I guess it is all a matter of perspective.

don't enjoy the traveling part of traveling.
I look forward to the day when we can be transported from one place to another like they do on "Star Trek". Just beam me to Florida, Scotty. Preferably right to my hotel room.

The fastest way to get anywhere, but we spent more time being miserable waiting around in airports than in the air.

When we boarded the plane to leave Detroit, it was announced over the intercom that they didn't have a pilot. It seems he was snowed in over Kansas. We had to sit and wait for a very long time while they searched the airport for someone willing to fly our plane. I kept hoping it would be a pilot.

After arriving in Atlanta, instead of simply switching planes as planned, we had to wait for more than three hours while they fixed our plane. It seems it was broken.

It's still not right to bite the hand that feeds you

WHEN WE WERE youngsters growing up we were always taught "don't bite the hand that is feeding you." This was especially true as Christmas approached.

Evidently, the star baseball players weren't taught these words or forget them.

One glance at the public prints these days is proof of that, and the worst offender is Kirk Gibson, the Tiger right fielder. He not only is biting the hand that has been feeding him but he is insulting the entire major league organization.

He has gone the free agency route in an effort to get a new contract. The terms he is demanding is the hand that is causing the trouble — it is the hand that is doing the hard biting.

He has been offered a three-year contract for \$3.9 million. But he turned it down and is demanding a five-year pact.

This has stirred the major league baseball world no end, especially at this Christmas season. He wants a five-year pact or nothing. It now looks as though he might not get his wish and he might not be with the Tigers any longer.

GIBSON'S TACTICS, through an agent, have stirred the entire sports world.

Before the case is closed the entire contract may be shelved. If this happens there is no one else to blame but the hungry players.

Who could be peeved with a contract that pays more than a million dollars a year for a mere six month's work.

Mind you, with the contracts being offered there is no checking the player's record between seasons. The attendance figures never are brought into the discussions.

It is rumored now, because of Gibson's antics, that all the contracts in the future will carry a clause that the players record will be checked at the close of the season.

This would be the start where the owners would again have control. The Tigers would be a good example. The attendance has dropped more than a half million ticket buyers, but Gibson and his agent pay no attention to that.

IF OWNERS do adopt the plan that is being discussed in private, things would change.

Take Gibson's record. He was below the 1984 season and now wants a five-year pact. On what grounds?

Sure he is a heavy hitter and his home runs are a sight to see. But if you look at his statistics he struck out plenty of times with runners in scoring positions. They could have scored on any kind of hit. But Gibson whiffed.

Now he has the nerve to make demands over a five-year pact. How does he know how he will be doing five years from now? Or how well he might be. He is not taking a gamble. The owner is.

That's not fair. If the player had to live up to his potential, things would be a lot different. He would have to give his best at all times. He'd find that the owners are not greedy. They will meet on anything within reason.

They always have. But times are changing — all because the players are overlooking the things taught them when they were youngsters.

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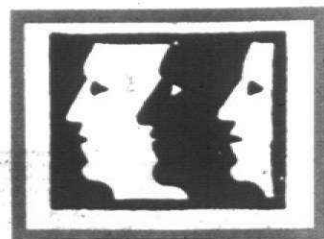
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toy oven inspired her



Sue Nelson
has real baby doll now



Jim Nelson
disliked early robot

Toying with memories

Shoppers recall favorite — and least favorite — toys



Joseph Karuvich
no toys in Depression



Shirley Singer
baby-doll fancier



Elaine Greene
liked Barbie's predecessor

By Richard Lech
staff writer

SANTA CLAUS always aims to please, but sometimes he really outdoes himself.

Most adults can remember one special toy they unwrapped as a kid on Christmas morning, a toy that ended up being their favorite of all.

Old St. Nick has been known to miscalculate too, though. Some toys just never do work out and might better have been left in the jolly old elf's bag.

Shoppers at Livonia Mall, Westland Center and Livonia's Wonderland Shopping Center recently were asked to recall their favorite — and least favorite — toys of Christmases past.

AMONG WOMEN shoppers, dolls usually were the favorites.

"I'm 62 years old, and I'd still love to have a doll," Shirley Singer of Westland said.

The doll fanciers, though, seemed to be divided into two camps: the baby-doll faction and the Barbie-doll fans. Neither side appeared ready to give any quarter to the other.

Singer said she always has liked cuddly, cute baby dolls. Her favorite was her Dy-dee doll, one of the first dolls that wet itself just like a real infant. The doll lasted long enough for her to give it to her son when he was a toddler — and it still wasn't potty trained.

But Singer said Barbie dolls and Cabbage Patch dolls have shoved aside the traditional baby dolls on the shelves of toy stores. The Cabbage Patch Kids, in particular, leave her cold.

"I don't like anything ugly, and they're ugly," she said.

Elaine Larkins of Dearborn Heights had a baby doll in its own webbed carriage. The Depression-era doll was one of the first ones to have a lifelike face, arms and legs, she said. The doll has long since lost its hair, but not its lease on a doll's life.

"I still have it, but where it is, I don't know," she said. "It's probably up in the attic."

JANICE MORROW of Livonia, now an employee of Livonia Mall, wheeled her Betsy Wetsy everywhere in its bag-

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gy when she was a kid. Betsy's surname spelled out her chief attribute.

"Well, it wet, and that was fun to change it," Morrow said. "I didn't know what it would be like in real life."

Sue Nelson of Westland said baby dolls were her favorite too.

"I always had them. Now I've got my own baby doll," said Nelson as she held her 5-month-old daughter, Kristine.

Elaine Kamen of Livonia liked her tall, life-sized doll with the long blond hair, although she has "no idea what ever happened to that doll."

Her daughter Lyndsey, 5, loves her Cabbage Patch dolls Alberta Melissa and Spring Christine.

Kamen's other daughter, Kristin, 13, is past the doll age, but she fondly recalls her Barbie. She had all the little accessories that went with Barbie — a pool, kitchen, little horses — everything, that is, but a Ken to keep Barbie company.

Unlike her mom, Kristin never did like playing with baby dolls.

"They were a failure," Elaine Kamen said. "Every year I'd buy her one, some doll she could feed and change the diaper, and she didn't like it."

SUE TAYLOR of Novi took an aggressive dislike to an unfortunate baby doll named Drowsy.

"I hated her," Taylor said. "I beat her up. My grandma was upset that I didn't like it."

Where is poor Drowsy now?

"Doll heaven, I guess," Taylor said with a laugh.

Elaine Greene of Grand Blanc, who grew up in Redford, liked her makeup

doll, a high-fashion doll that predated Barbie.

"I still have it," she said. "It's bigger than a Barbie, and smaller than a Cabbage Patch."

SANDY HANANIA of Livonia, a student at Frost liked her Barbie doll. But she never was keen on dolling herself up with toy makeup kits.

"Makeup kits were the worst," she said, "because they're messy and gaudy."

Barbara Kogut of Canton loved her Pollyanna, a 24-inch doll modeled after the character played by Hayley Mills in the Walt Disney movie of the same name. Kogut said she kept that doll until she got married.

She was much less enthusiastic about the toy oven she got one Christmas.

"The food tasted like clay. People would say, 'Oh, she's baking again.'"

On the other hand, Kathy Nepf of Farmington Hills really liked her toy oven. In fact, she figures it inspired her to love baking as a grownup.

"Oh, definitely," she said. "I make bread, pies and cookies."

FOR MEN shoppers, favorite toys were usually vehicles of some sort — ships, trains and cars.

Sue Nelson's husband, Jim, recalls being thrilled by his plastic battleship, Waltzing Matilda. The ship ran on batteries and shot little cannonballs, but the best thing about it was it was big.

Yet its size also was its only drawback.

"It didn't go into the bathtub," he said.

Nelson has less-than-fond memories, though, of an early robot called Mr. Machine.

"I remember this walking robot and it had all these gears, and you could never take it apart. Once you took it apart you could never get it back together."

Retiree Earl Rundel of Detroit has warm memories of the Lionel electric train he got when he was 8 years old. He recalled that the train didn't do anything special.

"It was just special to me. It was an

old-fashioned train. It's long gone, but I had it a good many years."

Madonna College student Ward Supernois also liked his Lionel train, which made noise and smoke. His buddy Mike Beck, a student at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, enjoyed his little Matchbox cars.

They both had trouble thinking of a toy they didn't like.

"I can't think of a worst toy because the only thing that was bad was when my mom bought clothes," Beck said.

JOSEPH KARUVICH of Inkster and his wife, Gertrude, couldn't remember a favorite toy because they just didn't get toys on Christmas morning during the Depression.

"There'd always be something, though," Karuvich said. "There'd be filled Polish candies. And we'd get stockings or a pair of gloves."

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Instead of having toys given to them, the kids back then would make their own, Karuvich said. A two-by-two board, an orange crate and some old roller skates would make a scooter. Or the kids would play "dock on the rock" by stacking up a bunch of Pet Milk cans and trying to knock them over with another can.

Elaine Larkins also was a Depression baby and was never jaded about any of the toys she got.



1st Presbyterian plans Christmas Eve services

First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth will have three Christmas Eve services.

The emphasis will be on youngsters at the Family Worship 5 p.m. Tuesday. Youth choirs and narrators will present a brief cantata, "Were You There On That Christmas Night?" Children of all ages may attend. There will be no babysitting or child care.

There will be a live creche and a presentation of Christmas offerings.

Candlelight Communion Service will be at 8 p.m. with prelude music from 7:30-8 p.m. by vocalists, instrumentalists, organ, chimes and carillon bells.

Choral music will be presented by the Agape Singers, joined by alumni from the group.

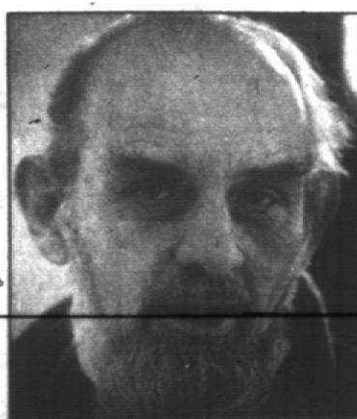
The Rev. Philip Rodgers Magee's Christmas Eve meditation will be "The Night I Heard the Music." Service will conclude with congregational candle lighting and singing "Silent Night."

FESTIVAL Candlelight Communion Service at 11 p.m. will feature choral music by the Chancel Choir.

Vocalists, instrumentalists, organ, chimes and carillon bells will provide prelude music beginning at 10:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Meditation by the Rev. Magee will be "The Night I Heard the Music."

Congregational lighting of candles and singing "Silent Night" will conclude the service.

The church is at 701 Church, at Main, Plymouth.



Earl Rundel
train was special



Dolls of all sorts are big favorites of the Kamens of Livonia. Mom Elaine (right) liked her tall doll with long blond hair, daughter Lyndsey (middle) loves her Cabbage Patch dolls and daughter Kristin fondly recalls her Barbie.

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ALVIA LEWIS/staff photographer

Play sculpture planners

Janet Campbell (left), Jo Hulce, Jim Anulewicz, Peter Rockwell and Mike Bailey meet for a last discussion with the sculptor, Rockwell, before he returns to his home in Rome. Anulewicz, Plymouth Township planning director, and Bailey, township engineer, are involved in the logistics of the enterprise, which will begin in the spring. Campbell and Hulce, co-chairs of the Play Sculpture Foundation, are concerned with financing the one-of-its-kind sculpture in Plymouth Township Park. The goal of \$50,000 is now at the halfway point with the Carail Holiday Gala benefit for 4-8 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 12. For information about the benefit or making a donation, call Hulce, 453-3858, or Campbell, 459-1178.

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60-PLUS LUNCHEON

All senior citizens are invited to the 60-Plus monthly potluck luncheon at noon Jan. 6 in Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 45201 N. Territorial. Plymouth. Bring a food dish to pass and your own table service. Glenn Deakin of Detroit Edison will narrate a film on "The Myth of Radiation."

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, in the museum, 155 S. Main. Plymouth. Irene Kuehnlein and Mary Ann Reese of Monroe will present the film, "Massacre of the River Raisin 1812." Reese also will discuss the history of Monroe's French Town Days.

Guests are welcome.

TRAILWOOD HAS LUMINARIES

Trailwood branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association still has Christmas luminaries for sale. Call 459-1999 or 455-9024 for information.

AMERICAN LEGION

Passage-Gayde Post 391 of the American Legion will meet at noon Sunday, Jan. 5 at 173 N. Main. Plymouth. For more information, call the Post Hotline, 453-9494, or Post Adjutant Bill Nicholas, 459-1633.

PLYMOUTH NEWCOMERS LUNCHEON

Members of the Plymouth Newcomers Club have until noon Monday, Jan. 6, to make reservations for their January luncheon. Call Barb, 451-0796, or Rose, 455-0113. Group will meet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, at Northville Charlie's on Seven Mile Road for hospitality with lunch at noon. Guest speaker will be Lorene Green, handwriting analyst. Admission is \$9.

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.

BRADLEY CHILD BIRTH METHOD

An eight-week series of classes in the Bradley Method of Natural Childbirth is planned as well as early pregnancy classes. For more information and to register, call 453-9171.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR AARP TAX RETURN PROGRAM

Volunteers are needed to help senior citizens fill out their tax returns. Classes are planned the first two weeks in January to train the volunteers for the program sponsored by the local chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons. The free tax-help sessions will begin in February and run for 10 weeks through April 15. Volunteers pledge four hours per week of their time. For information or to volunteer, call Marion Elton, 455-1980.

CIVITAN ESSAY CONTEST

Plymouth-Canton Civitan Citizenship Essay Contest is in progress and will continue until deadline date of March 15. All high school students in the area are eligible.

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Mayflower Lt. Gamble Ladies Auxiliary Veterans of Foreign Wars will have a pancake breakfast the first Sunday of every month at the VFW Hall, 1426 S. Mill, just north of Ann Arbor Road. Menu includes pancakes, sausage, eggs, toast and French toast. Cost is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children 5 and under.

ST. JOHN NEUMANN SENIORS

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.

EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP

Institute for the Study of Eating Disorders sponsors support groups for family and friends of persons suffering from eating disorders 6-7:30 p.m. every other Friday at the institute, 23800 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 201, Farmington Hills. For information, call 474-1144.

BROWNIES, JUNIOR GIRL SCOUTS

All Bird Elementary School girls in grades 1-3 are eligible to become Brownie Girl Scouts. Those in grades 4-6 can become Junior Girl Scouts. To get in on the fun, call Judi Clemens, 453-3615, for information.

U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Canton Flotilla 11-11 meets the fourth Tuesday of the month in Room 2510, Plymouth Salem High School, 46181 Joy Road, just west of Canton Center. The comparatively new flotilla welcomes new members. Call Robert Kinsler, 455-2676, for information.

TAKE OFF POUNDS

TOPS Chapter 128 meets every Thursday evening in Faith Community Church, 46001 Warren, Canton. Weight-in starts at 6:30 p.m., with a meeting

following, 7-8 p.m. For information, call 981-0446.

CIVIL AIR PATROL

U.S. Air Force Auxiliary Squadron 15-1 invites interested people to attend its weekly meetings, 6:30-10 p.m. Thursdays on the fourth floor of the main building, Willow Run Airport. Any U.S. citizen 15 years of age and older may become a volunteer. For information, call Robert Eizen, commander, 326-9673.

OPTIMISTS

Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Mondays of each month in the Miles Standish Room of the Mayflower Hotel. Plymouth and Canton residents may call 453-8547 for membership information.

CHORUS COOKBOOK

Plymouth Community Chorus new cookbook, "All Our Best," is available at Plymouth Book World and from chorus members. Price is \$7.95.

TOPS MEETING

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets 7:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays in Central Middle School, Main at Church, Plymouth. Ideas on weight reduction are discussed. For information, call 453-4756 or 455-1583.

CANTON BPW

Canton Business and Professional

Women meets the second Monday of each month at the Roman Forum Restaurant on Ford Road, cocktails at 6 p.m., dinner at 6:30, and program at 7:30. Dinner charge is \$7.50 per person. Call Susan Pack, 455-0873, for information.

SWEET ADELINES

Midwest Harmony Chapter of Sweet Adelines rehearses in the Senior Citizen Fire Station Center, 10800 Farmington Road, Livonia, just south of Plymouth Road. Women who like to sing four-part harmony may attend. For information, call Pat Daubennier of Canton, 981-4098, or Barbara Williams of Westland, 721-3861.

ZESTERS

Zesters, a club for Canton residents 55 and older, meets at 12:30 p.m. Thursdays in the Canton Recreation Center, 44237 Michigan at Sheldon. Membership fees are \$1 to join and \$1.50 per month. For more information about the club, call the Canton senior citizen office, 397-1000, Ext. 278.

CIVITAN CLUB

The Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club meets at 6:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month. Men and women may attend to learn about Civitans — a group of neighbors, business associates and friends — all volunteers interested in programs and projects based on the needs of the community. Call 453-2206 for more information.

TOASTMASTERS

The Oral Majority Toastmasters Club of Plymouth invites visitors to see how the club enables members to speak up and move ahead, whatever their occupations. The club meets at 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Denny's restaurant, Ann Arbor Road at I-275. For information, call Phyllis K. Sullivan, 455-1635.

EPILEPSY GROUP

Epilepsy Support Program, a self-help group, meets 7:30 p.m. in All Saints Lutheran Church, Newburgh at Joy, Livonia, on the first and third Thursday of each month for two hours.

MAYFLOWER-LT. GAMBLE POST VFW

Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post 6695, Veterans of Foreign Wars, meets at 8 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the post home, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth. New members are welcome. For information, call the post, 459-6700.

CANTON ROTARY

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new voices

Larry and Elizabeth Wasalaski of Pacific Street, Plymouth, announce the birth of their daughter, Kelly JoAnn Wasalaski, Dec. 12 in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. She has a brother, Brian, and two sisters, Kristin, 7½, and Carrie, 4.

Grandparents are Jack and JoAnn Shinn of Carmel, Ind., and Gil and Melva Wasalaski of Plymouth.

Brad and Debbie Soash of Canton Township announce the birth of their son, Brian Eugene Soash, Nov. 26 in Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak. He has

a brother, Jeffrey, 6, and two sisters, Lisa, 8 and Kristi, 3.

Grandparents are Harry and Ann Niner of Gibraltar and Evan and Midge Soash of Vero Beach, Fla.

John and Eve Overmars of Brookside, Plymouth, announce the birth of their daughter, Briana Lyn Foster Overmars, Nov. 25 in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. She has a brother, Brian, and two sisters, Leslie and Kim.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H.J. Overmars of Farmington Hills and Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Foster of Summertown, Tenn.

engagements

Lynch-Collins

Linda and Gerald Lynch of Lombardy, Canton Township, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa, to Thomas A. Collins, son of Nancy and Thomas Collins of Corbin, Canton Township. The bride-elect is a 1982 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. She is employed at Mane Con-

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All of the money must come from private donations: the federal government is not raising the funds. This is consistent with the origins of the Statue. The French people themselves paid for its creation. And thousands of American school children contributed to its construction and to the pedestal.

The Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Centennial Commission appointed by President Reagan is asking every American business, every American citizen to join in raising these funds. The torch of liberty is everyone's to cherish. Could we hold up our heads as Americans if we allowed the time to come when she can no longer hold up her

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'Out of Africa' vividly recreates colonial era

Based on two biographies and Danish novelist Isak Dinesen's work of the same name, "Out of Africa" (PG) is a masterful portrait of colonial Africa in the World War I era and, as well, a chronicle of Dinesen's 17 years on a Kenya coffee farm.

While it is well worth a trip to the movies to luxuriate in Meryl Streep's bravura characterization of Dinesen and to enjoy David Watkin's ("Chariots of Fire," "Yentl," "White Nights") lush cinematography, the 2 1/2 hour film suffers from self-conscious, intrusive editing and abrupt direction by Sydney Pollack ("The Way We Were," "Tootsie," "Absence of Malice").

As it turns out, the discordance may develop from the script by former Detroit Free Press executive editor Kurt Luedtke ("Absence of Malice") who, I hasten to add, did an admirable job in scripting such an enormous story.

In other words, "Out of Africa" tries to do the impossible — and does it very well, but . . .

the land and the Kikuyu people who inhabit it and farm her coffee.

THE BARON infects her with syphilis and, when she returns from treatment in Denmark, no longer able to bear children, she terminates her relationship with the Baron.

An acquaintance with the Great White Hunter, Denys Finch Hatton (Robert Redford), is threaded intermittently through her years with the Baron. After the Baron, Karen and Denys become lovers, with a passion quenched only on his infrequent visits to civilization.

Denys' free spirit and fierce resistance to domestication may very well be historically accurate, but it works to the film's detriment. While Redford is as charming and accomplished as ever, he is saddled with a clichéd character whose motivations and behavior fall far short of the demands Streep's characterization place on their relationship.

No doubt such characters did inhabit Hemingway's fabled African pages and the historical veldts, but in tandem with Streep's magnificent, luminous portrayal of a vibrant woman of character Redford's Great White Hunter comes across like a charming but bloody fool who never grew up.

Such a character falls far short of the foil Streep needs. That and the elliptical direction and abrupt editing flaw a magnificent production. Whoever's fault it may be, the discordant shifts in an essentially languid presentation are disruptive. No doubt the need to cover so much territory (even though the script condenses Karen's 17 years in Africa to 10) justifies these transitions, but the audience is often left at the gate hurriedly calculating what transpired. That interferes with appreciation of the acting and of the images.

RATHER SELF-CONSCIOUSLY, to the point of annoyance, "Out of Africa" uses the old radio technique of bridging sounds, that is, introduction of the next scene's sound as the previous scene ends. While that's an OK tactic, it doesn't seem to serve any functional purpose here.

the movies
Dan Greenberg

Nonetheless, it's all worthwhile for Isak Dinesen as a strong, assertive the splendid views of Africa and woman with a fragile, romantic core Streep's brilliant characterization of

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For Holiday Festivities, Make It Buffet

The holiday season is a very special time of the year, with family and friends gathering to share in the festivities. While good cheer and merriment abound, for the one who's in charge of the meal, it's generally a hectic time with numerous last-minute dishes to prepare and serve.

This challenge can be easier, however, if you do a little planning and a lot of pre-preparation. Serving buffet style can also ease the pressure of this year's holiday meal. Let people serve themselves and pitch in to help the very young and old.

Turkey gravy, always stirred up in a last minute rush, can be made easier with advance preparation. Prepare the turkey broth ahead and assemble the seasonings and the corn starch for thickening. Making the gravy with corn starch eliminates the possibilities of lumps, and assures a smooth, light gravy without a floury taste.

The source of yet another trauma, that of mashing the potatoes, can be completely eliminated by serving stuffed potatoes instead. By using a quality potato like Washington Russets, they can be baked, whipped up and, restuffed in advance and refrigerated. Washington Russet potatoes are excellent for baking because they are high in solids, which means that during the baking less water needs to be evaporated, resulting in a fluffier baked potato. As the turkey rests, to make carving easier, the potatoes can be returned to the oven to puff up and take on a golden tinge.

Think ahead for the vegetable dish by assembling the ingredients for the lemon sauce. Mix corn starch and seasonings in a saucepan, cover and put it aside ready and waiting. Squeeze the lemon; rinse, trim and divide the broccoli. You can even parboil it a minute and chill in ice water, to reduce last-minute cooking time.

TURKEY
If turkey is frozen, thaw, following time and directions given. Remove thawed turkey from plastic wrap and giblets from body cavities and prepare turkey broth. At roasting time, rinse turkey with cold water and pat dry, tuck legs into hook lock or under skin band, turn wing tips "akimbo" over back and skewer neck skin to back. Place turkey breast-side up on rack in shallow open roasting pan. Place a "tent" of foil loosely over turkey to prevent over-browning. Foil may be removed during the last half hour for a final browning.

Approximate Roasting Time in 325° F. Oven		
Weight	Unstuffed	Stuffed
8 to 12 lbs.	3 1/2 to 4 hours	3 3/4 to 4 1/2 hours
12 to 16 lbs.	3 3/4 to 4 1/2 hours	4 1/2 to 5 1/2 hours
16 to 20 lbs.	4 to 5 hours	5 1/2 to 6 1/2 hours
20 to 24 lbs.	4 1/2 to 5 1/2 hours	6 1/2 to 7 hours

Turkey is done when meat thermometer inserted into the thickest part of thigh, next to body, registers 180° F. to 185° F. Thermometer should not touch bone. Other tests for doneness: Turkey is ready if the leg joint moves freely when the drumstick is pressed, or if juices run clear when a long thin fork is inserted into thickest area and pressed. For easier carving, let turkey stand at room temperature for 20 to 30 minutes.

Tip: If turkey is stuffed and there is some leftover, remove stuffing from turkey and refrigerate separately.

HERB TURKEY GRAVY
Turkey giblets and neck 10 cups water
3 onions, peeled, quartered
3 ribs celery, cut into sticks
3 carrots, peeled, cut into sticks
3 chicken-flavored bouillon cubes
3 bay leaves
1/3 cup corn starch
1 teaspoon dried tarragon leaves, crushed
1 cup dry white wine or water
2 tablespoons salt

Prepare broth up to one day ahead. In large saucepot, stir together turkey giblets and neck, water, onions, celery, carrots, salt, bouillon cubes and bay leaves. Bring to boil, reduce heat. Remove liver after 20 to 25 minutes; reserve for use as desired. Simmer broth 1 hour or until liquid is reduced by half. Drain broth; cover and chill. Reserve giblets and neck to use as desired. To make gravy, pour pan drippings left from roasted turkey into large measuring cup leaving only brown particles in pan. Allow to stand several minutes until fat drippings separate from turkey juices. Spoon off fat drippings, discard. Add broth to juices to equal 4 cups. Return to roasting pan. In small bowl, stir together corn starch, tarragon and wine until smooth; add to roasting pan. Stirring constantly, bring to boil over medium heat, scraping up brown bits from bottom of pan; boil 1 minute. Makes about 5 cups.



Dessert is the pièce de résistance of many a holiday meal. This luscious Holiday Pear Tart is one that is certain to impress your guests. Shimmering under a clear glaze prepared with pear liquid and corn starch, juicy canned Bartlett pears are adorned with colorful

kiwifruit slices and maraschino cherries. The base for the tart is made with a rich shortbread pastry which is baked in a decorative fan pan. There is no guesswork to confront the cook when using convenient canned Bartlett pears as they are always perfectly ripened,

peeled and ready to use right from the can. The best part of any holiday meal, some say, are the leftovers. One idea, offered here, is a take-off on the popular entree potatoes so popular in restaurants around the

country. Serve fluffy baked Washington Russets topped with a sauce made with the leftover turkey and gravy. All that's needed to round out the menu is a salad of canned Bartlett pears filled with cranberry sauce accented with crunchy walnuts.

MAKE-AHEAD STUFFED POTATOES
8 (about 10 oz. each) Washington Russet potatoes
1/2 to 3/4 cup butter or margarine, softened
1/2 to 1 cup milk
1/4 cup chopped chives
1/3 cup minced parsley, divided
Salt and pepper to taste

Scrub potatoes, pierce with fork. Bake in 400° F. oven 50 to 60 minutes or until tender. Remove top of each potato. Scoop out inside; remove skin from top piece. Mash potatoes. Add butter, heat in enough milk until light and fluffy. Add chives and 2 tablespoons parsley; mix well. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Pipe mixture into potato shells using pastry bag and star tip, or spoon mixture into shells. If made ahead cover and refrigerate. Remove from refrigerator and let stand at room temperature at least 1 hour. Place on lightly greased baking sheet. Bake in 425° F. oven 20 to 25 minutes or until lightly browned. Sprinkle with parsley before serving. Makes 8 servings.

BROCCOLI WITH LEMON SAUCE
1 tablespoon corn starch
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon pepper
1 cup milk
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 tablespoon chopped parsley
2 pounds broccoli spears, cooked tender-crisp, and halved

In 1-quart saucepan, stir together corn starch, salt and pepper. Gradually stir in milk until smooth. Add butter or margarine. Stirring constantly, bring to boil over medium heat and boil 1 minute. Remove from heat. Stir in lemon juice and parsley. Arrange broccoli in shallow serving dish. Pour sauce over broccoli. Makes 8 servings.

HOLIDAY PEAR TART
Shortbread Pastry (recipe follows)
1 can (29 oz.) Bartlett pear halves in heavy syrup
1/3 cup sugar
1 tablespoon corn starch
1/2 cup water
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1/4 teaspoon grated lemon rind
1 kiwifruit, peeled, thinly sliced and halved
4 maraschino cherries, halved

Prepare Shortbread Pastry. Drain pears; strain and reserve 1/2 cup liquid. In 1-quart saucepan, stir together sugar and corn starch. Gradually stir in reserved pear liquid and water until blended. Stirring constantly, bring to boil over medium heat and boil 1 minute. Stir in lemon juice and rind. Cool. Spread 1 cup of pear glaze on bottom of cooled pastry shell. Arrange pear halves on glaze; garnish with kiwifruit and cherries. Brush with remaining glaze. Refrigerate. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

BAKED POTATOES WITH TURKEY TOPPING
(not pictured)
4 (about 10 oz. each) Washington Russet potatoes
2 tablespoons corn oil
1/2 cup chopped green onions
1/2 cup sliced mushrooms
2 cups shredded cooked turkey
1 cup leftover turkey gravy
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon pepper
2 tablespoons chopped parsley

Scrub potatoes, pierce with fork. Bake in 400° F. oven 50 to 60 minutes or until tender. Meanwhile, in large skillet, heat corn oil over medium heat. Add green onions and mushrooms. Stirring frequently, cook 2 minutes or until tender. Add turkey, gravy, salt and pepper. Stirring gently, cook until heated through. Stir in parsley. Pierce tops of potatoes with fork; squeeze open. Spoon 1/2 cup turkey mixture onto each potato. Makes 4 servings.

PEAR-CRANBERRY SALAD
(not pictured)
1 can (16 oz.) Bartlett pear halves
Lettuce
1/4 cup cranberry sauce
2 tablespoons broken walnut pieces
2 tablespoons corn oil
1 tablespoon lemon juice

Drain pears; reserve 3 tablespoons pear liquid. Arrange pear halves on lettuce-lined plates. Fill centers of pear halves with cranberry sauce; sprinkle with walnuts. Stir together pear liquid, oil and lemon juice. Serve with salads. Makes 4 servings.

Seedless Clemis are ideal stuffers

Feeling good about giving is the real trick to holiday gifts. Without the wisdom of Santa, however, this can be a very tricky task.

Food-related gifts are always a good bet, and a creation from your own kitchen is a sure way of adding a bit of yourself to the warmth and spirit of the season.

Happily, there's a wonderful fruit called a "Clemi" clementine, relatively new to North America, that's sure to add a very special touch to fruit baskets, cheese trays and, of course, to your holiday baking.

Clemi clementines arrive from Spain at this time of year and can be enjoyed right through March. A clementine is a type of mandarin orange or tangerine, but it's much sweeter and juicier and, best of all, the Clemi clementine is completely seedless.

Slip clementines into Christmas stockings — they'll add a new twist to traditional Christmas give-away treats. A little grated zest and juice adds a special note to chocolate rum balls —

and why not serve chocolate-dipped clementine segments with coffee?

Make it clementine bread instead instead of lemon bread this year. Perk up fruit or carrot cake with a creamy icing made by whipping clementine juice and zest into cream cheese. Or simmer dried fruits in clementine juice then add a dash of orange liqueur and clementine sections for a festive fruit concoction.

Clementines make original hostess gifts. Consider a jar of cheery Clementine Conserve with touches of festive red and green cherries, gaily beribboned — or present an attractive container of Clementine Eggnog.

FESTIVE CLEMENTINE CONSERVE

6 clementines
1 lemon
6 oz. dried apricots, quartered
1/2 cup water
2 1/2 cups sugar
2 Tbsp. lemon juice

2 whole cloves
1/2 cup green and red maraschino cherries, halved
1/2 cup slivered almonds

Remove peel from 2 clementines and lemon. Cut into slivers, enough to yield 1/4 cup. Peel remaining 4 clementines and section all. Remove white membrane from lemon. Chop clementine sections and lemon pulp coarsely in food processor. Pour into large saucepan. Add slivered peel, apricots and water. Cover, bring to a boil and simmer gently 20 to 30 minutes, until tender. Stir in sugar, lemon juice, cloves and again bring to a boil. Simmer, uncovered stirring frequently until thickened, about 15 minutes. Stir in cherries, almonds, and cook 5 minutes longer. Remove cloves. Pour into hot sterilized jars and seal with melted paraffin wax.

CLEMENTINE EGGNOG


2 cups dairy eggnog

Stir together eggnog, clementine juice and Grand Marnier. Pour into glasses and garnish each with freshly grated nutmeg and a clementine section.

CLEMENTINE CHRISTMAS TREE

Pine boughs
Clementines
Whole Cloves
Icing Sugar
Ribbon

On flat plate, arrange a base of pine boughs. Build a clementine tree, securing clementines, if necessary, with toothpicks or pins in a pyramid. Stud clementines with cloves for decoration and a pleasant odor. Sprinkle with icing sugar and decorate with red or green ribbons or bows.



pilot light
Greg Melikov

Nut cracking is art

Cracking nuts is an art, not a shell game, if you develop a technique. It has taken years to shed my heavy-handed manner.

Instead, I apply middle-of-the-road pressure to my nutcracker, which doubles as a garlic press, to achieve almost perfect results. I say "almost" because it is impossible to remove the nuts whole every crack.

Placement of the nut is important, too. The almond, for instance, must stand long ends to cracker before squeezing. Again, you must watch the pressure, but the whole nut should come out more often than not. I like to use almonds with vegetables. But when the recipe calls for slivered or halved almonds, I buy them already packaged.

The most difficult to crack — not counting the chestnut, which must be slit and boiled — is the Brazil nut. The three-sided brown nut, which resembles a section of orange, requires heavy pressure, plus a pick, to free the solid, oily white meat. It goes great in rice stuffing.

THE EASIEST nut to crack is the filbert. That's because the small nut is round and in one piece. I can crack a half dozen and digest the sweet meat in a minute. I just may squirrel some away to try in stuffing.

English walnuts, probably most everyone's favorite next to the peanut, is tricky. At best, it's a crack-or-miss proposition. But if you place the seams where the cracker meets the nut and apply a quick squeeze, the nut is yours at least in two halves. Walnuts are great in salads or stew.

I left the pecan off my list because it seems the only time I buy them is on vacation — from roadside stands or gift stores. My wife loves them; I don't. She has failed, however, to devise a fool-proof way to get them out perfectly halved. I may give it a try in a weak moment.

Here are some other nutty ideas:

- Garnish baked squash or sweet potatoes with chopped pecans.
- Top fresh vegetables with slivered almonds.
- Use walnut halves or quarters in salads other than Waldorf.
- Stir-fry almonds in chicken-vegetable dishes.
- Try peanuts in tuna casserole.
- Roll chopped walnuts or pecans into party cheese balls.
- Put chopped chestnuts in turkey stuffing.
- Ground any variety of nuts in a blender or food processor and mix with softened cream cheese for appetizers — bread spread, celery filling or dip.

Holiday foods tempting for diabetics

Pumpkin pies, candy canes, fudge, eggnog — these and other traditional holiday treats can pose special problems for the 10 to 12 million people in the United States who are struggling with diabetes.

Diabetes is a condition in which the body does not produce enough insulin to help utilize the sugars that are eaten. Diabetic patients must monitor and adjust their diets, daily exercise and activities and insulin intake vigorously. But the holiday season can be a prime time for non-compliance. Peer pressure and the temptation of traditional foods make it difficult for the diabetic patient, who must eat specific foods at

specific times.

Doctors recommend that the diabetic consult his doctor or dietitian to learn how to exchange special holiday foods for other foods. By enlisting the aid of one's family for cooking and for cleaning up after holiday meals, the diabetic can reduce the temptation to snack and sample.

Some diabetics who are well-controlled are able to work an occasional alcoholic drink into their diets. As these drinks can account for 10 percent of daily caloric intake and offer no nutritional value, the diabetic should consult his physician for advice on how to fit drinks into his meal plan. The diabetic

should avoid very sugary drinks totally.

With the advent of colder weather and the excitement of the holidays, it is easy for the diabetic to slip out of his exercise program. Diabetics should work exercise into the busiest of days by walking instead of riding, taking the stairs rather than the elevator, performing regular chores more quickly and doing light exercises while watching TV.

Attending a late dinner party can pose a problem for the diabetic. Doctors may recommend a light snack at the regular meal time.

If holiday plans include travel, there



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Underwriters Laboratories Inc. urges you to follow these kitchen safety tips for a safer holiday season:

Save and reread operating instructions for rarely used appliances. You may have forgotten something important.

Turn off and unplug all appliances when not in use.

Never plug in more than one high-wattage appliance (hot plate, microwave oven, deep fat fryer) into a single receptacle or circuit.

Use extension cords that are properly rated for the appliances' wattage. Using a low-wattage extension cord with a hot plate, for example, could cause the cord to overheat.

Don't leave the oven door open — kids may use it to climb up onto the stove, and adults are likely to trip over it.

Don't let cords dangle over the coun-

ter or table. A child could pull a deep fat fryer or coffee maker down on himself.

Use caution when carving meat with an electric knife. Unplug it before you take the blades out to clean them.

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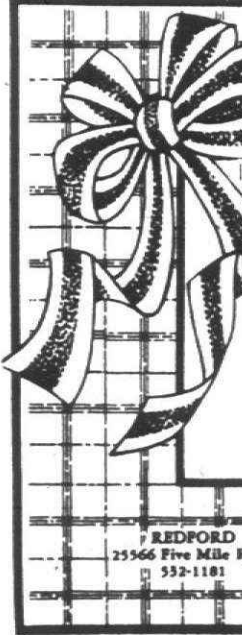
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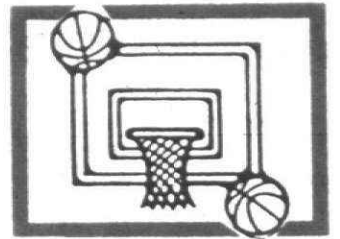
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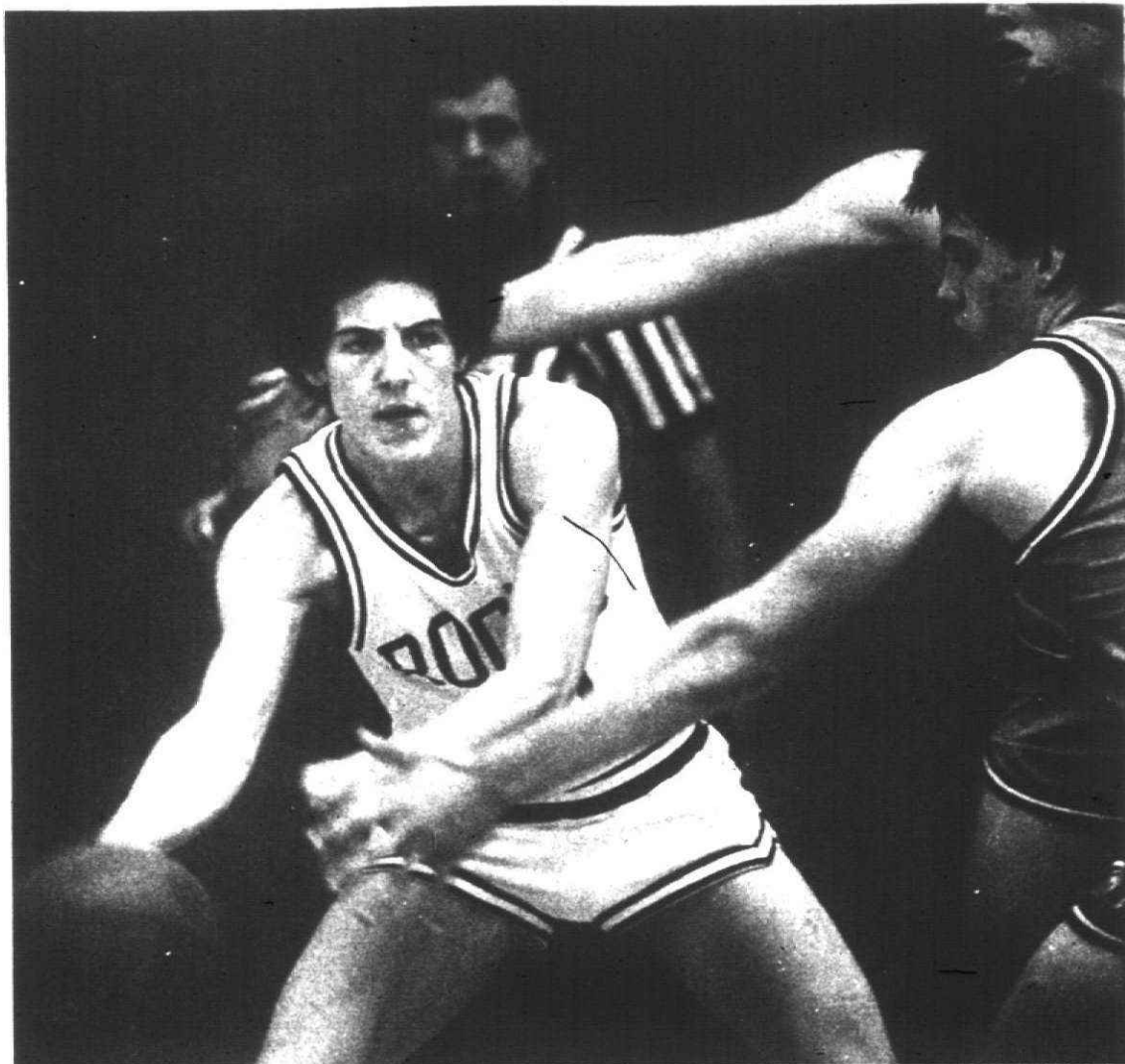
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Rocks stave off Spartans; Chiefs fall



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Mike Hale, 6-4 junior, led Plymouth Salem to victory over Livonia Stevenson Friday with a 20-point scoring performance. The Rocks will enter 1986 with a 4-1 record.

By Steve Kowalski
staff writer

Because of his team's height advantage, Plymouth Salem basketball coach Bob Brodie expects opposing teams to press the Rocks.

But after a 58-47 win over Livonia Stevenson Friday night, Salem's opposition may opt for a different strategy.

Salem used the three-guard tandem of Paul Makara, Bryan Kears and reserve Tony Moore to foil Stevenson's full-court press. To make matters worse for the Spartans, every time Salem passed half court, 6-foot-6 Antonio Diaz or 6-3 Mike Hale were there waiting for the easy two points.

"Because of us being oversized, it hurt us," Stevenson coach Jim McIntyre said. "If we don't get a tap or a turnover before half court with our quickness, then their 6-8 (actually 6-6) kid is going to end up with the ball. We had guys 6-2 trying to block kids that are 6-8. If you're 6-8 and can't put in a lay up, then what's the sense of being in there?"

DIAZ SCORED nine of his 15 points in the second half for the Rocks. He also contributed seven rebounds and blocked five shots.

Impressive numbers from Brodie's standpoint, especially when you consider that Salem played without its other 6-6 starter, Tom D'Angelo, who missed the game with the flu.

"Antonio played through his tiredness," Brodie said. "He had been sharing a lot of time with Tom (D'Angelo) before today. Tonight he definitely came to play."

Hale led a balanced scoring attack with 20 points, followed by Diaz with 15. Guards Moore and Makara scored eight and seven points, respectively, for the Rocks.

Salem's win increases its record to 4-1 on the year, while Stevenson drops to 1-4.

BRODIE CONTRIBUTED much of Salem's success Friday to its guards, who were responsible for getting the ball to Hale and Diaz.

"We expected the press because we are so big," Brodie said. "When you break the press, it sometimes snaps the backs of the opposing team."

"We were very patient offensively and looked for scoring opportunities. Sometimes the best defense is to control the ball offensively because the other team can't score without the ball."

Salem, which led 30-23 at halftime, never trailed in the second half. The Rocks broke open a close game late in the second quarter with a 13-6 scoring spurt.

Hale and Diaz combined for 11 of Salem's third-quarter points as the Rocks increased their lead to 11, 44-33.

The Spartans cut Salem's lead to five, 44-39 with six minutes remaining in the fourth quarter after a free throw by Chip Finneran, but Salem responded, scoring seven unanswered points to take its biggest lead of the game, 51-39, with just over four minutes remaining in the game.

Finneran led Stevenson in scoring with 12 points, followed by guard Jim Kimble, who chipped in 11.

CHURCHILL 48, CANTON 46: Ah, fate — what a rascal.

Livonia Churchill's fate has been that of tremendous fortune, while Plymouth Canton's has been the exact

opposite. Churchill, 3-2, has won three games by a total of five points. Canton, 0-5, has lost its last three games by five points.

Friday night, the Chiefs had three shots to tie the game in the final seconds. The shot fell.

With 25 seconds left, Churchill led 45-44 and was at the free throw line. The Chargers nipped Ken Gendja but he missed the shot and was fouled — three-point play.

Canton's Dan Gendja cut the lead to 48-46 with a jump shot with 15 seconds left.

After Churchill missed another free throw, Canton missed three shots in the final 10 seconds.

The Chiefs led 2-6 after a half, but Churchill outscored Canton 16-8 in the third quarter to assume control.

"Tom (Canton coach Tom Niemi) tried to pull us out of our zone in the third quarter," said Churchill coach Don Albertson. "I thought they had been doing pretty well. Trying to pull us out seemed to get their kids out of synch a little bit."

Mickey Katschor, Andy Oliver and Brian O'Leary scored 10 points each for Churchill. Gendja finished with nine.

Young led Canton with 10 and Tyrone Reeves added eight.

Eagles off to fast start

The Plymouth Christian basketball team is off to a 3-0 start this season, thanks to thrilling wins against Southfield Christian and Troy Zion last week.

Last Saturday, the Eagles posted a 68-66 win at Southfield Christian. Brothers Pat and Jim McCarthy led the way with 29 and 25 points, respectively.

Friday night, the Eagles had to overcome another brother act in beating Troy Zion 50-48. Tom Middleton scored 19 and brother Chuck hit for 16 for

Troy, but it wasn't enough.

With the game tied at 48, Plymouth Christian held the ball for better than a minute. With less than 30 seconds left to play, Pat McCarthy shot and missed and a Troy player grabbed the rebound.

Plymouth Christian's Andy Stephens alertedly batted the ball away to teammate Steve Windle who scored the winning basket at the buzzer.

Stephens scored 17 to lead the Eagles. Jim McCarthy added 10.

Snow ball: Softball junkies take game indoors

By Tom Henderson
staff writer

When the wind is ripping along with a skin-freeze factor of 25 below, when the snow is drifting, the furnaces are cranking and cars grow old overnight and die, when winter hits with the fury of an army storming a beach, it's time for some to think of Santa, for others to plan their trips south, and for others to play ball.

Play ball? Yes, to the tune of *Silver Bells*. "It's softball time in the city," Or, rather, township.

The wind was howling Wednesday night. Furnaces cranked, cars died and the boys from Trenton and Southgate were banging out the home runs at the Oasis Golf Dome in Plymouth.

AND A weird game it was. Pop flies went for home runs, if they didn't go too high and bounce off the roof and into the glove of a waiting fielder for an out. Foul balls caromed off the sloping side walls and landed either in a glove for an out or on the field of play for a hit.

"It's sort of like wallyball," said Jeff Allen of the R.L. Polk team from Taylor, referring to a tennis-like game with walls. This is softball with walls.

Batters walked on three balls and fanned on two strikes. And the lights — what there were of them — cast eerie shadows as they filtered through the silky material of the air-blown dome.

But, the grass was green, alive despite the frigid tundra surrounding the dome, and the air was filled with the

ping of ball against aluminum bat and the wonderful chatter of "way to rip!", "keep your eyes on the ball!", and, over and over, "get outta here! GET OUTTA HERE! YEAHHHHH!!!!"

IT WAS, IN SHORT, softball. The drug of softball, if you will. And softball junkies from throughout Wayne County — the ones who aren't satisfied with playing at places like the Canton Softball Center or Softball City from April till November — go there to get their fix, to keep their batting eyes sharp and swings level and their arms strong.

The ones like Allen, or his teammate at second base, Lonnie Grantham, a Walled Lake resident who played on the varsity baseball team at Central

before graduating in 1980.

"You got to be a little crazy," said Grantham, laughing. "I was telling somebody: I got it all mixed up. I'm playing hockey outside in Ann Arbor and softball inside. It doesn't make any sense. It should be the other way around, hockey inside and softball outside."

"We play in the summer and fall together. And when the opportunity came up — one of the guys at work heard about it — we signed up," explained Allen. "This is a first for me. It's kind of nuts, but it's fun."

INDOOR SOFTBALL is the brainchild of Joe Paglino, an east-sider who wanted to keep involved in athletics after being released by the Chicago

White Sox in 1984 after a couple of years of Class A ball in the minor leagues.

"By day Paglino is an analyst for Campbell-Ewald, an advertising agency. By night, he does what they said couldn't be done — run a successful indoor softball league in Michigan in the winter."

"I started four years ago at a golf dome in Madison Heights. We didn't know what to expect," said Paglino. "It was even smaller there and so dark you could hardly see. People thought I was crazy."

So crazy that the Madison Heights operation was soon booked solid six nights a week. So crazy that the golf dome in Plymouth asked him to start leagues there, too. So crazy that in its first season, the dome is booked solid, too, with eight-team leagues going from Sunday to Friday, from 8 p.m. till 1 a.m.

THEY COME to Plymouth from Dearborn, Taylor, Livonia, Canton, Northville, Inkster, Wixom, Walled Lake, Farmington Hills, Riverview,

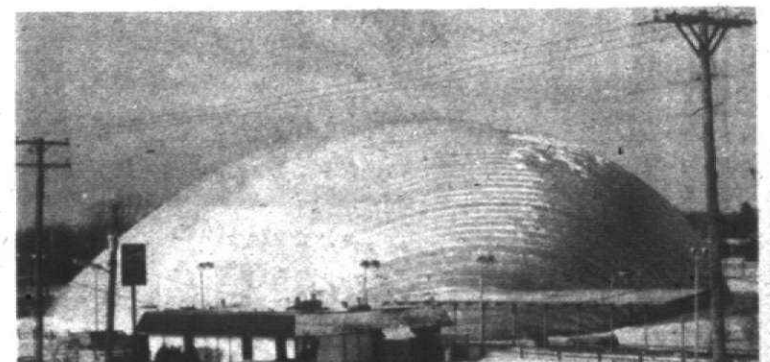
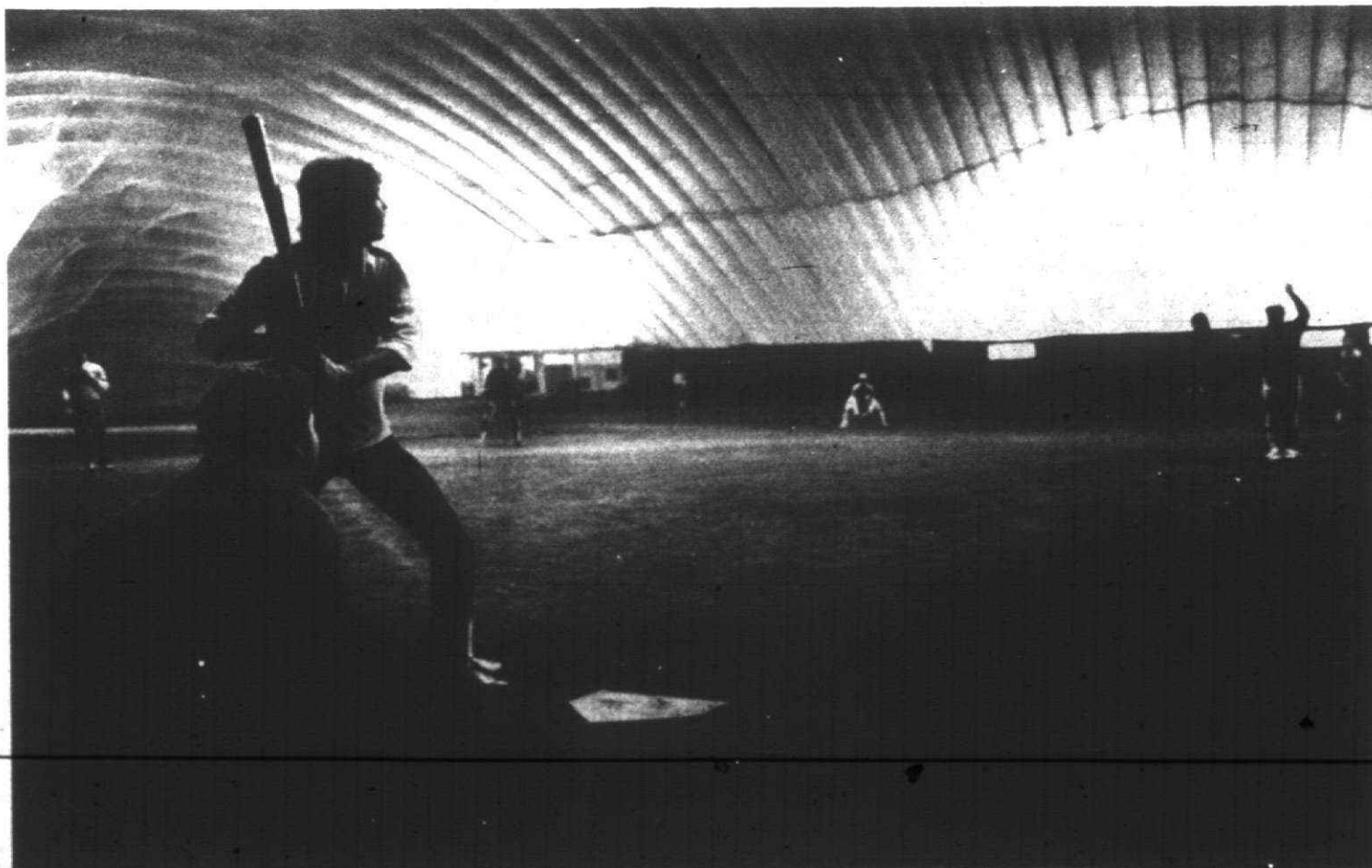
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It doesn't matter that the fences are just 260 feet to left and right and only 240 or so to center or that the top of the dome is just 80 feet away. It doesn't matter that the entry fees are rather stiff by summertime standards — \$260 down per team and an additional \$65 per picnic per game. (You don't have to heat millions of cubic feet of air in the summer.)

"It's still cheaper than going out bowling," said Paglino, who leases the space from the Oasis Golf Dome. "Besides, other places charge for umpires and balls and parking. We take care of everything here."

"Hey, you're talking about guys who'll do anything to swing a bat," he said. "Come March they're all loose and ready for the season. They've got a head start."

Behind him R.L. Polk is wheeling the bases like crazy, alternating with Southgate Ford, which does a lot of wheeling of its own. Final score: 19-16, for Polk. Two more teams are waiting to go. Play ball.



Housed inside the giant bubble west of I-275 at Five Mile is a softball junkie's dream-come-true: a place to play while the snow falls. Plenty of teams are signing up to get in on the winter fun, too.

Photos by Rick Smith

Messner girds for Fiesta

Ex-CC star leery of Nebraska option run

By C.J. Rieak
staff writer

There are two kinds of football players. Those who do and those who don't. Every member of University of Michigan's football team possesses potential. Some have more than others, but they all have a goodly amount or they wouldn't be at U-M in the first place.

Potential isn't the question with these athletes. Realizing potential is. Some perform beyond their talents while others squander their chance to excel.

It's potential that makes sports unpredictable. Not even the most astute coach can be sure how — or if — a talent will blossom.

Which explains why U-M was so lightly regarded entering the football season. Too many question marks on a team that was 500 the previous season, experts reasoned when they left the Wolverines unranked in preseason polls.

A 9-1-1 record, four points shy of an unbeaten season, proved the experts wrong. So did several players who developed faster than expected.

MARK MESSNER, the sophomore (freshman eligibility) from Redford (Catholic Central), was unproven entering the season. Worse, Messner was not big as defensive linemen go (6-foot-3½, 245 pounds). He won a starting position in spring drills but how well he'd fare in that role was uncertain at best.

Messner exceeded expectations. His quickness made him a terror to opposing quarterbacks. He topped the Wolverines in sacks with 11 for a negative 92 yards, and was second to Mike Hammerstein, U-M's All-American lineman, in tackles for losses with 13.

If Messner was unknown prior to the season, he's attracted attention since. The Associated Press made Messner

third team All-America and first team All-Big Ten.

Messner's reaction was genuine surprise. "I said, 'Oh, my goodness. This isn't supposed to happen to a young kid like me,'" he said.

It did, and Messner credited his linemate. "A lot of it had to do with Hammerstein. Opposing teams looked at him, challenged him, double-teamed him. That opened things up for me," he said.

MESSNER TOOK full advantage of those opportunities. Combined with Hammerstein and noseguard Billy Harris, the Wolverines pressured quarterbacks constantly and recorded 42 sacks. The three linemen had 23 of those.

Messner's quickness proved to be his greatest attribute against the pass-oriented Big Ten opponents. But as the Wolverines approach a New Year's Day date in the Fiesta Bowl against University of Nebraska, it's clear to Messner a different task confronts him.

"The only thing that worries me is a big, strong running team," he said. "I'm not that big, my strength has been my quickness."

Nebraska is a big, strong option-running team. "Option teams come right at the tackle," noted Messner, which means offensive linemen 20 to 30 pounds heavier will be going right at Messner.

"I've got to get around them, I can't tangle with them, that's for sure," he said. "They are a big team. But we stress that the low man wins, which means if we can get underneath (their blockers), we can make the play."

THE BIG TEN used to be renowned for its power-running option attacks, but since the conference rediscovered the forward pass those type of offenses are almost non-existent. The only option-style attacks U-M has encountered



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Mark Messner, former All-Observer standout from CC, was named to the third team AP All-American team this season. His U-M team will take on Nebraska New Year's Day.

This season belong to Minnesota, South Carolina and Maryland.

To beat the Cornhuskers, the Wolverines will have to outmuscle them. They'll have to battle them strength against strength.

Can they? That's what we've got to find out. "They are a big team, which means if we can get underneath (their blockers), we can make the play."

"But we haven't faced a strong running team like this. I'd feel better if Nebraska was throwing the ball 30 or 40 times. If you can stop Nebraska from running, you're doing the job."

A SIZABLE amount of the responsibility to harness Nebraska's runners rests with Messner and his linemates. Messner plans to pressure the Cornhusker quarterback on option plays. "Make him think quick, and hopefully make him make a mistake" — and he wants to use his quickness to disrupt their blocking schemes.

Messner is confident he can accomplish both. He's just as confident U-M will win the game, despite the Wolverines' record of futility in bowl games.

"I think we can beat anybody in the nation right now," he said. "We just have to be in the right state of mind from running, you're doing the job."

"Once you get your confidence, you feel like you can roll over the world."

Salem unbeaten; Canton struggles

The Plymouth Salem wrestling team ran its dual meet record to 4-0 Wednesday with a convincing 52-13 win against Walled Lake Central.

Todd Bourlier (98), Fred Calma (105), Kevin Freeman (126), Dave Dameron (132), Chris Rye (145), and Jamie Woodhuk (198) all scored pins for the Rocks.

Dennis Dameron (112), Tim Ott (119) and Eric Schnackel (145) won on decisions and heavyweight Richard Johnson won his match by default.

PLYMOUTH CANTON continues to struggle in the early going, losing to Walled Lake Western Wednesday 53-33.

The Chiefs are now 1-4 on the season. "Walled Lake Western is a pretty solid team," said Canton coach Rick Menoch. "They're returned everyone from last year."

The Warriors won nine of the 13 weight classes.

Tim Barley (126) and Tony Callaway (heavyweight) scored pins for the Chiefs, while Dave Dunford (119) and Tom Flores (98) won on decisions.

FARMINGTON HARRISON could not overcome the 24 points it gave away to Livonia Franklin Wednesday, losing 39-34.

The Hawks (0-4) won six of the nine

wrestling

bouts wrestled but gave up six points in four weight classes because of a manpower shortage.

"The kids that are out are doing real well," said first-year Harrison coach Earl Hall.

Four Hawk grapplers in particular are performing well. Steve Palajac scored a six-point technical fall (20-3 decision) against Franklin's Doug Horezko at 98 pounds.

At 105, Cliff Alcantara pinned Jeff Horn in 1:04.

Pat Dugas, wrestling at 167, stuck Wally Brown in 1:16. And at 185, Pat McFadden pinned Glen Ploch in 2:59.

Those four were standouts at the Ferndale Invitational Saturday. Alcantara and Dugas were each meet champions, each pinning all three of their foes. Palajac and McFadden placed second.

The Hawks placed seventh out of eight teams.

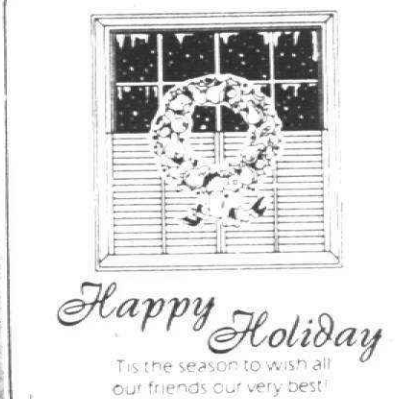
Other Harrison winners against Franklin were Buddy Martin (138) and Mark Bonasso (198).

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Buzzer shot wins for Lady Ocelots

Colleen McKay's driving layup with 15 seconds left in overtime provided Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team with the winning margin, 69-67, over Kalamazoo Valley Community College Wednesday at Schoolcraft.

The game was tight throughout, with KVCC holding a 26-24 lead at the half and Schoolcraft up 59-57 in the final seconds of regulation. Dawn Thomas' basket with four seconds on the clock tied it for KVCC at 59 to force overtime.

The Lady Ocelots worked the ball inside in the extra period and the strategy worked for a three-point play by Sue Lubbe, two baskets and three more free throws. After McKay's final basket, KVCC missed but got another chance with five seconds left because of a Schoolcraft violation.

Lady Ocelot coach Ed Kavanaugh switched to a person-to-person defense for KVCC's inbound play after playing zone most of the game, and the move worked, forcing a 30-foot shot by Lisa Campbell at the buzzer that missed.

McKay led all scorers with 20 points. Lubbe chipped in 18 and Becky Toszywak, a Livonia La-dywood grad, netted 16. Tonya Stutz bagged 18 and Thomas had 14 for KVCC.

Schoolcraft (6-2) will host a four-team holiday tournament Sunday and Monday.

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