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## Trustees nix reorganization plan

By Diane Gale  
staff writer

Canton Supervisor James Poole tried to dismantle a department following disputes with the director.

The Canton Township Board of Trustees, in a 4-3 vote at Tuesday's meeting, said Poole couldn't make those changes.

However, Poole indicated some of those changes would go into effect anyway.

Community and Economic Development Director Dave Nicholson and Poole have been at odds over a number of issues. But a directive by Poole reorganizing the department

came as a surprise to most of Nicholson's staff.

Poole's memo was dated Aug. 6 and was to go into effect Aug. 8.

The reorganization calls for the assistant community and economic development director, David Schneider, to report directly to Poole, as opposed to reporting first to his immediate supervisor, Nicholson.

"With the consent of the Merit Commission the current title of assistant CED director will be changed to planner and the job description changed," Poole's memo said. "The Planner will attend staff meetings."

The change also calls for a transfer of five community and economic

development staffers to the building/ordinance department.

Community and economic development would then consist of Nicholson and a secretary.

AT THE END of 120-180 days "it is my intent to transfer the planning staff to a separate and independent department," Poole's memo said.

After the meeting Poole said he would deal directly with Schneider who would be told to attend staff meetings. Schneider declined to comment, and said he did not want to get caught up "in the politics of this."

Poole said he was prompted to

make the changes by "citizens, employees, staff people, two elected officials and a number of attorneys."

Nicholson declined to comment for the record about problems between himself and Poole. However,

he described his professional relationship with the supervisor as "strained."

Some community and economic development staff also declined to be quoted, however, they said they

were content with the operation of the department before Poole's changes.

A motion killing Poole's resolu-

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## Sponsorship of fest may be up in the air

By Diane Gale  
staff writer

Canton trustees don't think Canton gets enough in return for sponsoring the balloon festival.

The Mayflower Hotel Balloon Festival was launched in Plymouth and in recent years held in Plymouth Township. Canton became host for the first time in 1985 following a dispute between festival organizers and Plymouth Township officials.

"I personally do not feel that our sponsorship has resulted in sufficiently improved Canton public relations or in Canton commercial enhancement for us to continue as a sponsor," Canton Treasurer Gerald Brown wrote in a letter to the Canton Township Board of Trustees.

The board named a three-member committee to meet with balloon festival sponsor and Mayflower Hotel general manager Scott Lorenz to

"resolve problems."

Lorenz was out of the country last week and could not be reached for comment.

Supervisor James Poole noted the township spent less than \$3,000 this year for police, fire and public works services. Next year Canton will probably "spend even less," Poole said.

CANTON DOESN'T net enough attention in media releases for the event, the trustees said.

"I would at least think we could call it the Canton-Plymouth community," Trustee Bob Padgett said.

"I think it has a tremendous potential."

Brown said: "While I am a strong advocate of business success, I question our involvement, as a government unit, toward that end. Are we ready for the Canton Township/Meijer Weekend, the Canton Town-

ship/Budgetet Sleepathon, etc., with financial involvement?"

Chuhnan echoed those remarks.

"If a Canton business wants to have a kite flying contest will we, in turn, do the same for every business," she said. "Where is the limit?"

Brown also opposed the refusal of non-profit civic groups to have concessions on the grounds.

"This year's observations confirmed my former suspicions; namely, that this festival will never succeed as a Canton event," Brown said.

This year Canton's cost for the balloon festival was: police, \$1,466; fire department, \$462; and the department of public works, \$957, according to a memo dated July 17 from Police Chief John Santomauro to the Canton Township Board of Trustees.

Brown, Chuhnan and Padgett volunteered to meet with Lorenz.

## Policy revision targets student troublemakers

By Kevin Brown  
staff writer

A revised policy encouraging more effective handling of disruptive students was approved by the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education Monday.

The board also approved a pay raise for substitute teachers, and hired a professional consulting firm to provide services for employees who may report personal problems.

FOLLOWING A year of study, a group of school administrators, principals, counselors and other staff recommended the policy on disruptive students.

"It is clear that frequent and repetitive disruptions... have a detrimental effect not only on their learning opportunities but on the learning opportunities of the remainder of students as well," the policy states.

"The simple fact of the matter is we haven't had a broad policy that

covered these things," said Michael Homes, assistant superintendent for instruction.

Once disruptive students are identified, programs are applied to modify a student's behavior or environment, or the student is removed from the classroom.

Because problems may originate in the student's home, the policy continues, efforts will be made to involve some families in therapy using school district staff or staff outside the educational system.

The policy identifies a disruptive student as one who over time repeatedly violates school rules, who infringes on the rights of other students, and who is unwilling to change misbehavior.

THE BOARD ALSO approved a raise in daily pay for substitute teachers from \$43 to \$45, and from \$48 to \$50 per day for extended time.

Trustee Dean Swartzwelder said the increase would allow the school

district to better compete with other districts for qualified substitutes. According to school administration, the district will still be paying substitutes less than most area districts.

Dick Egli, administrative assistant for community relations, said the raise would cost the district an estimated \$18,000 in 1986-87.

Also Monday, the board approved a contract with Personal Performance Consultants Inc. to work with staff who may report substance abuse, emotional or family problems.

"When you have 1,500 people, you're going to have some of them with problems," Egli said.

Cost of the program is \$34,400 annually.

Administrators supporting the program say increased employee efficiency will be worth the cost of the program, which also can be extended to employees' families.

Egli said the program will be reviewed quarterly, "to see if it's being used."



John Schwartz takes care watering plants in his greenhouse.

BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

## Community spirit is source of inspiration

By Diane Gale  
staff writer

A habit John Schwartz developed in grade school stuck.

He and some pals wanted to play baseball so they solved the problem by organizing a league.

"If we wanted to do anything we had to do it ourselves."

Along the years Schwartz, 62, has filled a lot of needs. And he gives the same reason for being involved in local groups.

"I always thought it was a great opportunity to help the community," Schwartz said of his work on the Canton Country Festival. "It's a community-spirit type of thing."

"I like what I'm doing," Schwartz said with a quick chuckle.

He helped establish the original festival when it was a chicken barbecue and helped nurture it to a full-blown carnival and multifaceted annual event.

A couple of weeks ago Schwartz, who has long been in charge of the festival grounds, announced he will not return to the board next year.

THE LONG HOURS Schwartz devoted to the festival were obvious as he unrolled his pencil-drawn blueprints of the festival grounds.

"I still enjoy it but I was running

### people

out of time for my business," Schwartz said with a smile that seemed etched on his face.

His community spirit goes deeper than most.

Schwartz was born in the same house in which he and wife, Mary, raised their two children — David, a Ford Motor Co. engineer, and Amy, a division supervisor for a medical and marketing research company based on the west coast.

His business roots also are deep.

In 1946 he and his parents started Schwartz's Greenhouse on the west side of Lilley south of Joy. Mary runs the adjoining Schwartz's Greenhouse Shop. The greenhouse, shop and house are on the same 10-acre lot.

Clad in a green workshirt, heavy black shoes, baggy jeans and a cap that topped his short-cropped hair, Schwartz seemed at peace among neat rows of plants in the greenhouse.

Outside, Schwartz stopped the conversation and pointed to a rabbit hopping in the field. Though a common sight for him, he watched

until it was out of sight.

Although he can log 70 to 80 hours during festival week, Schwartz still has time for other groups. He loves to take on a cause.

SCHWARTZ'S MOST recent

cause was the passage of the library millage last week. The tax ensures a library soon will be built in Canton.

"What's my interest?"

"I'm probably one of the loudest customers," said Schwartz, a library board member. "But I don't have time to go up there a lot."

"It's in the interest of the community, and I'm interested in the community," Schwartz said.

This year Schwartz is treasurer of the Canton Chamber of Commerce. In 1980-81 he served as president of the group and spearheaded an effort to reduce restrictions on free-standing signs in the township's ordinance.

He won that fight, too.

Schwartz also served as charter president of Canton Rotary. He talks excitedly about a recent substance abuse program launched by Rotary.

The World War II veteran also helped establish the Mayflower-Lt.

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## Canton plans beefed-up patrols

By Diane Gale  
staff writer

The number of police cars on Canton roads during peak hours will rise from four to seven.

That's just one of many changes in the Canton Police Department.

New 12-hour shifts and the recent hiring of six civilian police service personnel free officers for patrol.

The civilian police, hired and trained late last month, will dispatch cars, process prisoners, pick up and transport animals, direct traffic and handle lockouts among other duties.

"Now we can assign additional officers to patrol to decrease the response time and increase visibility," said Police Chief John Santomauro.

"Our top priority is to have police officers on the street."

Civilian personnel will be paid \$16,500 to \$19,000 depending on length of service.

THE 12-HOUR shifts began this week and will be evaluated by Canton management and the police union after 60 days to assess its impact.

Officers will be scheduled three days on, four days off, four days on and three days off. Previously the department had three eight-hour shifts.

"Departments that have gone on the 12-hour shifts said it increased officers' productivity, decreased sick time, limited overtime and in-

creased morale," Santomauro said. "The leave time allows you to recharge."

If the long days lead to a "burn-out" factor then we don't want it," said Dan Durack, personnel director.

ANOTHER MAJOR change is the new process used to promote officers to sergeant.

Earlier this month five officers were promoted through the program, commonly referred to as an assessment center.

The assessment center was conducted by Bartell and Bartell Ltd., a consulting firm based in Pennsylvania. It cost the township about \$6,000.

The old system called for a writ-

ten test counting 70 percent, with oral exams and performance counting 15 percent each. This process generally cost about \$1,000, Durack said.

"It's certainly more expensive up-front but the assessment process will more than pay for itself in the long run in assuring the best people for the position are chosen," Durack said.

The assessment center entails a psychological review to determine if the officer has the right personality type for the supervisory role. Officers are also asked to take part in written and oral role playing to show their reaction to different situations.

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## for your information

### HOST FAMILIES WANTED

Host families are desperately needed for several European exchange students who will arrive here in late August. These 16-18-year-old Dutch, Spanish and German men speak English, have spending money and are covered by medical insurance. They are sponsored by the American Institute for Foreign Study Scholarship Foundation, a tax-exempt educational association that is certified to place exchange students at Plymouth Centennial Educational Park. For more information, contact the local coordinator, Kennon Griffing, at 459-8049.

### SUMMER FUN

"Summer Fun" is the theme for the special exhibits in the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main, now through Sept. 7. The exhibit includes a sea shell collection from around the world, fishing equipment from the 1920s, Coca-Cola items, such as an 1895 urn used for Coke syrup, trays used during the 1920s and 1930s depicting clothes and important events of those years. Santa memorabilia and other items. Plymouth Historical Museum is open to the public 1-4 p.m. Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. Admission charged.

### HELPING ADULTS READ

Plymouth-Canton Community Education can help adults read. For more information about Adult Basic Education, call 451-6553 or 451-6660. Open enrollment. Students can begin classes at any time.

### SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

Preparatory special education services for children 5 and younger are available through Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. If you have a child who may be mentally or emotionally impaired, has a physical or visual disability, a hearing or speech impairment or learning disability, call the Infant and Preschool Special Education Program at Farrand Elementary School, 451-6610, for information.

### HEAD START RECRUITING

Plymouth-Canton Head Start is recruiting children for the 1986-87 school year. The program is sponsored by the school district and the federal government at no charge. Children must be 3 or 4 years old on or before Dec. 1, 1986, and income eligible. The program is at Central Middle School.

Four-year-olds attend morning classes four days a week and a limited number will be served in a Home Visit program. Breakfast and lunch are served each day and bus transportation is provided on an established route.

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Three-year-olds can qualify in a special-needs category to be part of a Home Visit program in which visits are made to the home one day a week.

Income status involves receiving public assistance or having an annual income of no more than \$11,000 for a family of four. Students also may be eligible if they are a foster child or can qualify in a handicapped category. Those interested may call 451-6656.

### PLUS PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Pre-registrations are being accepted for 4-year-olds in the free PLUS preschool program offered by Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. Children must be 4 on or before Dec. 1, 1986, to attend classes in the fall of 1986.

Two half-day sessions are offered — one with a parent attending a concurrent parent education class. Many joint parent/child activities are planned. Children's activities are planned as readiness for their school's kindergarten program.

PLUS is sponsored by the school district and is financed by a federal grant. Children must live in the attendance areas of Gallimore, Field, Farrand, Erickson and Tanager elementary schools. Classes are held at Central Middle School. Registration may be made at local elementary schools.

More information and phone registration may be made by calling PLUS at 451-6556.

### NEW MORNING OPENINGS

New Morning School, 14501 Hagerty, Plymouth Township, has a few openings left for the fall of 1986 in the Monday-Wednesday preschool, early primary, elementary, and middle school. For information, call 420-3331 between 9 a.m. and noon.

### WILLOW CREEK CO-OP NURSERY

Willow Creek Co-op Nursery, in Geneva Presbyterian Church, 5835 Sheldon, Canton, has several openings for 3-year-old boys and girls for the fall of 1986. For more information, call Nancy Schenkel at 459-9540.

### NEW HORIZONS DAY CARE

A day-care center, New Horizons for Children, is being operated in Plymouth by the Plymouth Church of the Nazarene. The day care center, for children age 18 months to 4 years old, is on Ann Arbor Road west of Sheldon and east of Pioneer Middle School. For information, call Debbie Brown, director, at 459-3196.

### RAINBOW CHILD CARE

The Friendly Rainbow Child Care & Learning Center is accepting registration for fall sessions. Classes

are available for children ages 2 1/2 to 12. The center, 42290 Five Mile at Bradner in Plymouth, provides child care, preschool experiences, drop-in and after-school programs. Experiences are varied according to age and ability. For information, call Markita Gottschalk or Janet Mason at 420-0495 and 420-0489.

### NEW HORIZONS

New Horizons, a sharing exchange for mothers, will meet the second and fourth Fridays of each month 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Faith Moravian Community Church, 46001 Warren west of Canton Center Road. For information, call Mary at 455-8221.

### PARENT/CHILD GUIDE PROGRAMS

If you like camping, canoeing, making crafts, and learning about American Indians, you will like the Y Indian Guide programs. The charge of \$30 includes a family membership in the Plymouth Community Family YMCA.

The programs include: Indian Guides, fathers and sons, ages 5 and older; Indian Maidens, mothers and daughters, ages 5 and older; Indian Princesses, fathers and daughters, ages 5 and older; Indian Braves, mothers and sons, ages 5 and older. Interested parents may come to the YMCA office at 248 S. Union, Plymouth, to sign up between 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For information, call 453-2904.

### YMCA LEADERS CLUB

The Plymouth Community Family YMCA is sponsoring a YMCA Leaders Club to help youth function as leaders or assistants. Many activities will be scheduled this year, such as campouts, community projects, fund-raising projects and trips. Needed are youth who want to expand their knowledge of the YMCA and have fun. For information, call 453-2904.

### EMERGENCY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Plymouth Township Office of Emergency Preparedness needs volunteers to be trained in skills that will be used during an emergency or disaster. Training includes damage assessment, shelter management, first aid, emergency operating center support, and service vehicle spotting.

Training meetings are held from 9 a.m. to noon on the fourth Saturday of each month in Plymouth Township Hall at Ann Arbor Road and Mill Township residency is not required. All training is free.

### WANTED: CIVIC RADIO HELP

Plymouth Area REACT Team is looking for members for emergency

radio communication (no experience necessary) and other community programs. All residents from Plymouth, Canton, Northville and surrounding areas are invited. The group meets at 8 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at Plymouth Township Hall, Mill at Ann Arbor Road. For more information, call 455-9609 or 453-7641.

### 'RIDE WITH US'

Plymouth Area Citizens Team program is made up of volunteers from Plymouth and surrounding communities who patrol the Plymouth area. The organization is looking for volunteers to devote one night (4-5 hours) per month to be the "eyes and ears" for the community. Those interested in going on an observation ride with a PACT member should call 459-2075.

### VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Growth Works Inc., 271 S. Main, Plymouth, is conducting volunteer recruitment and training to prepare volunteers for Crisis Phone intervention and phone line counseling.

The training covers communication, empathy listening, building and bonding relationships, brokerage skills, crisis intervention, depression management, loss and grief, alcohol and substance abuse and problem-solving methods.

Training is open to any interested person; no previous experience is

necessary. After the initial training program, it is required that volunteers make at least a six-month commitment to three nights per month. For further information and a training schedule, contact Sue Davis at 455-4902 from 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday.

### VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT

Canton Care Council, an affiliate of the Ann Arbor-based Community Councils Association, is seeking volunteers interested in enhancing the quality of life for nursing home residents.

Volunteers serve on the council, which meets once a month to plan social, service or educational activities for residents at Canton Care Center. The time commitment is three to six hours per month. For more information, contact Kathy Belisle at 981-2382.

### VETERANS PROGRAM EXTENDED

Area Vietnam-era and disabled veterans should be aware of recent changes affecting the Veterans Readjustment Appointments program. VRA is a federal hiring program providing special, non-competitive hiring of these veterans. Originally scheduled to expire Sept. 30, 1984, the program has been extended through Sept. 30, 1986, through passage of the Veterans Benefits Improvement Act. It is not expected

that the VRA program will be extended beyond that date.

In addition to extending the program, the act raised the entry grade level maximum from GS/WG-7 to GS/WG-9 and also provided limited appeal rights during the first year of appointment. A Vietnam-era or disabled veteran who has completed no more than 14 years of education may qualify for a VRA. This restriction may be waived for disabled veterans. For further information, interested veterans may call the local American Legion hotline at 453-9494 and leave a message regarding information desired.

### CANTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Canton Historical Society meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month in the Canton Historical Society Museum on Canton Center Road at Proctor.

### ORAL MAJORITY TOASTMASTERS

The Oral Majority Toastmasters is a club where members can learn how to express their ideas, opinions and aspirations at a weekly dinner meeting beginning 5:45 p.m. Tuesdays in the banquet room of Denny's restaurant at Ann Arbor Road and I-275 in Plymouth. For reservations or information, call Phyllis Sullivan at 455-1655.

## obituaries

### JUDY A. LANGER

Funeral services for Mrs. Langer, 43, of Canton were held recently in Lambert-Vermeulen Funeral Home in Plymouth with burial at Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth. Officiating was the Rev. William C. Moore.

Mrs. Langer, who died Aug. 9 in Oakwood Center, was born in Detroit and moved to Canton from Westland in 1976. She was a lab technician with Henry Ford and Oakwood hospitals and had received an award from Oakwood Hospital recognizing her outstanding work with the children there. She took her training as a lab technician in 1965 with the U.S. Air Force at Gunter AFB, Mississippi. She was a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church and of the Order of Eastern Star, Chapter 115.

Survivors include: husband, Edward; parents, Ila and Carl Marsee of Plymouth; son, Scott; sister, Barbara Korek of Colorado; brother, Dave Marsee of Plymouth.

### FRED CROWELL

Funeral services for Mr. Crowell, 77, of Obion, Tenn., were held recently in Cryer & Son Funeral Home in Obion with burial in Rosehill Cemetery. Officiating was the Rev. Joe Gardner.

Mr. Crowell, who died Aug. 5 in Obion City, was born in Obion County and was a former resident of Plymouth. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Obion where he served as deacon and Sunday School teacher. He served with the U.S. Army during World War II and was a retired maintenance employee with General Motors Corp.

Survivors include: wife, Lilly; daughter, Ruth Davis of Canton; brothers, Willie of Rives, Tenn., and Frank of Union City; and two grandchildren.

### VIOLA T. KNAUT

Funeral services for Mrs. Knaut, 77, of Westland were held recently in Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth, with burial at Glen Eden Cemetery. Officiating was the Rev. Ted Grothjohn.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church, Plymouth.

Mrs. Knaut, who died Aug. 6 in Wayne, was born in Farmington. Mrs. Knaut, a homemaker, was a resident of Westland and Wayne for more than 40 years. She is survived by sisters, Leonora Mahley of Livonia and Adeline Packer of Bradenton, Fla., and by several nieces and nephews.

# Summer fun and games at Fort d'Etoit

Fort Pontchartrain d'Etoit in the 1700s was not only the largest collection center in the Middle West for the fur trade, but it was the home port of an outstanding ball-playing group.

Enthusiasm for the sport the Indians called "Baggataway," and the French called "LaCrosse," was rampant in the Detroit colony through the 18th century.

This old Indian game was adopted and modified by the French, and everywhere the French went from Malay to Africa, from Versailles to America, many young Frenchmen carried his racquet and deerskin ball.

The shape of the implement or "racquet" used by the Indians to catch, carry, and throw the ball suggested a bishop's crozier (a crozier, so the stick itself became known as a "crozier").

The Indians spent a lot of time hunting for just the right wood with the necessary toughness and flexibility to make the "hits" worthwhile. The object of the game, like field games including football and soccer, was to project the ball over the "enemies' goal posts.

FROM THE HISTORICAL viewpoint it is interesting to note that long before 1492, when Columbus landed in the New World, Indians everywhere on this continent were playing so desperately that they literally gambled their lives away.

In the Detroit area along the Rouge River there used to be several huge Indian mounds not unlike those existing today along the Grand River at Grand Rapids and across from the mounds was the playing field.

Excavation revealed that those mounds contained many treasurers important to the early Indians of the Rouge Valley including four Baggataway crozier sticks. Today some of the contents of these earthworks are at the museum at Detroit's Fort Wayne and in the archeological collections of the University of Michigan. Others are lost to us forever. Broken beyond repair, or buried under tons of industrial steel, these ancient American treasures probably will never be brought to light.

Today the mounds along the Rouge are covered by a vast industrial complex known as the Rouge plant of the Ford Motor Co. There isn't a single marker or plaque anywhere in the area which says this is the place where the Indian lived.

In our entire area there is only one marker to an Indian Chief, and that is the bronze plaque commemorating Chief Tonquish. It may be found on the east side of Wayne Road just south of its intersection with Joy Road.

One of the great museums of this world, Henry Ford's Greenfield Village, is dedicated to memorabilia and artifacts of the white man's culture, but there are very few indications that this was once Indian territory. This was their land. They were here first. Why can't we remember that?

TO RETURN TO our theme — summer games in d'Etoit — it is interesting to know that LaCrosse is the oldest organized sport in North America, and the Indian sport of Baggataway was undoubtedly the oldest organized athletic sport in the world.

Baggataway antedated and was not unlike an ancient Roman ball game, and it was similar to the melus or mellays indigenous to ancient Britain. These games were the ancestral mold from which today's football probably came.

The Irish national sport of hurling, and the pattern of hockey games also arose from this ancient sport.

LaCrosse was played by the Six Nations of the Iroquois from the earliest time, and was very popular in upper New York state and in lower Ontario, particularly in the Detroit area.

Sometimes there were a thousand Indians on the field and the game could last for several days. The Cherokees called the game "the little brother of war." The Indians regarded it as excellent training for combat.

The LaCrosse field at d'Etoit extended for almost two miles along the Rouge River in front of the sacred mounds that were just across the stream. The game had a certain mystic significance and that is probably why the field was located so close to the mounds. It was there long before the French arrived.

The opening of the game was announced by special drums, as the players assembled to listen to the high priest who seemed to bless the occasion much as in the ancient Greek games. In Detroit, as in most other Indian centers, a complex ritual and solemn dance preceded the



Tonquish tales  
Helen Gilbert

game itself. Indians on government reservations today sometimes follow a similar ritual before the game begins. Many Indians are among the greatest LaCrosse players in the world today.

LET US RETURN to the Fort.



## Drug effort funded

Straight Inc., an organization devoted to helping young people overcome problems of drug abuse, recently received a boost with a financial contribution from Spartan Stores Inc., on Joy Road in Plymouth Township. Straight is this past year moved into a local office on Ann Arbor Road west of I-275. "Spartan Stores is proud to support the efforts of Straight Inc.," says Glen Haut (left), vice president of Spartan Stores. "As an active member in the community, Spartan recognizes the growing concern families face with substance abuse. Supporting Straight is an excellent opportunity to assist those families affected with this concern." The donation was accepted by Matt Murphy (right), director of Straight Inc., for Michigan, who used the occasion to discuss with Haut his agency's approach.

Many women went as spectators, and many watched their sons join their Indian friends in the classic struggle for the goal.

That evening the little streets of the fort were alive to the insistent tattoo of the drum as St. Sauveur, the garrison drummer, walked through the village. At each corner he shouted the news that tomorrow morning there would be Baggataway at Rouge Field.

There was a certain extra excitement in St. Sauveur's voice as he called out the good news. His usual tone was more matter-of-fact as he went his three weekly rounds of giving public notices, announcing public meetings, public auctions, and the known events of local and national importance.

St. Sauveur also was the local expert in drumming at the weekly dances. If a violinist was not available, St. Sauveur also accompanied the flying feet with cleverly manipulated bone clappers. His office as official drummer for the garrison, town caller, and musician for the dances was regarded with great respect.

The duty of giving public notices also was performed by a public bell ringer. After he had made his appointed rounds through the little village he returned to St. Anne's to post on the church door a written notice of the announced events. Unfortunately there were very few citizens who could read, and most of them used an X for a signature.

The next edition of Tonquish Tales will describe other recreational and social events which were important to the lives of the early Detroiters. Among them were quilling-bees, husking bees, smoking the calumet, visiting the main wharf when the big boats came in from Montreal, making brandy and wine, boating on the river, fishing, hunting, sleighing, and, most exciting of all, the Grand Prix of the 1700s racing through the village with fast Canadian ponies. Stay tuned for more summer fun ahead.

(In response to inquiries: the book Tonquish Tales is available at the Wicker Warehouse on Penniman Avenue in Plymouth and the Bookstore on Main in Northville. It also may be purchased at all Borders Book Stores or by writing Pilgrim Heritage Press, Box 473, Plymouth 48170.

## recreation news

### STREET DANCES

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring "Street Dances" from 7:30-9:30 p.m. every Friday through Aug. 29.

The dances, to be held in downtown Plymouth, are free and open to the public. Among the bands performing will be: Bob DuRant, Aug. 15, and Ron Jackson, Aug. 22.

### BALLET/TAP SIGN UP

Canton Parks and Recreation Department is conducting its ballet/tap classes registration on Saturday, Aug. 23, on the lower level of the Canton Township Administration Building on Canton Center Road south of Cherry Hill. New students may register 9-10 a.m. and returning students 10 a.m. to noon. The fee is \$8 per student registration with a \$2.75 cost per class. Children must be at least age 4 by Aug. 23 to register. There are limited openings for beginners. All openings are on a first-come basis. For exact classes offered or other information call 397-1000.

### CHAMBER GOLF OUTING

Canton Chamber of Commerce will have its annual golf outing Tuesday, Sept. 9, at Fellows Creek Golf Course. Registration will be at 8 a.m. with tee-off at 8:30 a.m.

Companies wishing to sponsor a hole may do so for \$165 which includes 18 holes of golf for four, cart, dinner, coffee-doughnuts, trophies, prizes, beer and pop. Donors must provide their own sign to be displayed at one of the tee areas.

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The deadline for pre-registration is Aug. 26. For information, call the Chamber at 453-4040.

### MEN'S RACQUETBALL

Canton Parks and Recreation is sponsoring its fall racquetball league for men starting Wednesday, Sept. 3. The league is divided into divisions based on player abilities. The organizational meeting will be held the first night of league play. The charge of \$76 for 13 weeks includes all court time and awards. League plays at 7:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. at Rose Shores of Canton. For information call 397-1000.

### 3-ON-3 BASKETBALL

The City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department will be offering 3-on-3 Basketball League this year Monday and Thursday nights at Central Middle School. Entry fee \$35 plus \$5 for each non-resident. League play will begin Monday, Sept. 8. Registration will run through Aug. 29. For rules and regulations, or more information, call 455-6620.

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### SHUFFLEBOARD

Plymouth Parks and Recreation has a shuffleboard court that needs to be played on. Anyone interested in forming a club or just using the shuffleboard court and equipment may do so by calling 455-6620.

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# Schwartz finds time

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Gamble Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Plymouth. He served as commander and is a member.

He also is a member of the Metropolitan Detroit Flower Growers Association and once served as president.

While his son was growing, he coached the Plymouth baseball league for eight years and served as manager for one of those years. He also managed and played on the Plymouth Merchants inter-county league.

Schwartz's community involve-

## Changes spur more patrol

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Officers who are promoted and even those who aren't go through a "briefing" to identify their weak and strong attributes. This shows where they need to improve and defines what the department is seeking.

"No one was really happy with the old system because there was too much emphasis on reading comprehension and the union didn't like it because they said it led to cronyism," Durack said.

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# Department is in turmoil

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tion, keeping the department intact, was proposed by Canton Trustee Loren Bennett. Bennett's motion was supported by trustees Bob Padgett, Steve Larson and John Prenczky.

It was opposed by Poole, Clerk Linda Chuhnan and Treasurer Gerald Brown.

Poole said as supervisor he has a right to make the changes.

Board members said good management practices say Poole should deal with Schneider's supervisor, however, that doesn't stop him from deal-

ing directly with employees. "Past practices of the board is that reorganizations of the township are decided at board level and a consensus decision is arrived at," Larson said. "Right now we have an unworkable situation."

"On paper Dave's organization is back but if Jim refuses to use that organization and gives conflicting direction to the people Dave is supervising he can effectively implement the plan."

"The real losers will be the employees who will be wondering who they should take direction from."

## carrier of the month Canton

Bob Kamholz, 15, son of Marie and Tom Kamholz of Canton, has been named Carrier of the Month by the Canton Observer. Bob, a 10th grader at Plymouth Salem High School in Plymouth, has been an Observer news carrier since February 1985. His favorite subject is English and his hobbies include playing the drums. Bob won an award in both marching band and ninth grade band for overall performance and a blue ribbon first in solo ensemble on snare drum last January. He is a member of the Centennial Educational Park Marching Band and his future plans include attending a music college.



Bob Kamholz

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# 'Operation Shifty'

## State cracks consumer fraud cases

By Tori Benas  
staff writer

Consumers are ripe for transmission repair rip-offs because transmission repairs are complex and most consumers find them "almost impossible to understand."

So said James Hunsucker, an official of the Secretary of State's office, speaking of the largest crack-down in the transmission repair industry in Michigan this week.

"Our files were filled with complaints. It really did suggest a necessity (for action)," said Hunsucker, a division director with the Bureau of Automotive Regulation.

Called "Operation Shifty," the three-month undercover probe by

Michigan State Police and investigators for the Michigan Attorney General's Office resulted this week in civil charges against 13 Michigan transmission shops and 19 mechanics — over half of whom are based in suburban Wayne and Oakland counties.

Criminal charges also are being sought against operators of two of those franchises, including Mike Rutherford, manager of American Transmission in Garden City and parent company Jay Enterprises, and James Schotten, owner, and James Dillon, manager, of Farmington's Independent Transmission on Middlebelt.

According to Hunsucker, the undercover probe was spurred on by

mounting complaints against these franchises in the past year. More than 580 complaints were listed since November and included questions about presumed excessive and unnecessary transmission repairs.

"The standard procedure was to get customers into these shops with newspaper coupons, advertising fluid-change specials," said the state officer. "Now this is something you can add yourself; you don't have to go into a transmission specialty shop for."

"They'd first take you on a 'test drive, and say something like, 'It shifts a little strange. They'd create a pretense for hoisting up the car.'"

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## Blood shortage is severe

An extremely critical shortage of blood — the worst summer shortage in years — exists in southeastern Michigan, warns the Michigan Red Cross Blood Services, Southeastern Michigan Region.

Several area hospitals have postponed elective surgery and others are determining whether to proceed with elective surgery based upon the amount of blood the patient will require.

All blood types are needed, especially Type O negative and positive, and donors are urged to give blood this week.

Dr. A. William Shafer, Red Cross executive director, said the status of the blood supply is "frightening and alarming." Projections of blood collections for the next six weeks are bleak, he said.

According to the local Red Cross blood region, which serves hospitals in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw and St. Clair counties, blood regions across the country are reporting severe shortages. Most report this is the worst summer blood shortage in years.

Contributing to the local shortage are a high rate of "no shows," donors who make appointments at blood drives or donor centers and fail to keep the appointments. Also, several large industrial blood drives have either been cancelled or the number of donations was more than 45 percent under estimate.

In Wayne County blood can be donated at the Dearborn Donor Center, 23400 Michigan Ave. (Village Plaza); in Detroit at 100 E. Mack Ave. at John R; in Livonia at the Bell Creek Office Plaza; 29691 W. Six Mile; and in Southgate at 19170 Eureka.

Centers have evening hours for donor convenience and are open on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For an appointment to donate blood at any donor centers in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties, call 484-2800 or toll free, 1-800-552-5466.

Clubs, organizations or businesses that would like to sponsor a blood drive in the next six weeks are asked to call 494-2790.

Blood can be donated by anyone in good general health between the ages of 17 through 70 years old who weighs a minimum of 110 pounds. Donating blood is relatively painless and takes less than an hour from registration to post-donation snack of juice and cookies. The actual procedure takes less than 10 minutes. Donating blood is safe. Needles used to collect blood are new and sterile. They are used once and discarded.

## College aid available for part-timers

Madonna College is accepting applications for part-time students who qualify for financial assistance under the Michigan Adult Part-time Grant Program.

To qualify, a student must be enrolled for three to 11 credit hours in an undergraduate program at a Michigan degree-granting college or university. The student must be out of high school for two years and qualify as a self-supporting student, according to federal criteria. Funding is limited and students are asked to apply early. To call, the number is 591-5035. The school is at the corner of I-96 and Levan.

"This is a needs-based program," said Madonna financial aid director, Chris Ziegler. "Funding can range up to \$600 and can be applied toward tuition or other educational expenses, such as books or transportation."

Ziegler said that most grant programs are aimed at students enrolled in at least six credit hours of study. This program will likely result in students taking more courses than they otherwise financially would be able to, Ziegler said.

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# Local Greek fest offers fun for all

By Sue McDonald  
staff writer

If St. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church members have their way, a planned festival this weekend may rival Detroit's annual Greek ethnic festival in popularity. More than 200 church members have invested thousands of hours in preparing for the festival, which will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday on the site of their new church on Joy, between Wayne Road and Newburgh, Westland.

"Hopefully, this will become an annual event for western Wayne County," said George Karpathios, festival chairman. "We want to make it a community-wide affair."

The festival will open at noon for lunch each day, with festival work-

ers prepared to serve pre-noon visitors on Friday. It will close at 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 9 p.m. Sunday.

This is the first festival to be held on the church grounds and, according to Karpathios, it is close to hold an open house. The church's fellowship hall is the first part of the more than \$7 million complex that is being built on 20 acres and will be open for tours this weekend.

Festival goers also will be able to sample variety of Greek foods and music. Among the ethnic foods that will be available at will be shish-kebab, gyros, Greek sausage and salads. Greek-style barbecued chicken and less traditional foods as hot dogs, cone islands, french fries and chili fries.

THERE ALSO will be an assortment of pastries, ranging from baklava to cookies and a traditional Greek sweet bread, Karpathios said. He added that the prices will be "reasonable" in comparison to those charged at Detroit's festival and there will be a \$1 admission charge—children under 12 will be free—to defray the cost of renting the tents, portable stage and bands.

There will be continual music from 1 to 10 p.m. each day, with The Prevas performing in the afternoon and The Rhodians in the evening. The church's Greek dancers, a belly dancer and a variety of guest stars will also be performing throughout the three-day event, Karpathios explained.

In addition to the food and entrai-

tainment, there will be a variety of rides for youngsters and a raffle that includes trips to Las Vegas, Montreal, Toronto, Chicago and Niagara Falls as prizes.

But Karpathios believes the cultural booth will be the drawing card at the festival. It will include 25 hand-painted 4- by 8-foot panels that will provide visitors with information about Greek history and the contributions Greece has made in such areas of mathematics, language and politics.

Church members have spent a tremendous number of hours preparing the panels, which Karpathios describes "as works of art."

"Members of the church community have been spending hours and

hours working on them," he said. "There's a lot of talented people in the community and I wouldn't be surprised if these panels went on tour after the festival. They're like works of art."

THIS ISN'T the church's first involvement in a festival. It had staged one on several occasions at Tel-Twelve Mall, but this one is hoped to be the first of many to be held on the new church grounds.

St. Constantine and Helen Church was established in 1930 and has outgrown its current building on Oakman Boulevard in Detroit. In need of place to grow, the church 10 years ago began looking for land and decided on the Westland site. It began work on the fellowship hall last year,

with a new church, constructed in the shape of a cross, a school with gymnasium and administrative offices to be built on the property as funds become available.

The festival is just one of many fundraisers planned to finance the construction.

"All profits from the festival will go into the building fund, so we'd like it to be a really big success," Karpathios said.

The church has 650 families in its community, most of who live in the western Wayne County area, and Karpathios anticipates the church becoming the largest Greek Orthodox community in the United States once the construction is completed.

## Trustees work to fill vacancy

The Wayne-Westland Board of Education has begun a formal search for a replacement for Trustee Rex Wilhoite.

Wilhoite, who was elected to a four-year term on the board in June, will announce his resignation early next month. His expected resignation was prompted by a job transfer to Syracuse, N.Y.

The board, in preparing for the board vacancy, has set an Aug. 25 deadline for letters of intent and resumes from residents of the district interested in serving on the school board. The district includes most of Westland, part of Canton Township and all of Wayne.

The board will have 20 days after Wilhoite resigns to fill the vacancy. If it can't agree on an appointee within that time, the selection would be referred to the Wayne County In-

### Wayne-Westland School District

The district serves southeast Canton.

termediate School District's Board of Education.

According to board president Mathew McCusker, the board is seeking prospective appointees prior to Wilhoite's resignation so that the vacancy can be filled "on a timely basis."

He added that if more than one resident indicates an interest in serving on the board, interviews with the candidates will be conducted by the board before a formal de-

cision is made.

THE PROCESS would be similar to that used to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of W. James LeDuc in December 1984. At that time 10 residents sought the appointment and the board spent two days interviewing the candidates.

Residents can send resumes to board secretary Kenneth Barnhill at the school district's administrative offices, 36745 Marquette, Westland.

The board, however, deadlocked over the top two choices — Kenneth Barnhill and Sylvia Kozorok — and after more than 15 ballots, decided to refer the appointment to the intermediate board. The vacancy eventually was filled by Wilhoite, who served until June 1985 when he lost in a bid for the remaining three years of LeDuc's term to Kozorok.

Wilhoite's replacement will serve until next June, when voters will decide who will fill the remaining three years.

Becky Treber, an investigator with Michigan Attorney General Frank Kelley, said the tear-down transmission prices ranged from \$75 to \$125 with the average rebuilding cost at \$680 for mostly unneeded work.

Though their files bulged with complaints, they chose undercover officers and setup cars for their sting operation because it was difficult to document the condition of the complainants' transmissions before they were taken into the shops.

THE INVESTIGATORS then targeted the businesses that were found to have the largest number of complaints from their file of 585 state-wide since Nov. 15, 1985, she said.

Kelley's office earlier notified the alleged violators by telephone of the

## Undercover sting fingers 13 area transmission shops

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Hunsucker said often the operators would suggest that metal shavings found inside the transmission "were a real problem. Now that normally happens, a modest amount is normal."

In "Operation Shift," investigators posing as customers took shavings found inside the transmission shop in Lansing in Ingham County, was served with a temporary restraining order Tuesday to close.

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Formal notices, citing a suspension of their operating licenses, were not delivered as planned Tuesday, however, when attorneys for the transmission shops filed motions asking for a "change of venue" from the Ingham County Circuit Court.

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And Treber said more criminal in-

dications may be sought at other locations.

"They plan to look into complaint records and get abreast of the situation. They're going to keep on top of the situation because the results that were found were astounding," she said.

It's probably a good idea to get a second and even third opinion where transmission problems are suspected, said Hunsucker. Those who want to register complaints can call the state's Detroit-area number at 357-5108 during business hours.



### Pets of the Week

The Humane Society's Westland Kindness Center is offering these two youngsters for adoption to good homes. The 4½-month kitten on the left is a gray male tabby. It is good with other animals and children. The puppy on the right is a male, shepherd-collie mix. He is good with older children and tolerates other animals. For more information, contact the center at 37255 Marquette, or call 721-7300.



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## McNamara mends fences

By Teri Banas  
staff writer

Since winning the Democratic nomination for Wayne County executive last week, Livonia Mayor Edward McNamara already is planning a smooth transition to the City-County Building in January.

In just over a week, the suburban mayor has mulled over a couple of his more than 100 office appointments (making a few tentative decisions), had breakfast with the chief of sheriff's deputies Local 502, begun to forge a partnership with county Commissioner Sam Turner of Detroit, and spent a half hour Tuesday with the new chairman of the County Board of Commissioners, Richard Manning, D-Redford Township.

Manning agreed to send over a copy of the upcoming 1986-87 county budget.

In an interview this week, McNamara said he had also done some behind-the-scenes lobbying to prevent commissioners from ousting fellow Democratic CEO contender, Harper Woods Commissioner John Harper, from the board chairmanship last week.

He said the action, "disposing of Hertel over a single issue," was unfortunate, resulting in little benefit and bad publicity.

THE WINNER in almost every western and downriver suburb in last week's primary, McNamara was second to Turner in Detroit, in a nine-man field that included Hertel, county sheriff Robert Ficano and assistant Wayne County executive Frank Wilkerson. Overall, McNamara won 29.9 percent of the Democratic vote.

Turner, a 14-year commission veteran, attorney and one-time commission chairman, conducted an extensive get-out-the-vote campaign in Detroit.

Strengthened by an endorsement from Detroit Mayor Coleman Young, the Turner campaign placed 50,000 phone calls on election day with 200 volunteers going door to door. The day before the election, volunteers knocked on 25,000 doors and 100,000 pieces of literature were distributed.

In the end, McNamara took 18 percent of the vote to Turner's 38 percent, suggesting the Livonia mayor would have some serious fence-mending to do in the county's largest municipality.

Since last Tuesday, McNamara and Turner have met twice to discuss such topics as the operation of the Wayne County Board of Commissioners as well as the issues that unite the commission's Detroit black caucus.

Though Griffin stayed neutral by not endorsing any of the candidates, the sheriff's department played an instrumental part in his own recent mayoral election.

ON MONDAY, McNamara said, "I see some opportunities to unite the county," he said.

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McNamara also is being considered for a finance post.

"Sam's been with the commission for years; he's given me some insight. I'm listening very closely to him," McNamara said.

DOWN THE road, McNamara said, Turner could have a place in his administration, "if he's interested."

He also noted that while Hertel, whose commission term expires Dec. 31, is precluded from serving in an appointed position, Turner was a county commissioner before the new county charter was adopted and therefore as a current elected official is not barred from an administrative post when his term of office is up.

Other fence-mending McNamara acknowledged falls with the Ficano camp.

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he had breakfast with undersheriff Dick Novak, Ficano's right-hand man Dale Jurcisin, and Don Cox, chief of Local 502, though he didn't say whether Ficano was there.

The group agreed to meet later this month for a tour of the department facilities. McNamara said he also plans to tour the Wayne County Prosecutor's offices.

McNamara said he will not announce his appointments until later in November, following the Nov. 6 general election. He acknowledged, however, a few individuals who will likely find a place in the new administration.

Dave Katz, his 27-year-old mayoral aide from Livonia, who along with campaign manager Michael Duggan helped orchestrate his CEO campaign, will be highly placed, he said.

Since the primary, McNamara has talked with Gov. James Blanchard three times. They agreed to establish a strong liaison between county and state government. Blanchard has suggested treasurer Robert Bowman from the state, and McNamara says Katz is his choice in the county role. Katz was unavailable for comment earlier this week.

Transportation and the county's dispute with the state over payments to its Patient Care Management System for indigent's medical costs are two issues they likely will discuss.

As for Duggan, who now works as an attorney with the county's corporation counsel John O'Hair, McNamara said he "certainly has a place" in the administration though no decisions have been made.

Livonia finance director Jack Dodge, who is highly regarded by McNamara, also is being considered for a finance post.

## College forum on majors

Schoolcraft College will host a program entitled "How to Select a College Major" on Monday, Aug. 25, at the Waterman Campus Center, 18000 Haggerty, in Livonia. The two-hour program runs from 10 a.m. to noon. Participants will review college majors and job markets, financial aid programs.



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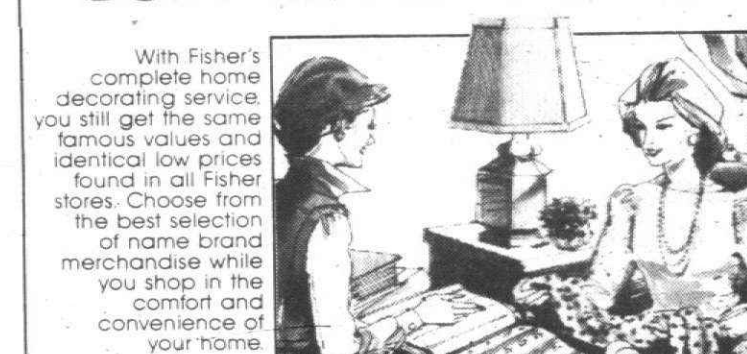
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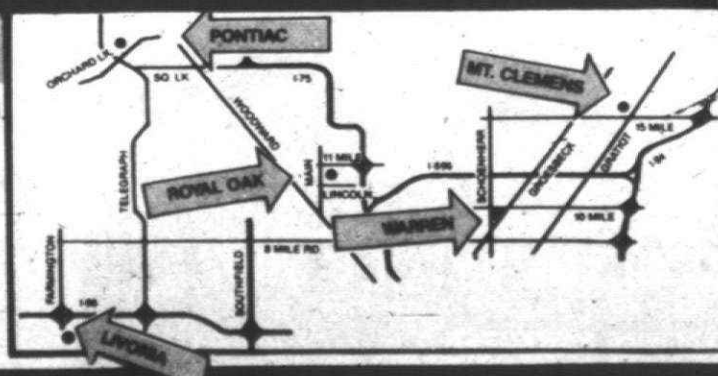
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## More labor troubles loom for SEMTA

By Tom Henderson  
staff writer

The 35,000 passengers who ride SEMTA buses daily in metropolitan Detroit had transportation restored Wednesday morning following the ratification Tuesday night by Teamsters of a three-year contract.

But they may not be riding for long. The 139 mechanics and maintenance personnel who service the 200 large buses and 80 Connector dial-a-ride buses are represented by the United Auto Workers, and their contract expires Sept. 30.

"There is a feeling of gratification and happiness that the strike is over and a major load has been lifted from all our shoulders," said SEMTA spokesman Mike Neimann. "We are

looking forward to the future, which, however, includes more union negotiations.

Neimann said negotiations with the UAW would begin in about two weeks.

Another contract must also be negotiated soon, he said. Earlier this year, SEMTA came to terms on three-year contracts with the Amalgamated Transit Union on two separate contracts, one for its big-bus drivers and one for the 50 clerical workers it represents.

A contract for 35 dispatchers and supervisors, who are represented by the American Federation of State, Clerical and Municipal Employees, expires in January. AFSCME recently showed its willingness to man picket lines in a two-week strike

with the City of Detroit.

FOR NOW, THOUGH, the full complement of large buses and dial-a-ride buses, which primarily serve the elderly and the handicapped, are back on the road, with full service resuming at 4 a.m. Wednesday.

"We've had a few drivers not report, but it hasn't been a substantial number," said Neimann.

The strike began last Thursday night when Teamster drivers voted down a contract proposal. Though Teamsters Local 247 represents just the dial-a-ride drivers, the big-bus drivers honored picket lines and shut down the three-county bus system.

The resumption of service followed a stormy strike meeting Tuesday night at Teamster headquarters

on Trumbull, near Tiger Stadium. Many of the 113 drivers expressed dissatisfaction with the contract, which called for just a nickel more than they refused five days earlier. And several dissidents were forcibly removed from the meeting.

But the 8 p.m. vote was ratified by a vote of 58-26.

THE CONTRACT calls for a raise of 65 cents over three years from the current level of \$8.75. There is a pay freeze the first with subsequent raises of 45 and 20 cents. The contract calls for another nine cents the third year if SEMTA can find another local revenue source.

The drivers of the large buses make \$12.60 an hour.

Neimann estimated the cost to

SEMTA of the raises in three-year contract at \$250,000.

SEMTA also made concessions on vacations, shift scheduling, disciplinary rules and safety procedures. A labor-management committee will be formed to hear complaints about the safety of the small buses.

"The workers had a lot more complaints about the buses, or at least expressed them, during the strike than they did while they were working," said Neimann. "The thinking was to have a lot more formal means of hearing their safety complaints."

A tentative agreement between Teamsters and SEMTA came after 12 hours of state-mediated talks ordered Monday by Wayne County Circuit Judge James Mies. The talks

were halted late Monday and lawyers were to argue in Mies' courtroom Tuesday whether the drivers should be ordered back to work.

Instead, Mies called lawyers and negotiators into his chambers for further bargaining. The agreement was reached just before noon.

SOME BUSES did continue service. Five ATU drivers crossed picket lines Tuesday, with one of them driving the Pontiac to Detroit route because, he said, he didn't want to leave his passengers stranded.

In Wayne County, Nankin Transit, which operates a dial-a-ride, small-bus service under contract to SEMTA, continued to provide service for its 400 passengers a day.



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Thursday, Friday, Aug. 21, 22 — Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem high schools will conduct orientation sessions for new students in grades 9, 10 beginning 1 p.m. for new sophomores on Aug. 21 in the Canton gymnasium (Phase III) for Canton students and Salem auditorium for Salem students, and beginning at 1 p.m. for new freshmen on Aug. 22 in Phase III gym and the Salem auditorium. Each session will present information covering policies and procedures important for entering students.

## ● SELF-MOTIVATION

Monday, Aug. 25 — Schoolcraft College will offer a free lecture, "Self-Motivation: How to Achieve Your Life Goals," to be presented by sports personality John Gross from 9:45-11:45 a.m. in Room 100/105 of the physical education building on campus at 18600 Haggerty. Gross has done more than 300 network sports reports. The free lecture is open to the public.

## ● SMITH COFFEE

Tuesday, Aug. 26 — Smith Elementary School invites all parents to its Welcome Back Coffee at 8:45 a.m. in the media center. There will be opportunities to socialize, learn about Parent-Faculty Organization plans for the school year and sign up for activities, including room parent positions.

## ● OX ROAST

Monday, Sept. 1 — An ox roast will be 1-6 p.m. at the Father Victor J. Renaldi Knights of Columbus Council 3292 at 150 Fair at Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. The menu will include roast beef, baked potato, corn on the cob, salad bar, rolls and butter, and beverages. There will be games for children and adults, prizes, clowns, and a drawing.

## ● FALL FLY

Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 27-28 — The Flying Pilgrims Model Airplane Club will present the "Fall Fly for Fun Phase Out" 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. There is a \$5 landing fee. The field is at Lilley and Van Born in Canton Township. Spectators may attend. For additional information, call Don or Greg Kehoe, 397-0410.

## medical

## ● POST-POLIO CONNECTION

Dr. Frederick M. Maynard, a national authority on the late effects of polio, will address any of your questions about positive health management, the status of post-polio research in Michigan and the U.S., and upcoming educational plans for medical professionals on the late effects of polio beginning at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, in the Community Room of the First Presbyterian Church, 1432 Washtenaw, Ann Arbor. The talk is sponsored by the Post-Polio Connection support group.

## ● BREASTFEEDING CONSIDERED

"It's Never Too Early to Think About Breastfeeding," a program for prospective mothers and their families, will be offered at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, in the community room of Arbor Health Building, 990 W. Ann Arbor Trail at Harvey, Plymouth.

The program is designed to help pregnant women and women who are thinking about becoming pregnant decide whether breastfeeding is right for them. It will examine the advantages and considerations of breastfeeding and how breastfeeding can fit into their lifestyle. Husbands, mothers, sisters and other relatives and friends of prospective mothers are invited. The \$10 fee per mother-to-be covers the woman's family and friends. For information call 455-5869.

## ● PREGNANCY CLASS

Annapolis Hospital will offer a free class on "The Social and Psychological Aspects of Pregnancy." Topics will include psychological changes during pregnancy, communication changes within the marriage, sex during pregnancy, returning to work, and child care services. For additional information, call 467-4365 during business hours.

## ● MOTHER-BABY CLASS

Oakwood Hospital Canton Center will offer a six-week series of exercise classes for mothers of babies 6 weeks to 8 months of age. The series will begin Sept. 17. For additional information, call 593-7694.

## ● RECOVERY OF MALE POTENCY

Annapolis Hospital, Venoxy at Annapolis in the city of Wayne, sponsors ROMP (Recovery of Male Potency) at 7:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month in the hospital's conference room. This group is intended to provide educational and emotional support to couples who suffer from the effects of physical impotence. Confidentiality assured. To register, call 467-4570.

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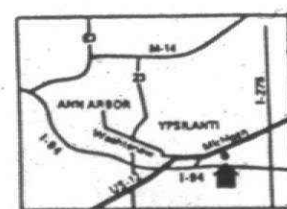
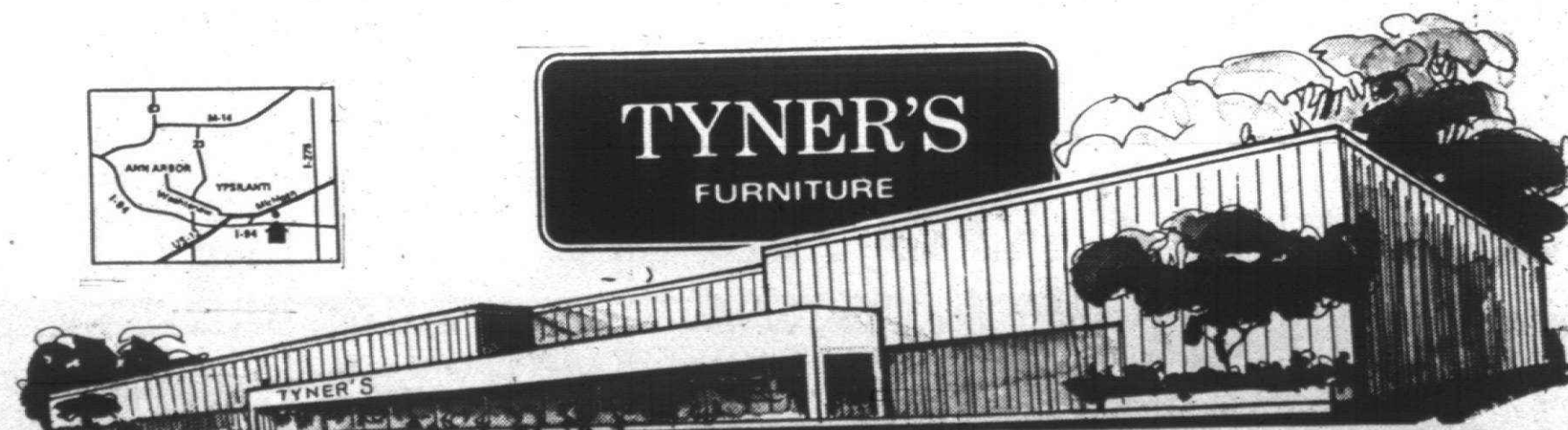
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## House keeps perks for ex-presidents intact

Here's how area members of Congress were recorded on major roll-call votes through Aug. 8.

## HOUSE

**PERKS FOR EX-PRESIDENTS** — By a vote of 356 for and 61 against, the House adopted an amendment to keep intact a wide range of perquisites for former presidents.

The measure trimmed only \$58,000 from a \$1,234,000 outlay for ex-presidents in fiscal 1987.

Although appearing as budget cutting, this actually was a maneuver to block a proposed deep cut into the outlay for Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter and Lady Bird Johnson, the former first lady.

It gutted an amendment to reduce the expenditure by nearly \$1 million, to \$776,000, eliminating perks such as office space and staff support and leaving only \$86,200 each in pensions for Carter, Ford and Nixon and \$20,000 in pension money for Mrs. Johnson.

Both amendments were offered to an appropriations bill (HR 5294) that later was sent to the Senate.

Joe Skeen, R-N.M., who sponsored the amendment to keep the perks intact, said the former presidents, in an initiative led by Nixon, have pledged to hold down costs.

Andrew Jacobs, D-Ind., who proposed the deep cut, called the outlay for ex-presidents "a slush fund" and said their pensions are higher than the income of 97 percent of Americans.

Members voting yes wanted to preserve taxpayer-provided perquisites for former presidents.

Voting yes: Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth, Dennis Hertel, D-Hartep Woods, William Ford, D-Taylor, William Broomfield, R-Birmingham.

Voting no: Sander Levin, D-Southfield.

**BUDGET CUT** — The House adopted, 269 for and 152 against, an amendment to cut \$12.8 million from HR 5294 (above), the \$13.8 billion Treasury and Postal Service appropriations bill for fiscal 1987.

The cut was aimed at discretionary outlays, which account for nearly half of the bill's prerogative. But it was blunted because it exempted budgets for the Internal Revenue Service, Customs Service and Bureau of Alcohol, Firearms and To-

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bacco — all three of which generate revenue — and the U.S. Postal Service.

As passed and sent to the Senate, the bill was some \$800 million above the Administration's budget request and several hundred million dollars higher than fiscal 1986 appropriations for the same agencies.

Members voting yes supported the spending cut.

Voting yes: Pursell, Hertel, Levin, Broomfield.

Voting no: William Ford.

**TEXTILE IMPORTS** — By a vote of 276 for and 149 against, the House failed to achieve the two-thirds majority needed to override President Reagan's veto of legislation to protect certain American industries by sharply cutting imports of textiles, clothing and non-rubber footwear.

While the bill was aimed at many countries, most of them Asian, its strictest provisions sought to roll back textile and apparel imports from South Korea, Taiwan and Hong Kong by nearly a third.

This was a test of the Administration's power to resist protectionist pressures in Congress at a time when imports are displacing many American workers. Democrats want to make trade a cutting issue in the 1988 congressional elections.

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Members voting yes favored the bill.

Voting yes: Hertel, William Ford, Levin.

Voting no: Pursell, Broomfield, SENATE

**AIDS AND INSURANCE** — By a vote of 41 for and 53 against, the Senate failed to table (kill) an amendment seen as unsympathetic to District of Columbia residents who have tested positive for exposure to the AIDS virus.

As later attached to legislation (HJ Res. 668) raising the national debt ceiling, the amendment repeals a new D.C. law making it illegal for insurance companies to deny coverage to potential AIDS victims.

HJ Res 668 was headed for House-Senate conference, where the repeal attempt was unlikely to survive.

The AIDS measure has been a target of national right-wing groups since it was passed in May.

Under the 1973 home rule statute that gives D.C. limited autonomy to run its day-to-day affairs, local laws

can be overturned by votes of both the House and Senate.

Charles Mathias, R-Md., who voted to kill the amendment, called the AIDS measure "a purely local law affecting a purely local matter — the regulation of insurance in the District of Columbia."

Jesse Helms, R-N.C., said the D.C. law should be repealed because "it would suspend longstanding risk assessment practices for a relatively few individuals" whose "lifestyles place them at risk of developing AIDS."

Senators voting no wanted to overturn the AIDS law.

Voting yes: Carl Levin, Donald Riegle.

**'STAR WARS' FUNDING** — By a vote of 50 for and 49 against, the Senate tabled (killed) an amendment to lower from \$3.9 billion to \$3.2 billion the fiscal 1987 outlay for continuing research into the Administration's Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI).

Popularly called "Star Wars," SDI is envisioned by President Reagan and other advocates as potentially a foolproof shield against incoming missiles. Its estimated price tag is between \$770 billion and \$2 trillion. A decision on whether the experi-

mental venture is workable is several years away.

The amendment was offered to the fiscal 1987 military authorization bill (S 2638), which remained under debate.

William Cohen, R-Maine, who voted to kill the amendment, called SDI "an important hedge against the kind of research and development that we know the Soviets are

conducting on a very active basis."

Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., who favored the cut, said SDI would involve "some sort of Astro-dome over the United States" and is a program "that is not feasible, and reputable scientists as well as the cold-eyed experts in the Pentagon know it."

Senators voting no favored the \$700 million cut in SDI spending. Voting no: Levin, Riegle.

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## November vote merits study now

**L**AST TUESDAY a few Canton and Plymouth residents went to the polls to nominate partisan candidates to face each other in a final run-off in the fall.

On the whole, the process worked well. There was a delay in Canton and Plymouth Township getting the final vote tally, but considering that this was the first time both municipalities used punchcard voting the election really was run quite smoothly.

For countywide offices Tuesday's primary really was the final vote as Republicans don't really stand a chance in November of getting elected. Thus we can plan on Edward McNamara being our county executive for the next term.

In other areas, though, there will be some contests developing which residents will want to become informed about so they can be prepared to vote in November.

**FOR COUNTY** commissioner in the 10th District, Plymouth residents will have a choice between Republican Susan Heintz of Northville and Democrat John Kopka of Livonia. In the 11th District, Canton residents will have a choice between incumbent Milt Mack, D-Wayne, or Republican challenger Scott Press of Wayne. Given the make-up of both districts, though, Heintz and Mack can be expected to win in November unless they really blow it between now and then.

In the 15th District William D. Ford, D-Taylor, likewise should be re-elected fairly easily in the fall. Republican Glen Kassel of Westland is a nice person but really did not campaign that hard against Republican challenger Peter Bundarin of Canton and is not seen as a serious challenger this fall. Kassel has run against Ford in the past and has not demonstrated he can run a serious race.

In the 2nd District, U.S. Rep. Carl

Pursell, R-Plymouth, has an interesting challenger in Democrat Dean Baker of Ann Arbor. Baker, 28, was among those arrested in March for allegedly trespassing in Pursell's Ann Arbor office in a demonstration against Pursell's vote to furnish aid to the Contras. He upset Democratic Party veteran Don Grimes in Tuesday's primary and is lining up an issues-oriented campaign for the fall.

**PURSELL, HOWEVER,** has beaten off a number of strong Democratic challengers in years past. Baker stands now to be another victim but has a couple months to prove himself a serious candidate.

In the 6th Senate District incumbent Robert Geake, R-Northville, also has developed a rather "safe" seat and has not faced any serious Democratic challenges in recent years. This year Tom Healy of Plymouth is stepping forward after defeating Democrat Scott Bassett of Livonia last Tuesday. Healy has been around long enough to know how to build a political organization and is well thought of in this area. But he has a long way to go to unseat an entrenched incumbent.

For the State House incumbent Rep. Gerald Law, R-Plymouth Township, will face Democrat Kathy A. Reilly of Plymouth Township in the 36th District which includes all of Plymouth and Plymouth Township and part of Canton. In the 37th District, which includes the balance of Canton, incumbent James Kosteva, D-Canton, will face Republican Theodore Jacques of Romulus.

So there will be some choices to make for those who want to participate in the political process. The Observer urges its residents to become informed about the candidates, be prepared to vote in the above races, and vote in the general election on Tuesday, Nov. 4.

## Bluegill best depicts our comeback state

**POLITICALLY,** THE bluegill is a neglected fish.

That thought occurred as I pored over a state map, plotting a vacation, and noticed again that the trout is Michigan's official fish.

Shame on both Republicans and Democrats for that unwise act of the Legislature.



Tim Richard

**REPUBLICANS** talk "family values," ignoring how the bluegill practices them.

Among many species of fish, the female deposits her eggs any old place in the shallow, the male strews the spawn, and off they swim, leaving the eggs to the tender mercies of other creatures. Northern pike eggs, for example, often are covered with silt stirred up by carp and speedboats.

In contrast, the male bluegill scoops a saucer-sized nest in a shallow, sandy lake bottom, herds his lady love onto it, carefully fertilizes the eggs and guards the nest, fanning away silt with his fins.

Bluegills are particularly vulnerable during spawning. Drag a popper or fly across the beds and they'll attack it, even if they're not hungry, for fear a giant beetle is threatening their eggs. A good sportsman will take only a half-dozen or so gills in one spot, resisting the temptation to slaughter an entire school.

The bluegill is a caring and conscientious parent — certainly better than the trout, and better than 25 percent of the Republican gubernatorial candidates.

**DEMOCRATS,** who profess to love po' folks, should champion the bluegill's cause. The panfish is accessible in most of Michigan's 11,037 lakes to young and old, rich and poor.

It's fun to use a fancy flyrod, but hardly necessary. My favorite kind of gill fishing is in late summer through the end of October on a meandering lake on God's side of Milford. The boat

launch is terrible so I leave the boat, outboard and trailer at home and take the canoe.

The snazzy open-faced spinning reel stays behind, and out comes a 15-foot cane pole. For a smoke, it's best to take a corn cob pipe, because the action can be so fast and furious that you don't want to risk dropping a fancy Kaywoodie briar in 12 feet of water. You fish off the dropoffs with crickets.

Though only 6-9 inches long, the adult gill is a scrappy fighter. With a knowledge of practical physics, the hooked gill turns at a 90-degree angle to the fisherman, making you fight the water as well as the fish. Once for once, the bluegill is a better fighter than anything except his cousin, the smallmouth bass.

And pretty! The round shape is reminiscent of the exotic angel fish of the tropics. The male has gaudy stripes, an iridescent blue cheek that gives the species its name and a dark orange bow tie that sometimes turns rosy pink when he comes from deep water.

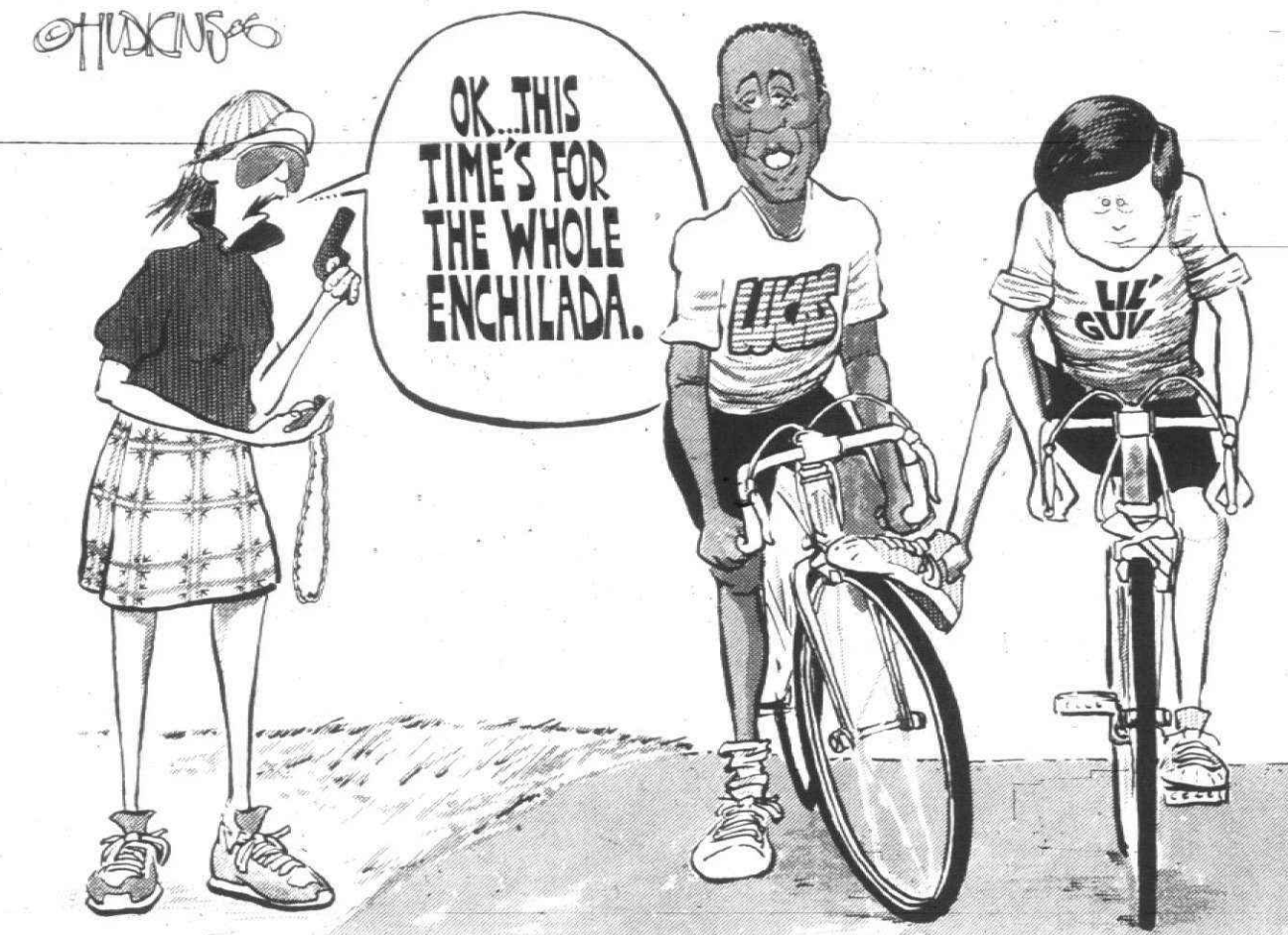
**TO AN ECONOMIST,** the bluegill is a do-it-yourself free enterpriser.

Trout eggs have to be artificially inseminated in a hatchery. The baby trout are reared in ponds and fed vitaminized pellets. When they're big enough, DNR biologists stock them in streams and lakes.

To my way of thinking, the trout is a dependent welfare bum who sends out the wrong image for a state trying to attract business.

The bluegill requires no government codding in the form of size limits, closed seasons and designated waters. The bluegill epitomizes the pioneering spirit of courage and self-sufficiency that lives in some of Michigan's prettiest surroundings, not obscure, mosquito-infested creeks.

That's the kind of fish we need to symbolize the Comeback State.



## Campaign costs sky high

**THE BUSINESS** of financing political campaigns is out of hand. This may well be because the whole business of campaigning is out of hand.

Many candidates now spend more than a year campaigning for a four-year term. Wayne County executive William Lucas, who lost interest in Wayne County government a couple of years ago, has been on the stump for what's it been? A couple of years, surprisingly enough.

Congress is out for the summer and hasn't been in much of the year because of November elections at which every U.S. representative and a third of the Senate is up for re-election.

While the officeholders campaign a lot of the business of government gets put on the back burner. And the cost in dollars is astronomical.

**ON ELECTION NIGHT,** vote counters were remarking that unsuccessful candidate for governor Dan Murphy spent some more than \$625,000 to receive 61,439 votes.

Why not just pass out \$5 bills at the polls, one was suggested, it would be easier and cheaper. Wouldn't work though. Pretty soon every candidate would be passing out \$5 bills and then there would be a contest to come up with the cleanest \$5 bill, or a \$5 bill in a translucent paper-weight or letter opener.

Then someone would come up with a

## A mystery remains locked

**NOW I UNDERSTAND** why ignorance can be bliss.

This enlightenment comes from a long-held frustration.

I suspect that you can at least share in my frustration. Well, at least it's a frustration that all of us who live with modern architecture share.

Why do they install double doors if one is always going to be locked?

Dealing with the locked door wouldn't be so bad if we knew why. It's not the double door that's so bad. It's the mystery that can drive a sane person nuts.

For years we all have become collectively fools by continually pulling on the one door that always seems to be locked.

You've seen disgruntled patrons at hospitals, supermarkets and, of course, at the office where you work or where your doctor or lawyer light their neon signs. If your home has a double door, you very well may have risked a perfectly good relationship by inviting over a friend and yelling, "just walk right in."

**MOST OF** these doors have a sign on one side that says, "Please use other



Bob Wisler

signaturized \$5 gift certificate. Then a candidate would decide a \$10 bill would work better. Well, you can see there would be no end in sight.

There is almost no end in sight now, however. Dick Chrysler spent \$3 million or \$15 a vote, in his losing effort. If it weren't for the fact that the newspapers raked up a history of questionable business practices in Chrysler's background, he would have.

The election and the cost of the general election campaign for governor.

**BILL LUCAS'** election campaign cost far less, but he was dogged by a squabble with the Secretary of State's election division that held up the funding for his campaign.

There is a state limit on how much candidates can spend on gubernatorial campaigns, if they accept public financing. The present limit is \$1.2 million. State elections director Chris Thomas has suggested this is unreasonable and the limit ought to go up to \$1.3 million for the primary and \$2 mil-



crackerbarrel debate  
Steve Barnaby

door," or "Use left door," or "Use right door."

One recent summer day I hunted far and wide for an answer, asking anyone who might have the faintest idea. Summer days are like that, you know.

"It's a management prerogative," replied one person after giving me a very curious look. "If they want one door locked, that's the way it stays."

I figured that O&E columnist Fred Delano had revealed the secret when he quipped, "because the English are quietly taking over the world again." That was good for about a half-hour until I entered a building where all the doors

for the general election.

One of the problems with campaigns is that most of the money spent is spent on approaches designed to capture a voter's fleeting interest. This means slick brochures, 30-second television and radio ads and mass mailings that do little more than repeat a few basic ideas and slogans and which by their very nature cannot impart to the public any sense of where the candidates stand on the multiple issues that face modern officeholders.

IT DOESN'T seem unreasonable to try to limit these spendings, so that voters will, perhaps of necessity, take some time to find out about the various candidates for office by reading about them, or possibly by watching them on television, being interviewed or in debate.

In fact, much of the problem in overspending for elections could be lessened if television stations would take more of an interest in scheduling long interviews and debates. Despite the opportunity for television to perform valuable service in elections, there is little interest or pressure for the stations to take much of a part in the process.

The whole system of financing elections is a hodge-podge that ought to be scrutinized by the government to come up with better ways of electing officials and of finding a way where money is not the most important ingredient.

on the left, instead of the right, were locked.

"It's to disarm the customers," said another person. "If they are mad by the time they've pulled on the wrong door a couple of times, they just feel sheepish. It's all psychological."

I tried the guy who is in charge of doors in our building.

He just grinned — for the longest time. "Gosh, I don't know, it's just always been that way," he finally said.

Another said, "because the guy in charge of silly things thinks it's silly."

**BEING THE** age of hi-tech, I went to the computer experts and asked. One of them launched into drawing a rather complex diagram to explain. He seemed like he knew. But I sure didn't understand. But that's the way it is with computer experts.

I finally did find one of the maintenance guys to ask.

"Actually they're not supposed to be locked. It's against safety regulations."

He was explaining how double doors worked to another hapless employee as I wandered back to my office wondering why I had ever asked. But from now on I guess I'll just go on grasping for the door that will, of course, always be locked.

## State Fair booster applauds changes

**TO SAY THAT** Charles A. Walby is outspoken is characterizing him mildly. At least in part, Chuck's penchant for saying exactly what he thinks — at anytime, to anybody — is one reason the upcoming 1986 Michigan State Fair may be one of the most pleasant to attend in the fair's 138-year history.

Among those impressed by the rough-hewn Walby's habit of calling the shots just as he sees them was the then congressman from Pleasant Ridge a few years ago, James Blanchard, on the occasion of a series of hearings that concerned possible congressional aid to small businesses.

**WHEN BLANCHARD** became Michigan's governor he appointed Walby to the Michigan Exposition and Fairgrounds Council, of which he is now chairman. The council is a wing of the Department of Natural Resources, the State Fair being its main showcase.

As a volunteer civic servant, Walby has vigorously spearheaded efforts to improve the character of the fair, which is the nation's oldest, and to make fairgrounds facilities among the best. Lord knows, deterioration had been so bad that for years they were among the worst.

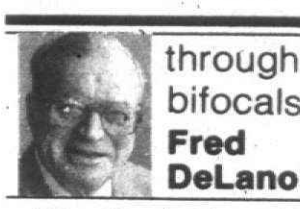
You can see for yourself the job that has been done during the run of the fair, Friday, Aug. 22 through Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 1.

A man who stands 6 feet 3 inches tall and weighs close to 220 pounds, Walby bubbles with enthusiasm like a kid with a new toy as he interrupts his business day to tell how the Fairgrounds have been physically upgraded and of innovations in programming.

At the same time, he praises the cooperation of the full nine-person council, the department and of people such as the fair's general manager, O.J. Scherschlag, Harold Arnoldi, Dennis Silber, Wade Shows and others "who have done more than their share to improve the image."

"In addition to the over-all cleanup, the Coliseum has been redone and all rest rooms mised. The grandstand has been improved. There are new exhibit areas. We have a 400-seat theater in the Community Arts Building. The picnic area and band shell have been renovated, and a new entranceway off Woodward Avenue has been built."

"ALL THAT is just the start. We're planning a Fair Museum and are forming an organization to be called 'Friends



through bifocals  
Fred DeLano

"The rides on this year's Midway will be thoroughly checked every day for safety and new standards have been instituted for food stands. Security personnel will include state police, Detroit police and our own force."

"There's always something going on and one admission entitles a person to all of the free daily entertainment, even

the Willie Nelson Show," Walby said. Quite likely you would recognize Walby if you saw him, particularly if bowling is your sport for he owns Thunderbird Lanes and Emerald Lanes, both in Troy; Red Run Lanes and Bowler Bowl, both in Royal Oak; Pioneer Lanes in Sterling Heights, Fiesta Lanes in Westland, Wildwood Lanes in Southgate and Woodhaven Lanes in Woodhaven.

A HEARTY, ROBUST man in his late 50s, Walby lives with his wife, Alice, in Bloomfield Township and bears scant resemblance to the gaunt 98-pounder he was liberated from a Japanese prisoner-of-war camp at the end of World War II.

Walby has served numerous civic causes and has been an officer of just about every state and national organization known to the bowling industry. He also was producer, director and host of the "Beat the Champ," bowling show for 20 years on television.

It's a delightful success story and as far as I can find out Walby has been bounced from only one job in his life. That was when he was "suspended" from the Michigan Sports Hall of Fame board of directors by the group's commissioner, W. Nicholas Kerbawy.

That's a yarn that will have to await telling another day.

## from our readers

### Youth helpers are thanked

To the editor:

At a time when we are hearing so many negative reports on our Plymouth-Canton youth I would like to publicly thank two young people who helped my injured daughter and her younger sister on Tuesday, July 29.

They left their tennis game to not only see that the one got medical attention but that the younger child and the bikes got safely home. I am sorry that in the confusion of locating me we did not get their last names. However, my sincere thanks to John and Pam for being such caring citizens of other people's needs. Thank you.

Carolyn Notestine,  
Plymouth

### Column shows his 'arrogance'

To the editor:

I was appalled at Mr. Barnaby's recent column regarding Judge Lippitt's decision, as well as some of your readers' responses.

As I understand it, a work-release program is a jail sentence with the prisoner being released only during the working hours of his/her employment. Furthermore, while serving two sep-

erate periods of jury duty, I have learned that a judge must rule based on the law, and the law alone.

I am not a lawyer, nor do I know the law well enough to judge the change in the charges of this particular case. Does Mr. Barnaby? However, what would our judicial system be, and what would happen to our democracy if all judges began ruling based on their personal feelings, sympathies and prejudices? Mr. Barnaby's lack of legal facts and emotionally inflammatory article displays an arrogance of greater than that suggested of Judge Lippitt.

S. Frank,  
Birmingham

### Relationship worth sharing

To the editor:

It was a delight to read about the warm relationship that has developed between the Fedorko family and their next-door neighbors ("Family honored for 'everyday' helpfulness," Observer, July 24, 1986).

As a member of the Awareness Communication Team for the Developmentally Disabled (ACT D), I had the pleasure of meeting the Fedorko family and seeing how much they truly enjoy living next door to six men with retardation.

In today's mobile society where people rarely know who lives next door, it is heart-warming to meet neighbors

that know each other and care about each other. The fact that one neighbor happens to be a small group home for men with retardation is not a primary focus of that relationship.

Thank you for sharing that relationship with your readers.

Denise H. Mogos,  
Acting Director of Public Affairs,  
Wayne Community Living Services

### Hines bikepath is under-used

To the editor:

I would like to express my opinion on the bike bath the county put in through Hines Park. With the money it took to make the bike path few people use it.

I think if bicyclists and joggers don't use it they should be ticketed. The bike path, I thought, was a good idea for those who like to ride bikes and not worry about getting hit but if they don't use the path it should be removed.

Why would they want to be on the side of the road riding or jogging where they are able to get hit? I think we drivers have enough to watch out for — like an-

imals, kids on mopeds and especially other drivers. So if you are a jogger or cyclist why don't you use it — it's for your own safety.

Leslie Olson,  
Plymouth

## Opinions are to be shared

Opinions and ideas are most fertile when shared with others.

That's why the Plymouth Observer encourages its readers to share their views with others by making use of the From Our Readers column.

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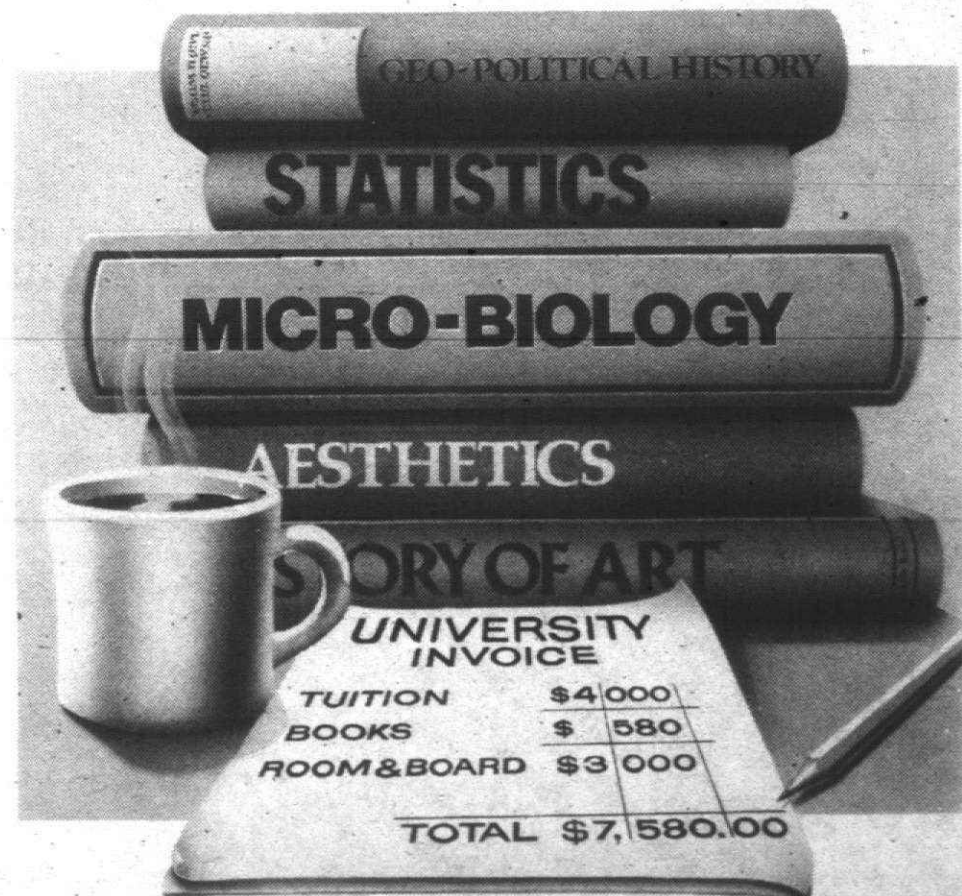
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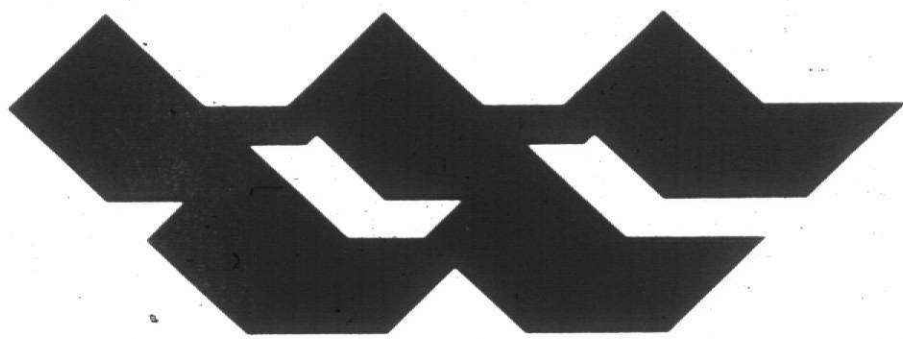
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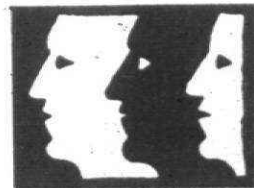
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Barbara Young, principal at Fiegel Elementary School in Plymouth Township, leads 6-year-old Courtney Fannin through the school's halls. Courtney came to school Tuesday morning with her mom, Sue Fannin, and 10-year-old sister, Tracey.



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Fiegel Elementary School principal Barbara Young shows Courtney, who is a first grader, one of the school's classrooms. Young is the new principal at Fiegel this year.

## Adjusting Parents can aid students

By Julie Brown  
staff writer

Some Plymouth-Canton youngsters will go off to school eagerly this year. When they get to school, they'll take the time to renew old friendships, form new ones and generally get settled into their surroundings.

For others, however, getting used to things at school won't be quite as easy. Youngsters starting school for the first time may be intimidated by their new surroundings. Older children who transfer from other schools can also have a difficult time adjusting to a new school.

Parents can, however, help youngsters get used to school, local educators agree. Getting kids off to a good start in school will help them keep a positive attitude throughout their years in school.

Visiting the child's school before the start of the school year is a good idea.

"One way is just going to the place," said Shirley Spaniel, director of elementary education for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. "Most of our elementary schools are open now. The principals are always happy to meet new children and take them down to the classroom they're going to be a part of."

**VISITING THE** school ahead of time with a parent can help a child become familiar with his or her new surroundings. Youngsters should also be made aware of a safe route to follow in walking to school.

"Many of our children do walk a good distance," Spaniel said. By taking children along a safe route to school before classes begin, par-

ents can help reduce that fear of the unknown.

Having a child wear some kind of identification, including address and telephone number, can help during the early days of the school year.

"Some parents are thoughtful enough just to put a tag on," she said.

It's also helpful to have an older sibling or neighborhood child accompany the brand-new student to school, particularly in the early weeks.

Some Plymouth-Canton schools have held informal open houses, to help new students and their families become familiar with the schools. The school system also holds a kindergarten "round-up" for future students in the spring.

The "round-up" includes a visit to the classroom to meet the teacher. Educators also conduct an as-

essment and observe the youngsters' social and emotional development, to determine if children are ready for kindergarten.

The Plymouth-Canton schools have a Kindergarten program, with classes that are a bit smaller than those in kindergarten. The Kindergarten program was developed for the "young 5" children who aren't quite ready for a kindergarten classroom, Spaniel said.

"It's an extra year for them," she said. "We're finding if they don't take it then, they're taking it somewhere along the line."

**PARENTS MAY** sometimes forget the importance of developing social and emotional maturity in youngsters, she said. They may concentrate on development of academic skills to the exclusion of other equally important skills.

"Those are important things for

parents to be aware of. Parents sometimes miss that point. I think they can leave a lot of that academic stuff to school."

In sending children off to school, parents should try to make the experience a positive one, the educators agree.

"Parental attitude, I think, is very important," said Richard Egli, administrative assistant for community relations for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. "If they welcome school and look forward to it, the kids will feel the same way."

Parents should take an interest in the child's school activities, he said.

"This is a big adventure for them." By listening to children's discussion of school activities, parents can help youngsters adjust.

It's also a good idea to display the materials children bring home

from school.

"Refrigerator fronts are popular places for that," Spaniel said.

Teachers generally prefer that youngsters enter their new classroom alone. It's fine for parents to walk the youngsters to school, but at that point it's time to say good-bye, Spaniel said.

**ALTHOUGH SOME** youngsters may cry when they first get to school, the tears generally don't last for long. Before too long, the youngsters are playing happily with their new friends.

Having some independent skills, such as being able to put on coats and boots, is also important for youngsters who are starting school. Parents should also pay attention to requests from the teacher concerning necessary school supplies.

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This colorful bulletin board at Fiegel Elementary School states its message loudly and clearly. Local educators agree parents can indeed help make school a welcome experience for their

children. A visit to the school prior to the beginning of classes is one way to help children adjust.

## Newcomers bid welcome

Not all of the youngsters who head off to school this fall will enter public school classrooms. Private schools in the Plymouth-Canton area will also have their share of newcomers.

Kathy Wallace, an elementary teacher at New Morning School in Plymouth Township, agreed that a visit to the school ahead of time is a good idea for new students and their parents.

"I think most schools would be open to having you bring the child over."

Such a visit before the start of school will help ease the child's fear of the unknown.

"They're familiar with the room, and they get to meet the teacher," Wallace said. New Morning School, a parent cooperative with programs for preschoolers through eighth graders, does let parents stick around a bit on the first day of school, she said.

Having the brand-new student meet a future classmate ahead of time can also help. The school can provide a name of a youngster who lives nearby. The two children can then meet ahead of time in a park to play.

Wallace did that for both of her children.

"And I've also suggested that to other parents."

Having a friend to play with can make that first day of school less frightening.

**OLDER CHILDREN** who transfer to a new school will also benefit from having such a friend.

"They often get together, and they feel much happier to know from the kid's point of view what the school is like," Wallace said.

Little touches, such as a reassuring note in a youngster's lunchbox, can also help ease fears.

"Even if they can't read yet, most of them know how to read 'Mom,'" Wallace said.

Parents should let youngsters know where they can be reached, whether it's at home or at work. Youngsters should also have a neighbor's telephone number for emergencies.

Parents shouldn't worry too much about academic skills in the early days of school, she said. Boys in particular may be a bit slower in developing such things as fine motor skills.

"They're so busy growing in social ways and in emotional ways. I

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## clubs in action

### ● FUN FOR SENIORS

The Plymouth/Canton Civitan Club will entertain senior citizens at two dinner parties. The parties will be at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14 and 21, at the Plymouth Elks Lodge, 41700 E. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. There will be a cash bar at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Arrangements have been made to accommodate 350 local seniors at each party. The parties will include a complete roast beef dinner with dessert. Following dinner, bingo will be played. Prizes have been donated by area merchants. The evening will end with live music for dancing and listening pleasure. Tickets cost \$2 and must be purchased in advance. For additional information, call Eugene Sund, 420-0614.

### ● LA LECHE

The La Leche League will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, at 1842 Gloucester. The meeting will include discussion and information on how to establish a good nursing relationship. Advantages and disadvantages of breastfeeding will also be discussed. For additional information, call Johanne, 453-9171.

### ● HAWAIIAN LUAU

The Knights of Columbus will hold a Hawaiian luau party at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16. There will be an open bar featuring Hawaiian drinks, dinner at 8:30 p.m., floor shows and dancing under the stars until 1:30 a.m. Tickets cost \$20 per person and must be purchased no later than Thursday, Aug. 14. Tickets are available at Father Daniel A. Lord Council No. 3959, 39050 Schoolcraft between Eckles and Newburgh, Livonia 48150. For additional information, call 464-0501.

### ● ROSE SOCIETY

The Huron Valley Rose Society will hold its annual garden tour and picnic at 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17, at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Road, Ann Arbor. For additional information, call Gary Hausman, 453-8163.

### ● REMS GROUP

The REMS Far West Group of the Multiple Sclerosis Society will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17, at the Bonanza Restaurant at 10 Mile Road and Grand River Avenue. The restaurant is accessible to the handicapped.

### ● PLYMOUTH BPW

The Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club will hold a meeting at 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 18, at the Hillside Inn, Plymouth, Judith

Darlington of Plymouth Family Service will speak on "Workplace Responsiveness to Chemical Dependency in Our Community." Social hour will be at 6 p.m., with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Price is \$8 and reservations are due by noon Saturday, Aug. 16. For reservations, call Marilyn Alimovich, 453-4845, (evenings) or Mary Aligens, 453-8830, (days).

### ● LAMAZE CLASS

The Plymouth Childbirth Education Association will offer a Lamaze orientation class at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 18, at Newburgh United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. The class is an introduction to the Lamaze birth technique. It features a birth film, "Saturday's Children." There is a \$1 per person charge at the door. For additional information, call 459-7477.

### ● BEREAVED GROUP

The Bereaved Parents Group will meet at 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 18, at the Newman House of Schoolcraft College, 17300 Haggerty, Livonia. The self-help group is for parents who have had a child die. For additional information, call Raymond or Gloria Collins, 348-1857.

### ● REFUNDERS

The Refunders Club will meet at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20, at the Plymouth Grange Hall, 273 Union. Those attending should bring refund forms, proofs of purchase and complete details to trade. New members may attend.

### ● PLYMOUTH-CANTON PWP

Plymouth-Canton Parents Without Partners will hold an orientation for new members at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20. For the location or additional information, call Ellen, 455-3851. Plymouth-Canton Parents Without Partners will also hold an orientation, followed by a dance, Thursday, Aug. 21, at the Plymouth Hilton Inn. The event will include dance instruction. Price is \$2 or \$3 after 9:30 p.m.

### ● ASSERTIVENESS

"Advantages of Being Assertive" will be the topic for the 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 26, meeting of the Women's Divorce Group, sponsored by the Women's Resource Center of Schoolcraft College. The meeting will be held in the conference room of the Lower Waterman Campus Center at the college, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia. Joan Garside will discuss negotiating rights. Attendance is free and registration is not required. The group is for women who are separated, divorced, in the process of

getting divorced or considering divorce. For additional information, call 591-6400 Ext. 430.

### ● DOCENT TRAINING

Docent training sponsored by the Friends of the Matthaei Botanical Gardens in Ann Arbor will begin at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 8, at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Road. Courses last four or six weeks during each of the four seasons and feature seasonal highlights and techniques for giving outdoor tours. Individuals who successfully complete the entire course are qualified as outdoor docents at the gardens and are committed to three years of voluntary service. For additional information, call 763-7060.

### ● GUEST SPEAKER

The Plymouth Historical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main St. The monthly meeting will include a guest speaker, Peter R. Miller, who will again open the Historical Society season. He will discuss life in Plymouth during the first half of this century. Miller has lived in the same location in Plymouth Township since 1917 and was a regular visitor to the area for 10 years before that. Guests may attend. For additional information, call 455-8940.

### ● FALL CLASSES

Registration for fall sessions of "Me and My Shadow" classes for children 2 or 3 years of age is open at New Morning School, a parent co-

operative at 14501 Haggerty, Plymouth Township. Classes begin Sept. 12 and end Dec. 19. The classes involve parents and children in play, planned activities and parent discussions. The course is taught by Lynda Zahn. Three sessions will be offered: 9:15-10:15 a.m. Friday for children up to 32 months; 10:30 a.m. to noon Friday for children over 32 months; and 6-7 p.m. Thursday for parents who work. Cost of the course is \$55 for one-hour sessions and \$95 for sessions lasting one and a half hours. For additional information, call 420-3331 between 9 a.m. and noon.

### ● OKTOBER FEST

The German-American Club of Plymouth will celebrate the fall harvest by hosting its annual Oktober Fest from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, at the Plymouth Cultural Center. German food and drinks will be available and there will be dancing to the music of The Continentals. Tickets are \$4.50 each. For additional information, call 459-4261 or 425-0449.

### ● POLISH DANCERS

Fall enrollment is open for dance instruction sponsored by the Polish Centennial Dancers of Plymouth. Dancers will learn Polish-American polkas and obereks, as well as regional dances of Poland. There are special groups for boys and preschool youngsters. Lessons are taught by Gail Cislo Wilenius and Marty Pack. Dancers perform throughout the summer at activities in southeastern Michigan. The Polish

Centennial Dancers of Plymouth are sponsored by the Polish National Alliance Lodge No. 3240. For reservations or additional information, call John Peltz, 261-9016, or Chris Gniwew, 459-5696.

### ● BICYCLE TOURS

The Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society celebrates its 10th anniversary this year with a membership of more than 600 riders ranging in age from 6 months to 70 and older. The Plymouth-Canton "East Fringe" group is part of the AABTS. Every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., the group leaves from the Security Bank parking lot at Warren and Canton Center roads. About 40 riders gather to ride 25 miles. Members take turns being the ride leader, who makes sure no one is stranded or lost and helps with flat tires and other breakdowns. Riders are urged to wear helmets and to be able to ride approximately 12-14 miles per hour. After the ride, members gather at the Ford Road McDonald's to socialize and talk about upcoming ride events. The club is open to new members.

### ● BETHANY

Bethany Plymouth/Canton meets at 9 p.m. the third Saturday of each month at St. Kenneth Church, 14951 Haggerty, south of Five Mile Road, Plymouth. The Saturday, Aug. 16, meeting will be for "Gab and Game Night." For additional information, call 981-1274 or 981-1365 after 6 p.m.

### ● TOASTMASTERS

Motor City Speakeasy, a member of Toastmasters International, meets at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday of each month in the Red Lobster restaurant at Twelve Oaks in Novi. The group formerly met at the Plymouth Mayflower Ho-

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## clubs in action

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tel. Motor City Speakeasy welcomes people wanting to improve their speaking skills. For information, call 420-0116 or 422-8364.

### ● SUMMER FUN

"Summer Fun" is the theme for the exhibits at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main St., Plymouth. A fishing exhibit from the 1920s, a sea shell collection from around the world, and a special exhibit of Coca-Cola items are featured. The Coca-Cola exhibit includes trays, an 1895 urn used in a soda fountain, toys and games, bottle openers and other items. The museum is open to the public 1-4 p.m. Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. Admission is \$1 for adults, 50 cents for those ages 11 to 17, and 25 cents for those ages 5 to 10. For additional information, call 455-8940.

### ● OPTIMISTS

Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Mondays of each month in the Miles Standish Room of the Mayflower Hotel in Plymouth. Plymouth and Canton residents may call 453-8847 for membership information.

### ● CHORUS COOKBOOK

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

### ● FARM AND GARDEN

The Lake Pointe Women's National Farm and Garden Association has two cookbooks available from group members. A number of salads from the spring salad luncheon are included, along with other recipes submitted by the members. The price is \$5. For additional information, call Jean Pink, 453-2802.

### ● CANTON WOMEN

The Canton Women's Club will meet 9-11 a.m. the first and third Thursday of the month at the Faith Community Moravian Church, 46001 Warren Road, west of Canton Center, Canton Township. New members may attend. The club is for women interested in being a part of cultural events, a discussion and recreational activities. The club is co-sponsored by the YWCA of Western Wayne County. For additional information, call 455-8940.

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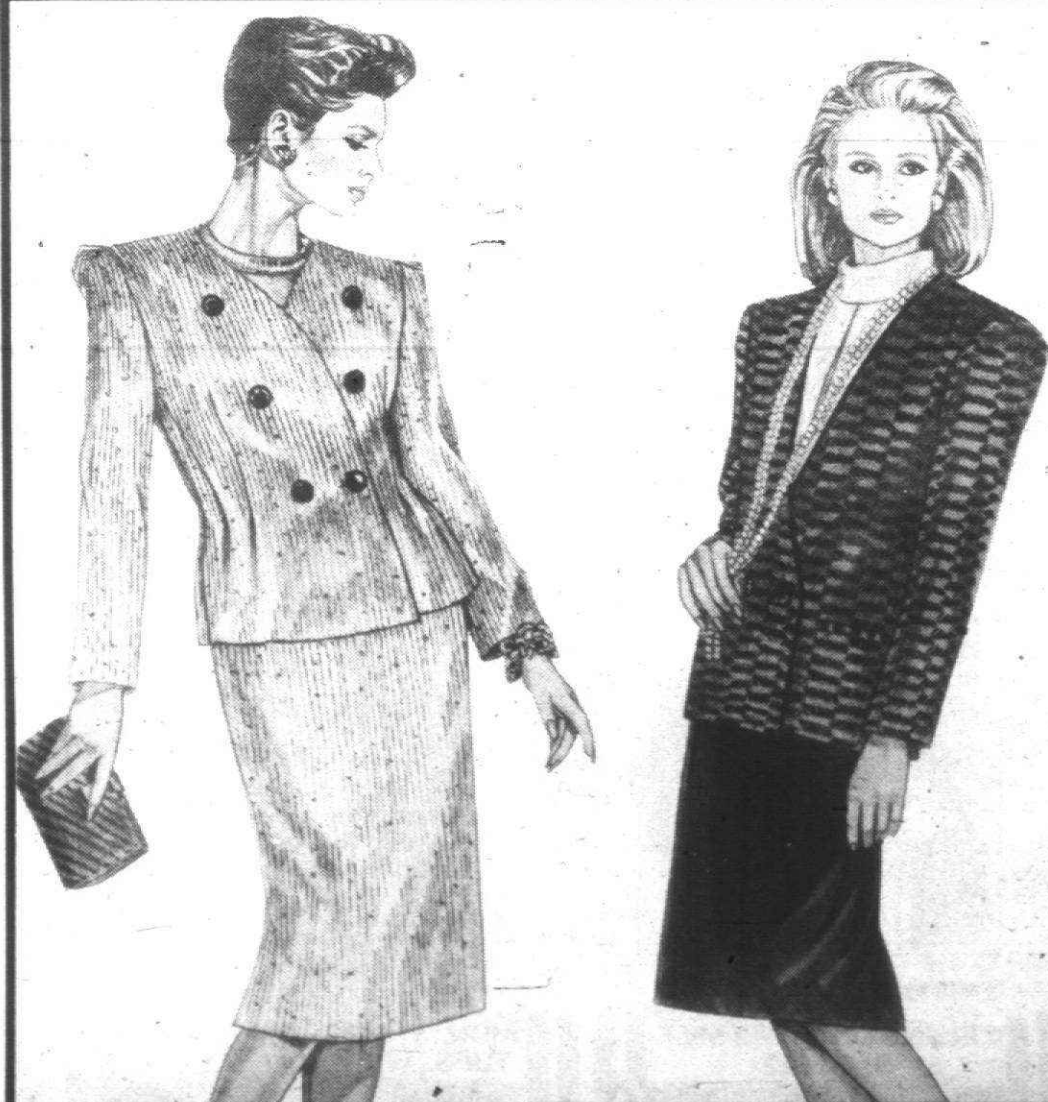
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# Happy time at school

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A tote bag, for example, can help youngsters carry their belongings with ease.

"It eases anxiety again," Spaniel said. "Children don't want to be different."

Older children who transfer to a new school can also have a difficult time adjusting, particularly if they're shy, Spaniel said. Once again, a visit to the school ahead of time can be a big help. Youngsters from the neighborhood or from a church group or Scout troop can also help the newcomer feel welcome prior to the start of school.

If parents are concerned about a child's adjustment to school, they shouldn't hesitate to contact the teacher or principal, the educators agree.

"They should feel free to call, by all means," Spaniel said. The teacher can provide reassurance about a child's adjustment to school or, if necessary, suggest ways to aid in that adjustment.

"They're very resilient, I guess, is the term," Spaniel said of the youngsters.

## What's a CEP?

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools has the only educational park in the state of Michigan.

The Centennial Educational Park (CEP) is a 305-acre site which is the home of two four-year comprehensive high schools — Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton high schools.

The buildings, which were completed in 1973, house more than 200 teachers, counselors and learning specialists with a student population of about 3,500 in grades 10-12.

Courses available to students, who can participate interchangeably at either of the two schools, range from auto mechanics through foreign languages to calculus, and cover all areas in between.

Athletic facilities at the CEP include swimming pools, gymnasiums and an 8,000-seat football stadium used jointly by both schools.



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Barbara Young, Fiegel's principal, and 6-year-old Courtney Fannin take some time to discuss the beginning of the school year. Courtney came to school with her mom and older sister to visit Tuesday morning.



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# Help for kids

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think kids need recognition for that too."

In asking children about their experiences at school, parents should ask specific questions, such as "What did you make in art?"

"They're likely to get a lot more from specific questions," Wallace said.

Asking the teacher about a child's progress in school is a good idea.

"We believe in that at New Morning. The parents have a lot of contact with the teachers."

"I would say they're doing the child and the teacher a favor," Wallace said of classroom visits by parents. "It gives the parent insight actually into what's going on."

SUCH A visit also shows the child and the teacher that a parent cares.

If you think there's a problem,

the sooner the better," Wallace said.

Teachers should also be made aware of problems at home that may affect a youngster's school performance, she said.

"It really helps to tell the teachers. You become a team, and they know what you want. I think that's real important."

"Kids are really resilient, they seem to manage really well."

The adjustment to a full day of school, as distinguished from a half day, can also take some time for children.

"It's very tiring, and it's a lot of pressure to be good all day," Wallace said. When youngsters come home from a full day at school, they generally need some kind of outlet for their energy.

"For every child, it might be something different. A snack and a physical activity, such as a chore or play activity, can help children."

They need some free time just to blow off steam," she said. "And just have fun and be a kid."

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# clubs in action

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## PLYMOUTH SENIORS

The Plymouth Township Seniors meet at the Friendship Station Club Hall, 42375 Schoolcraft, on the following days: Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon for euchre and pool, Tuesdays from 6:30-9:30 p.m. for pinocle, Fridays from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and 6:30-9:30 p.m. for bridge and pinocle. Seniors living in Plymouth Township or the city of Plymouth may attend. For additional information, call Helen Krupa, 459-6259.

## DANCERS' COOKBOOK

The Polish Centennial Dancers of Plymouth cookbook, "Secrets from Centennial Cupboards," is available from group members. It features a number of Polish recipes, along with American recipes. The price is \$5. For additional information, call Kathy Floited, 459-7255.

## FAMILIES ANONYMOUS

Families Anonymous, a self-help program for relatives and friends concerned with drug abuse or behavioral problems, will meet at 8 p.m. Thursdays in St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 44800 Warren, Canton.

## 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.

## 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, just west of Canton Center. The flotilla welcomes new members. Call Robert Kinsler, 455-2876, for information.

## TAKE OFF POUNDS

TOPS Chapter 1236 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

Air Force Auxiliary Squadron 16-1 invites interested people to attend its weekly meetings, 6:30-10 p.m. Thursday, on the fourth floor of the main building, Willow Run Airport. Any U.S. citizen 13 or older may become a volunteer. For information, call Robert Eizen, commander, 326-9673.

## 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 p.m., and program at 7:30 p.m. 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. Midwest Harmony's membership covers a four-county area and includes 17 cities. It is directed by Dixie Dahlke. The group's next big project is a full-fledged barbershop show with champion quartets, planned for Saturday, Oct. 25, in Garden City. For information on membership or on the show, call Marge Griep of Livonia, 425-0017, or Linda Lupo of Canton, 453-4873.

## 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.

## 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 the month at the post home, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth. New members are welcome. For information, call the post, 459-6700.

## CANTON ROTARY

Canton Rotary Club meets at noon Monday in the Roman Forum on Ford Road between Haggerty and Lilley. Lunch is \$5. For information, call Richard Thomas, 453-9191.

## WOMEN FOR SOBRIETY

Self-help group for alcoholic women meets 1 p.m. Tuesdays in New-

man House, Schoolcraft College campus, Haggerty at Seven Mile, Livonia. A hot line, 427-9460, operates 24 hours a day.

## CANTON KIWANIS

The Kiwanis Club of Canton meets 6:30-8 p.m. Mondays (except after a holiday) in Denny's restaurant, Ann Arbor Road east of I-275. New members are welcome. For information, call James Ryan, 459-9300.

## AMERICAN BACKGAMMON CLUB

Club meets Wednesday evenings in the back room of the Box Bar, 777 Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Tournament registration is at 7:15 p.m. and tournament play at 7:30 p.m. Advance strategy, as well as help for new players, is available for early

arrivals. For information, call Scottie Flora, 453-7356.

## AMERICAN LEGION

The Passage-Gayde Post of the American Legion meets 1 p.m. the first Sunday of each month in the Veterans Memorial Building, 173 N. Main, Plymouth. New members may attend. Call Don Hartley, 459-2914, for information.

## CANTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Canton Historical Society meets the second Thursday of each month at the museum, Canton Center at Proctor, Canton. Museum hours are 1-3 p.m. Tuesday and 1-4 p.m. Saturday. For information about the society or the museum, call Dorothy West, 455-0744.

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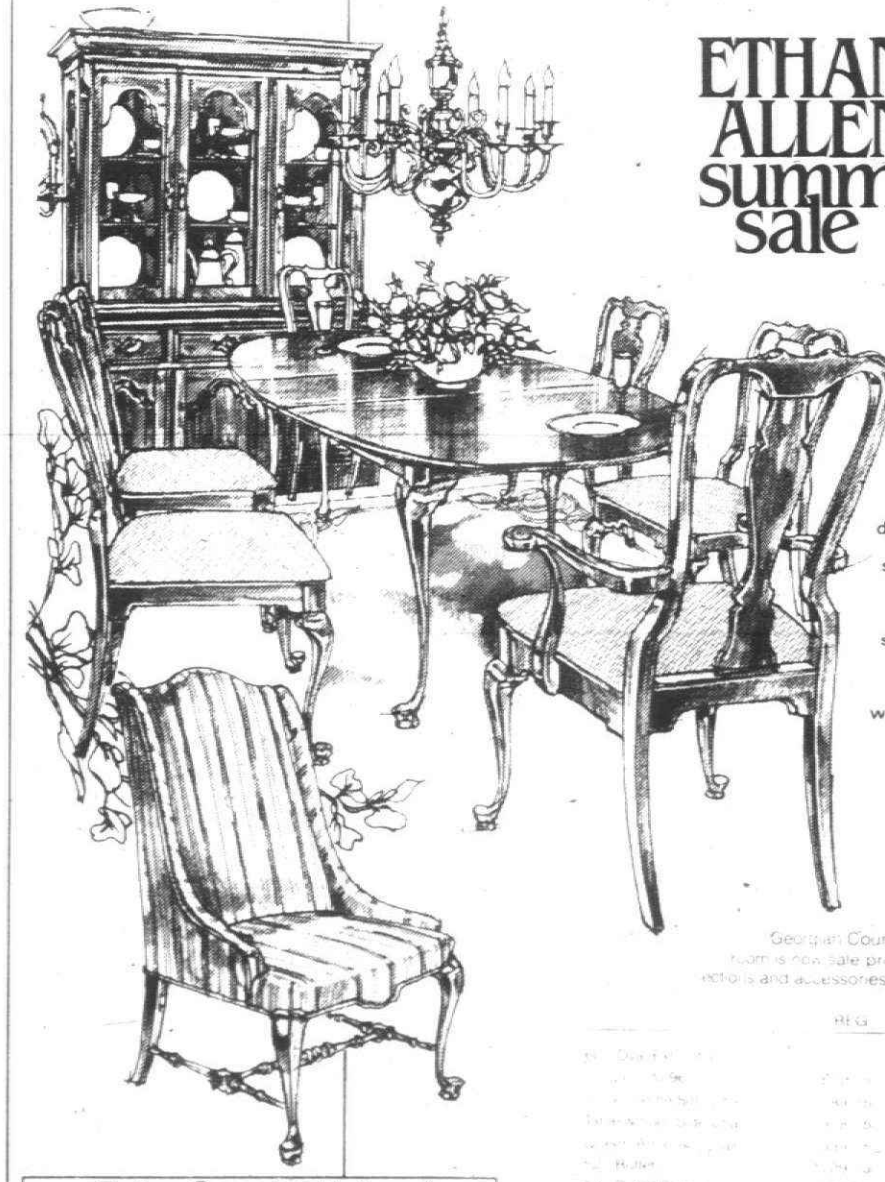
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# Wagner-Nash

Mrs. Oliver H. Wagner Jr. of Plymouth announces the engagement of her daughter, Holly Lawton Marie, to Christopher Ray Bowne of Southfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowne of Bowie, Md.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. She is also a magna cum laude graduate of Albion College, where she received a bachelor's degree in political science. She is the director of state issues for the national office of Common Cause in Washington, D.C. Her fiancé is a graduate of Greenville High School. He is also a graduate of Louisiana Tech University, where he received a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. He also graduated from Louisiana State University with a master's degree in public administration and is employed as the deputy state auditor for the state of Mississippi. A late November wedding is planned at Georgetown's Dunbarton United Methodist Church.

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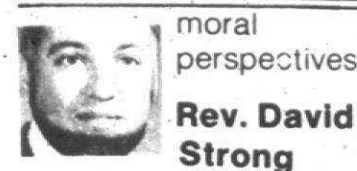
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## Dependence is a source of strength, not defeat

I am no boater. I do best when I am hiking a trail rather than out on the water.

Summer is boat time. So I have been out in several boats on lakes and great lakes. My son's whole summer is being spent on a freighter in some of the most dangerous ocean waters. I marvel at his courage. I am no boater.

I remember one evening out beyond Puget Sound. My brother and I had been sailing and dark came upon us. The wind came up and rain hit us. We began the return to an unfamiliar dock in the dark and the rain. Great logs were floating out with the tide. We were heading in. The logs were coming out. My brother sent me up to the prow to look for logs, which, if they were to hit us head on, would break through the hull. Through the dark and the rain I could see little.

We hit something! The boat was motionless, dead in the water. We had caught on a great long gill net strung hundreds of yards across our path. My brother said, "Hold this rope tied around my waist. I'm going overboard. I'll dive down and push the net off our keel." He disappeared into the black water.

I knew I depended entirely upon him to get us safely back. I knew nothing about the boat, the area we were in or the way to a safe return. I shall never forget that night or the moment we set foot upon the dock.

We rightly depend upon God for our safe passage through this life. We are tempted to rely upon everything else: the physician, the psychologist, the lawyer, the investment counselor, the preacher. Our world is full of people who will give us advice or help us.

A moment of terror or uncertainty reminds us that God is still God and we are vulnerable creatures. For a moment the crack has opened. It is a moment in which we can yield to the thought that support for our life must truly come from without.

training will be established as an outreach of the Bible school.

Prior to the missionary assignment, the Wolyniaks pastored in Springfield, Colo. They worked in church planning in Yampa, Colo., and Jackson, Mo. He worked as youth pastor in Ketchikan, Ala.

There will be a multi-media presentation on the missions in the Micronesian Islands. The public is invited to attend. For more information, call 471-5282.

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Joanne Pyle, 4, (left) enjoys petting "Sparky" the Tiger Salamander in Jan Berlin's hand. Laura Cavender, 4, would rather not.

## Science exhibit visits Bible school

Children during last week's vacation Bible school at Alpha Baptist Church in Livonia took in a science exhibit.

The Living Science Foundation, a non-profit group from Novi, came to Alpha Baptist with its own safari Wednesday. They brought various exhibits, like salamanders, boa constrictors, giant frogs and parrots.

"It was totally hands on," said Sue Ford, who helps coordinate the vacation Bible school at Alpha. "The kids got to hold or touch all the animals if they wanted to."

The group of 70 children were broken up into two groups. One was for pre-schoolers and kindergarten called the "Animal Family." The kids grade one through four were in the Amazon Program, which discussed the various animals in the Amazon region with a slide presentation.

"I think the adults were much more squeamish than the kids."

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Lori Burns, 10, holds "Kirby," a blue and gold macaw parrot Wednesday.

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**LOGOTHERAPY TRAINER**  
Dr. James Yoder, director of the Kansas City Logotherapy Chapter, will be the guest speaker 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 24, at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia. Logotherapy is designed to make people aware of their spiritual resources. For more information, call 421-1760.

**JOYFUL NOISE CHOIR**  
The Joyful Noise Choir, with children ages 3-14, will have a concert 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17, at the Livonia Assembly of God, 33015 Seven Mile, Livonia. For more information, call 471-5282.

**TRIP TO PTL**  
The Livonia Assembly of God is planning a trip to the PTL Club television show for Monday, Nov. 17, through Saturday, Nov. 22, at Heritage USA in North Carolina. For more information, call 471-5282.

**DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA**  
The Daughters of Isabella, a fraternal order made up of Catholic women, will have its international convention Sunday, Aug. 17, through Friday, Aug. 22, in the Westin Hotel at the Detroit Renaissance Center. For more information, call 723-5371.

**CHURCH BAZAAR**  
St. Matthew Lutheran Church of Christ in Livonia is accepting advance applications for its annual Holiday Arts & Crafts Bazaar 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25. For more information, call 421-3207.

**SUNDAY REVIVAL**  
Dr. Kenny McComas, a world-traveled minister, will be the guest speaker Sunday, Aug. 24, at Bethel Baptist Church, 29475 Six Mile, Livonia. McComas will speak at 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. services. For more information, call 525-3664.





Members of Junior Group of Goodwill Industries on the welcoming committee for the newcomers were Joan Scrutton (standing from left) of Livonia, Jo Batherson from Redford, Sally Foster of Detroit and Agnes Rossiter of Redford. Shirley Denise (seated), was hostess for the tea that was given in her Grosse Pointe home.

## Volunteer organization takes on new members

By Loraine McClish  
staff writer

JUNIOR GROUP OF Goodwill Industries welcomed 16 new members this month during a tea at which they were introduced to fellow volunteers. Members come from throughout the Detroit metro area to fulfill their motto of "Helping the Handicapped Help Themselves."

The newcomers are probationary members, known as "probies," and will keep that status for a year.

"It's a time for them to get to know us and the work we do," said Mary Jane Watson, a Farmington Hills resident who is president of the 350-member group. "It's a time for them to learn what Goodwill Industries is all about, visit our committees, visit the Goodwill buildings and homes and training centers and discover if they want to commit themselves."

"I'm well aware that this is different from the way other volunteer groups recruit their members, but whatever we are doing we are doing it right. Volunteers come and go for any number of reasons, but we hold a steady roster of all-active and all-committed volunteers, something a lot of groups can't say they have," she said.

Junior Group of Goodwill Industries also holds a steady record of netting in the neighborhood of \$100,000 a year to subsidize the Goodwill's training programs, which in turn put anywhere from 100 to 500 people back into the workforce every year.

WHATEVER the 16 probies choose to do to commit themselves during their probationary year, they will all have some part in working toward the "Goodwill Antiques Show & Sale" set this year for Nov. 6-9 in Michigan State Fairgrounds.

Sally Foster of Detroit and Ann Marie Peacock of Birmingham are co-chairs of the 39th annual show, the group's biggest money-maker. This event is worked on from one November when the show closes to the next November when the show opens with a wine and preview party.

"Our probies are the ones who turned that bare barn in the fairgrounds into a beautiful showplace last year," Peacock said. "We had a couple of new members who had some background in interior decorating — we always utilize whatever talent we have available — who glued and sewed and painted for three days before we opened to make a really startling transformation."

"Whatever talent we have coming in this year we'll tap. We put our probies to work immediately. Whatever they bring to us we can use," she said.

The probies have a large range to choose from all the many facets of the show and sale.

Space in the large fairgrounds structure is divided up for select antique dealers booths, the Goodwill Booth, which is the best of the collectibles and items of quality that go on sale, "The State Fair," which offers snacks, lunches and dinners, and "The Country Store."

"MOST OF US do double duty," said Donna Anderson of Bingham Farms. "Whether it's selling tickets or working on the security committee or publicity, or interviewing antique dealers, most of us work all year and if not that, at least all summer on something for The Country Store."

The Country Store is stocked with handmade gift items, candies, homemade jams, jellies, pickles, salad dressings and baked goods.

The gift items range from smocking to soft sculpture, from wreaths of natural materials to woodcraft, with heavy accent on accessories for country decor.

"It's a matter of keeping up to date. Country is popular now," said Jerry Wendt, a Farmington Hills resident who handles publicity for

the show. "That, and because we have members who can make the baskets and the boxes and show others how to do it in our summer workshops."

While the volunteers keep up to date with the items they make to stock their country store, so do they keep up to date with Goodwill Industries' focus.

## Ministry for healing slated at Cobo

Catholic priest, the Rev. Ralph Di Orto, will bring his healing ministry to Detroit noon Sunday, Sept. 7, at Cobo Arena.

The Detroit Apostolate of Prayer for Healing and Renewal will sponsor the event. The service will be non-denominational. Admission is \$3.

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Louis Arena box office, Cobo Arena box office, Ticket World Outlets and the Detroit Apostolate of Prayer.

Di Orto founded the Apostolate of Prayer in Worcester, Mass. The Apostolate ministers to Catholics, Protestants, non-Christians and the unchurched.

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# Creative Living

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## Each day brings new experiences

By Corinne Abatt  
staff writer

**W**HEN LIVONIA BEGAN to seem too much like a big city to Connie and Chuck Wagenschutz, they did just the opposite of a lot of people of retirement age. They moved north rather than south.

While many retirees set their sights on Florida, Arizona or California, Chuck, formerly a fireman (Livonia Fire Department), and Connie headed north to Michigan's Leelanau Peninsula in May 1984.

It was Connie's longtime interest in weaving that led them to this picturesque community, nestled along the west shore of Grand Traverse Bay.

Two other weavers from Livonia and their husbands had already settled there — Gail and Bob Lang and Peggy and Dick Harding. The Hardings, who had been coming up summers for many years, are there full time since he retired from teaching at Stevenson High School last January. The Langs moved to Suttons Bay in November 1983.

Connie said, "We wanted to get out of the city. We came to see Gail (Lang), started driving around and saw this place for sale. We didn't know the area, but we immediately



fell in love with it."

They are well-prepared for the lifestyle they have chosen. His and Her floor looms are set up in the part of the living room of the white farmhouse that serves as showroom for "Weaver's Wares," a retail business they have started.

Chuck explained that Connie has been weaving for about 20 years while he's only been at it for about eight. "She gave me two or three lessons," he said.

She quipped, with a smile, "I'm envious. I have the art background and he doesn't and he'll say 'Do you think these colors will look good together?' and I'll say to go ahead and try it — and it's beautiful."

She weaves material for clothing, pillows and accessories and he weaves place mats and rag rugs.

**THE HOUSE AND 10 acres** on Putnam Road is five miles north of Suttons Bay, just off M-22, which makes a shoreline loop around the peninsula and runs south along Lake Michigan as far as Frankfort. The farmhouse is easily accessible to travelers along M-22.

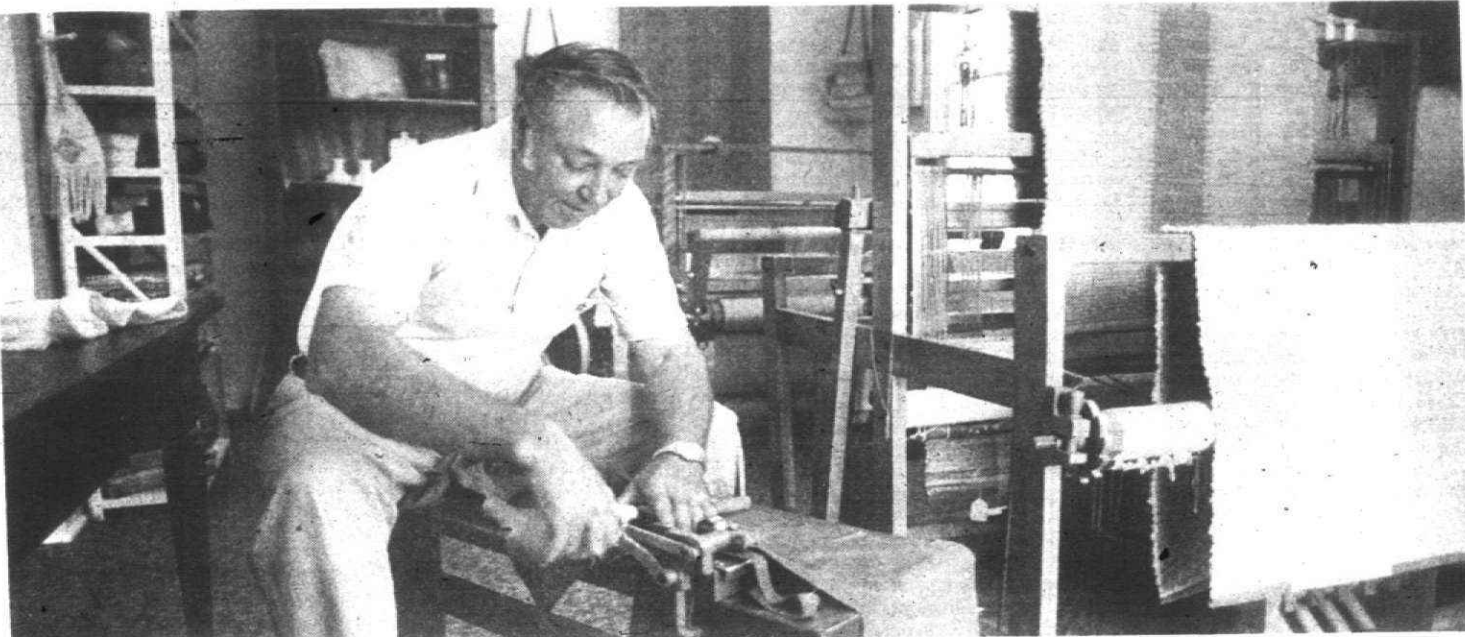
"Since we're new here, having a shop in the house helps us meet so many nice people," Connie said, recalling that a weaver from The Netherlands stopped by and only recently some people from Arizona had been in the shop.

Not only do they weave (she knits as well), but they start from scratch, carding, dyeing and spinning the wool and he cuts and dyes the rags for the rugs. Plus they make their own dyes from plants on their property.

"I wash it, card it, dye it, spin it and weave it," she said, neglecting to mention that she also makes her fabric into attractive jackets and vests on sale in the shop.

"For dyeing, it's great here," she said, "I can go out in back and get all kinds of things. That's the only way I like to do my dyeing. I use goldenrod, mullein (a tall, spiky weed) and there's black walnut husks, sumac bark and wild bachelor's button. I haven't done much dyeing because we've been so busy working on the house we haven't had time to play."

They're already at work canning and preserving produce from the



Chuck Wagenschutz (above) is cutting rags which he will weave into rugs like those hanging on his loom. He often dyes them, too, usually with a little prayer that the colors he has chosen will work together — which his wife says, usually do. Connie Wagenschutz (at left) spins wool which she has carded and dyed into yarn for knitting and weaving. They both like to be outdoors as much as possible.

Staff photos by  
Stephen Cantrell

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garden for winter meals, Connie noting, "We've got a good-sized garden — bigger than our whole lot in Livonia."

They aren't in the antique business as such, but they have refinished a number of pieces for their home in the big shed behind the house where they also do their dyeing. Some small antiques displayed in the shop area make an interesting display in conjunction with the textiles.

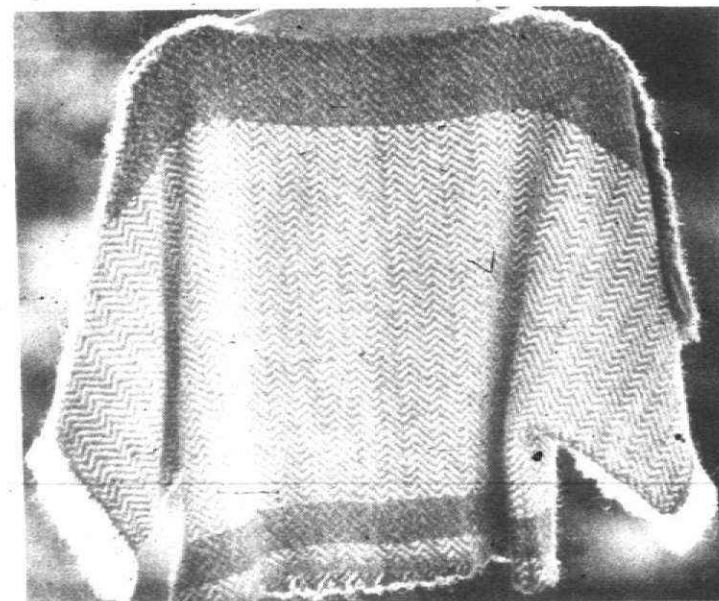
**AFTER THEY MOVED** "up-

state," as the expression there goes, they met Laurie Hirt, a basketmaker who lived in Auburn Hills before her minister/husband "took a call to a church in Suttons Bay and Northport."

Hirt's Nantucket baskets are for sale in the Weaver's Wares shop, the only place so far where she is selling these beautifully made items.

She's also a weaver and welcomes the idea of an informal

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Connie Wagenschutz likes to weave clothing from natural, undyed yarns like the one pictured.

## View of the bay and half the pay

By Corinne Abatt  
staff writer

For the next couple of weeks, you'll be seeing stories with an "Upstate" logo on them.

Why "Upstate?" Well, that's the term the folks in the northern part of the Lower Peninsula use when they talk about where they live as opposed to "downstate," which is where we live and work. And we wanted to find out why they decided to go north and how they like it.

When they come "downstate" it's see Tiger games, go to the Meadow Brook Music Festival, visit friends and relatives, see the sights of the big city, catch a transatlantic flight at Metro Airport or grab a look on the way to Florida.

Maybe that's the wonder and vitality of Michigan, it's so diverse, you can find almost any lifestyle you want.

**LESS THAN** a week in the Traverse City area, touring, interviewing and talking to people along the Old Mission and Leelanau peninsulas and I was ready to cash out the IRA; and put a down payment on a mini cher-



ry orchard. The enthusiasm about the quality of life and the time to enjoy it is contagious.

To a person, those who migrated north have made a concerted effort to combat loneliness by becoming involved in special interest groups and volunteer projects.

After my friends, Charlie and Lynn Allerton Quick moved to Traverse City 10 years ago from Beverly Hills, she taught needlepoint classes, did volunteer work, joined the Questers (antique group), worked part time at the Antique Barn on the Old Mission Peninsula and chaired several quilt shows put on by the Questers to aid the restoration of the old opera house.

Charlie joined Power Squadron,

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## Baskets help weave friendships

By Corinne Abatt  
staff writer

Laurie Hirt didn't choose to move to Suttons Bay on the Leelanau Peninsula. She liked living in the busy subdivision in Auburn Hills.

But as the wife of a Lutheran minister, she knows that moving is a part of the profession. So when he accepted an offer with a church in Suttons Bay and Northport, seven months ago, she packed up the household furnishings, children Robbie, 5, and Bethany, 8, said goodbye to neighbors and friends and started north.

"My daughter couldn't understand why there weren't 50 kids her age around here to play with. Now her friends live on farms and now she plays with all ages rather than just 8 year olds."

"It took a while to get used to the different way of life, but now it would be hard to go back," she said.

One thing Hirt took with her that has helped smooth the transition is her skill in basketmaking. "I learned from a friend downstate who took lessons at Cranbrook," she said. And while there are lots

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STEPHEN CANTRELL/staff photographer

Laurie Hirt is cutting splints for baskets. At left in front are two sizes of Nantucket baskets, one of her specialties and at right is the

mold she uses to make them. She dyes the reeds for the Appalachian egg basket at left with the god's eye at the base of the handle.





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## Don't worry — even pros make mistakes

**O**PS! NUTS! Oh, bummers! "Hey Dave, you got a waste basket around here?"

These are just a few of the exclamations I hear every week at the art store. They seem to emit freely as the art students' intention and technical ability do not coincide. In other words, when they goof up. And goofing up is common to both student and teacher, prospective artist and professional artist.

Every artist sweats out every picture while entertaining feelings of enthusiasm and satisfaction. He or she shuns fears of failure and discouragement. And so it is on every level of ability.

Those with little apparent ability striving for their best representation and those more able are expecting their normal capabilities and hoping for excellence.

**SO TO ENSURE** that art will always be fun to you, I would like to list some of the common goofs in several media. Perhaps some of these tips will act as road signs to warn you of some common hazards.

First, let's start with graphite or pencil drawings. Usually the most common problem here is getting too dark too quick. Save the darkest darks for last. Instead of using only one soft pencil, use many hardnesses of pencils. Start out your gesture drawing very light so that if you must make corrections, they can be erased.

Also, clean your paper as you draw. Often the oil from your skin mixes with the graphite smudges and permanently stains the white drawing paper.

**PEN AND INK:** Don't draw every detail. When doing a pen and ink from a photo, many students are overwhelmed by the multitude of details. In the effort of drawing, for example, every hair of a dog, the student soon finds that the light areas have become gray and the middle tones are lost in the black areas. The artist is expected to choose which areas are to be black, gray and white. The white or light areas, therefore, must have little or no lines at all.

Another tip is to change your technique as texture changes. Also try to

stay away from solid black; rather cross-hatch your way to 70, 80 or 90 percent black. Solid black often attracts too much attention.

**SCRATCHBOARD:** The leading mistake in scratchboard is pushing too hard with the scratch point. This causes the point to go through not only the ink and clay coating on the paper, but also roughs up the paper backing. The ink dust from scraping then lodges into the rough surface of the paper. So your finished scratchboard loses those bright clean whites that are so vital to the medium.

**PASTEL:** Probably the biggest error in pastel is that students are hesitant to push the color into the paper or board. This results in a washed out, faded looking picture. Also, when blocking in the base colors of your pastel, your beginning sketch loses many of its details and is often a shock to students.

Not quit at this point. Push yourself to re-establish the details.

**WATERCOLOR:** The same problem exists in watercolor as in pastels. The beginning wet washes tend to overflow pencil guide lines which is often upsetting. Remember to carefully wet, with clear water, areas where you intend the color to flow. This way the water acts as the vehicle for the flow of color.

Save your dark areas for last. Since you don't add white to a "legal" watercolor, you should slowly work your way up to the darkest areas. I also recommend you do your beginning sketch lightly with a "hard" pencil. Often the soft pencils muddy up the usually toothy watercolor paper.

Count on a few problems in whatever medium you use. And don't be discouraged. Every problem and mistake you encounter or commit is common to us all. Those who succeed learned from their problems. Those who failed used problems as an excuse.

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## Etching her way

### EMU prof examines work of artist

**A**s she leads through the pages of the book, she unknowingly wears a faint smile. And each page is turned with so careful a hand that even the most casual observer cannot help but sense the satisfaction and reverence that Sharon Harrison holds for her creation and the art it features.

Harrison, professor of art history at Eastern Michigan University, is the author of the recently published book, "The Etchings of Odilon Redon: A Catalogue Raisonné" (DaCapo Press, \$110).

Heralded by John Russell in the New York Times Book Review (June 1, 1986) as a necessity for anyone who loves French 19th century prints, the 125-page book on this major artist features more than 100 reproductions, including 32 plates and 33 supplementary illustrations, with all but four larger works reproduced in their original scale.

**THE BOOK IS THE** first definitive study of Redon's etching since 1913 when Andre Mellerio published a catalogue featuring the artist's lithographs and etchings. Harrison's study, however, expands on that publication. Not only has she discovered three more Redon etchings unknown to Mellerio and illustrated four which were only described by him, but she also checked and verified all

of the previous author's measurements and dates, making additions and corrections as needed.

In addition, Harrison has studied the paper and signatures of the various proofs, enabling the reader to distinguish one from another, even in the presence of fake signatures. She has listed the locations of unique proofs and written extensive technical notes on many of the plates. She has included four previously unpublished letters from Redon to Rodolphe Bredin and a letter about the etchings from Madame Redon. Perhaps most importantly, she has described the state changes and transformations which Redon made while working on his etchings.

To say the least, the compilation of such extensive information on this 19th century French artist did not always come easily or quickly.

"It took me 10 years to write this book," Harrison said. "I made four trips to Europe, spent a summer in the Art Institute of Chicago's Print and Drawing Room and visited numerous museums and private galleries."

**ACCESS TO THE** information also wasn't too easy at times. For example, the French were somewhat protective of Redon as one of "their own" artists and according to Harri-

son, "occasionally made things difficult."

Harrison, a 19th and 20th century European art historian and EMU faculty member for the last 18 years, earned her doctorate from the University of Michigan in 1975. Her thesis then was on Redon's etchings, but her interest in etching traces back to her graduate years at the Cranbrook Academy of Art, where she earned her master of fine arts degree, and her undergraduate days at U-M, where she studied with Emil Weddige.

"I'm not sure I can explain why I chose to study Redon," Harrison said. "It's sort of like explaining why we choose to marry whom we do."

I think I fell in love as a student and the feeling never went away."

For Harrison, the feeling of "rightness" in choosing to study Redon is best explained by one of her favorite photographers, Lizette Model, who once said, "Don't shoot 'til the subject hits you in the pit of the stomach." Harrison said she could really relate to that statement when she first saw Redon's etchings. "I was standing on Madison Avenue in New York looking (at Redon's work) in a gallery window and I got 'hit' in the pit of my stomach," she said.

According to Harrison, the etching technique, that of producing designs on metal for reproduction by print-

ing on paper, was historically used by a number of painters during Redon's period for reasons that were partly experimental and discovery oriented. As written by print scholar Peter Morse in the foreword of Harrison's book, "In the era when Redon was making prints, quite simply, etching was a considered a medium for art, and lithography a medium for reproduction."

Morse also wrote, "Redon surely began in 1865 with the idea of etching as real art. Though he and the artistic world later admitted lithography to this exalted level, the process of etching probably always held a superior position in his mind."

In all, Harrison studied Redon's etching from his earliest in 1865 to his last in 1914 and is now in the process of studying his lithographs. She holds a kind of intimacy with that artist which only such study can spawn.

"Redon thought in black and white and I think in black and white," she said. "After such an intensive study, you almost feel like you've created some of the works yourself," she joked. "Seriously though, I have always felt a tremendous rapport with his work."

**Information for this story** came from Eastern Michigan University's public information and publications office.



This top for a woman, made by Connie Wagenschütz, is made of fibers she dyed herself. Doing the whole process from start to finish is what gives her satisfaction, even to picking the plants to make the dye from.

## Weavers like change

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group of weavers that Connie hopes to get together occasionally — nothing structured, that wouldn't fit into the lifestyle, she said.

The Wagenschützes convinced one daughter and her husband, Suzy and Phil Rajala, to move to Traverse City and hope their other married daughter who lives in Westland will also eventually make it there permanently.

Connie and Chuck Wagenschütz like being busy, having projects, being productive, but they want to do it at their own pace — to savor each day.

For instance, they don't do any commission weaving. "We have tried commissions and that's no fun," Connie said.

They are outside winter and summer, they walk a lot (it's a half

mile through the orchard to the Lang's house) and they are anxious to have the snowshoes they ordered at the end of last winter.

"Snow shoeing will be a new experience for us," Connie said. "They keep the roads plowed and we like being out."

She spoke of the excitement when the big cherry-picking machine conveys come down the roads day and night to harvest the orchards all across the peninsula in late July, the breathtaking beauty of the five-mile shoreline drive (five minutes) to Suttons Bay to do grocery shopping and the friendly, honest attitude they encounter with each new acquaintance.

The pleasure they find in their late July, the breathtaking beauty she showed on both Connie's and Chuck's faces and she said very simply, "Everyday is a new experience, even after two years."

## Traverse area growing

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took boating classes and was involved in the opera house benefits. Lonesome? Occasionally for old, dear friends. Happy? Definitely.

Ed and Lou Wicher, formerly of West Bloomfield, had barely moved into their house on the Old Mission when they became involved in the fund raising and restoration efforts for the old Legion Hall at Old Mission. And they're making new friends through their teaching and their mutual interest in antiques.

And at least four different people used a favorite update phrase when talking about finding jobs, "view of the Bay and half the pay."

Connie and Chuck Wagenschütz, Leelanau Peninsula weavers, formerly of Livonia, have made new friends through the shop they opened in their home. They've talked one daughter and her family into moving north and they're working on the second — jobs can be found, she said "but, it takes time."

**SOME UPSTAIRS** have invented jobs for themselves such as the lady who keeps the racks of informational brochures on local artisans filled, or the guys who during the winter check summer cottages for absentee owners and tidy up and get the docks in the water just before the owners return.

We'll have some stories on the glamorous 840-acre Grand Traverse

Resort built by Paul Nine of Bloomfield Hills. This impressive complex will certainly have a long range effect on the economy in the Traverse area. Tourists and convention visitors have filled the 750 rooms at least four weekends this summer. Rooms are more likely to be available in the fall and winter, but the still-growing resort has a long list of fall and winter activities to lure vacationers.

Our travels took us (photographer Steve Cantrell and myself) to Northport to visit Farmington Hills resident Edee Joppich who spends six months a year there operating Joppich's Bay Street Gallery, and we found some other local folks ready to tell us their stories.

Although our sampling was small, those questioned about winter said they enjoyed it — for one thing it's beautiful, pristine and intricately woven into the life.

Spring? Well, spring is snow on the cherry blossoms, said one person — not that slow, kind of leisurely spring that filters into the Great Smokies in March or even our own occasional wonderful, unexpected bursts of balmy breezes and warm sun in late April.

But, summer? Well, that's hard to best "upstate" when every day is as sweet as the cherries that hang heavy on the trees in mid July. Certainly, it's not for everyone, but those who made the choice have found some special rewards.

## House along the Turnpike built

**Editor's note:** This is the second of a series of excerpts from the book, "More Than A Turnpike: 150 Years Of The Botsford Inn," by Jean M. Fox, published by the Farmington Hills Historical Commission, 1986, as a sequel to the annual tribute to Michigan's longest surviving hostelry.

By Jean M. Fox  
Special writer

In 1837 Michigan finally achieved statehood. There had been a two-year period involving a dispute with Ohio over the "Toledo Strip" of land at the mouth of the Maumee River; there had even been a second election for a constitutional convention to adopt a state constitution. But now the Territory took its place as the nation's 26th state.

And with the coming of statehood, the interest of Congress in the Michigan territorial roads evaporated. Congress, however, donated to the new state 5,000 acres of land, the proceeds from the sale of which were to be expended in an effort to make the Grand River Turnpike passable.

But the new-born state had no funds for roads; the state constitution made provision for no such appropriation. Taxpayers in the new state would have been horrified at such centralization.

It was against this background of progress and surging optimism that Orrin and Allen Weston built the house along the Turnpike which was

in due time to become an inn. It was set at the end of the road in the mode of the decade, and was fashioned of Greek Revival style, with pedimented gables at the east and west ends. Six squared posts held up the porch roof; one entered the house through one of two doors from the porch. The white clapboarding protected the exterior, and the central chimney bespoke large fireplaces for heating (and in the early days before stoves were generally available, for cooking).

Before the development of hostels, many homes were used as lodging by travelers. It is perhaps in this way that Weston's house became an inn. It was large, with many bedrooms where travelers could sleep 10 to 12 on the floor, side by side. As the roads improved, it was a day's journey from Detroit. For its day and time, the Weston House was an up-to-date building. Inns of the decades before had been log-constructed, sometimes as a two-house log building with an open-to-the-weather passageway between. Sometimes an early inn was merely a log cabin of a settler whose home was along the trail; travelers could stay overnight if they rolled in their own blanket upon the floor in front of the fireplace. If the settler's larder was adequate, he shared food with the traveler. Otherwise...

It appears, from family records, that both Allen and Orrin Weston built the house, Allen with his axe heaving the large beams which became the six pillars across the front of the porch.

The Weston House had 10 rooms downstairs and 12 rooms up, including a 32-by-35 foot "ballroom." While it was a home for a large family, it also had room for bedding travelers; a table and tap room were kept for refreshment, with (usually) the owner's wife and daughters, or neighbor girls, staffing the kitchen and serving the guests.

Five years after its building the house became a full-fledged inn. It sat right out on the road, passengers could alight from a stage-coach with

but a few steps to the porch; and if the horses needed changing, the big coach was wheeled around to the spacious entry before the barn, where hostlers and a blacksmith were available — the "service station" of the pre-automotive era.

Jean M. Fox, Farmington resident who is active in historical organizations at both the state and county level, has written three books and many articles on local history. #186

## Living closer to nature

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of basketmakers "upstate," she may be the only one making the Nantucket baskets.

"It is an involved basket and generally expensive," she said. "It involves carving (the handles) and soldering (pins in the handles) to make them swing easily."

HIRT SAID the Nantucket baskets always have a wooden base and they are always made on a mold with the ribs tapered and thinned.

Hirt, who has been making baskets for "a little over a year," said, "I really enjoy it." She picked up one of her Appalachian egg baskets to show how the colors are hand-dyed and how he's eye is the strength at the stress point. She said she still gets much of her reed and cane from a source in Plymouth adding, "Some of the materi-

als I carve myself."

Through her interest in crafts she met weavers Connie and Chuck Wagenschütz and other artisans. She sells her baskets through Weaver's Wares, a shop the Wagenschützes have in their home.

"Next year I'd like to get in the Suttons Bay Art Festival," she said. "There are a lot of things I miss from downstate," she said, "but, the weather and nature are so much a part of your life up here. You enjoy winter more up here because you're out in it more. There seems to be more time to do relaxing things like fishing and taking walks. Downstate it seems like you always had to drive somewhere to do that."

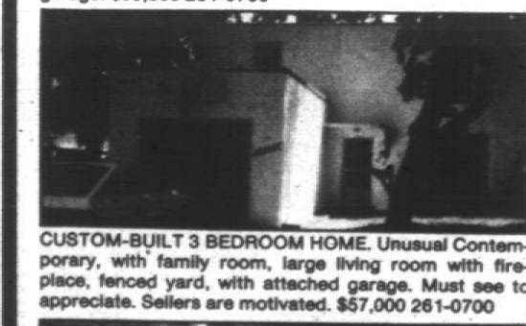
She still has mixed feelings about living upstate, but at the same times, says it would be hard to go back.



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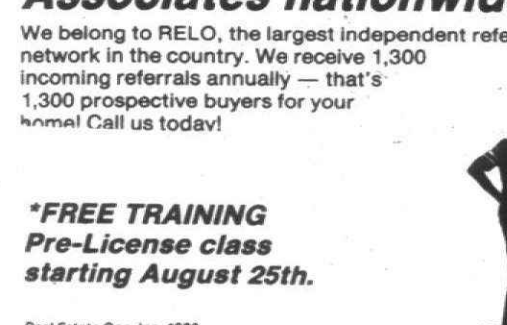
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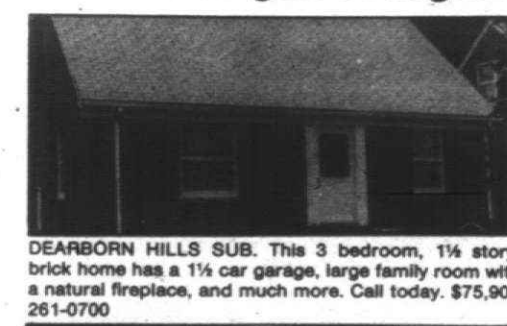
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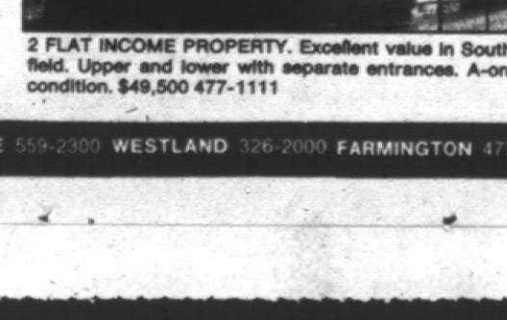
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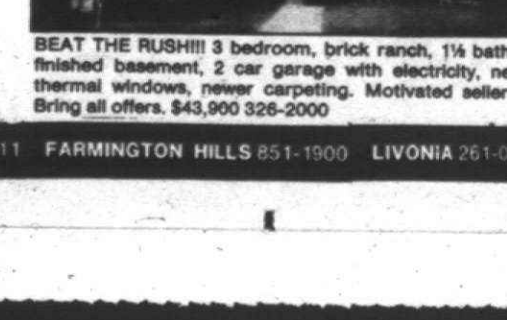
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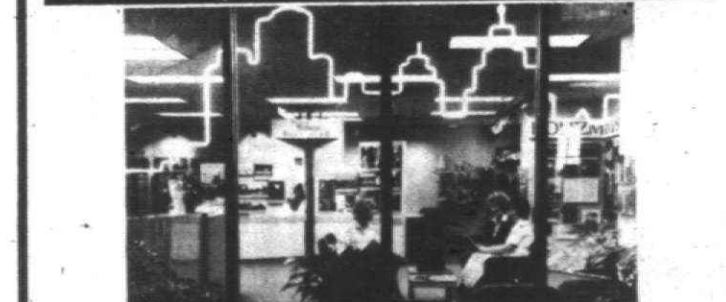
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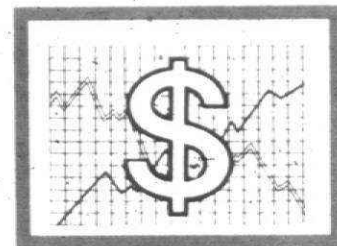




## Business

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# Small business moves its act to Washington

By Penny Wright  
special writer

The needs are basic. The good health (some say survival) of small business depends upon: keeping an advocacy voice in Washington, better access to capital financing and easing the burden of taxation.

But as local delegates prepare to attend the White House Conference on Small Business in Washington, D.C., Aug. 17-21, they question who will be listening to their concerns. Congress, which passed legislation for the conference, will be on summer recess. President Reagan, who signed the bill into law, will be vacationing at his California ranch.

"Why hold the conference in August?" asked Pearl Holterly, an accountant and partner with Plante & Moran and part of the Michigan delegation. "We don't know what's behind this. It's questionable whether the administration is interested in our concerns."

Farmington Hills delegate Daniel Nemes called small business owners "an uncomfortable burr in the President's saddle," noting that the conference is convening two years later than Congress intended.

"We've got problems," Nemes, president of the accounting firm of Nemes Allen & Lefko, Birmingham. "Most of the time our problems fall through the cracks because we don't have the political clout of big business and labor."

**THE CONFERENCE** is the third White House convention devoted to the problems of the small-business community. President Roosevelt started the practice in 1938. In 1980, President Carter hosted the second conference.

The conference provides a national forum for discussing the problems of businesses employing fewer than 500 employees. The starting agenda contains more than 300 recommendations. By the end of the conference, the list will be narrowed to 40 items targeted for legislative action.

Livonia resident and owner of JGP Marketing Group International, Jeanne Paluzzi said one of the main problems small business owners face is federal lawmakers' indifference to the impact of small business on the economy. She cited a national survey that indicated small businesses generate 80 percent of the new jobs and account for approximately half of the nation's output of private goods and services.

Paluzzi views the conference as an opportunity to increase awareness. "Our presence in Washington will serve as a reminder, 'We are here, don't ignore us.'"

While such issues as federal tax policies, helping small business enter international markets, and improved entrepreneurial education will claim plenty of attention, local delegates selected the three issues likely to generate the most discussion:

- Preserving the U.S. Small Business Administration as an independent agency.

The White House has recommended moving the agency's functions to the Department of Commerce. Richard Francis, a Birmingham resident and director of merchant banking with Carleton Ward & Co., Birmingham, termed such a move unjustified and devastating to the small business community.

"We would be lost in the bowels of democracy if the SBA moved to the Commerce Department," Francis said.

Francis, the 1985-86 president of the Small Business Association of Michigan, said the SBA is the advocate for small business and works through the Senate and House small business committees.

"Under the Commerce Department, we would be dominated by the big corporation viewpoint. The Small Business Administration should be elevated to a cabinet-level position."

Besides its advocacy role, the agency runs a loan guarantee program and offers management assistance to businesses.

Francis added that, as long as the current director, Charles Heatherly, considered by many business owners as anti-small business, remains at the SBA helm, the mood of the conference will be distrustful and angry.

"I had a personal commitment from the White House that Heatherly would be removed before the conference."

- Capital formation.

Area delegates say that access to capital for startup or expansion is limited. Providing new tax incentives to financial institutions that make loans to small firms would ease the problem.

Michael Morton, vice president of Ludot Personnel Services, a professional and technical recruiting firm in Southfield, noted that small business investment is unattractive. He favors Small Business Participating Debentures (SBPD) as a way business owners can obtain financing.

## Railing on small business's message

Trying to get across the idea that "small business is the economic engine driving the nation's economy," seven members of the Michigan delegation to the 1986 White House conference on Small Business will travel via rail to Chicago to link with the Chicago train to Washington.

The Chicago train will be joined by delegates from other states along the route to the conference to be held Aug. 17-21.

The delegation will be wearing engineer's caps and will be led Saturday by "Chief Engineer" Michael J. Morton, vice president of Ludot Personnel Services of Southfield. Upon arrival in Washington, the midwest and western delegates will join delegations from New England and Georgia.

Morton said the train ride will



give delegates the opportunity to meet informally and will feature briefings by delegates and outside experts on the issues and personalities involved in the conference.



art by RENEE ENRIGHT

"Currently investment in small business is an equity investment, and profits are taxed as corporate and as a dividend. With SBPDs, a business owner could sell an equity-type of security without giving up control of the company." Both investor and owner would receive favorable tax treatment under the plan.

- Liability insurance.

Southfield's Holterly describes the liability crisis as a two-pronged issue — high rates and lack of availability are leaving businesses without coverage, and those that remain covered are prey to unlimited claims. "Small business owners can't survive in such a climate. We need federal legislation to set limits on liability awards and encourage lower and more available insurance coverage."

**MICHIGAN'S** 61-member delegation is composed of 40 selected at a state business conference last September and 21 delegates selected by Gov. Blanchard and Michigan's congressional representatives. The delegation represents a cross-section of the commercial community with such enterprises as retail outlets, insurance and investment firms, consulting companies, marketing agencies, a Coney Island restaurant and a trucking firm.

"We have a tremendous group of people in our delegation," Pearl Lipner, co-chair of the conference delegation, said. "Unlike other states, there has been a coming together of this group in terms of philosophies and priorities."

Lipner, who owns two Southfield firms, Melange Limited, a non-U.S. luxury items import company, and Image Express, a film and tape editing business — is the first woman to co-chair a Michigan delegation to the White House conference.

"Over 35 percent of all conference delegates are women. There are 19 women in our delegation," Lipner said. "The women are hard-working business people who share the concerns of male delegates."

"We'll have 2,000 people who own their businesses raising Cain in Washington, D.C.," he said. "We'll get some attention (from government); I promise you that."

"Politicians listen to big business. We contribute as much or more, but big business gets all the attention."

"Small business is fragmented into small segments, and heretofore has never been as united as it is right now."

**MORTON POINTS** to these factors in stressing the importance of small business:

- There are more than 180,000 small businesses in Michigan.
- During the 1980-82 recession, Michigan lost 85,000 jobs that were mostly from the big business sector.

During that time the Michigan small-business sector generated 50,000 new jobs.

- One half of the Michigan workforce is employed by small business. About 1.5 million are working for firms with fewer than 500 employees.

- Only 0.3 percent of all U.S. firms — fewer than 15,000 — have more than 500 employees.

- Small business employs about half of our private work force, contributes 42 percent of sales and generates 40 percent of the gross national product.

Area residents joining Morton on the rails will be Bernadette Krupa of Southfield; David Leonard of Bloomfield Township; Donovan J. Miller of Troy; and Daniel J. Nemes of Farmington Hills.

## SBA survival, liability key conference issues

The road to the 1986 White House Conference on Small Business Aug. 17-21 had its roots in a 1980 White House conference where a resolution was passed that another conference be held. In 1984, President Reagan signed a bill into law requiring this conference be held no later than Sept. 1, 1986.

In preparing for next week's conference, 600 state small-business owners met in Dearborn last September to discuss issues and select delegates. The state will be represented in Washington by 40 elected delegates and 21 appointed by Gov. Blanchard and Michigan congressional representatives. The delegation will be chaired by John Vander Ploeg of Kala-

mazoo and Pearl Lipner of Detroit. They will meet with almost 1,800 other small business owners from the other 49 states to discuss the concerns of small business and recommend legislation.

Key issues include the survival of the Small Business Administration as an independent agency, federal deficits and liability insurance reform.

Michigan's final recommendations to be presented at the conference include:

- Expand the surtax exemption for corporations to \$200,000 per year.
- Privatize public services wherever possible.
- Limit the investment Tax Credit to

the first \$500,000 of qualified properties purchased per year.

- Enact the national product liability legislation sponsored by Sen. John Danforth, D-Mo. Danforth's bill would preempt state laws by creating a national standard for product liability.

- Pass enabling legislation to permit the chartering of Business and Industrial Development Companies (BIDCOs).

- Conduct a national conference on the status of entrepreneurial education in primary and secondary schools.

- Include representatives from the small business community on all federal boards and commissions dealing with issues relating to small business.



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# Cigarettes are just a part of Philip Morris' sales

My financial adviser has suggested that I put a fairly substantial amount of money in Philip Morris' Cigarettes Inc. With the controversy over the health hazard of smoking, the likelihood that smoking will be done by fewer people and the prospect of lawsuits, it seems to me that this may not be good advice. What do you think?

Let's look at Philip Morris in two ways: as a business and as a stock.

As a business, Philip Morris has three main parts, (1) it is one of the largest manufacturers of cigarettes in the world, (2) it brews the second-most popular beer in the country, and (3) its newly acquired General Foods Corp. sells more food than any other U.S.-based company.

There is no doubt management is aware that the cigarette business

could be a declining business and is taking steps to meet the possibility. It did state in the last annual report that it expects the cigarette industry to be a good business for many years to come.

IN THE legal battle of smokers against the cigarette companies, a recent case held that smokers are adequately warned by the statement on the packages of cigarettes that they can be a health hazard. Users therefore persist at their own risk.

That one case is not likely to be the end of efforts by smokers who believe their health has been harmed by cigarettes to collect damages from the companies. But it is an important precedent.

Philip Morris has developed Miller Beer into the second most popular name in that industry. Competi-



today's investor

Thomas E. O'Hara

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tion is always strong, but management has shown considerable skill in building that area of the company.

It was not able to succeed in developing its soft drink business with the Seven-Up company and is selling that part of the company.

The acquisition of General Foods Corp. was just made this past year. It gives Philip Morris a completely new area to work in and test its marketing skills. It will take time to see if Philip Morris can drive this business to new heights.

CERTAINLY, THE company's success in cigarettes and beer suggests it is likely to do well. This addition will add about \$9 billion to sales this year and is expected to increase earnings per share by 20 percent.

As a stock, Philip Morris was recently suggested by Better Investing magazine as an undervalued stock. Ordinarily, a stock that is selling at an all-time high and at the highest

price-earnings ratio in 10 years is not looked upon as undervalued, but there are good reasons for giving Philip Morris that title.

In the first place, its long record of consistent growth in sales and earnings per share is continuing. But probably because of public skepticism over the cigarette business, the stock has sold at a lower-than-normal price-earnings ratio ever since 1976.

For many years, Philip Morris sold at a higher price-earnings than the S&P 400, but currently it is at only about 60 percent of that figure.

If this company's superior performance continues, if fear of cigarette lawsuits is curbed and if the General Foods acquisition prospers, it is likely to move back to this more favored price-earnings ratio.

That could have a very rewarding effect on its price.

Thomas E. O'Hara is chairman of the board of trustees of the National Association of Investors Corp. and editor of Better Investing magazine. O'Hara welcomes questions and comments but will answer them only through this column. Readers who send in questions on a general investment subject or on a corporation with broad investor interest and whose questions are used will receive a free, one-year subscription to Better Investing. O'Hara will send a free copy of Better Investing magazine or information about investment clubs to any reader requesting it. Send 50 cents for postage and write Today's Investor, P.O. Box 220, Royal Oak 48068.

## business briefs

### WINDSHIELD REPAIR

Delroy Windshield Repair of Plymouth offers a process in which stone damage is repaired without removal of an automobile's windshield. The new company's mobile repair unit can be reached at 549-6123.

### RETIREMENT PLANNING

A free preretirement investment seminar will begin at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, in Dearborn. For information, call 271-1500, Ext. 596. The courses are sponsored by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers' center for professional development.

### MEDICAL CLINIC

A walk-in clinic has opened in Canton Township. Keystone Medical

Clinic is open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sundays. The address is 41837 Ford. The telephone number is 981-2025.

### COMPUTERS & MANUFACTURING

"Understanding Computer-Integrated Manufacturing" offered Monday-Friday, Aug. 18-22, in Dearborn. For information, call 271-1500, Ext. 596. The courses are sponsored by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers' center for professional development.

### BIG BIRD

A Plymouth company has manufactured a 15-foot-high fiberglass re-

plica of a cardinal, the state bird of Ohio, to the Ohio State Fair Grounds in Columbus, Ohio. The bird was produced by Glassline, a custom processor of fiberglass products.

### PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Engineering Project Management course offered from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, Aug. 20-22, at the Michigan State University Management Education Center in Troy. The fee is \$625. For further information, call Clark E. DeHaven, (800) 428-4284. It is sponsored by Michigan State University.

### BUSINESS CENTER

Tony Camerella bought all the

outstanding stock of Livonia Business Center in Livonia. The location remains unchanged: 31875 Plymouth, between Farmington Road and Merriman.

### BUSINESS TALK

Business Talk will offer "Today's Entrepreneur" on videotape from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. or 6-10 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 21, at the Wayne County Extension Service Extension Center, 5454 Venoy Road, Wayne. The program deals with the success stories of 20 businessmen. The program fee is \$20. For more information, call 721-6565.

### FANCY SEWING

Action Sports Apparel of Livonia has bought a computerized embroidery machine capable of embroidering complex emblems onto sportswear.

### SUPERVISION BASICS

"Basic of Supervision" will be offered from 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Sept. 9 to Oct. 28, in Detroit. The course costs \$425. For more information, call 577-4449. The course is sponsored by the Wayne State University management center.

### PROCESS CONTROL

Forty-three employees of Lindsay & Pavlech, with offices in Canton, completed the 45-hour statistical process control class in Plymouth and are certified in statistical product control.

### SUPERVISION BASICS

"Basic of Supervision" will be offered 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 10 to Oct. 29, in Detroit. The course costs \$425. 2.4 hours CEU. For more information, call 577-4449. The course is sponsored by the Wayne State University management center.

### LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Out-sourcing effectiveness training will be offered 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11 to Oct. 30, in Detroit. The course costs \$495. 2.4 hours CEU. For more information, call 577-4449. The course is sponsored by the Wayne State University management center.

### SATURDAY SEMINARS

Ten seminars for managers will be offered from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, at Wayne State University in Detroit. The fee is \$65. To register, call Claudia at 577-4449. The seminars are sponsored by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers' center for professional development.

### PC DATA COLLECTION

"Data Collection and Analysis with Personal Computers" offered Wednesday-Friday, Sept. 17-19, in Dearborn. For information, call 271-1500, Ext. 596. The courses are sponsored by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers' center for professional development.

### HOME & ENERGY SHOW

Home and energy show runs Thursday-Sunday, Sept. 25-28, in Detroit. For information, call 569-8280.

### BARTEX EXPO

A barter expo will be held Wednesday, Oct. 8, in Southfield. For further information, call 569-8280.

### OUT-SOURCING

An out-sourcing exposition will be held Tuesday-Thursday, Oct. 7-9, in Detroit. The expo is sponsored by the Contract Manufacturers Association. For more information, call 643-7187.

### COMPUTERS & MANUFACTURING

"Using Personal Computers in Manufacturing Engineering," a two-day course, will be offered Monday-Tuesday, Oct. 13-14, in Dearborn. The course will be at the Society of Manufacturing Engineers headquarters, One SME Drive. For more information, call 271-1500, Ext. 596. The course is sponsored by the SME Center for Professional Development.

### DATA COMMUNICATIONS

"Exploring Data Communications," a three-day course, will be offered Tuesday-Thursday, Oct. 14-16, in Dearborn. The course will be at the Society of Manufacturing Engineers headquarters, One SME Drive. For more information, call 271-1500, Ext. 596. The course is sponsored by the SME Center for Professional Development.

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# Tax law changes could affect retirement

The proposed tax law has created tremendous interest in retirement plan distribution under the new law. In a three-part article we will explore this issue.

## Basic Distribution Rules

Withdrawals prior to age 59½. You can make withdrawals from a company retirement plan before you become 59½ without paying a penalty tax. However, retirement plan participants who own 5 percent or more of the company must pay a 10-percent penalty tax on any withdrawals prior to 59½.

You can withdraw part or all of your vested interest in the plan without paying a penalty, even if you own more than 5 percent of the company.

One important warning: A retirement plan is not required to permit withdrawal without employment. Even those plans that do permit withdrawals may impose a penalty to discourage employees from withdrawing money before retiring.

Withdrawals at age 70½. As a general rule, your entire interest in the plan must be distributed by April 1 of the year after the year in which you reach 70½ or retire, whichever is later.

There are two ways in which your plan money can be distributed.

First, a plan can distribute benefits in the form of an annuity over your life (or the joint lives of you and your designated beneficiary, including someone who is not your wife).

Second, the plan can make install-



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Sid Mittra

ment payments over a period of time no longer than your life expectancy, or joint life expectancy. Your life expectancy (or joint life expectancy of the employee and spouse) can be redetermined once a year.

There can be no redetermination in the case of a life annuity. Annual redeterminations assure a lifetime stream of retirement benefits.

However, the present value of

payments projected to be paid to you during your life must be more than 50 percent of the present value of all payments.

## Distribution Upon Employee's Death

How soon after the death of an employee the plan must distribute benefits depends on whether distributions began before death. If the

distributions did not begin before death, the distribution of benefits must be completed within five years after death.

One exception is that any portion of your interest that is payable to a designated beneficiary can be paid over the life expectancy of the beneficiary. The distribution must, however, generally begin one year after the death of the employee.

If the designated beneficiary is the spouse, the payment does not have to begin until the April 1 after the year the employee would have reached 70½. The payment can then be over the life expectancy of the spouse.

If the spouse dies before the payments begin, the benefits must be paid out within the one-year and five-year rules mentioned above. If

the distribution did begin before the employee's death, the payout of remaining benefits can be longer than five years.

The payouts need only continue as per the payout schedule in effect prior to death.

Educational seminar: "Impact of Proposed Legislation on Your 1986 Investment, Tax and Retirement Planning." The seminar, sponsored by Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and Coordinated Financial Planning Inc., will be held at will be held 7-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11. To register, call 643-8888.

Sid Mittra is director of certificate program in personal finance at Oakland University and president of Coordinated Financial Planning Inc.

## business people

Jane Brown of Canton Township was honored for being one of the top saleswomen with Mary Kay Cosmetics Inc. She was named to the District of Personal Sales, placing her among the top 1 percent in Mary Kay nationwide. She joined Mary Kay Cosmetics as a beauty consultant in 1978.



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Kathleen Fockick of Westland was appointed director of medical records with Saratoga Community Hospital in Detroit. Fockick received her bachelor of science in medical records administration from Chicago State University. She had been the director of medical records at Schwab Rehabilitation Hospital in Chicago.

Karen Prymak of Livonia was honored at the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association's staff seminar for having been with the association for 25 years. Prymak is a trademark analyst in the patent department.

Barry A. Barretta, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Barretta of Plymouth, has been elected a credit officer at Harris Bank, Chicago.

Arthur V. Pruss of Livonia retired from the Bethlehem Steel Corp. June 30, after 33½ years with the company. Pruss has joined Lawndale Steel Co. in Detroit as sales and marketing manager.

Jeffrey S. King of Livonia joined Ross Roy Inc. advertising agency as

an account administrator. He will be responsible for merchandising and promotion programs on the Dodge Truck account. Before joining Ross Roy, King was the director of advertising/marketing for five years at Super Video Inc.

John B. Sassaman of Plymouth has become a partner in Ross B. Northrop & Son Financial Directors of Old Redford and Northville. Sassaman is a member of the Lions Club of Plymouth-Northville, the Plymouth Elks and the Edison Institute.

Onalee Surian has been appointed manager of the Westland Land Leather Store. Surian will demonstrate leatherscraft, in addition to conducting leatherscraft classes for beginners.

Rein Nomm of Plymouth was elected publicity chairwoman of the Detroit Chapter of the National Investor Relations Institute. She is vice president of the financial relations group at Anthony M. Franco

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## Travel

### Yo-ho, yo-ho, it's off to catch Coho we go



**MANISTEE, MICHIGAN:** The fish boat is almost ready, with Jack Hammond tending the pot over an open fire. We're lucky to be here, because a fish boat is a private affair, an evening meal that charter boat captains and their families sometimes cook for themselves after the charter boats are in, the fish have been cleaned and the work is done for the day.

We have been salmon fishing on the Ginger Brandy with Captain Joe Wolf and his wife, Ann, of Southfield, and we hit the jackpot before we had been out an hour, seven fish, three over 15 pounds, and only one that got away.

Wolf is president of the Michigan Charter Boat Association (MCBA). His 300 members fish salmon and trout on Lake Huron, walleye, muskie and bass on Lake St. Clair, walleye and bass on Lake Erie, some salmon but mostly lake trout on Lake Superior, and salmon and trout on Lake Michigan. This Lake Michigan coastline is where most of the charter boats ply their trade.

**CHARTER BOAT** fishing is a \$59 million business in Michigan, when you count the money it brings into various areas in lodging, meals and other associated expenses.

Wolf and his fellow captains suspected fishing was big business, but they were delighted when it was made official by a 1985 study done by Michigan State University's Cooperative Extension Service and Agriculture Experiment Station.

We talked about charter fishing as Hammond added the traditional one pound of salt to the pot, with the usual ritual protests. He assured us that the salt was only to help the water boil and would not be tasted in the food. He was right, although I still don't understand why.

We talked about the business of fishing, but mostly we talked about today's catch. I was fishing with my photographer-husband, Micky, and with Sue Wagner of the Michigan Travel Bureau.

**REAL FISHERMEN** go out while it is still dark, but we had said 7 a.m., and when we pulled up at 7:30 a.m. they were all waiting for us on the Ginger Brandy. Joe and Ann Wolf along with Jack and Marilyn Hammond.

Jack Hammond retired to his fishing boat after 33 years with the fisheries division of the state, most of it in staff positions overseeing the hatcheries. He was the district biologist in this area when the coho and chinook salmon were introduced to the lakes in 1966 and 1967, and he has been catching those big beauties ever since.

His boat is called Shenada, "you know, she needs this and she needs that and it always costs \$800."

We eased out of Solberg's marina, past boats with names like Sweet Dreams, and down the channel that leads through the town of Manistee to Lake Michigan, with Ann Wolf giving us the guided tour. Ann teaches at Berkley High School and is "first mate on land and sea," she loves fishing boats even more than Joe does.

**ON OUR RIGHT** was the Memorial Drive project, walkways and grassy hills built by Michigan youth under state supervision. On our left was a boat called Hook Jaw, owned by Detroit Tiger pitcher Jack Morris. A town park and a Coast Guard

**WHAT A CATCH:** Travel writer Iris Sanderson Jones takes a proud look at the salmon she caught with the help of Captain Joe Wolf (ABOVE), skipper of the charter boat "Ginger Brandy." Sue Wagner (at RIGHT) of the Michigan Travel Bureau was along to help catch the salmon she is holding.

**Photo/MICKY JONES**

station bracket the mouth of the river, where Captain Joe made radio contact with boats already on the lake.

Joe was a writer and editor at the Detroit News for years, fishing on the side, until he took up charter fishing full time in the late seventies. "Connie Gail, this is Ginger Brandy WRB9575."

"I'm into the third bank and into 105 feet of water," the radio voice replied. "We had a flurry but I've only seen one fish."

The Ginger Brandy began to thump against choppy water as soon as we entered the lake, and I began to wonder if I should have taken a dreamamine before I left the dock. Sometimes this water is a pane of glass, but if the waves get higher than four feet Joe stays on shore. Today was a good active water day for fishing.

**WE JOINED** the rest of the fleet on "the shelf," a stretch of lake adjacent to a land formation called the Three Bears. Ann took the wheel while Joe organized and hooked up the seven fishing poles, in their shiny chrome holders at the back of the boat. She can hook, haul, swab and do everything he can do, but for the moment her job is to keep the boat on course.

I had just said "no fair catching fish while you're still sitting the boat out," when the first big salmon struck.

"Who's going to take it?" Joe hollered, and there I was trying to brace myself against the lurching deck, with a hummingong fishing pole jammed into my stomach and a fish running for its life. I've always suspected it is the captain and the boat that catch the fish, and I was right.

"Keep the pole up high! Keep the line taut! Be ready to reel in fast if he turns toward us!"

IT SEEMED like hours later, but it was only 20 minutes, when Joe leaned down with a net and scooped up my fish. Note that: "my fish." By that time Micky was struggling with another one and the deck was awash with water.

Ann and Joe cleaned us up, reset the lines and half an hour later they all went off like firecrackers.

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• **ADAMS**  
The Rochester Adams High School class of 1976 will have its 10-year reunion Sunday, Aug. 31, at the Great Oaks Country Club in Rochester. For more information, call L. & L. Basketmakers at 656-0930.

• **ALLEN PARK**  
The class of 1966 reunion committee needs help in locating classmates. For more information, call Sherry at 563-1739.

• **ATHENS**  
Troy Athens High School class of 1977 will have a 10-year class reunion March 28, 1987. Help is needed in locating former classmates. For more information, call Joyce at 652-0268.

• **BALDWIN**  
The class of 1961 will have a five-year reunion at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 870 N. Main, Clawson. For more information, call Carla Meccoli at 679-9210 or Sue Bentley at 689-1859.

• **BALDWIN**  
The class of 1976 will have a 10-year reunion 7 p.m. Saturday, 7450 13 Mile. For more information, call 424-1893.

• **BALDWIN**  
The Baldwin-Birmingham High School class of 1946 will hold a 40-year reunion in the fall. Help is needed in locating classmates. Call Edith Kennel at 644-7714.

• **BENTLEY**  
Anyone who ever attended Livonia Bentley may attend a Bentley Bash scheduled for 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Aug. 22, at Roma's of Livonia. Ticket deadline is Friday, July 25. For more information, call 455-1395.

• **BENTLEY**  
The Livonia Bentley High School class of 1961 will have a 25-year reunion Saturday, Oct. 18, at the Plymouth Hilton. For more information, call Karen (McLean) Donnan at 348-4397 or Paul Moradian at 642-9264.

• **BENTLEY**  
The class of 1976 will have a 10-year reunion at Sept. 6. For more information, call Debbie Moritz Knill at 625-7186.

• **BERKLEY**  
The classes of 1940-43 will have a reunion Saturday, Nov. 1, at the Plymouth Hilton. For more information, call Robert Parker at 693-6528 or Bob Chambers at 542-9848.

• **BLOOMFIELD HILLS**  
The class of 1966 will have a two-day 20th reunion Saturday, Aug. 23, at the Troy Hilton and Sunday, Aug. 24, at Kensington Metropark. For more information, call Barb Smith Olesheimer at 645-1573 or Henny Kussy Warren at 348-2072.

• **CALUMET**  
The Calumet High School Association will have its 49th annual reunion 1-7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, at the Warren Chateau Hall, 6015 E. 10 Mile. For more information, call Vernon Rowe, the association's president, 421-6249.

• **CENTRAL**  
The class of 1956 will have a 30-year reunion Saturday, Nov. 29, at Roma's of Bloomfield. For more information, call Leonard Milstone at 642-4396 or Gerald Walters at 642-4166.

• **CHADSEY**  
The class of 1936 will have a 50-year reunion Sunday, Sept. 21. For more information, call Ed at 565-1229. Walter at 573-3776, Helen at 653-4559, Catherine at 534-2224 or Lillian at 563-0991.

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• **LOWREY/RIVERSIDE**  
The class of 1961 will have a 25-year reunion from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, at the Bronze Wheel, Dearborn Heights. For more information, call (Lowrey) Carol Helm at 562-2982 or Ernie Godek at 591-0903 (Riverside) Gary Jean at 459-0854.

• **FRANKLIN**  
Livonia Franklin High School class of 1981 will have a five-year reunion 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 29, at the Hawthorne Valley Country Club, 7300 Meridian, Westland. For more information, call 349-9200.

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## Livonia shocks Detroit

Livonia Adray made its first meeting ever against Detroit Adray Appliance in the All-American Amateur Baseball Association (AAABA) World Series one worth remembering.

Appliance certainly won't soon forget it.

Don Vesling made certain of that. The Livonia lefthander who plays at Eastern Michigan handcuffed his Appliance adversaries on four hits Monday to lift Livonia to a 2-1 victory in the opening round of the 16-team, double-elimination tournament at Vo-Tech Field in Johnstown, Pa.

"It was a great performance from a great team. It wasn't because (Vesling) was overpowering or had a great breaking ball. The key was the location of his pitches. He had great location."

Those comments came not from the winning coach, but from the loser — Bob Atkins of Detroit Adray.

IT WAS A major triumph for the Livonia team over its more highly regarded opponent, Vesling, certainly, was the main reason. He walked three and struck out eight in going the full nine innings. The only run scored against him was unearned in the ninth.

Detroit had a chance to tie it in the ninth, with a runner at second and two out. But Todd Krumm, a West Bloomfield native who played last year for Livonia, fanned. Krumm finished 0-for-5.

Livonia had less trouble with Detroit pitcher Chris Czarnik, who was touched for nine hits and a walk. He struck out seven.

Still, the only runs Czarnik surrendered were unearned, both coming in the second inning. Dennis Bushart (Redford Union) led off with a walk. Deron White bunted, and both runners moved up when Czarnik's throw to second was wild. Scott Weiler and Vesling followed with ground outs to second base, each scoring a run.

Thanks to Vesling's pitching, those were the only runs Livonia needed.

"It was a great performance, it goes without saying," said Livonia coach Ron Hellier of Vesling's job. "He went way beyond the call of duty."

Vesling, Bill Uille (Livonia Stevenson) and Bob Foust (Livonia Churchill) had two hits apiece. Doug Kaiser (Birmingham Brother Rice), and Mike Hayes each had two hits for Detroit.

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## O&E champ shelves clubs



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Two-time O&E golf champion Geryl Repasky will not play in this year's tournament. Instead of golf, she is concentrating on finishing school at Bowling Green and her upcoming marriage.

### BURN-OUT.

What a familiar malady that's becoming in sports. A coach tires of haggling with players, officials, administrators, etc. So he quits, burnt-out.

An athlete wearies of the constant travel, the constant pressure, the constant pain of his sport. Another casualty to burn-out.

It's become the epitome of alibis. But the label doesn't always fit.

Listen to some of the reasons Geryl Repasky gives for not returning to Bowling Green State for her senior campaign in golf.

"I was tired of it, yeah," she freely admits. "I just wasn't into it last fall. I did OK this spring, but not as well as I could do."

"It was a lack of desire, really."

Classic case of burn-out, right?

### NOT SO FAST.

You can listen to what Repasky has to say and believe that golf just wore her out mentally. And to an extent you'd be right.

But the Livonia native and Ladywood graduate looks neither listless nor apathetic, two symptoms I would associate with burn-out.

In fact, when I met briefly with Repasky Tuesday afternoon at Oasis Golf Center, where she is employed as an instructor, her demeanor was quite the contrary. Friendly, bright, happy, she didn't seem like an oversaturated remnant of her sport.

If she was, I don't suppose she'd be teaching golf, would she?

Repasky gave up her sport — at least for now. Her reasons were readily available:

- "I just want to finish up my schooling (she'll be a senior at BGSU). I'm taking 21 hours in the fall. If I was going to play golf, I'd have to go next spring semester, and I didn't want to do that."

- "I was getting tired of everyone supporting me (while I golfed) instead of me supporting myself."

- "I'm getting married next July."

Make no mistake, all these reasons played a role in Repasky's decision. But how big?

REMEMBER, this is a young woman — she's 21 — who practiced her game for hours every day, relentlessly pursuing excellence. Repasky won the past two Observer & Eccentric women's titles (her forfeit of her amateur status makes her ineligible this year) and was a solid performer at BGSU.

If schooling were a factor, it would seem more logical to keep golfing and retain her scholarship. That reasoning also applies if someone is "tired of everyone supporting me." Through golf, the expense of college is minimized.



C.J. Risak

Is getting married a good reason to give up the game? A couple can save more money by cutting expenses (like the cost of a college education). And a wedding, if need be, can be delayed a month if lack of time is a consideration.

There was more to Repasky's surrender of her amateur status than these reasons.

"I played last summer on the mini-tour in New York," she told me, "and I think that's what got me turned off. It wasn't anything like I thought it would be."

DREAMS DIE hard. A golfer — or basketball player or football star — easily envisions what it's like at the top rung of the ladder. Celebrity status, money, respect — all for playing a game they love.

What a life. We've all entertained such fantasies. Few of us get to live them.

Those that do may discover what

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## Tourney field set

The field is set.

Come Saturday morning, 39 women will tee it up for the Observer & Eccentric/Whispering Willows Golf Course Women's Golf Classic.

The 18-hole tournament will have somewhat of a new look to it. For one, it will have a new champion. Geryl Repasky of Livonia, the overall winner for the past two years, has surrendered her amateur status and is ineligible.

That makes Ann Lauer, the 1983 champion, the favorite. Also a top contender in the championship flight is Kathryn Herford of Farmington Hills.

For competitiveness, though, don't look to the championship flight's six golfers. Instead, watch the scramble in first flight (handicaps from 18 to 27), which has 22 women vying for honors.

Second flight (handicaps 28 to 40), too, could be interesting with 11 entries.

First tee times are at 9:50 a.m. at Whispering Willows. Results of the tournament will be in the O&E's Aug. 22 editions.

## Hull seeks top 10 finish at MIS

By Bill Parker  
staff writer

Imagine yourself strapped into the drivers seat of a beefed-up Chevrolet SS Monte Carlo, your eyes locked on the road in front of you and your foot glued to the floor.

Better yet, imagine yourself speeding around a two-mile paved oval at 160 mph-plus in the midst of such racing greats as Bobby Allison, Cale Yarborough and Richard Petty.



Jim Hull, Canton race driver, has won the sponsorship of Duraliner and now is looking to win the Champion Spark Plug 400.

For most of us this vision is nothing more than a farfetched dream but for Canton resident Jim Hull this vision could very easily become a reality this Sunday at Michigan International Speedway.

Hull, who recently signed a major sponsorship contract with Duraliner (a pickup truck bed protector manufacturer in Lapeer), will compete in the Champion Spark Plug 400 which will be televised live on ESPN.

WITHOUT THE acquisition of Du-

raliner as a major sponsor and the associate sponsorship of Auto Meter, VHT, Heli-Coil and Pyrotec-PBI, Hull would most likely be watching the race from the comfort of his living room sofa.

"We're bringing over \$1 million worth of equipment and cars down there so without a sponsor you really couldn't compete at this level. Unless you were really well off," said Hull. "Without sponsors you really couldn't get the wheels rolling."

Hull and his crew have been seeking sponsorship since early in 1984 and have contacted over 3,000 potential sponsors. Duraliner has sponsored vehicles in truck and tractor pulls in the past, but this is their first experience in the Winston Cup circuit.

"We're real, real excited about having them as a sponsor and I guess they're pretty excited, too," said Hull. "I haven't raced since (the Miller 400) last year because of the lack of sponsorship, and it feels good to be back again."

IN THE Miller 400, June 15 of last year, Hull was involved in an accident with the leader of the race on the 73rd lap of competition. The incident forced Hull out of the race and left doubts in many minds as to who was at fault for the collision.

"That incident last year really worked out in my favor. After the officials checked everything out they

ruled that it wasn't my fault at all. It gave me notoriety throughout the nation. I can go down south or out west now and people know my name now," said Hull. "It worked out really well for me."

Hull isn't ready to out duel all of the seasoned veterans competing Sunday in the Champion Spark Plug 400, but he's not ready to settle for second fiddle either.

"I'm not going to be conservative at all. I'll have to find my way around them and they'll have to find a way around me," said Hull. "My goal is to do the very best I possibly can do. To finish in the top 10 would be tremendous. To finish in the teens would also be great. Mainly though I just want to do the best that I can."

THE TRACK at MIS has recently been resurfaced, and that fact in itself has Hull a little excited.

"It's real quick and smooth out there and the new asphalt grips really well," said Hull. "Providing there are no yellow flags they could get a record time this year (The current record was set Aug. 12, 1984 at 2:35.59 with an average speed of 153.863 mph). It will be a fast field. The fastest qualifying speeds should be well over 170 mph. If you go under 164 mph in the qualifying I would bet you wouldn't make the field."

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# Elite teams fall at Canton

## Florida team survives USSSA softball fight

The big names fell last week-end at the USSSA World Senior Youth Girls Softball Tournament at the Canton Softball Center.

None of the nation's top-ranked squads survived to the semifinals. The defending champions — the Melbourne, Fla., Sharks — were absent, too.

Which left the title fight to be waged by another Florida-based team, the Pembroke Pines Bandits, and the Flames, from Euclid, Ohio.

It took some time, but the Bandits finally prevailed 6-0 in the final to claim the USSSA championship.

The final game was delayed 3½ hours Sunday afternoon by a down-pour. The rain came during the second inning, and play wasn't resumed until 6:30 p.m.

The delay forced both the Bandits and the Flames to change their plane reservations, but for the Bandits the wait was worth it. They battled back after losing their fifth game of the tournament to win four straight and the title.

IRONICALLY, the Bandits were able to combine vengeance with victory. Their loss Saturday evening was by an 8-4 margin — to the Flames.

On Sunday morning, the two teams met again. The Bandits needed two straight wins, the unbeaten Flames needed just one in the double-elimination tournament.

The first game went to the Bandits, 7-5, forcing the rain-delayed final.

The Bandits come-from-behind championship mirrored the upset-filled tournament. Only one of the top-10 nationally ranked teams reached the semifinals. That was the No. 10-rated Crush of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., who took fourth.

The only other top-10 ranked team to finish among the top 10 were the defending-champion Sharks, who placed ninth. They entered the tournament fourth nationally.

SO HOW DID the top seeds fare?

The No. 1 Virginia Beach (Va.) Sun Devils won one of three games. No. 2 Sweeney Chevrolet of Cincinnati went 2-2.

Michigan's top finisher was Sterling Heights News Yearly, which placed third. The News Yearly won five straight before bowing to the Flames, 8-0, and to the Bandits, 10-7.

Michigan Metal Cast placed 10th with a 4-2 mark. The state's top team, the Westland Spearhead, lost its first game before winning six in a row. The Spearhead was eliminated by the North Clayton (Ga.) Eagles, 6-4, to place 12th.

Other local squads did not fare so well. The Plymouth-Canton Stingers, the Garden City Seniors and Farmington Can-Am all went 1-2 and finished in the lower half of the 84-team field. The Livonia Seniors won three of five games and placed 49th.

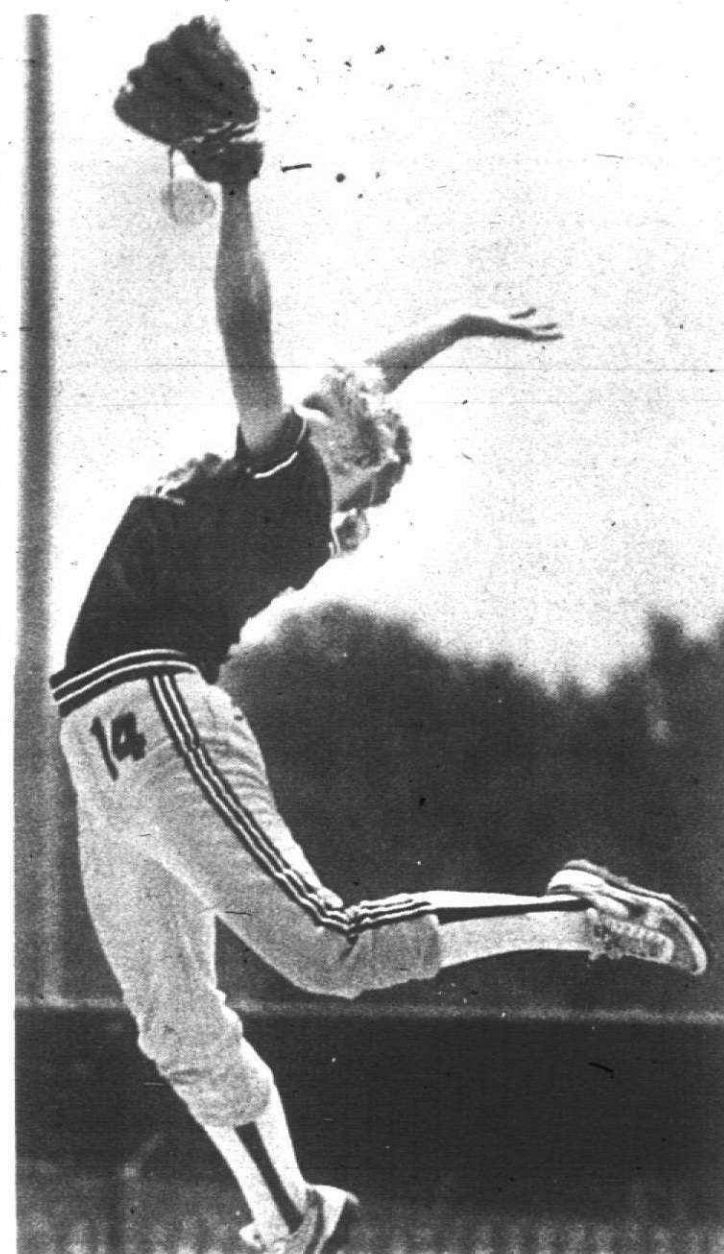
SIX BANDITS earned berths on the all-tournament team, with two winning awards. Shortstop Nadine Khamala was named MVP, while second baseman Sandy Sang was the Gold Glove award-winner. Other Bandits on the all-tourney team were Dina Moffett, Marisa Campbell, Diane Cornaby and Chris Haskins.

The Flames had four team members receive all-tournament accolades: Laura Aveni, who led all hitters with 19 runs batted in for the tourney, Terri Sopko, MeMe Bencel and Kelly Walunas.

Others honored with selection were, from the News Yearly, Jackie Weber, Kelly Gordon and Lisa Nuzza; from the Crush, Lynn Smith, whose .737 batting average was a tourney-best, and Melinda Spivey, who had a tourney-high four homers; and Kathy Scheiber of the Pierce County (Wash.) Stingers.

The Lynx team, from Georgia, won the Best Dressed award, and the Blazers from Tri-City, Wash., captured the Sportsmanship Award.

The four-day tournament attracted nearly 5,500 in attendance.



ROB REED/staff photographer

Jennifer Belhart just misses making a spectacular catch during the USSSA Senior Girls Nationals at Canton Softball Center last weekend. Belhart's Plymouth-Canton Stingers won one of three games.

# Plymouth native wins road race

By Tom Henderson  
staff writer

"Do they always have this much fun at races in Michigan?"

Pam Pulice of Boise, Idaho, asked the question Saturday night following the Redford Road Runners Classic, a five-mile run that started and finished at Ford Field in Livonia.

The Classic, which attracted 450 able-bodied and wheelchair competitors, is one of the highlights of the local running season, with what the food, beer and plenty of dancing that follow the smoothly organized race.

What made it even more fun for Pulice is that she was an easy winner in the women's division.

"I was back in town because my sister had a baby," said Pulice, a 1970 graduate of Plymouth High School. "Somebody told me there was a race so I decided to show up. This is wonderful. I'm having a ball."

She had a ball most of the run, too. She did the first mile in 5:48 and pretty much held that kind of pace until the closing stretch to the finish line banner out in front of the parking lot adjacent to the YMCA.

"The humidity was real different for me. It's a lot dryer in Idaho," said Pulice, whose time of 29:41 was 1:25 faster than that turned in by the runner-up, Doriane Colwell of Ypsilanti. "At the three-mile mark I was feeling tired. I just kept trying to push it. When I got into the park, I was just hanging on."

GARY WOLFRAM, 35, of East Lansing, an economic advisor to House Republicans, was an easy winner for the men, his 25:03 good for a 47-second margin over Steven Schmidt, of Birmingham, who won the 18-24 division. David Homann of Garden City, also in the 18-24 group, was third overall in 26:09.

Where Pulice led all the way for the women, Wolfram had it a bit tougher. He didn't take the lead until

a mile and a half into the run early Saturday evening, with the humidity high and the sun still burning hotly.

"I went through the mile in 4:47 and was about eight seconds back. I was a little worried at the point," said Wolfram. "A half mile later, he started slowing down. I tried to go by him hard, I didn't want him staying with me."

He didn't. Wolfram went through two miles all alone in 9:48, was at three miles in 14:47 and was never threatened.

"I wanted to go under 25 minutes, but I hadn't been training to go out that fast," said Wolfram. "I had to slow down the fourth mile to catch my breath. I would have gone under 25 if I had done even splits. That's a good time for me. I think it's a personal best, but I've been running for 21 years, so it's kind of hard to keep track."

IN THE MASTERS' division (over 40), Rex Perrine of Westland won for the men in the time of 27:40, which was good for 14th overall. Kurt Makowski of Windsor was second in 28:49, and John Barlage of Belleville was third in 28:50.

Emily Gail, the Detroit race organizer who recently won her Republican primary race for the U.S. House of Representatives and will face Democrat George Crockett in November, won in 36:04, nearly nine minutes ahead of Virginia Farmer of Ann Arbor.

Jim Green of Saginaw was the top male wheelchair racer in a field of 15, with a time of 24:25. Patricia Ford of Linden won for the women in 32:11.

Kevin Donner, the women's track coach at the University of Detroit and a former star at Redford Catholic Central, brought his team to the run and they dominated the 18-24 division, capturing the first six spots and the eighth spot.

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# Brawl upstages title match

By Chris McCosky  
staff writer

The Bulldogs captured the Midwest Summer Hockey League championship Monday with a 6-4 win against the Falcons at the Plymouth Cultural Center, earning a trip to Chicago to compete in the Challenge Cup Series.

But the celebration was marred by an ugly bench-clearing brawl in the final four minutes of the game.

"I tell you, if the hotel reservations in Chicago hadn't already been set, I would have called the whole thing off," said league commissioner A.J. Baker after the game.

The fight started between Bulldog Todd Kryger and Falcon Dave Davidson. The Bulldogs had just scored twice to take a 4-4 lead. Both benches eventually spilled onto the ice. The first to leave the bench was Bulldog Scott Robins.

Robins earned an immediate ejection for being the third man in the fight, but he refused to leave the ice. Finally, he was forcefully removed.

ONCE ROBINS was gone play continued. With less than a minute left in the game, another pile-up occurred in front of the Bulldogs net. Robins, with skates still on, left the lockerroom, hopped back over the boards and again commenced fighting.

While the fight was being stopped, Baker, on the ice for both

skirmishes, let the final 25 seconds tick off the clock and sent the teams to their lockerrooms.

Robins, a four-year veteran of the league, will not travel with the Bulldogs to Chicago and has been banned from the league for life.

"I can't explain his actions for nothing," Baker said. "This was his third straight year in the championship game and it would have been his third straight championship. He's gone to Chicago all four years. He'll never play in my league again. You know, it was a good hockey game, but the only thing that sticks out was the fight."

IRONICALLY, Robins scored two goals in the game helping the Bulldogs build a 4-3 lead after two periods.

In the opening minutes of the third period Scott Wolter scored for the Falcons to tie the game. Ten minutes later, Brian Kryger and Tim Osborn scored back-to-back goals to put the Bulldogs up for good.

Todd Kryger and Fritz Brown also scored for the Bulldogs. League most-valuable-player Todd Beyer, Ken Chaput and Ron Blum added goals for the Falcons.

The Bulldogs got into the title game by taking a 5-4 win against the Spartans in the Bakes Conference finals Sunday. Fritz Brown scored the game-winner early in the final period. Rick Osborn scored twice, Tim Osborn and Dan Noade once each for the Bulldogs.

## hockey

**MIDWEST SUMMER HOCKEY LEAGUE FINAL STANDINGS**

**Bakes Conference**

**Playoff championship:** Bulldogs 6, Falcons 4.  
**Bakes semifinal:** Bulldogs 5, Spartans 4.  
**Tex semifinal:** Falcons 4, Broncos 1.

**SCORING LEADERS**  
(Regular season)

**Player**

**Jeff Dobek (W'cats)** 16 18 32  
**Ken Chaput (Fal)** 14 14 28  
**T. Oschanski (W'cats)** 10 17 27  
**Mike Stahley (Bronc)** 8 18 26  
**Chris Behrart (Fal)** 12 10 25  
**Alan Carnes (Wolves)** 8 15 23  
**Todd Beyer (Fal)** 7 15 22  
**John Smith (Lake)** 9 10 19  
**Rod Taylor (Wolves)** 7 11 18

The Falcons. David Ward had the lone goal for the Broncos.

The Bulldogs will leave for Chicago Friday afternoon. They'll be playing the champions and all-stars from the Chicago Windy City Summer Hockey League.

Scott Wolter (Fal) 4 14 18  
E.J. Bauer (Fal) 9 10 19  
Rick Osborn (B'dogs) 9 11 17  
Mike Hartman (Husk) 13 4 12  
Art Eastman (Fal) 5 9 17

**SCORING LEADERS**  
(Playoff season)

**Player**

**Tim Osborn (B'dogs)** 6 4 10  
**Todd Beyer (Fal)** 5 4 9  
**Scott Wolter (Fal)** 4 4 8  
**Ken Chaput (Fal)** 3 5 8  
**Kelly Nester (Spar)** 2 4 6

**MSHL ALL-LEAGUE TEAM**  
(1st team)  
G—Mike Williams, Spartans.  
D—Darryl Moore, Lakers.  
D—Rick Osborn, Bulldogs.  
F—Jeff Dobek, Wildcats.  
F—Mike Hartman, Huskies.  
F—Todd Beyer, Falcons.

**Second team:** G—Dave Church (Falcons); D—E.J. Bauer (Falcons); D—Dave McQuillan (Wildcats); F—Mike Stahley (Broncos); F—Kenny Chaput (Falcons); F—Tim Otschanski (Wildcats).

**Most Valuable Player:** Todd Beyer.  
**League Rookie:** Jolie Toff and Joe Bonnett.

## baseball

## Livonia Adray still alive

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ON TUESDAY, Livonia's pitching was overmatched by the hitting of Philadelphia Arzee, which posted a 7-2 win at Point Stadium.

Rick Rozman (Stevenson) started for Livonia and absorbed the defeat, allowing four runs on seven hits and a walk, striking out seven in 6½ innings. John Poszyak relieved and gave up three runs in 2½ innings.

Big guns for Philadelphia were Jim Lynch and Steve Pelowitz, each with solo homers, and Howard Freiling, who collected three hits and knocked in two runs.

Livonia broke on top, with Ullie singling in White in the opening inning, then Martin Eddy banging a solo homer in the fourth to make it 2-1. But Philadelphia countered with Lynch's fourth-inning blast, a two-run rally in the fifth, Pelowitz's seventh-inning homer, and three runs in the seventh.

"Philadelphia is the best hitting team we've faced," said Hellier. "We had numerous chances and could have put them away early. That line drive killed us."

The "line drive" Hellier alluded to came off Vesling's bat in the third inning with the bases loaded and none out. What might have been a big blow was instead nabbed by first baseman Freiling and turned into a double play. Livonia failed to score in the inning.

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# The Rock, Tamarack win Canton crowns

Plymouth Rock 1 and Tamarack Greens were the big winners in the recent Canton Parks and Recreation's annual weekend softball playoff tournament.

With earlier victories over Stan's Market and Canton Sports, Plymouth Rock 1 won the Men's First Division playoff with a 12-9 victory over Oakview Party Store.

over Rusty Nail. Dean Alexander led Plymouth Rock 1 in the championship game with three hits. Ralph Martin, Tim Rapson and Mark Libke added two hits each for the winners.

Tamarack Greens won the Men's Second Division with a 6-0 victory over Oakview Party Store.

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## Craiger claims 3rd Ruth title

With a team batting average of .340 the Plymouth-Canton Craiger Babe Ruth baseball team won its third straight Canton Babe Ruth League title.

Craiger ended the season with a 13-5-1 overall record and a 10-2 league record edging out the Knights, 9-3, for the title.

Managed by Bob Ruete, and coached by Larry Sebeck and Dennis Kennedy, Craiger holds a 45-12-1 record over the last three years.

Led by Chris Kennedy, who batted .558 with 12 home runs and 56 RBI, Craiger scored 224 runs on 195 hits.

Other offensive leaders include: Tim Lake at .395 including 10 doubles; Ryan Johnson at .370 including three home runs; Jeff Sebeck at .359 including three triples; Aaron Durham at .345 including one home run; Bryan Johnson at .313 and Rob Ruete at .302.

Other team members are Mark Barrette, Jason Bregni, Eric Butske, Jason Crain, Scott Kennedy and Jason Stoops.

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## sports shorts

### ● OBSERVER'S BEST SOFTBALL TEAM

Who is the best Class A mens softball team in the Plymouth-Canton area?

That's what we want to know. So, at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20 at Massey Field, the Plymouth-Canton Observer is sponsoring a one-game showdown between Canton Sports, Canton Parks and Recreation Department's first division champs, and E.F. Hutton, champs of the Plymouth Parks and Recreation A League.

The winner will be crowned Plymouth-Canton Observer Softball Kings.

### ● JV SOCCER

The Plymouth-Canton Community School District recently agreed to

sponsor junior varsity soccer at both Canton and Salem high schools.

Any freshman or sophomore at Salem interested in playing should attend varsity practice at 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Salem practice field.

### ● ACE SHOOTER

Sue Moran of Plymouth recently fired a hole-in-one on the 145-yard eighth hole at the Kensington Golf Club. She used a 5-iron. Her 18-hole score was 93.

It was her first ace in 12 years of golfing.

### ● CANTON FALL SOFTBALL

The Canton Parks and Recreation Department's Fall Softball Leagues will begin Tuesday, Sept. 9. The season is five weeks long with teams

playing a double-header once a week.

Fee is \$100 per team with \$20 refundable forfeit fee. Each team must pay a \$7.50 umpire fee before each game. Each team is allowed six non-Canton residents at \$15 additional fee each.

Registration for teams involved summer leagues is Aug. 25-28. New teams can sign up Aug. 29-Sept. 3. Call 397-1000 for more information.

### ● BONANZA TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the Canton Soccer Club's Bonanza League boys under 15 soccer team will be 6-8 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday at the Canton Recreation Center. For more information, contact Bill LaJoy at 981-4296.

### ● SALEM GIRLS TENNIS

Any Plymouth Salem girl (grades 9-12) interested in competing on the varsity tennis team should attend the team's first practice 9-11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 18, at Central Middle School.

Call 453-8745 or 981-3497 for more information.

### ● FALL LEAGUES

Fall leagues are again forming in the city of Plymouth for the following sports:

● Men's touch football — Entry fee is \$270 per team, plus \$15 per non-resident. There is no residency rule. League games are played Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning Sept. 15, with each team playing a seven-game schedule. Registration for re-

turning teams begins Aug. 13. New teams may register Aug. 20. Registration ends Sept. 5.

● Slopitch softball — Entry fee is \$200 per team, plus \$11 per game for umpires. Games are Monday through Thursday at Massey Field, with each team playing a 14-game schedule starting Sept. 8. Returning teams may register Aug. 13; new teams can register Aug. 20, with registration ending Aug. 29.

● Three-on-three basketball — Entry fee is \$35 per team, plus \$5 for each non-resident. Games will be Mondays and Thursdays at Central Middle School starting Sept. 8. Each team will play a 14-game schedule. Registration is Aug. 13-29.

For further information regarding any of the above sports, contact the Plymouth Parks and Recreation department at 455-6620.

## County golf match set

Warren Valley Golf Course will be the site of the Wayne County Parks Junior Golf Open on Friday, Aug. 22.

The tournament is open to golfers ages 7-18 and will offer competition in four age groups.

Registration fee for golfers ages 7-9 will be \$5.25 and includes nine holes of golf, a hot dog lunch and prizes. Registration fee for golfers aged 10-18 will be \$7.50 and includes 18 holes of golf, a hot dog lunch and prizes. Registration will be limited to the first 150 entrants.

For more information call 561-1040.

## standings softball

The following are the final Canton Township Parks and Recreation Department softball standings.

### FIRST DIVISION

Canton Sports	12-4
Plym. Rock I	11-5
Rusty Nail	11-5
Ed's Sports	11-5
Stars Mkt	9-8
Free Press	5-11
Rebels	5-11
Simpsons	1-15

### SECOND DIVISION-RED

Westland Florist	14-0
Tamarack Greens	10-4
Tri-Star	9-5
Superbowl	9-6
Plym. Rock II	7-7
Ply. Rock III	7-8
Canton JCs	2-12
Dugouts	0-14

### SECOND DIVISION-WHITE

c-Canton Bowl	12-2
Macco Machine	12-2
Orbitway Eng.	9-5
Venticon	9-5
ASAP Machine	7-7
Canton Food Mkt.	3-11
Lilo's Pizza	3-11
Emanon	1-13
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### SECOND DIVISION-BLUE

Oakview Party Store	12-2
Cannico	10-4
Stingers	9-6
Epoxy Systems	8-8
Frito-Lay	5-9
Good Shepard	5-9
Eagle MTC	3-11

### SECOND DIVISION-GREEN

Welduction	11-3
St. Michael III	10-4
Amoco	9-5
St. Michael I	9-6
Roman Forum	7-7
Central Diplomats	6-8
Geneva Church	5-9
St. Michael II	0-14

The following are the standings from the Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department softball leagues as of July 31:

### MENS CLASS A

E.F. Hutton	12-3
Plymouth Rock	10-4
Sidestreet	10-4
Totol Systems	7-8
Harlow Tire	3-12
Lake Pointe	3-13

### MENS CLASS B

Larico Industries	10-5
Dick Scott	9-5
Lee's Fiberglass	10-7
Star's Mkt	8-7
Air Gage	7-8
Marsh Power Tool	5-10
Prestite	5-12

### MENS CLASS C

#### National

Cap & Cork	15-1
Ed's Sports	13-2
A-Line Plastics	10-4
Bill Knapp	9-8
Programmed Products	7-8
R.A. DeMartia	7-9
E&E Fasteners	6-10
chav's C-21	6-11
Plymouth Blaze	5-14
Adelphi	3-14

### MENS CLASS C

#### American

Steff's Lounge	18-0
Box Bar	10-5
Cash Builders	10-5
O'Sheehans	9-8
Tanbacks	8-8
Century 21	6-9
Witte-Bake-Worth	7-9
Plymouth Stamp	6-10
Procession Forge	6-11
Parker	1-14

### WOMENS CLASS A

Superbowl Sloggers	12-1
Minnesota Tire	9-2
Jim's Next Door	6-5
Accent Signs	5-6
Buddies	2-11
Bodien	1-10

### WOMENS CLASS B

Little Caesars	11-2
Meier's	9-2
Great Scott	6-4
A-Line Plastics	7-4
Speedy Print	5-6
St. Michaels	6-7
Beaeger Babes	4-7
Hydroblast	3-9
Sparks	0-12

### COED DIVISION A

Donation	9-0
Ed's Sports	8-1
Magis Softball	6-2
B.U.D.	6-2
Team 1	4-6
Burroughs	2-8
Currie Matheson	1-8
Martin Duri Hoags	1-9

### COED DIVISION B

Canton Sports	8-1
Streamrollers	7-1
Dr. Tom	7-2
Cutting Corners	6-2
Mayflower	5-5
Plymouth JCs	4-6
Metro Club	3-6
Precision Colorplate	3-6
Penitentiary Sem's	1-9
Tireblazers	1-8

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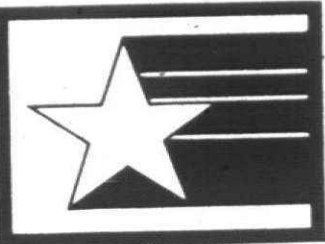
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# Entertainment

Ethel Simmons editor/644-1100



O&amp;E Thursday, August 14, 1986

## Characters enjoy a Renaissance

By Louise Okrutsky  
staff writer

THEY'RE WILLING to fill the shoes of kings or fools, queens or wenches. And for six consecutive weekends, they'll juggle, joust and jest their way through the history and tomfoolery of the Michigan Renaissance Festival.

About 110 performers will put in 10-hour days playing 16th-century festival characters, ranging from tradesmen to beggars. Many auditioned for their parts; others belonged to special interest groups. While a number of them come ready equipped with juggling and jousting skills, most of them were chosen because they appeared to be "loud, enthusiastic and crazy," said Dana Gamarra, the festival's entertainment director.

The seventh annual Michigan Renaissance festival is set for each weekend from Saturday, Aug. 16, to Sunday, Sept. 28, including Labor Day. This year's festival is at a new location one mile north of Mount Holly ski resort on Dixie Highway (U.S. 10) between Pontiac and Flint. Until then, many of the preparations are handled through the festival's office in Birmingham.

"We want someone who's really energetic and wants to have fun. If this person wants to have fun, then the patron has fun," Gamarra said. There's hope for the equally determined but less effusive. "There are those who come to audition who are really quiet and shy. We put them in places like the Children's Dell, where they can work one on one with the youngsters."

IN THE DELL, children can color, play games and at the end of the day, participate in their own knight ceremony. Adults who'd rather wander the 8½-acre site discover that the style of entertainment falls somewhere between Greenfield Vil-

lage and guerrilla theater. Gamarra describes it as one of the larger examples of ensemble performing. Patrons strolling through the streets are in danger of stumbling into the center of a skit. A special target are people who look as if they were dragged to the site by a parent, spouse or friend. Reluctant guests are put into the limelight, encouraged to participate. "We'll even entertain them out to their car in the parking lot," Gamarra said.

Working the exit gate, they'll slide up to people leaving with a friend and, glancing at the group coming into the nearby entrance, plead, "Excuse me, my lord, can you smile so these people coming in believe you had the time of your life?"

Festival organizers admit that some patrons have the time of their lives if they're left alone. Actors learn to look into a visitor's eyes before involving the person in a skit. If a visitor dodges the actor's gaze, it's assumed that the person wants to be left alone.

In a crowd, the actor will touch someone on the shoulder before engaging that person. If the visitor pulls away, it's taken as a cue to look for another accomplice. "Those (actors) who are good will go to the person right next to (the reluctant one)," Gamarra said.

FOR THE ACTOR, the challenge lies in keeping in character for the better part of a day. "It's amazing to watch the actors work and keep it fresh for nine hours," he said.

It has its rewards. "As a street character," when you see the reaction of a child, because it's one on one, it's a rush. To watch them just be amazed and in total awe. This isn't television. There's no proscenium separating you from the audience as there is in the theater. This is real live theater," Gamarra said.

And a real live audience doesn't hesitate to talk back to the performers. "People come up to you and test



Gamboling on the grass are Maggie Patton (left) as a wench, Chuck Greenia as the town crier and Stephanie Greenfield as a fair maiden.

you. They'd like to think they know more than you do. So you play the game. And in the process everyone learns a little more history," he said.

Each year, the festival hosts William Shakespeare for a weekend. "People will come up to him to see how much he really knows. They'll ask him questions and try to catch him," Gamarra grinned. "The man has a doctorate in literature. He's an expert." This year, the playwright visits Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 23-24.

Wild and crazy casting gives way to serious and regal when the festival's king and queen are chosen. "We chose them through auditions. We look at how they handle one-on-one improvisations. We look for a regalness and at how funny they can be. Mainly, we want to know what they're like when they're serious."

THIS YEAR reigning monarchs 'March and Janet McCarty of Davisburg will renew their wedding vows

during the festival's Renaissance Romance weekend, Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 6-7.

Youngsters who are first-time festival performers are enrolled in the academy, an open-air training program, on the grounds where they learn the basics of hawking, juggling, stage combat and improvisation. "It helps. It's not turning people out there," Gamarra said.

Each group has 13 students. "I've been really surprised with some of the people who've come out of the academy." Whether watching a street character or a jester, Gamarra said, he enjoys seeing how their skills have grown.

And he's grown as part of his affiliation with the festival. Before he became involved with the event, he didn't have a serious interest in Renaissance history. "Personally, I was into kabuki."

### table talk

#### Hyatt Regency

A new executive chef for the Hyatt Regency and a new menu for the hotel's Giulio and Sons Restaurant have been announced. Dominick Buf-

Compiled by Ethel Simmons

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blance to the Cape Cod Room in Chicago's Drake Hotel, with both rooms done by the same design firm. The menu continues to feature a boneless Pub Steak and a broiled scrod fillet, but many new dishes have been added.

#### Chili Cookoff

Chili cooks are being sought to compete in the 1986 Michigan Championship Chili Cookoff from 11 a.m.

to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 7, at the Lark restaurant in West Bloomfield. For more information and an application call Pat Whitte at the Lark, phone 661-4466. The eighth annual event is a benefit for the Michigan Chili Cookoff Scholarship Fund. Twenty-one celebrity judges will sample the chili and pick the best. Music will be provided by the Mariachi Zapopan of Mexico and the Threepenny Opry Bluegrass Band. Tickets at \$25 per person include ad-

mission, 40 chilis to taste, food and beverages. Tickets are on sale at the Lark.

#### At Rhinoceros

Mark Schwartz of Troy, formerly sous chef at the Cafe Laserra three-star French restaurant in Tempe, Ariz., is new head chef at the Rhinoceros restaurant in Detroit. Light sauces for seafood and wild game dishes are a specialty Schwartz is presenting.

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### table talk

## Accent on Michigan at Muer restaurants

By Ethel Simmons  
staff writer

An attractive turquoise blue menu accented with green is attached to the regular menu at many of the Chuck Muer restaurants, celebrating "M-M-M-MICHIGAN" through Thursday, Aug. 28.

All fresh Michigan foods are emphasized, but much of the attention goes to the bounty from Michigan waters. "Great Lakes Fresh Catch" entrees include Lake Superior lake trout, Northern Michigan rainbow trout, Lake Superior white fish, Lake Michigan perch and pan-fried walleye sauteed in black walnut butter.

A recent visit to Southfield Charley's provided the opportunity to sample the walleye, which has an extra-special taste when the walnut flavoring is added. Also sampled was smoked salmon fettuccine, noodles lightly touched with a cream sauce and ample hunks of salmon.

Another fish entree available is a basket of lake smelt. A Summer-time Country Grill features char-grilled lake trout along with herb-marinated chicken breast and barbecued pork ribs.

AMONG THE appetizers is a Great Lakes Smoked Fish Sampler, combining lake trout, white fish and rainbow trout. These bits of fish with a smoky flavor definitely tempt the palate.

Complimentary starters are included with dinner. Tomato, cucumber, red onion vinaigrette salad; creamy cucumber and onion salad; and Michigan navy bean and onion marinated salad have just enough zing to bring out the best in the vegetables.

Besides the fish sampler, appet-

izers include Great Northern bean soup, with Michigan beans, and gazpacho, with fresh Michigan vegetables.

Other entrees sampled were Herb Chicken Breasts and Stir-Fry Duckling, both nicely prepared. The duckling breast sauteed with broccoli and Chinese vegetables is the first time duck has been offered at Muer's restaurants.

Rounding out the entrees is basil fettuccine with fresh summer vegetables. Price of the entrees ranges from \$6.50 to \$11.25.

MICHIGAN wines may be ordered to accompany the meal, the selection of five including Grand Traverse Chardonnay and Johannisberg Riesling, Penn Valley Vi-ual Blanc, St. Julian Village Blush and Tabor Hill Vidal Blanc Demi Sec. Each may be ordered by the glass or bottle. I sampled three of the four and found them interesting as a change of pace.

Desserts are the berries - fresh blueberries with heavy cream, or the cherries - tart pie, or sweet Michigan cherry ice. There's also classic Sanders Hot Fudge Cream Puff and Vernors Gingerale Float. Or you can buy a box of Grunwald's Michigan-made chocolate walnut fudge, to go.

Youthful servers wear denim aprons and straw hats, in farmer fashion, and at the entrance is displayed fresh produce, which may be purchased by customers.

Eleven Muer restaurants feature the special Michigan menu (the event is a joint offering by Muer and the Michigan Department of Agriculture). They include Bloomfield Charley's in West Bloomfield, Diggers in Farmington Hills, Chuck Muer's Charley's in Livonia, Meriwether's in Southfield and other Charley's restaurants.

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• **OUTDOOR CONCERT**  
The Bob Durant Big Band plays 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18, in the free series "Music Under the Stars" at Civic Center Park in Livonia. The concert is sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission.

• **LARRY NOZERO**  
Matt Michaels, David Bartlett and Ray Tini join Larry Nozero and Friends from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, at Hunter's Run in Livonia. Michaels, George Benson and Dan Jordan perform with Nozero on Friday, Aug. 15, and Teddy Harris and Will Austin with Nozero on Saturday, Aug. 16.

• **MONTEUX DETROIT**  
The seventh annual Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival returns to downtown Detroit from Wednesday, Aug. 27, to Monday, Sept. 1, with four days of free concerts at Hart Plaza and jazz greats performing on stages all over downtown Detroit. New attractions have been added, such as Jazz at Ren Cen, along with traditional favorites such as the Bobo Cruise and New Rapa House Jam Session. For more information, call the festival ticket office at 259-5400.

• **STATE FAIR**  
When the Michigan State Fair opens its gates Friday, Aug. 22, at the fairgrounds in Detroit, among its many attractions will be the largest free concert series in the Midwest. The lineup includes such stars as Jermaine Jackson, Friday, Aug. 22; Rock and Roll Gold, Saturday, Aug. 23; Bill Monroe Bluegrass Music, Sunday, Aug. 24; Ricky Skaggs, Tuesday, Aug. 26; Kool and the Gang, Wednesday, Aug. 27; Kris Kristofferson, Thursday, Aug. 28; Willie Nelson and Kris Kristofferson, Friday, Aug. 29; the Judds, Saturday, Aug. 30; Jim White's Detroit Sound Review, Sunday, Aug. 31, and S.O.S. Band, Monday, Sept. 1. For more information, call 368-1000.

• **AT-PJAZZ**  
Jazz guitarist John Scofield makes his first P.Jazz appearance at 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, at the outdoor Terrace of the Hotel Pontchartrain in Detroit. Doors open at 5 p.m. Scofield's top hit album is "Still Warm." Tickets are \$12.50 for reserves seats, \$9.50 for general admission. Tickets may be purchased at Hudson's, Ticket World outlets and at 5 p.m. on the day of the concert at the door.

• **IN CONCERT**  
The Smiths, with special guest Phranc, will play at 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, at the Fox Theatre in Detroit. For ticket information call 961-5470. AC/DC, with special guest Loudness, is booked for 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, at Joe Louis Arena. For ticket information, call 567-6000.

• **CASTING CALL**  
Auditions for "Black Comedy" by Peter Shaffer and "Memorial Day" by Murray Schisgal are being held

by appointment at Studio on Washington in Royal Oak. For more information, call 398-7744.

• **BAND CONCERT**  
A band from Prague, Czechoslovakia, will perform a one-hour concert and three hours of dance music featuring polkas and waltzes at 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, at the Dearborn Civic Center. The band, known as Veselka, has been touring the United States and will be ending its tour in Dearborn. For ticket information, call Jackie Eisenstein at 522-5291 or Lili Techman at 928-7220.

• **TWO SEASONS**  
The Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts in Detroit will offer two seasons - fall and winter - for 1986-87. The fall season presents the Pilibolus Dance Theatre, "Conversations with Carol Burnett," the theatrical event "Lillian," folksinger Claudia Schmidt, the Eliot Feld Ballet, the Boys Choir of Harlem, the Vienna Choir Boys, Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo, and a Canadian mini-theater festival, Stratford Festival's production of "The Mikado" and the Shaw Festival's comedy "One for the Pot." Just a few of the winter season's attractions are the Alvin Alley American Dance Theater, New York City Opera National Company's production of "Madame Butterfly," the Hungarian State Folk Ensemble, and choreographer Twyla Tharp and her company. For more information, call 963-7622.

• **MEADOW BROOK**  
A Laser Light Spectacular, with Erick Kunkel conducting the Meadow Brook Festival Orchestra and featuring baritone Lewis Dale von Schlabach, will be at 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 14-15, at Meadow Brook Music Festival's Baldwin Pavilion at Oakland University in Rochester Hills. "Summer Solid Gold IV" stars early rock singer-songwriters Fats Domino and Jerry Lee Lewis, sharing the bill at 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17. Psychedelic Furs with special guest the Blow Monkeys, performs at 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 18. For ticket information, call the box office at 377-2010.

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**Hugh Gallagher**

"Midnight Cowboy" (1969), 8 to-night on Ch. 50. Originally 113 minutes. TV time slot: 120 minutes.

This is a movie that does not play well on television. In its original network broadcast, the editing was so mangled that it was impossible to discern the plot of this basically simple movie. The problem is that the movie was originally rated X because it deals frankly with sexual subjects, though its real theme is friendship. Jon Voight as a handsome and dimwitted male prostitute becomes friends with a crippled, emotionally unstable street hustler played with chilling grittiness by Dustin Hoffman (in the most peculiar follow-up performance in film history after his work as stifled adolescent Benjamin in "The Graduate"). Hoffman took a gamble and it worked, as he built a career as a character-actor star. The emotional intensity is lost on television along with the explicitness.

**WHAT'S IT WORTH?**  
A ratings guide to the movies

Bad	\$1
Fair	\$2
Good	\$3
Excellent	\$4

"Death Race 2000" (1975), 2:35 Friday night on Ch. 7. Originally 78 minutes. TV time slot: 95 minutes.

An attempt at comedy sci-fi that goes much astray. Sylvester Stallone gives one his earliest performances as a muscle-brained dimwit (and he keeps them coming). The title refers to a future road race in which contestants rack up points by running over pedestrians.

Rating: \$1.

Hugh Gallagher, a film buff, is a copy editor for The Observer & Eccentric.

# Roy Disney talks about Walt

By Ethel Simmons  
staff writer

There's a real family resemblance between Roy Disney and his late uncle Walt. Roy looks like a thinner version of the famed showman, Walt Disney, right down to the mustache.

Roy Disney is vice chairman of the board of the Walt Disney Co. in Burbank, Calif. He also is owner — along with his wife, Patty, and their four children — of the Shamrock Broadcasting Co. Inc. He was in the Detroit area recently at a party celebrating the joining of two country radio stations.

Shamrock just acquired radio station WCXI (1130 AM), to pair with its WWWW (106.7 FM).

Live country music was the order of the day at the party, where special guests included Mickey Gilley and the Girls Next Door, mingling with the crowd and performing with the band.

PARTY GUESTS gathered at the Botsford Inn Coach House, then drifted outdoors to hear the band playing on the patio of the historic inn in Farmington Hills.

Roy Disney remembers Uncle Walt with affection.

"I have memories of him as a very creative, intriguing sort of a fellow," he said.

"This is my favorite Walt Disney story. I had chicken pox as a kid. He was working on 'Pinocchio.' He sat on the edge of my bed and told the whole story of 'Pinocchio.' I saw the film a year later, and it was not half as interesting."

"Uncle Walt had a special storytelling quality. He could just hypnotize."

Roy Disney denied another story about his famous uncle, the one about Walt Disney's body being frozen after the movie mogul and Disneyland creator died in December 1966.

"That's just a silly rumor. He was cremated at Forest Lawn in Glendale," Roy Disney said.

WALT DISNEY and Roy's father — who was also named Roy — worked together.

"My father was his partner, right from the beginning."

Each brother handled a different aspect, Roy being the financial one and Walt the creative one.

"I've always said he was every bit the genius that Walt was," Roy Disney said of his dad.

Roy Disney, the son, started working at the Disney studios in the mid-1950s, after he got out of college. "I sort of grew with it."

He spent 20 years there, involved with such award-winning nature films as "The Vanishing Prairie" and "The Living Desert."

Eventually, he left the studio but returned less than two years ago, under new management, which he helped install. Currently he heads up the animation department.

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