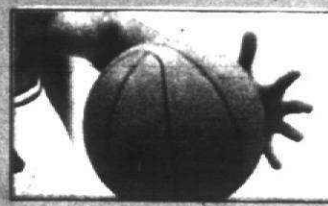


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COPY CATS: Canton Public Library recently purchased two photocopy machines to meet residents' demands for convenient, self-service photocopying.

Both machines are capable of enlarging and reducing on both legal and letter size paper at 10 cents a copy.

The library's board of trustees authorized the purchase after it became evident that the copier the library had since it opened in 1980 no longer could handle the amount of photocopying required by patrons and staff.

The library, on the third floor of Canton Township Administration Building, is open 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 1-5 p.m. Sundays.

DIRECTS EXCHANGE: Kennon Griffing of Plymouth has been reappointed local coordinator by the American Institute for Foreign Study Scholarship Foundation. In that role she helps arrange 10-month homestay high school experiences for teens from Europe, Asia and Latin America.

She will be interviewing families in the Plymouth-Canton area who are interested in hosting a boy or girl for the '87-88 school year. Students arrive from Spain, Germany, the Netherlands, Japan, Brazil and other countries. All have studied English, have their own spending money and full medical insurance provided by AIFS.

A family is invited to select the student whose interests best match theirs. "The rewards of participating in an intercultural exchange experience are great," says Griffing. "Besides being exposed to another language, a family can share different customs and holiday traditions with their new family members." Host families are awarded up to \$800 in scholarship funds. Anyone interested can contact Griffing at 459-8049.

rites of Spring: Two Canton residents will help introduce one of the musical rites of springtime when the Wayne State University Choral Union and Orchestra join the Women's Chorus for the annual spring concert.

Joseph Francis is an orchestra member while Kristen VanBuhler is a member of the Women's Chorus and of the Choral Union. The first concert will begin at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, April 5, at Assumption Grotto Church, 13770 Gratiot one block north of Six Mile. Admission is free. The second concert will begin at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, April 26, at St. Genevieve Parish, 29015 Jamison, one and a half blocks east of Middlebelt and two blocks south of Five Mile in Livonia.

TROUBLE SHOOTERS: Up to four high school seniors each from Plymouth Canton High and Plymouth Salem High will show their written mechanical skills at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 2, in the first phase of the annual Plymouth-AAA Trouble Shooting Contest.

The Plymouth-Canton area students will be among Michigan students from 70 high schools competing in the written exam at 10 test sites. The two highest scorers from each school will become a team, with the top 10 schools vying in a final hands-on event at the AAA Michigan Headquarters in Dearborn on May 7.

The CEP students will take the written test at the MoTech Automotive Education Center in Livonia.

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STEPHEN CANTRELL/staff photographer

Tickle your fancy

Smashing spring fashions will be previewed in "Spring Fancy," the Observer and Eccentric fashion supplement, which will be included in Thursday's edition. Here's a sam-

ple of what's in store: a pink and white flirty sequin dress with pink satin belt and matching three-quarter-length swing coat.

Alternatives

Options to prison are available

By Julie Brown
staff writer

Not everyone who is convicted of a crime ends up in prison.

Michigan, like other states, has a number of programs for offenders who don't end up doing time in prison.

As with just about anything else in corrections, those programs aren't without controversy. Those who plan and administer the programs, however, say they provide realistic options for judges handing down sentences.

One of the newer programs involves use of electronic monitoring devices.

The devices aren't yet being used in Wayne County. Their use is among the ideas being considered by a committee convened by Chief Wayne Circuit Judge Richard Kaufman to look at the overcrowding problem.

Two such systems are in use in Michigan, according to Carol Kierpiec, operations manager, bureau of field services, Department of Corrections.

ONE SYSTEM, now being used in Genesee County for probationers, involves a device worn on the wrist. The device is linked to the telephone in the home.

"The computer will then make random phone calls to the home," Kierpiec said. The system is used to be sure that offenders are at home during their curfew hours.

The offender responds to the message and puts the wrist device into

the telephone mechanism.

The other system used in Michigan relies on radio frequencies; that system provides 24-hour monitoring.

The system uses an ankle tether; the device is similar in appearance to a small calculator attached to a band. It also relies on telephone lines and can be programmed to allow offenders to go out to work for part of the day.

Offenders must remain within a certain distance of the monitoring device.

"We tell the computer what the curfew is," Kierpiec said.

With that system, an audio signal is made if the offender doesn't comply; the computer also will print out a record of the violation.

Eight probationers are on the ankle tether system in Washtenaw County, Kierpiec said.

"We hope to expand that system into Detroit in the near future." There are also plans to expand the system into other Michigan counties.

ABOUT 15 offenders in Genesee County are on that system; those people are inmates who would have been on furlough status.

"They're coming out of prison."

The ankle tether system began to be used last April in Washtenaw County, Kierpiec said. There were some initial equipment difficulties but the company has been cooperative in working those out, she said.

"We think we've worked out most of the bugs in the system."

Both systems are designed to be tamper-proof.

"They cannot take it off and put it back on." The devices are designed to allow offenders to pursue their normal household activities, including showering.

"There are no physical restrictions."

Offenders who participate in the program agree to reimburse the state for the equipment and its use. Probationers are expected to reimburse 10 percent of their income, up to \$49 a week.

A relatively small number of offenders have been put on the monitoring system, so there's not much of a track record just yet.

"We have a lot of confidence in it," Kierpiec said. "Our experience so far has been very good."

DECISIONS ABOUT which offenders will benefit from the system are up to individual judges, she said.

The decision to use home confinement will vary according to the circumstances of the offense and the offender's prior record.

"This system can verify they're actually in the home. I think we have to make sure the equipment works and it's a good program."

The state uses a number of other programs as alternatives to prison sentences, according to Gail Light, Department of Corrections spokeswoman. The programs are used for a variety of offenders, "although generally speaking they're less likely to be violent offenders."

Some of the other programs have

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Board will try to meet Wednesday

By Diane Gale
staff writer

Government picked up speed in Canton Friday after coming to a screeching halt earlier in the week.

A debilitating feud between trustees and clerk Linda Chuhran prevented the Canton Township Board of Trustees meeting March 10.

The regularly scheduled meeting was called off by the majority of trustees, who said the meeting and all meetings since January weren't properly posted.

Chuhran said she has posted all board agendas she has prepared but the board has used agendas prepared in Supervisor James Poole's office since January.

The board voted to remove the responsibility of preparing the agenda from the clerk's office to the supervisor's office, saying she included items without giving staff enough time to prepare. She argued trustees tried to keep some people from appearing before the body.

CHUHRAN ALSO said it was a

moot point because at the start of the year the board voted to meet the first, second and fourth Tuesdays of each month — a schedule posted in numerous places.

If the board continually failed to meet, bills would go unpaid and developers — who deal with costly contractors — would be unsure about their projects.

The scenario took a turn late Friday afternoon. Chuhran said she planned to post a special meeting for Wednesday, March 18. It was planned by supervisor James Poole at least by Thursday.

All indications are the board will meet.

However it is unclear whether trustees will agree to meet during the normally designated dates — the first, second and fourth Tuesdays monthly.

In separate action March 10, trustees voted to sue Chuhran for allegedly failing to properly post the board's agenda. The move came on the heels of a letter Chuhran wrote

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Officials unhappy with prison scene

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

You might think an ambitious \$675 million prison construction project and a new law barring new jails in western Wayne County would put area government officials and residents at ease.

But all is not harmony on the local criminal justice front.

Drafted by Rep. Gerald Law, R-Plymouth, the statute bars the construction of any penal institution in the vicinity of Scott, Phoenix and Western Wayne correctional facilities — all within a mile of each other at Five Mile and Beck.

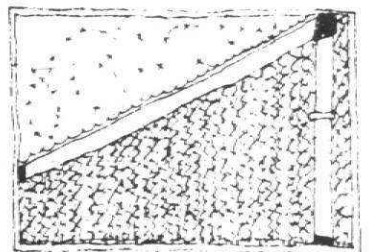
The 1985 law also establishes maximum capacity for all three state prisons. Western Wayne correctional facility, formerly the Detroit House of Correction (DeHoCo), is in violation of the second part of the law.

"They're not in compliance," said Law. "The prisoner load limit is 500, and they have 607 prisoners in there right now."

"We are in the process of trying to reduce our count through attrition," said Kurt Jones, administrative assistant to Western Wayne Warden Emmett R. Baylor Jr.

Jones said that despite population problems, the Department of Corrections is "doing a good job" in meeting its "main goal of protecting the public." Overcrowding is not the least of Western Wayne's headaches.

THE STATE recently purchased the long-neglected prison from Detroit and made a commitment to re-



The Observer's series of articles on prisons and their effect on the community ends with today's issue, when we look at the need for prisons statewide and how that impacts locally. We also examine possible alternatives to correctional facilities.

novate it. Some of its dilapidated 16 buildings are being destroyed. New housing units are to replace them.

Others are being gutted and refurbished.

The project is "a massive mess," said Law, who recently discussed cost overruns with prison officials.

"It's a dump. Every time they work on something, it's much more problematic than they thought."

Renovation costs were projected at \$13 million. It now looks like improvements will cost close to \$20 million, Law said.

"Detroit didn't spend a dime on the place in 25 years. On the site of some of the new buildings is land that was improperly used as a garbage pit. The water lines are an-

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Lore named to tuition board

By Susan Buck

John S. Lore is ready to give every Michigan child a guaranteed financial opportunity to attend college.

Lore, a Plymouth resident, last month was appointed by Gov. James J. Blanchard to the board of directors of the first Michigan Education Trust (MET), Michigan's first-of-its-kind unique college tuition guarantee program.

The MET board, which will oversee the program, consists of state treasurer Robert A. Bowman and seven other committee members.

"Their appointment's tell you one thing, there's an intense interest from the top. He put his top notch people on it," said Lore.

He is complimentary about his fellow board members.

LORE, 44, is vice-president for development of the St. Clair Corp., Detroit, former president of the Michigan Colleges Foundation and past president of Nazareth College.

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They are: Lynne C. Schaefer, East Lansing, assistant to the director of the Department of Management and Budget; Donald Davis, Franklin, chairman of the board of First Interstate National Bank of Detroit and owner-operator of United Sound Systems Inc.; Richard T. Cole, East Lansing, chief of staff to Blanchard; David Adamany, Detroit, president of Wayne State University; Richard W. McDowell, Livonia, president of Schoolcraft College; Donalene Holton, Belmont, homemaker and treasurer of the Kent Intermediate School Board; and Barbara Dumouchelle, Grosse Ile, former member of the state Board of Education.

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PENDING IRS approval, people can take advantage of the tuition plan as early as the fall of 1988 or sooner, Lore said.

"I've been an advocate of this for a long time," said Lore, pointing to his six-year chairmanship of the Michigan Higher Education Assistance and Loan Authority.

Lore and his wife, Judy, know well the costs of higher education via the room and board bill their son, Christopher, a sophomore, brings home from Kalamazoo College. They have another son, Matthew, 15, a Plymouth Salem High student who also is college-bound.

"The governor has received inquiries from other states and 18 states have introduced similar legislation," said Lore.

Any person can buy into the plan. Lore sees the plan as a golden opportunity for corporations and foundations to sponsor students. Generous grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc., also can invest in bright educational futures for the important young people in their lives.

MET ultimately will put the onus on students to perform well, especially since their parents or others will have a definite financial investment in their performance, Lore said.

Students must still conform to college admission requirements, he said.

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Schools allocate roof repair money

Roots topped off the agenda for the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education, which allocated \$52,190 for repairs on two buildings at its meeting Monday.

Trustees voted unanimously to spend \$31,660 on a new roof for the 30-year-old Pupil Personnel Services/Transportation Department building. They also OK'd \$20,530 for a new roof for the school barn on Joy west of Plymouth Salem High.

The barn is used to store vehicles, equipment and furniture. Reroofing the structure will put an end to the leaking that's prevented the district from storing additional things there.

"It'd be an understatement to say we don't have adequate room for storage," said Ray Hoedel, associate superintendent for business.

The board tabled the matter and awarded the other two contracts to the low bidder, Milbrand Co.

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Roots topped off the agenda for the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education, which allocated \$52,190 for repairs on two buildings at its meeting Monday.

Trustees voted unanimously to spend \$31,660 on a new roof for the 30-year-old Pupil Personnel Services/Transportation Department building. They also OK'd \$20,530 for a new roof for the school barn on Joy west of Plymouth Salem High.

The barn is used to store vehicles, equipment and furniture. Reroofing the structure will put an end to the leaking that's prevented the district from storing additional things there.

"It'd be an understatement to say we don't have adequate room for storage," said Ray Hoedel, associate superintendent for business.

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County agency supervises option programs

By Julie Brown staff writer

If you've got a legitimate complaint about any aspect of corrections, Dr. Theodor Bishop wants to know about it. If also help you, Bishop will refer you to the appropriate source.

Bishop is director of pre-commitments in Wayne County for the state Department of Corrections. Her job — and that of her colleagues in corrections — is a balancing act.

Those working in corrections must respond to the needs of the general public, providing for the safety of the community. At the same time, they must try to change the behavior of offenders, helping them to become productive.

"The community helps us help these people," Bishop said. "The public helps in keeping corrections officials apprised of any specific problems, no matter how small those problems may seem."

"Certainly, we would respond to those kinds of valid complaints," Bishop said, however, concern herself with those who complain in more general terms — complaints along the line that all offenders belong in prison forever.

Bishop's job involves a variety of alternative programs, administered under the auspices of the Department of Corrections. Those include residential centers or "halfway houses," vocational/educational skills programs and community restitution programs.

The community restitution programs involve some 700 to 1,000 people at any one time in Wayne County. The offenders are placed on probation with the stipulation that they do a certain amount of community service work.

Those offenders work at any sites where they do not replace ordinary workers. The work is done mostly at non-profit organizations, such as churches, parks or police mini-stations.

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Township board will try another meeting

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March 4 to Wayne County Prosecutor John O'Hair charging trustees with violating the Open Meetings Act by illegally holding a closed session March 3.

Chuhman said the closed session was not properly posted and backup data about it wasn't distributed to the board members from her office. She also said trustees failed to follow the correct voting process before it was held.

IN JUNE 1985 Chuhman filed a lawsuit — with a recent amendment including the agenda preparation is-

sue — charging the board with usurping her responsibilities as clerk.

A show cause hearing on the lawsuit is scheduled April 3 before Judge James Blanchard in Wayne Circuit Court.

Chuhman said she sent a telegram to Gov. James Blanchard early Friday morning, before she was aware of Poole's special meeting, asking him to force the board to meet and conduct important Canton business. She said this would prevent lawsuits by developers and other business people.

The Michigan Township Authority has received numerous requests

from Canton officials requesting guidance on proper procedure due to disagreements among trustees about policy.

"We've attempted to assist in any fashion," said John LaRose, MTA executive director.

"You're asking questions that deal with people in public bodies getting along with one another," LaRose said. "The statute doesn't cover every finite part of a meeting."

LaRose pointed out the board is required by statute to conduct meetings on the dates agreed upon at the organizational session at the start of the year.

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4:05 p.m. Nature News Break

A 30-second profile on a nature topic

5:05 p.m. Family Health

Health issues are discussed by a doctor

6:10 to 10 p.m. 88 Escape — New music

MONDAY (March 16)

5 p.m. News File at Five

With Cheryl Williams

TUESDAY (March 17)

6:10 p.m. Nancy Reagan Battles Drug Abuse

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Ruling due Canham hearing concludes

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

A three-member panel will decide Friday, April 3, whether former Chief Wayne County Circuit Judge James Canham conspired with Michigan Appeals Court Judge S. Jerome Bronson to bribe attorney James Finn or whether he was working with Finn to expose Bronson.

Closing arguments were heard Friday in Canham's hearing before the Michigan Attorney Discipline Board. Canham is charged with helping Bronson to extort a \$20,000 bribe from Finn in return for a favorable appeals court ruling on an upcoming case.

While both sides agreed on most of the facts, they differed on Canham's intent.

Chief disciplinary prosecutor Michael Alan Schwartz portrayed the Redford Township resident as a co-conspirator, noting Canham contacted Finn, passed him a confidential court document and told him the dollar amount sought by Bronson.

"Everything Bronson wanted him to do, he did," Schwartz said.

But Canham's attorney said his client was gathering evidence against Bronson, hoping Finn would notify authorities. Canham's only wrongdoing, according to attorney Sheldon Miller, was in failing to report Bronson himself.

"IF THE intent is to build up evidence, you've (Canham) done everything right except be the whistle blower," Miller said. "He didn't report him because he didn't want to be known as the attorney who blew the whistle on an appeals court judge. Neither did Jim Finn."

Finn, who exposed Bronson, testified he didn't want to have Bronson arrested as much as to have him removed from the case.

Calling Finn "my cop," Canham said he was certain the Detroit attorney would turn Bronson in. Canham earlier said he was shocked by his own arrest and thought Bronson "was setting me up."

Assistant attorney general Mark Blumer, however, said he had sufficient evidence to prosecute Canham — though Canham was given immunity in return for helping trap Bronson.

Much of the case hinges on a Nov. 14 telephone conversation between Canham and Finn. Though Canham told Finn he "would be a winner" and notified him he would have to write an opinion on Bronson's behalf, he maintained Bronson was in the room at the time and he didn't want to tip him off.

"The pigeon was in the coop," Canham said. "He was locked, he was absolutely locked."

Canham said he didn't want to expose Bronson for fear it would hurt his practice before other appeals court judges.

"I DIDN'T want to go to the police, I thought Jim Finn was and he didn't want to go to the police at that state," Canham said.

Attorneys disagreed in their interpretation of a 72-second gap in the taped conversation.

Canham said he couldn't recall why the silence was so long but said he was trying to shoo Bronson from his office. Canham later said Bronson came back in the office offering visual and verbal clues indicating what he wanted Canham to tell Finn.

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Schwartz indicated Canham could have used the time to discuss matters with Bronson and said there was no evidence Bronson returned to the room.

Citing Michigan case law, Schwartz argued that Canham was guilty of aiding and abetting Bronson.

Schwartz charged Canham knew Bronson intended to bribe Finn, knew the bribe would influence Bronson's vote and assisted in furthering the bribe by distributing a pre-trial report to Finn.

"Even if you accept Mr. Canham's version of the facts, he is guilty of being an aider and abettor," Schwartz said.

Ironically, Bronson had sat on the appeals court panel in two of the three cases cited by Schwartz as evidence.

"JUDGE BRONSON appears to be reaching from the grave," Schwartz said. Bronson committed suicide Nov. 14 shortly after being arraigned on bribery charges.

Referring to Canham's testimony that he didn't discuss the case with anyone other than Finn, Schwartz said there was no evidence Canham had any intent of reporting Bronson to anyone.

"That's why he kept it secret from everyone, including his wife," Schwartz said.

Noting Canham frequently spoke of Bronson in derogatory terms and alleged to Finn that Bronson was selling out for a "bargain basement" price, Miller said there was evidence to convict his client.

"He's (Canham) incredulous that a judge would sell out his integrity for \$20,000," Miller said.

Miller criticized Schwartz' allegation that Canham worked with Bronson "so he could have an appeals judge in his pocket."

"It strains credulity," Miller said. "If Canham would sell his soul for that, he's not the same man I know. Why would he hurt two friends (Finn and Kruse) to help a stranger?"

Both longtime acquaintances came to Canham's defense during their testimony.

FINN SAID he considered, then ruled out the possibility Canham was trying to bribe him.

Attorney John Kruse, who would have lost the appeal had Finn won, said he found it difficult to believe his old friend Canham would deliberately try to sabotage his case.

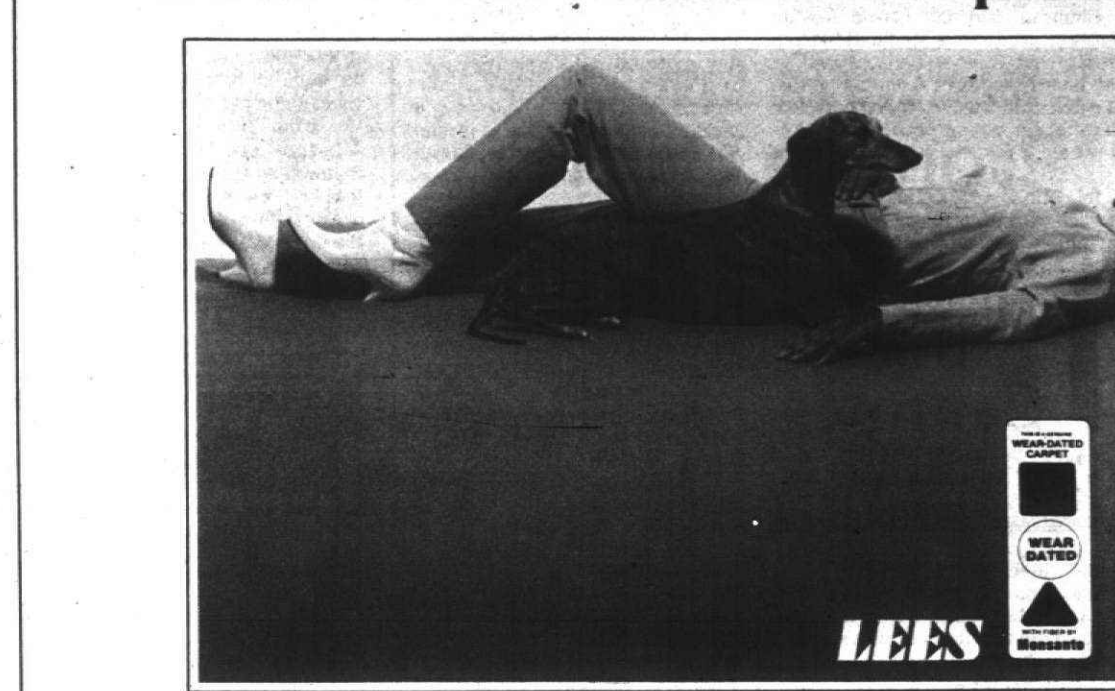
Emotionless through much of the testimony, Canham appeared to shed a few tears following Schwartz' summation but quickly regained his composure.

Panel members J. Robert Sterling, Deborah Meia and John Shantz will deliberate over the four days' testimony before issuing their findings.

Canham would be able to resume practicing law if found innocent. If found guilty, he would face penalties ranging from censure to permanent disbarment.

The case being appealed before Bronson's three-judge panel involved \$3.2 million damages awarded a Kentucky man in an accident suit against Ford Motor Co.

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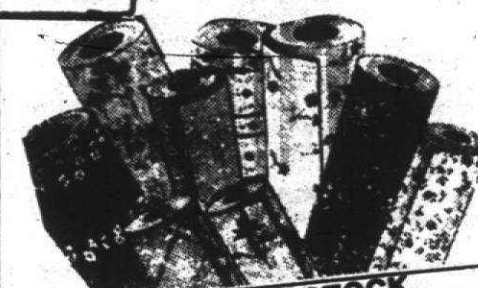
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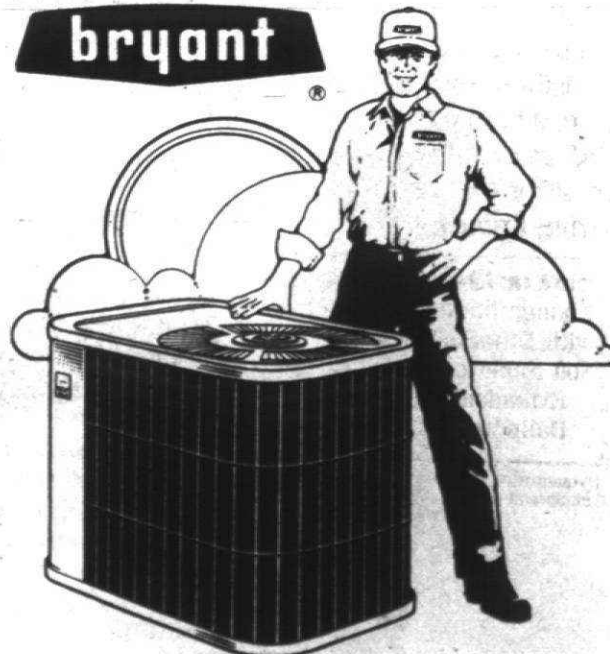
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Living history

It's about as close as you can get to a time machine

By Loraine McElish
Staff writer

Ron Jones is dressed in the uniform of a U.S. Army Cavalry officer and begins the lesson for the day by saying, "This is Feb. 17, 1876. We have arrived at Fort Laramie, Wyo." He stands in front of the cavalry guidon, and he is surrounded by dozens of artifacts used by the soldiers who manned the U.S. army forts in the post-Civil War days.

"This is not your usual history lesson. If one had to title the lesson it would probably be 'Army Life on the Frontier,' Jones calls it 'Living History.'"

"The only thing different about me today and a U.S. Army Cavalry officer is that I don't have a beard," said Jones, a Plymouth Township resident who brings the Living History classes to his students at Behn Junior High School in Farmington.

"At a time when bathing was considered hazardous to your health, and you were busy planning the next campaign against the Indians, you didn't carry shaving implements

around with you. I'll start growing my beard this spring."

WITH BEARD fully grown, the Plymouth native will be back in Fort Laramie National Historic Site this summer acting out his role as a U.S. Army Cavalry officer, or maybe a mountain man — the name put to the early fur trader in that time and place — or maybe a storekeeper.

After a few weeks there, he will repeat his roles, at Scotts Bluff National Monument in Nebraska.

Jones' penchant for history goes back to childhood.

"It was the only subject I ever took that I earned an A in, consistently," he said.

Just as consistent were his vacations to historic spots around the country. He connected up with the National Park Service for his trips back to Wyoming and Nebraska when he followed the Oregon Trail for one summer's vacation with his wife and son.

Along the way Jones collected pictures, posters and maps that fill the walls of the school room for seventh

and eighth graders. He has stocked the school library with about 1,500 slides to use in class. And he has collected about three dozen items he uses in his Living History talks.

"Some are the real thing. Most are authentic reproductions," he said. "My costume is an authentic reproduction in color and design, 100 percent wool. I got it through the parks service."

"I think the most authentic collection I've ever seen is in the general store in Fort Laramie. The inventory there is exactly what it was in 1876, even canned vegetables with the original labels and prices. Those are not for sale, of course. But I bring back whatever I can to bring alive this period of history for my students."

"Nobody takes notes in this class. It's not necessary. I talk only in the first person. The students get into the spirit of it. They remember."

JONES HAD some heavy reading to do preparing for a job with the parks service, answering any and all questions from the tourists who visit the historic sites.

Those who are hired commit themselves to being on the job seven days a week for a 12-week stretch.

Jones works as a volunteer, seven days a week, but only for a three- or four-week stretch to allow time for family vacations.

"I do it because I love it," he said. "I am with other people who enjoy history as much as I do. We talk shop morning, noon and night. We live history together and I want to share this with students, not only my students here but students everywhere."

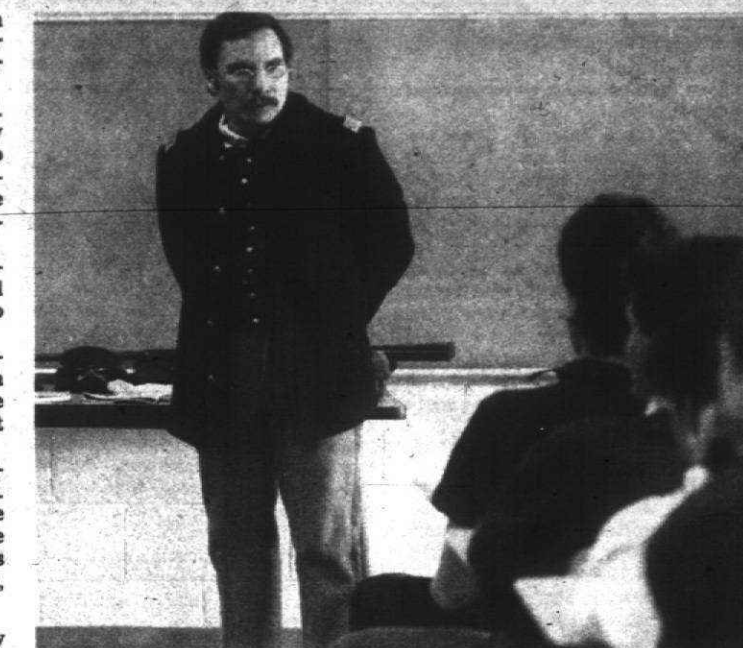
"I'm lucky I can do that," he added. "I have a principal here that will allow me to go to other schools to do that."

Jones developed his Living History talks for seventh and eighth graders but says he has had far more requests for appearances from adult groups than from teachers.

A couple of months ago he addressed the Plymouth Rotary Club. He says he thinks he must have talked to "every Rotary Club in the area, most of the historical societies and a few chambers of commerce, but not too many classrooms."

Jones calls his Living History talks "as close as you can get going back in a time machine."

Jones is a native of Michigan and lives in Plymouth with wife Valeria and 7-year-old son Andrew.



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Ron Jones of Plymouth provides a "living history" lesson to his students in which he describes life in the army after the Civil War.

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Hamilton — the boys' rifle with the 7-inch bayonet

(Part 1)

Clarence Hamilton, the inventor, came to Plymouth in 1874.

For a number of years he repaired watches and clocks in Rowell Root's Drug Store on Main Street opposite Kellogg Park.

Then he invented a self-controlled metal windmill.

In 1883, when Henry W. Baker and five others started the Plymouth Iron Wind-Mill Co. to build the product, Hamilton was hired to superintend the manufacturing end of the business.

His next invention, an all-metal air rifle to compete with Markham's wooden air gun, was patented in October 1888. Charley Bennett wrote of Hamilton's new rifle that its barrel was made of zinc and its stock of wire (a round wire bent in the shape of a gun stock).

When the windmills did not sell, and the company began producing Hamilton's new rifle, Hamilton stayed with the firm as superintendent until 1898.

In that year he resigned and sold his interest in what by then had been

renamed the Daisy Manufacturing Co. In the following year, he and his son, Coello, began to manufacture a 22-caliber rifle in a small plant only a few blocks from Daisy's factory.

The patent for the rifle was granted to father and son in November 1900. They first operated under the name of Hamilton Arms Co., then Hamilton Rifle Co., and finally as C.J. Hamilton and Son.

By the time the Plymouth Mail published its Booster Edition in 1916, Clarence no longer was living. The business was being headed by Coello, who also was vice president of the Plymouth and Northville Gas Co.

The firm's original plant had been enlarged and additional expansion was taking place in 1916 to make it measure 140 by 60 feet. The plant superintendent was L.B. Warner.

Since establishment of the business, the company had produced and marketed nine different models. Only three models were being manufactured in 1916.

THE FIRM'S advertisement in the Booster Edition had something to offer that seems bizarre by today's standards.



past and present
Sam Hudson

Under the heading "New Military Rifle," the text of the firm's ad read:

"Realizing that our American boys evince just as enthusiastic and lively an interest in drilling as they do in shooting and target practice, we are now producing the new Hamilton Military Type Rifle.

"For drilling, this gun is ideal, as it resembles perfectly the type used by soldiers in actual military duty. With its detachable bayonet, its strap for carrying and its long forearm, this Hamilton Rifle presents a typical army appearance, and is the first true military 22-caliber rifle at a price within the average boy's reach."

The rifle, which had a genuine walnut stock, was 31 inches long and

weighed 2 pounds 9 ounces. The detachable bayonet was seven inches long. All this for the retail price of \$3, indicating that it was obviously intended for the young fry, not for their game-hunting fathers.

Why anyone would think of putting a rifle with a bayonet on it in the hands of a young boy is beyond comprehension. What parents of that day thought of the idea we can only guess.

There is no doubt, however, that the product would be drummed off the market if offered in today's consumer-oriented, safety-conscious, contingency-basis lawsuit milieu.

Another Hamilton model, without bayonet, sold for \$1.75.

A third, whose stock was not of walnut, sold for \$1.50.

An illustration of the firm's brochure showed a boy bearing a rifle in one hand and a game bird in the other. He was returning triumphantly to a camp fire by the shore of a lake where his father had a frying pan and coffee pot at the ready. The slogan was "The Gun That Gets The Game."

THE HAMILTON firm stopped making rifles when World War II came along. It began making parts for the war effort, including tank bogie wheels.

Coello Hamilton retired in 1949, at age 70. He sold the company's tools to John Hoban, his plant superintendent during the war. For a time, Hoban produced the "Hoban Rifle" in a plant in Salem, Mich. The Hamilton plant on Depot Street in Plymouth was purchased by local businessman Frank Arlen.

Some of this information about the Hamilton firm and its rifles came from an article by Stanford O. Berg in the July 1985 issue of "American Rifleman." Some of it came from an interview I had with Coello Hamilton at his home opposite the Hamilton plant in April 1987. The interview took place 13 days before his

95th birthday and seven months before he died. I showed Berg's article to him. He read it carefully and said, "The facts are not bad."

The house he lived in at 311 Hamilton Ave. was built in 1887 by his father. He told me his father came from Meadville, Pa. Coello was apparently born in Milford — he was not sure — and the family moved to Plymouth when he was two years old.

He told me the Hamilton rifle was not the first 22-caliber gun on the market. He also remembered one day when his father returned home from the Plymouth Iron Windmill Co. with eight trees. "Every single one of them grew."

Coello, who did not know how to get his name but said it was common in Brazil, was proud of a book he owned — a copy of McGuffey's Fourth Eclectic Reader, published in 1879. It was a revised edition put out by Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co. of Cincinnati.

(To be continued.)

medical briefs/helpline

ON OSTEOPOROSIS

"Osteoporosis: The Bone Thief" will be the focus of a free Women's Health Presentation from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 18, at Canton Recreation Building, Michigan Avenue at Sheldon. The program, sponsored by Catherine McAuley Health Center, will look at osteoporosis — a softening of the bone most common in older women. There will be information about prevention and treatment.

ON MEDICARE

A special information session on Medicare will be given for residents of Canton and Plymouth at 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, in the Arbor Health Building, Ann Arbor Trail at Harvey, Plymouth. For a reservation, call 747-9416.

HEALTH-O-RAMA

Project Health-O-Rama (sponsored by Oakwood Canton Health Center) will be at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. March 23.

Health-O-Rama provides free health tests, such as height and weight, podiatry, pulmonary function, dental screening, blood pressure, vision, glaucoma, hearing,

counseling and referral. Optional tests offered for a minimal fee are blood chemistry (\$8) and colorectal cancer screening kits (\$3). Participants must be 18 or older.

CARDIAC SUPPORT GROUP

The Cardiac Rehabilitation Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 24, in the Arbor Health Building, 990 Ann Arbor Trail at Harvey in Plymouth. Families and friends of those who have heart problems are welcome.

YOUNG ADULT AA

A new Young Adult AA group will meet at 7 p.m. each Sunday in Plymouth Township Hall at 42350 Ann Arbor Road at Mill. The meeting is for young adults only. For information, call 459-0176.

24-HOUR DRUG HOTLINE

A 24-hour drug assistance telephone line is being operated by Catherine McAuley Health Center. The number is 572-4390.

Professionally trained staff members of the chemically dependency program are ready to answer drug questions anytime. Whether there's a crisis, or you want some basic in-

formation, the drug assistance line can help.

When you call, request a free copy of the brochure "Could My Child be Using?"

FOOT CARE SERVICE

A foot care service for senior citizens in Plymouth is offered the second and fourth Thursday of each month 1-5 p.m. in the community room of the Arbor Health Building at Ann Arbor Trail and Harvey in Plymouth. The treatment includes foot assessment, soaks, nail trimming, pedicure, massage, education for proper hygiene, exercise and footwear. Appointments may be made in advance by calling 455-1908. A nominal fee will be charged at the time of the service.

HELP-A-HEART

Barb Kibler of Canton is chairwoman of the Help-A-Heart, Save a Label drive being conducted by The Ticker Club of Children's Hospital in Detroit. For each Heinz baby food, juice and instant food label turned in 6 cents will be donated to the hospital for medical equipment. Labels may be mailed to: Barb Kibler, 1127 Canterbury Circle, Canton 48187. This will be an ongoing project.

POSTMASTECTOMY GROUP

ENCORE, the YWCA Postmastectomy Support Group, meets from 9 a.m. to noon Thursdays at the Forum Health Club, Maplewood at Ford in Westland. ENCORE stands for encouragement, normalcy, concerns, opportunity, reaching-out and energies revived. For additional information, call Cynthia Nichols at 561-4110 or Sharon Morris, 722-7329.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT

The Plymouth Family Support Group for the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association will meet 1-3 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month and 7-9 p.m. on the first Monday of each month in the Arbor Health Building at Ann Arbor Trail and Harvey in Plymouth. Meetings are in the conference room and free to the public.

DRUG USE ASSESSMENT

A new substance abuse assessment service is being offered by the chemically dependency program at Catherine McAuley Health Center. For the assessment a trained counselor meets with the parents and their child. If the child has a drug or alcohol problem, the parents and the

child will be given assistance in selecting the right treatment. For information, call 572-4308.

FOCUS ON LIVING

Focus on Living (with cancer) meetings are at 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at St. Mary Hospital, Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. The self-help group is to bring together patients and family members who are experiencing problems as a result of living with cancer. A nurse consultant and other resource people lead discussions of mutual problems. The meetings are on the fourth floor of St. Mary Hospital.

MOTHER-BABY EXERCISE

Mothers and babies can have fun together at Mother-Baby Exercise sponsored by Oakwood-Canton Health Center from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesdays in St. John Neumann Catholic Church, Canton. Advance registration is required and may be done by calling 593-7694. There is a \$35 charge.

GROUPS FOR WOMEN

Plymouth Family Service is offering groups for women who either wish to examine their drug/alcohol

use or want to recover from drug/alcohol problems. Fees charged are based on the ability to pay. For additional information, call Judith Darlington at Plymouth Family Service, 453-0890.

DIABETIC SUPPORT

A diabetic support group meets on the third Monday of each month at Oakwood Canton Health Center. For information, call 459-7030.

CPR CLASS

Cardiopulmonary resuscitation Heart Saver classes are taught the second Monday of each month 7-10 p.m. in Oakwood Hospital Canton Center, Warren at Canton Center Road. This three-hour course covers one-person CPR on an adult, and what to do for a person with an obstructed airway. There is a \$5 charge. Register by calling 459-7030.

'TELE-CARE'

Senior citizens in Plymouth-Canton may participate in a "Tele-Care" program senior citizens are called everyday to check on their well-being. For more information, Canton residents may call 397-1000 Ext. 278 and Plymouth residents may call 453-3840 Ext. 37 or 453-2671, Plymouth Township Hall.

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CHANNEL 8

MONDAY (March 16)

3 p.m. . . . BPW Present — A documentary her experience as an alcoholic.

4 p.m. . . . Healthercise — An exercise show.

4:30 p.m. . . . Community Uplift — Plymouth-Canton school teacher Sharon McDonald and Canton resident Denise Swope produce talk show on sports, schools, dance, law enforcement, community groups and more.

5 p.m. . . . Piling Your W-4 Forms — A presentation by the IRS on new W-4 withholding form.

5:30 p.m. . . . On the Wings of Angels — A documentary on the 40th anniversary of the Blue Angels.

6 p.m. . . . Totally Gospel.

6:30 p.m. . . . Masters of Dance — Gymnastics and warm-up exercises.

7 p.m. . . . Milt Wilcox Show — Former Detroit Tiger pitcher Milt Wilcox and co-host Harry Katopodis interview sports and media celebrity guests.

7:30 p.m. . . . High School Sports — Best of girls volleyball.

9:30 p.m. . . . Omniscient Videotunes Live — Host Dave Daniele and Jim Leinbach. Best of 1985 includes Madhatter and Zavatari.

TUESDAY (March 17)

3 p.m. . . . Lake Placid Serenade — Classic movies. A melodrama on ice with Vera Ralston.

4 p.m. . . . Private Life of Henry VIII — Classic movies. Stars Charles Laughton.

6 p.m. . . . History of NASA.

6:30 p.m. . . . Community Uplift.

7 p.m. . . . Sports View — Hosts are radio sports personalities Ron Cameron and Bob Page.

7:30 p.m. . . . Cross Triv.

8 p.m. . . . Economic Club of Detroit.

9:30 p.m. . . . Darlene Myers Show.

9:30 p.m. . . . The Sandy Show — Host Sandy Preblich with guest Judy McDonald of First Step.

WEDNESDAY (March 18)

3 p.m. . . . Behind the Moon — Host Mike Best discusses the stars, planets, moon and their relationships to each other.

3:30 p.m. . . . The Oasis.

4 p.m. . . . Darlene Myers Show.

5 p.m. . . . The Sandy Show.

5:30 p.m. . . . On the Wings of Angels.

6:30 p.m. . . . Piling Your W-4 Forms.

7 p.m. . . . Totally Gospel — Host T.J. Hemphill and Margarita Lloyd discuss gospel music.

7:30 p.m. . . . Masters of Dance.

8 p.m. . . . Milt Wilcox Show.

9:30 p.m. . . . Videotunes.

CHANNEL 15

MONDAY (March 16)

3 p.m. . . . Human Images — CEP Psychology Club students discuss teen suicide.

3:30 p.m. . . . Cooking With Cas — Chef Cas Wolyniec prepares a variety of his special collection of gourmet selections.

4 p.m. . . . People & Places — A production by the organization for cultural arts programming of Ann Arbor features local artists, non-profit organizations, community and religious groups, and educational institutional programming.

4:30 p.m. . . . Issues For a Nuclear Age — Individuals concerned about our nuclear fate discuss various aspects of the issue.

5 p.m. . . . Sports at the SAL — Basketball and floor hockey action.

6 p.m. . . . 1st Presbyterian of Northville Presents "A Celebration." This week's sermon topic is: "Where Are You?"

7 p.m. . . . How to Raise a Street Smart Child — Replay of a live program focusing on the HBO special. Panelists include Canton Police officer David Boljesic, Diane Montagnano, kindergarten teacher at Fiegel Elementary; Kathy Reilly of Plymouth-Canton Schools Child Abuse Task Force, and Marie Edstrom, mother of a 14-year-old boy who was beaten and killed.

8 p.m. . . . This is the Life.

8:30 p.m. . . . Agape Christian Center — Singing, praise and worship service in Plymouth.

9:30 p.m. . . . Topics: Job Training & Employment — Emphasis on on-the-job training for laid-off workers and low-income people.

TUESDAY (March 17)

3 p.m. . . . Legislative Report — A public affairs program which takes a look at issues in Michigan. Presented by the House of Representatives.

3:30 p.m. . . . Canton Update — Canton Township Supervisor

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4 p.m. . . . Madonna Magazine — Information about Madonna College, Livonia.

4:30 p.m. . . . How to Raise a Street Smart Child.

5:30 p.m. . . . Special Olympics — Winter Special Olympics games competition.

6 p.m. . . . Yugoslavian Variety Hour.

7 p.m. . . . Street Smart Kids Are Safe — Replay of a live call-in show focusing on the HBO program entitled "How to Raise a Street Smart Child." Marie Edstrom, mother of a child (Kenny Myers) found dead in Ferndale, representatives of the local police departments and schools, discuss some of the

techniques the HBO feature suggests to teach your child about safety.

8 p.m. . . . Live Call-In With Christeen Cable Talk.

9 p.m. . . . Off the Wall.

9:30 p.m. . . . Youth View — Strange videos with Randy Stonehill.

WEDNESDAY (March 18)

3 p.m. . . . Mustang Monthly.

3:30 p.m. . . . Omniscient Sports Scene — Indoor soccer, Plymouth Enforcers vs. Ypsilanti Strikers.

5 p.m. . . . Cub Scout Puppet Show.

5:30 p.m. . . . Canton Update.

6 p.m. . . . Out To Lunch.

7 p.m. . . . AIDS: A Review of the Situation — Dr. June Osborn, dean of school of public health, University of Michigan,

discusses AIDS and the high-risk factor with adolescents. She has appeared on the Today Show, on CBS and the Walt Disney feature on "Safe Sex."

8:30 p.m. . . . MESC Job Show.

9 p.m. . . . 1st Presbyterian Church of Northville: "A Celebration."

CHANNEL 10

CANTON TOWNSHIP

WEDNESDAY
3 p.m. . . . Canton Township Board meeting.

FRIDAYS

6 p.m. . . . Canton Township Board meeting.

SATURDAYS

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Readers can receive a free brochure describing the tax advantages by writing to Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America, 30406 Ford Ford, Garden City 48135.

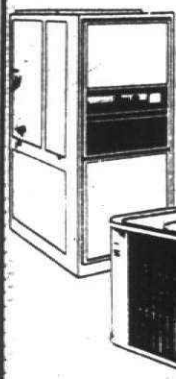
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Boyle: A few commit lots of crimes

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

The last time Detroit's crime rate took a significant downturn, Justice Patricia Boyle recalled, was in 1976 when the state Supreme Court ordered Recorders Courts to clear their dockets.

In the flurry that followed, plea bargains were made, criminals were sentenced to prison, and crime in the city plunged an estimated 20 percent over the next 24 months.

"A few people are committing lots of crimes, and they were temporarily out of commission," Boyle told the Birmingham/Bloomfield League of Women Voters last Monday.

NO ONE CAUSE is responsible for increased crime rates, Boyle said in reply to a question. But among the factors, she said, are judicial sensitivity to crimes of sex and abuse, population bulges of men aged 18 to 25 and economics.

"Statistics show that during the depression, crime rates were low. During the 1960s, a time of affluence, rates were high.

"In my opinion, the major reason is the breakdown of families and churches, traditional standards for measuring behavior."

On whether she agreed with Justice Sandra Day O'Connor's comments last week about the exclusion

of women in the judiciary, Boyle said, "Michigan is singularly blessed with a number of women, partly due to our history of women in labor movements.

"In general, the electorate has confidence in women in judiciary roles," said Boyle, who was a federal court judge when Gov. James J. Blanchard appointed her to the state's highest court. With a reputation as a hard liner in criminal cases, she easily won re-election in 1986.

BOYLE SUMMARIZED the findings of a 26-member citizens committee on court improvement, a report she described as fresh, disturbing and historic. Key findings:

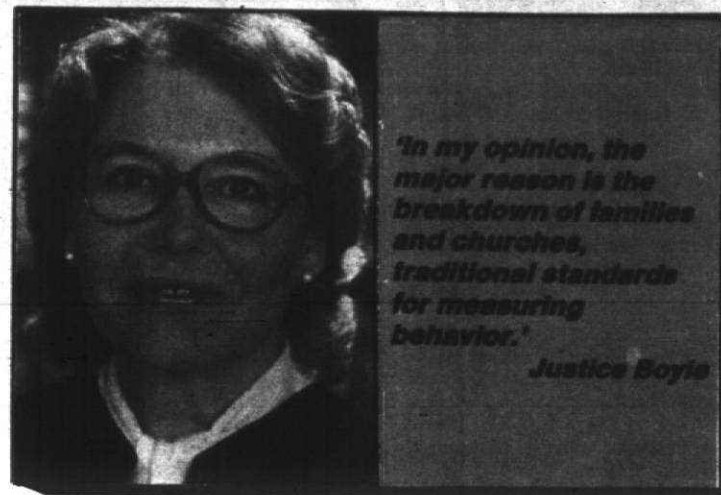
- Few court houses — only those constructed or remodeled in recent years — have access for the handicapped.

- Juveniles in custody for murder are released from all court supervision at the age of 19.

- Victims of crime are too often treated callously by the judiciary, and the poor, elderly, minorities and women are treated differently and "less well" than others.

- People in Michigan favor the election of judges but need more and better information upon which to make voting decisions.

- In cases involving parental termination, court decisions often took years. In the process, children were



denied supportive adults while testifying in court. Foster parents were banned from testifying.

THE 26 CITIZENS who served on the committee represented all walks of life — businessmen, laborers, housewives, senior citizens. None was professionally involved in the judiciary system.

Committee members sought citizen input by conducting public polls and by holding five public hearings across the state.

"We recognized they (the prob-

lems) were perceptions by people outside the system, but the idea that similar views were held by such a large segment of the population was disturbing."

"WHAT WAS recommended to us is truly historic," Boyle said.

The committee recommended the Supreme Court assume a supervisory role over trial courts and that trial courts conduct periodic internal reviews from which the Supreme Court will formulate new procedures for the lower courts.

The Supreme Court will monitor trial courts, seeing that new practices are adhered to.

Periodic opinion surveys on juror treatment and the provision of court advocates or ombudsmen for defendants were called for.

All children should be accompanied by supportive adults at all phases of the judicial experience. Video-tapes should be acceptable for court testimony.

During sentencing, the court be made aware of current practices in carrying out sentences, and defense lawyers should be required to inform the court of the earliest possible date a defendant can be released from prison.

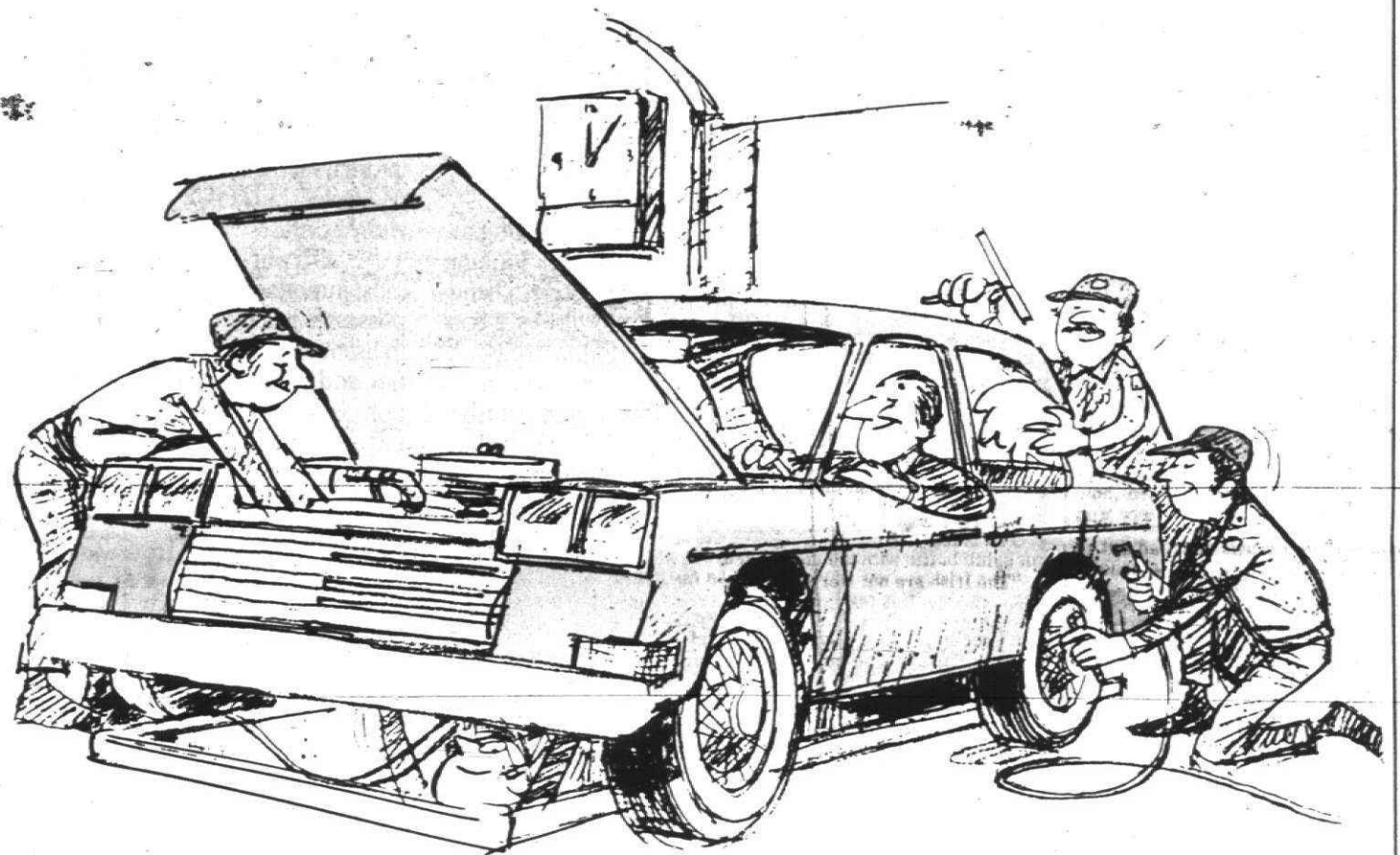
LAWYERS FOR the indigent be paid by the lawyers trust account, the committee suggested.

"The most remarkable recommendation was that of judicial accountability," Boyle said.

The individual performance of each Supreme Court justice would be assessed each year, and the report would be made public.

Finally, the committee recommended citizens committees become a permanent fixture within the judicial system.

Boyle said justices on the high court are currently studying the report, "a means of moving forward to adopt the recommendations."



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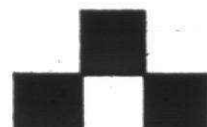
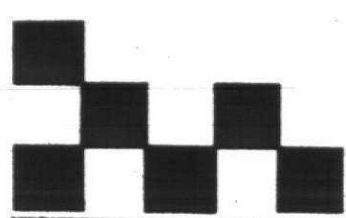
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Roasts: a family favorite

Beef is so versatile.

There's a cut for every purpose — and a dozen ways to use each and every one!

Rump roasts are old family favorites, dating way back when I was a kid (that far?). On Sunday afternoons, mom would do a beef roast (usually rump) and the entire family would gather around the dinner table and bow our heads to say grace.

Then came the test to see who would take the least amount of carrots and force them down cuz way back then, mom always reminded us about the "poor starving families in Biafra."

Our family were big beef eaters, so when it came time to cook a roast, mom usually had Mr. Cinnamon from Cinnamons' market (that's the truth) cut us a "good rump that will serve all 7 of them at once and leave a little leftover for dad's evening trek to the fridge for a cold beef and gravy sandwich."

We kids couldn't believe how anyone could eat cold gravy and meat on old crusts of bread but to dad, it was as good as a double-dipped blue moon ice cream cone from Affholter's—dairy. Whew, excuse me, but I start remembering those great old times.

Needless to say, a good rump roast, roasted in a slower oven really makes an inexpensive meal, not to mention outstanding gravy and even better sandwiches!

The rump is a triangular piece of beef that can be purchased without the bone. Just as it's title signifies, the rump is the rear-end hip quarter section of the steer. A rump roast is sold usually standing on the hind bone or completely boned, rolled and tied into a delicious roast.

You can figure on about 25-30 minutes of cooking time per pound when cooked in a slower 275-300° oven. The best rump is usually purchased boned for easier carving. The cut isn't as well marbled with fat as a sirloin, short loin or flank, but when cooked in a covered roaster or Dutch oven, the meat will literally melt in your mouth.

Because of the roast benefiting from a longer cooking time at a lower temperature, rump roasts are prime candidates for crock pot enthusiasts. Those clay pot cookers also do wonders to this cut.

When using a crock pot or clay cooker, you might want to first rub a little seasoned flour mixture over the roast and brown it in a heavy skillet in about 3 tbsp. fat or lard on all sides. This will ensure a luscious dark, golden color and will begin a gravy or sauce that will compliment not only the roast but vegetables and homemade mashed potatoes too!

Another neat trick is to use those cooking bags that are being touted on TV. The nice thing about using a cooking bag is that when used properly, there's no messy plans to clean and drippings to get rid of. Everything stays in the bag, no mess, no splatter! (Now, that's my idea of a hassle free dinner!)

Whatever you choose to do with your rump, whether you make an old family favorite standby with carrots, potatoes and onions, or pop it in an electric slow cooker, and let the juices do their job while you're at yours, try a rump today. Bon Appetite!

RUMP ROAST MILANESE

1/4 cup fat or vegetable oil
5 lbs. chuck roast
2 stalks celery, chopped
1 cup chopped carrot
2 cups chopped onion
2 tsp. oregano

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Eatery adopts tradition for a day

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

Lace-curtain Irish cuisine and live entertainment again are expected to draw hundreds to what's become St. Patrick's Day tradition for restaurateur Jack McCarthy.

The annual dinner at Jack McCarthy's Aristocrat in West Bloomfield, served in two seatings March 17, will feature authentic dishes prepared with such genuine ingredients as Irish whiskey and Guinness stout.

But it will be a bittersweet St. Patrick's Day at the posh Pine Lake Mall eatery.

Host of Channel 7's *Friday Feast* and a former Detroit TV newscaster, McCarthy will be preparing his last Irish dinner in Michigan.

He and his family are moving after the high holy days to St. Petersburg, Fla., where McCarthy hopes to open his own restaurant, and perhaps start a *Florida Feast* TV program.

A loyal McCarthy following has grown accustomed to the likes of Cajun Power shrimp; country veal pate with raspberry wine sauce; alligator meatballs; catfish courtbouillon; blackened redfish; and Cajun coffee.

"I like to think we're the only authentic Cajun restaurant in town," says the Louisiana-born McCarthy.

Some might wonder why McCarthy, emcee of this year's St. Patrick's Day parade, dispenses with his popular Cajun, seafood, fowl and beef entrees to serve a gourmet Irish meal every year.

The blue-eyed Irishman fights a bit of an uphill battle with the uninitiated.

"The Irish are not world-renowned for their cuisine. But they do have marvelous salmon there, and good beef. They don't really eat that much corned beef," said McCarthy, who makes restaurant guests feel as comfortable as he looks in a sports shirt, green sweater and slacks.

Irish folk aren't noted for their St. Pat's Day celebrations either, added McCarthy.

"In Ireland, St. Patrick's Day is a religious holiday. The pubs are closed. The recent Irish immigrants are amazed at the to-do here."

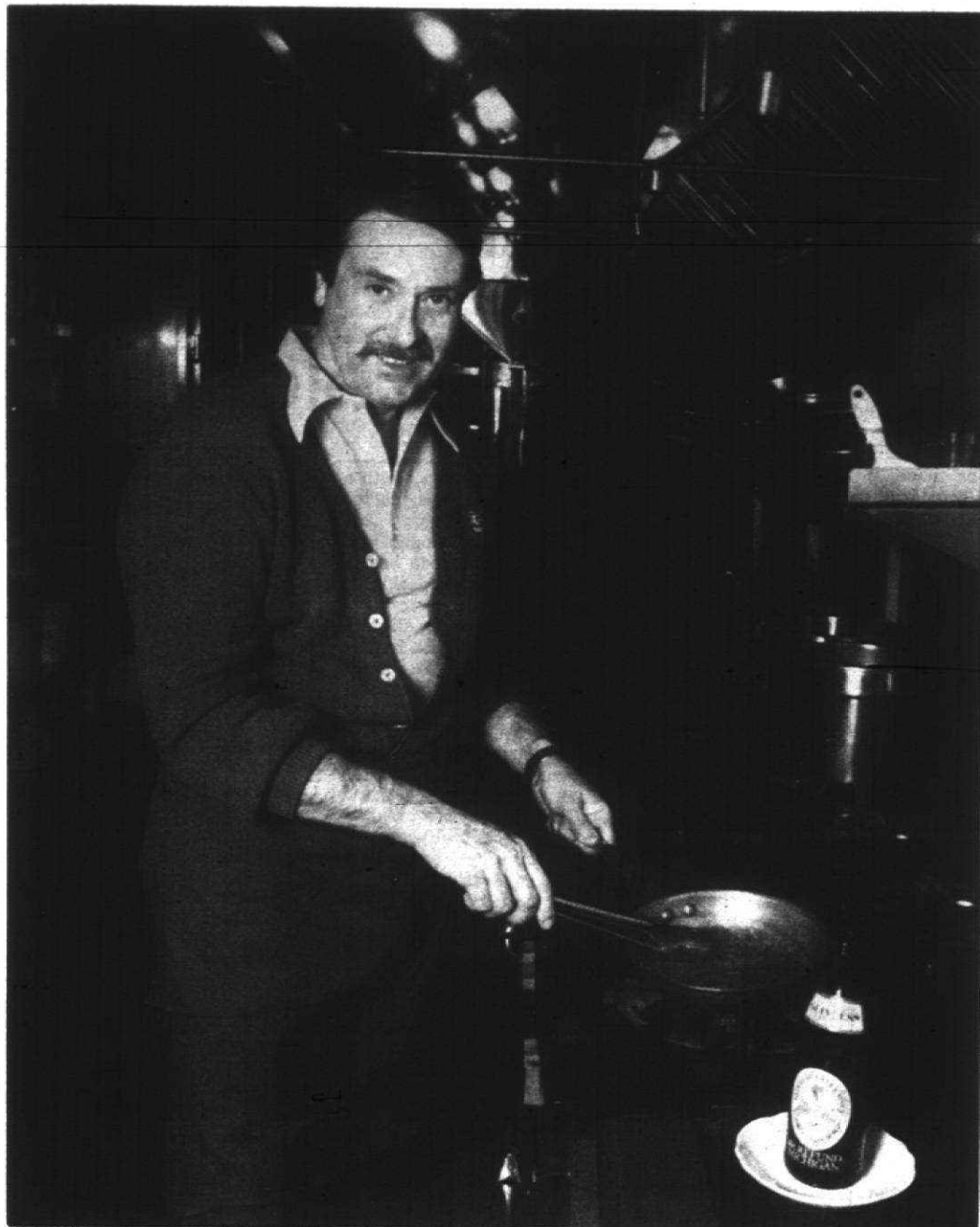
THERE'LL BE plenty of activity at the Aristocrat St. Patrick's Day.

The bill of fare? McCarthy figures why mess with success.

He's altering only slightly the menu he's used since his gastronomical custom began a few years back when he ran a restaurant in Keego Harbor.

"We'll be serving potato leek soup; tomatoes stuffed with herbs and onions;

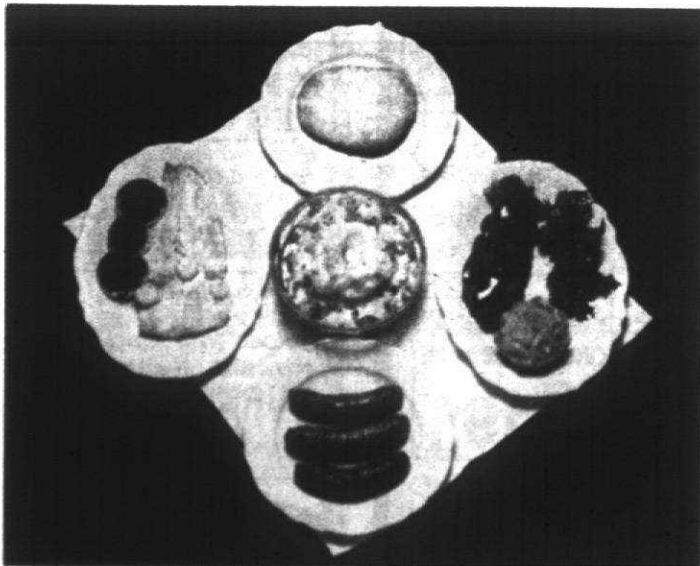
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Jack McCarthy cooks up a dish using Ireland's favorite drink, Guinness Stout.

A Taste of the Irish



A variety of Irish foods tempts the palate as prepared by Jack McCarthy.



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Sally Griffin, manager of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, an Irish club on Grand River near Telegraph, displays a sampling of home-cooked Irish foods including soda bread, Gaelic stuffed pork tenderloin, Colcannon — a traditional farmer's dish of mashed potatoes, cabbage and onions — and Irish pudding.

Spuds staple for Irish

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

For sisters Sally Griffin and Julie Demery, foods like oyster stew, potatoes and parsnips kindle memories of life as a kid in an Irish enclave of Detroit — a place where destinations existed only in terms of their distance from 12th Street or Visitation parish.

Fish was a staple, as were soda bread and potatoes.

"We had potatoes with everything. We used to have chili over mashed potatoes. I never had chili in a bowl til I went on a date," said Griffin, manager of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and Irish club on Grand River near Telegraph.

"The old Irish diet was very bland," said Demery, a resident of Beverly Hills.

"They cooked with the basic things they had — milk, potatoes, butter, and vegetables. But the vegetables all were from their own gardens, and the Irish were inventive in the way they put them all together."

"The fish in Ireland is fantastic. Cabbage, properly prepared, is delicious," she added. "They bring it in from the garden, slice it, boil it just a little, toss it in butter and eat it."

TRIPS TO IRELAND, entertaining, studying the culinary arts and cooking for large families (Griffin is the mother of 11 and Demery of seven) have rendered the Maloney sisters skilled cooks.

At the AOH, Griffin thinks nothing of preparing Friday fish fries and meals throughout the week for hundreds of club members and guests. (Somehow it seems like Irish justice that Griffin, who also does catering, should be so instrumental with the AOH. Her grandfather, an Irish immigrant, was one of the founders of the organization's original Detroit chapter.)

Both Griffin and Demery often prepare Colcannon — a traditional farmer's dish of mashed potatoes, cabbage and onions.

In Ireland, Colcannon frequently was served on All Hallows' Eve, the night before Halloween, said Demery.

"After it was made, they'd wrap a miniature thimble, miniature horseshoe, a button, silver sixpence and a wedding ring in pieces of white paper and mix them in the Colcannon."

Omens would thus land on people's plates.

"The ring means you'll marry, the sixpence wealth, the horseshoe good fortune, the button bachelorhood, and the thimble spinsterhood," said Demery.

The sisters have accumulated and perfected numerous Irish recipes since their schooldays. And in commemoration of St. Patrick's Day, they offered to share several with readers. (See accompanying recipes).

They have, however, deleted a dish that used to be standard fare for the Maloneys on March 17.

"We never went to school that day," recalled Griffin. "And when we were older, Dad used to take us to Mass and then to the deli. We always got potato pancakes."

Maloney kitchen recipes

Irish recipes from the Maloney kitchen:

IRISH SODA BREAD

2 cups flour — stone ground wheat
2 cups flour — white
1/2 cup sugar
1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. baking powder
3/4 stick margarine
1/2 box raisins

Mix the above ingredients together, then make a well in the center and add 2 beaten eggs, and 1 1/2 cups buttermilk. Mix and knead lightly on floured board. Grease heavy skillet and place rounded bread on it, cutting a deep cross on top. Bake for an hour and 10 minutes at 350°. Brush top with melted butter or beaten egg yolk. Makes one large loaf or two little ones.

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Versatile beef cuts are family favorites

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1 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. pepper
16 oz. tomato juice
2 cups water
1 clove garlic
8 potatoes, peeled & halved
2 cups celery pieces
8 carrots, pared
2 bay leaves
1/2 tsp. basil

Heat fat or oil in a heavy kettle, brown meat on both sides, add chopped celery, chopped carrot, chopped onion, sauté in kettle until golden. Crush garlic, add to kettle with the spices, tomato juice and water, cover, bring to a boil, lower heat and simmer in covered kettle for 3 hours or until meat is almost tender. Add remaining carrots and celery, cook for 30 minutes. Remove meat and vegetables, remove bay leaves, skim any fat off and make a gravy using 1 tsp. flour for every cup of added liquid.

HOMESTEAD RUMP ROAST

7 lbs. boneless rump
2 tsp. fat
1 large chopped onion
1/2 cup chopped celery
1/2 cup water
1 tsp. cornstarch
1 cup cooked carrots
12 small onions, peeled, cooked
1 small pkg. frozen lima beans
1 can (10 oz.) condensed beef broth

Brown beef in hot fat, remove from pan, keep warm, sauté chopped onion and chopped celery in remaining fat. Return meat to pan, add broth, bring to a boil, reduce heat, cover and simmer for 4 hours or until meat is tender. Remove meat, skim fat from liquid, blend cornstarch with a little water to a smooth paste, stir into liquid.

into pan and cook until it thickens. Add meat and cooked vegetables and lima beans. Heat. Sprinkle with chopped parsley.

CROCK POT OR SLOW COOKER WITH A RUMP ROAST

Roll the rump in flour that has been seasoned with a little salt and pepper. Brown in about 3 tsp. hot fat on all sides till brown. Place in a crock pot or slow cooker and add 1 cup condensed beef broth, 1 cup dry red wine, 1 clove garlic, 1 bay leaf, 1 tsp. thyme, 4 whole cloves, 3 onions, split, 1 large carrot, cut up and some freshly ground pepper. Cover and cook on the lowest setting for about 8-9 hours or until meat is tender. You might want to add some freshly cooked tender-crisp vegetables at the end! The broth can be strained and a gravy can be made, if desired using 1 tsp. cornstarch for every cup of liquid.

SEASONED MARINADE FOR RUMP ROASTS

1 cup dry red wine
1/2 cup soy sauce
1/2 cup salad oil
1 bay leaf
1/2 tsp. lemon-pepper
1 clove garlic, crushed

Place roast in a heavy plastic bag or covered plastic or glass container. DO NOT use metal. Add remaining ingredients any place in the fridge for at least 24 hours. Drain meat before roasting. Makes enough marinade for a 6-8 pound roast.

NOTE: This marinade is great for oven roasting rump roasts or using the rump in a clay pot. Add some pared and sliced carrots, onions and potatoes during the last 3 hours of cooking.

McCarthy offers St. Pat's recipes

Jack McCarthy's St. Patrick's Day recipes:

COLCANNON

6-8 potatoes
1 head of cabbage
Approximately 1 1/2 cups milk
Salt and pepper
4-8 tbsp. butter

Wash potatoes and boil in salted water. Quarter, core and finely shred cabbage. Put in a very little boiling water. Boil rapidly, turning occasionally until cooked and the water has all evaporated. Peel potatoes and mash. Stir in cabbage immediately and heat very well. Taste for seasoning. Place in a warm dish, hollowing the center a little. The butter is placed in the hollow to melt slowly into the vegetables.

IRISH COFFEE MOUSE

1 1/2 tsp. instant coffee with 1 cup of water or 1 cup very strong coffee
6 eggs, separated
1/4 cup sugar
1/4 cup Irish whiskey
2 pkgs. unflavored gelatin
1 1/2 cups heavy cream
2 tsp. slivered almonds

In one quart saucepan, blend coffee, water and 4 beaten egg yolks. Add 1/4 cup sugar and 1/4 cup Irish whiskey. Sprinkle gelatin evenly over mixture. Cook over low heat,

stirring constantly, until gelatin is completely dissolved. Cover and refrigerate until mixture mounds when dropped from a spoon about 45 minutes. In small bowl, with mixer at high speed, beat egg whites until soft peaks form. In large bowl, with mixer at medium speed, beat 1 cup heavy cream until stiff peaks form.

Maloney recipes for Irish feast

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GARLIC STUFFED PORK TENDERLOIN

1 1-lb. pork tenderloin
2 tsp. (1/4 stick) butter
1/2 cup chopped onion
1 cup fresh bread crumbs
1/2 cup minced fresh parsley
1/2 cup sage
1/2 tsp. rosemary
Salt and freshly ground pepper
1 egg, beaten
1 slice bacon, cut in half

Split tenderloin lengthwise partially through to butterfly. Open and pound flat between two sheets of waxed paper.

For stuffing: Melt butter in small skillet over medium heat. Add onion

and sauté until tender. Stir in bread crumbs and continue cooking until slightly crisp. Add parsley, herbs, salt and pepper. Cool. Add enough egg to moisten. Preheat oven to 350°. Spread stuffing on half of meat, leaving 1/4 inch border on all sides. Fold to close. Place bacon over top and tie with string. Transfer to baking pan and roast until meat registers 170°, about 1 to 1 1/2 hours.

MALONEY COLCANNON

2 pounds baking potatoes, peeled and thinly sliced
8 ozs. parsnips, peeled and thinly sliced
2 medium onions, thinly sliced
1/2 medium cabbage (coarse outer leaves removed and reserved), finely

shredded
2 1/2 cups boiling water
1/4 cup (1/2 stick) unsalted butter
1 1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. freshly ground pepper
1 to 2 tsp. milk (optional)

Arrange 1/2 of potatoes over bottom of heavy medium saucepan. Layer on 1/2 of parsnips, 1/2 of onion and 1/2 of shredded cabbage; repeat layers twice more. Pour in water. Cover tightly with reserved cabbage leaves. Cover and simmer until vegetables are very tender, about one hour. Discard whole cabbage leaves. Drain mixture in large sieve. Return vegetables to saucepan. Add butter, salt and pepper. Mash until fluffy, adding milk if dry.

IRISH BREAD PUDDING

3 eggs
2 cups milk
1 tsp. vanilla
2 tsp. sugar
Butterscotch sauce (readymade)
1/2 loaf (approximately 8 ozs.) of good quality white bread
2 tsp. raisins
1 tsp. Irish whiskey

Combine eggs, milk, vanilla, and sugar in a mixing bowl. Break bread into chunks or cut into cubes. Add bread to egg mixture along with raisins and whiskey (optional). Preheat oven to 350°. Four mixture into a buttered 1 1/2-quart baking dish. Bake until top is golden brown and puffy (approximately 40 minutes). Serve warm with a dab of butterscotch sauce.

Local celeb plans move to Florida

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fresh Scottish salmon with a sauce of creamed scallops; choice sirloin with sauce Guinness, the national drink of Ireland; bangers and mash; Colcannon, Irish soda bread; and Irish coffee mousse," said the unassuming McCarthy.

"Bangers are homemade, all-pork sausages I get from the Irish import shop in Dearborn. They're better than what they have in Ireland, because laws here allow less filler in meats."

"In Ireland they're traditionally a breakfast sausage. (Irish Imports) Jack Derrig makes little ones and big ones. The big ones are great to eat on a bun like a brat(wurst) or kielbasa."

"Colcannon is mashed potatoes with chopped, boiled cabbage in it," he added.

Sated with the above tomorrow evening will be the palates of some 300 patrons. A banjo player, in place of the house keyboard player, will lead an Irish sing-along after the last of the mousses is history.

'I already have a (airline) ticket to come back in May to do five shows. I plan to come back for the foreseeable future once a month to do a series.'

— Jack McCarthy

McCarthy isn't stingy with his recipes. The Bloomfield Township resident has published a cookbook that's sold 22,000 copies, and shared the recipes accompanying this story.

Often, he gives patrons Xeroxes of simple Cajun recipes.

He reveals secrets, too. McCarthy says his Cajun Power Garlic Sauce, imported from a Louisiana buddy, is a major reason his clientele has beaten a path to the Aristocrat.

A lack of color photographs and how-to hints can make cookbooks confounding, he adds.

"What's most important is the quality of the food you start with and the execution," he says, a twinkle in his eye.

Detroit audiences may be deprived of McCarthy's Friday

Feast, at least for the time being. "I already have an (airline) ticket to come back in May to do five shows," said McCarthy, who gleans secrets from expert chefs on Detroit's longest running TV feature, "I plan to come back for the foreseeable future once a month to do a series."

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Richard Dreyfuss is Bill "BB" Babowsky, an aluminum-siding salesman whose car is involved in a fender-bender that leads to a feud in "Tin Men."



Danny DeVito is Ernest Tilley, the other party in the minor automobile accident. He also is an aluminum-siding salesman, in the comedy set in the 1960s.

Aluminum-siding scams played for laughs

No, Virginia, the "Tin Men" (R) will not be found on the Yellow Brick Road. In fact, these "Tin Men" will never see Kansas — they're too busy tooling Cadillac around Baltimore, selling honest citizens overpriced aluminum siding.

A film about aluminum-siding salesmen and the scams they pulled in the good old days may not sound promising. But Barry Levinson ("The Natural," "Diner," "Young Sherlock Holmes") has written and directed an engaging comedy that concerns Runyon-esque characters selling aluminum siding in Baltimore in the early '60s, before the Maryland Home Improvement Commission cleaned up everybody's act.

This essay on the life and times of Levinson's hometown in days of yore opens with Bill "BB" Babowsky (Richard Dreyfuss) backing his brand-new Cadillac out of the showroom just as Tilley (Danny DeVito) drives by in his.

The ensuing crash generates an epic feud. It's funny and sad and just as nutty as things that go on in

the real world. That's probably the reason "Tin Men" is so successful. It's an entertaining look at human foibles.

THE KEY to this engaging film is Levinson's ability, with a talented cast, of course, to provoke laughter at everyone's idiosyncrasies. These quirks of human behavior are presented by characters seriously involved in elaborate silliness, the kind of stuff we all do at one time or another. It makes us think about what it means to be human. That after all, is what life and art are all about.

Fairly early in the "Tin Men," "BB" and Tilley stop bashing fenders and get serious about their feud. "BB" romances Tilley's wife, Nora (Barbara Hershey) — just to get even, of course. Nora takes it seriously and moves out on Tilley and in on "BB." All three think they've won. But have they?

"Tin Men" then gets to the truly gutsy stuff with which people torment and delight one another. It also begins to deal with everyone's need to grow up and make the best

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of their abilities and situations. Dreyfuss, DeVito and Hershey are ably supported by a collection of characters from Broadway, Vegas and other spots where Runyon aficionados might expect to find Dream Street Rose, Nathan Detroit and Little Miss Marker hanging out.

Comedian Jackie Gayle and Tony-Award-winning John Mahoney head a talented ensemble of actors playing aluminum-siding salesmen: Stanley Brock, Bruno Kirby, Seymour Cassel, Richard Portnow, Matt Craven, Alan Blumenfeld, J.T. Walsh and Michael Tucker.

While the names may not be familiar, the faces surely are, from "Diner," several Woody Allen films

including "Broadway Danny Rose," and many other movies as well. Even if you don't recognize these actors, you'll appreciate their shiny silk suits, their Cadillacs and, most particularly, their excellent characterizations.

THROUGHOUT the film, the entire cast manages careful diction that enhances the image of marginal characters spending a lot of time at the track trying to get rich quick. When they're not at the track, they're out fleeing honest citizens.

Hershey's diction is not as broad and farcical as DeVito's or some of the other Runyon-esque types. She does manage enough careful pronunciation to fit perfectly in this ensemble of marginal characters on the make — but characters we love because they ultimately come to grips with their own humanity.

Next week this column will include my predictions for the Monday, March 30, Academy Awards. Since I'm the world's worst prognosticator, give me a hand.

Drop me a line, postmarked no later than Saturday, March 28, and let me know who's going to take home the Oscars. Let's see who can get the best percentage of correct choices.

You must guess in at least 10 of the 22 categories and you must pick Best Picture, Best Director, Best Actor and Best Actress. The other six (or more) award categories are up to you.

The prize? My treat, lunch for two at Orchard Ridge Dining Room on the Oakland Community College campus where I teach, in Farmington Hills. In case of a tie, we'll have a tie-breaker.

THE MOVIE INDUSTRY has been riding high at the box office

the last few years in spite of cable and cassette competition. When business rises, so does production, and Hollywood film starts during 1986 were up about 40 percent over 1985.

Once the excitement of Oscar night settles, a lot of new films will be opening. A good deal of them, however, are sequels of previously successful features. Look for lots of II's, IV's and even some V's, as in "Police Academy IV," "Evil Dead II," "Beverly Hills Cop II" and "Revenge of the Nerds II."

Thank your lucky stars that the numbers in "Project X," "Cherry 2000" and "Jaws III" do not represent how long they've been around.

Don't let these titles depress you. In fact, be cheerful so many films are slated to open over the next six months that there's something for everyone's taste.

Enjoy, and don't forget to send your Oscar nominations. Mail them to me in care of Observer and Eccentric, Entertainment Department, P.O. Box 3503, Birmingham 48012.

table talk

Irish stew

Irish lamb stew and corned beef and cabbage will be specials on the menu for St. Patrick's Day, served at both lunch and dinner at the Troy Hilton Inn.

Executive chef

Heinz Menguser has joined Jacques in Bingham Farms as executive chef. The announcement was made by Al Baloley, manager of the restaurant, which offers fresh seafood and continental cuisine.

Menguser served as executive chef at several Detroit-area restaurants, including the Bijou in Southfield, the Lark in West Bloomfield and the Money Tree in Detroit. Menguser, 42, is a native of Vienna, Austria. His style of cooking has been presented at the Hotel Europe in Vienna, the Expo in Montreal and Trader Vic's in San Francisco.

Chef returns

Chef John Evans has returned to the Roman Terrace in Farmington Hills, rejoining Chef Frank Craciolo. Evans will feature various char-broiled entrees including Black Angus filet mignon and sirloin steaks. Other selections on the menu highlight the restaurant's northern Italian cuisine.

'Go to health'

Banquette de Veau in Squash is a tasty veal dish, served in an edible squash, at Restaurant Duglass in

Southfield. It's one of the main courses in a prix fix luncheon at \$10 that also includes a choice of appetizer. Pasta Duglass is one from a dozen delicious selections to precede the entree. Desserts are a la carte — with skinny chocolate cake and sauce, at \$3.50, a great finish for the meal. Best of all, everything's on the special. "Go to Health" menu, emphasizing food that is good for you, as well as enjoyable.

Mexican Fiesta

Mexican cuisine will be featured on a special dinner at 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, March 30-31, at the Lark in West Bloomfield. One course is chicken roasted in banana leaf Yucatecan-style, with melon, papaya and pineapple. Another is red snapper and giant shrimp with garlic sauce, pot beans and Mexican rice, and tortillas. The multi-course dinner, from appetizer to desert, is \$37.50 per person. Live Mexican music and a treasure-stuffed piñata will be part of the evening. Reservations are required.

Special dinners

Special entrees are showcased Mondays, Fridays and Sundays at the Kingsley Inn in Bloomfield Hills. Canadian whitefish and Amish home-grown, range-fed chicken are both available for Monday dinners at \$9.95 for adults, \$6.95 for children. Whitefish, and prime rib from the Kingsley butcher shop are on the menu Friday evenings. Sunday Family Dinners include baked Amish chickens and sliced roast beef served family style.

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Good cast isn't enough to save play

Performances of the Meadow Brook Theatre production of "Pack of Lies" by Hugh Whittemore continue through Sunday, March 22, on the Oakland University campus in Rochester Hills. For ticket information, call 377-3300.

By Cathie Breidenbach
special writer

"A Pack of Lies" dawdles along like an old dog out for an unhurried walk. Intrigue builds as the play slowly works to its dramatic high point, but when the climax finally arrives, it fizzles.

Admittedly it fizzles with intelligence and impeccable English good manners, but Hugh Whittemore's "Pack of Lies" fails to deliver climatic punch despite Meadow Brook's expert cast and Terence Kilburn's sensitive directing.

The play about loyalty and deception is based on the true story of an espionage surveillance in a London suburb in 1960. Like pot holders in the kitchen and whistling tea kettles,

"Lies" presents unexceptional folks (the Jacksons) who become accomplices in a spy stake-out.

Task force wants zero toxic discharges

By Warren M. Hoyt
special writer

A TASK FORCE reviewing the implementation of the 1978 Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement has recommended against renegotiation of the agreement. It proposed enforcement of a zero discharge standard for toxic substances.

The recommendations were reached after public hearings in 19 Great Lakes cities by Great Lakes United. They are among 90 proposals to the International Joint Commission, U.S. and Canadian governments, industries and individuals.

A report by Great Lakes United's Water Quality Task Force concluded, based on testimony from 382 people, that "the public is so alarmed at the severity of contamination problems, and so little is known about the long-term health effects of toxins in the ecosystem, that zero discharge of the only reasonable course of action to pursue."

THE TASK FORCE urged federal, provincial and state governments to incorporate the agreement into programs and laws, especially zero discharge. The IJC should set guidelines for zero discharge and encourage industries to reduce and recycle their toxic waste, it said.

The United States and Canada both signed the 1978 agreement, but the lack of political will that exists on both sides to implement the terms of the agreement has led to its renegotiation, said Fred Brown, president of Great Lakes United.

Brown said it is up to states and provinces to carry out the agreement. "We ought to be outraged at our governments, including the International Joint Commission, the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Natural Resources," he said.

He said the Reagan administration "has some real problems" in the emphasis it places on water quality control, but Michigan has taken major steps toward being a leader in water quality control in the Great Lakes Basin.

Brown said one problem at the state level is the amount of time it takes to implement legislative changes, but added Michigan industries, such as Dow Chemical, are making individual efforts toward cleanup.

A 25 PERCENT increase in agricultural products and food operations, to a \$20 billion a year industry by the 1990s, is the intended result of a \$1 million advertising campaign. It is part of a more aggressive state marketing strategy announced recently by state officials.

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The writer is executive director of The Michigan Press Association in Lansing.



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1 for the good guys

New tactic emerges in crime fighting

By Alice Collins and Wayne Peel
staff writers

A WAVE OF excitement is rolling through the police community over a new "weapon" in the constant war between the criminals and the cops — a war that the good guys aren't winning.

"I tell people it's the most dynamic piece of equipment that's going to come during the '80s and maybe even the '90s," is the way Michigan State Police Capt. John Sura describes it.

Adds Livonia Police Chief William Crayk: "It will bring us into the 21st century. It's the biggest development since police radios."

What these police officers are talking about is the computer revolution's latest entry into the crime-solving field. It's called the Automated Fingerprint Identification System — commonly referred to as AFIS.

IT'S ALREADY putting the finger on criminals in about a half-dozen states and some major cities throughout the country.

Now it's about to debut in Michigan with Wayne County a major part of the network.

"The dynamics of the whole system in a nutshell is AFIS can search fingerprints found at a crime scene without already having a suspect to compare them with," said Sura. "We'll now be able to search for that needle in a haystack."

AFIS can take a fragment of one fingerprint discovered at a crime scene and rapidly compare it to the 3 million or more sets of fingerprints in the system.

"It looks through 650 prints per second," said Sura. "It takes a person 20 minutes to look at 10. That's why under the present manual system it's necessary to have a suspect."

The computer looks, then spits out a list of probable candidates

Birmingham police Cpl. David Schultz dusts a cup in order to lift a fingerprint for possible identification of a suspect in a crime.

because each must get the official approval of its governing body before money can be allocated for the project.

EACH TERMINAL is about the size of a large photo copy machine and is expected to cost about \$200,000.

"If the consortium serves 400,000 people, the state will kick in funding," Sura said.

The state is expected to contribute 60 percent of the project's cost with locals making up the rest.

The communities involved would pay the initial costs based on population. Usage fees would be paid according to the frequency of use by a community.

The letters of intent from the local communities are not binding.

ACCORDING TO SURA, "Statistics say 40 percent of all crime scenes will have fingerprints. Even if the criminal wears gloves, he will probably take them off for some purpose during the crime. It's very hard to open a safe with gloves on, or to assault a woman."

Sura said the FBI does not have a computerized fingerprint system that AFIS would be hooked into. But he expects that a national system will be developed at some point in the future.

If all goes smoothly, AFIS should be in operation here by next December.

"We're hoping for an arrest by Jan. 1, 1988," Sura said.

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The class of 1977 will have a 10-year reunion Saturday, July 11. For more information, call Class Reunions at 469-1410.

ATHENS
The Troy Athens class of 1977 will have a 10-year class reunion Saturday, March 28. Help is needed in locating former classmates. For more information, call Joyce at 652-0268.

BALDWIN
The class of 1947 will have a 30-year reunion Saturday, July 18. For more information, call Marilyn Black Auchterlonie at 626-3522 or Nancy Chapel at 641-8074.

BARN THEATER
The Barn Theater Performing Arts Group of Oakland University will have a 20-year inclusive reunion Friday, July 31. For more information, call Class Reunions at 469-1410.

BENEDICTINE
The class of 1967 will hold its 20-year reunion Saturday, Sept. 19. For more information, call Bob Lulek, 522-6619, or Marianne (Hodge) Fox, 698-9549.
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BERKLEY
The class of June 1946 is looking for class members for a reunion tentatively set for June. For more information, call 282-8717, 548-3847 or 546-3332.
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BIRMINGHAM GROVES
The class of 1967 will have a 20-year reunion Saturday, Aug. 8, at the Kingsley Inn in Bloomfield Hills. For more information, call Julie (Farb) Love at 855-9843.

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The classes of 1941-45 will have a reunion in Southern California Thursday through Sunday, June 25-28. For more information, contact Bernard Elbinger, 18800 Sears Lane, Fort Bragg, Calif. 95437. Or call (707) 964-3548.
The class of 1967 is planning a 20-year reunion. For more information, call Barry Blauer at 546-3563.

CHADSEY
The classes of January and June 1937 will have a 50-year reunion Sunday, Sept. 27. For more information, call Ed Zajac at 565-1229 or Stan Pady at 562-0992.

CHERRY HILL
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CLARENCEVILLE
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The class of January 1967 is planning a 20-year reunion for Saturday, March 14, at the Karas House, 23632 Plymouth, Redford Township. For more information, call Camille at 879-6547 or Linda at 292-9748.
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The class of 1957 plans a 30-year reunion. For more information, call Sue at 274-1629 or Linda at 645-9599.
The class of 1962 is planning a 25-year reunion. For more information, call 553-7363 or 471-3896.

CRESTWOOD
The class of 1967 will have a 20-year reunion in October. For more information, call Class Reunions at 469-1410.

DENBY
The January and June classes of 1937 are planning a 50-year reunion. Graduates of 1936 and 1938 also may attend. For more information, call Millie (Tobin) Harrison at 886-6457 or Bill Albus at 535-2192.
The January and June classes of 1947 will have a 40-year reunion Saturday, Sept. 26. For more information, call 427-0579 or 884-2874.
The classes of January and June 1948 are planning a class reunion. For more information, call Norinne (Gabbana) Manzoni at 777-1310 or Marianne (Singer) Smith at 773-1009. Information may be sent to Norinne Manzoni at 17938 Nine Mile, East Detroit 48021.

DETROIT CENTRAL
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DETROIT EASTERN
Detroit Eastern High School class of 1941 is looking for classmates for a reunion. Write to P.O. Box 1362, Berkley, Mich. 48072.
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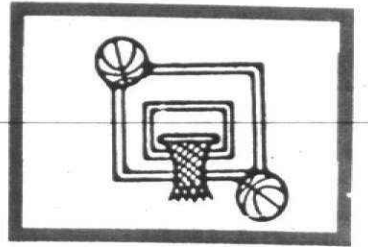
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Rocks control boards, Novi

By Chris McCosky
staff writer

Statistics sometimes deceive. At times they mask what actually transpired during the game.

Friday night, however, during Plymouth Salem's 86-66 romp against Novi in the finals of the Class A District 22 Basketball Tournament at Salem, one statistic told the story completely.

Salem outscored Novi 33-8 on second-shot opportunities. Salem grabbed 30 offensive rebounds to Novi's five. The stat for total rebounds: Salem 51, Novi 13.

"They were just too big," said Novi coach John Cicchelli, fully aware of the understatement. "We tried to block them out but they kept getting inside."

Rick Taylor, 6-7, and Mike Hale, 6-5, did most of the damage on the boards. Taylor had 16 rebounds, 12 offensive; Hale had 12 rebounds, eight offensive.

"Our intensity really picked up midway through the first quarter," said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "We went to full-court pressure and that helped pick up the tempo. Before that, Novi was doing a nice job of slowing the game down."

THE DISTRICT championship was Salem's second in Brodie's three-year reign. The Rocks have won five district titles since 1980. They advance to the regional tournament Wednesday at Eastern Michigan University's Bowen Field House. Game time will be announced today. The Rocks will face either Monroe or Trenton.

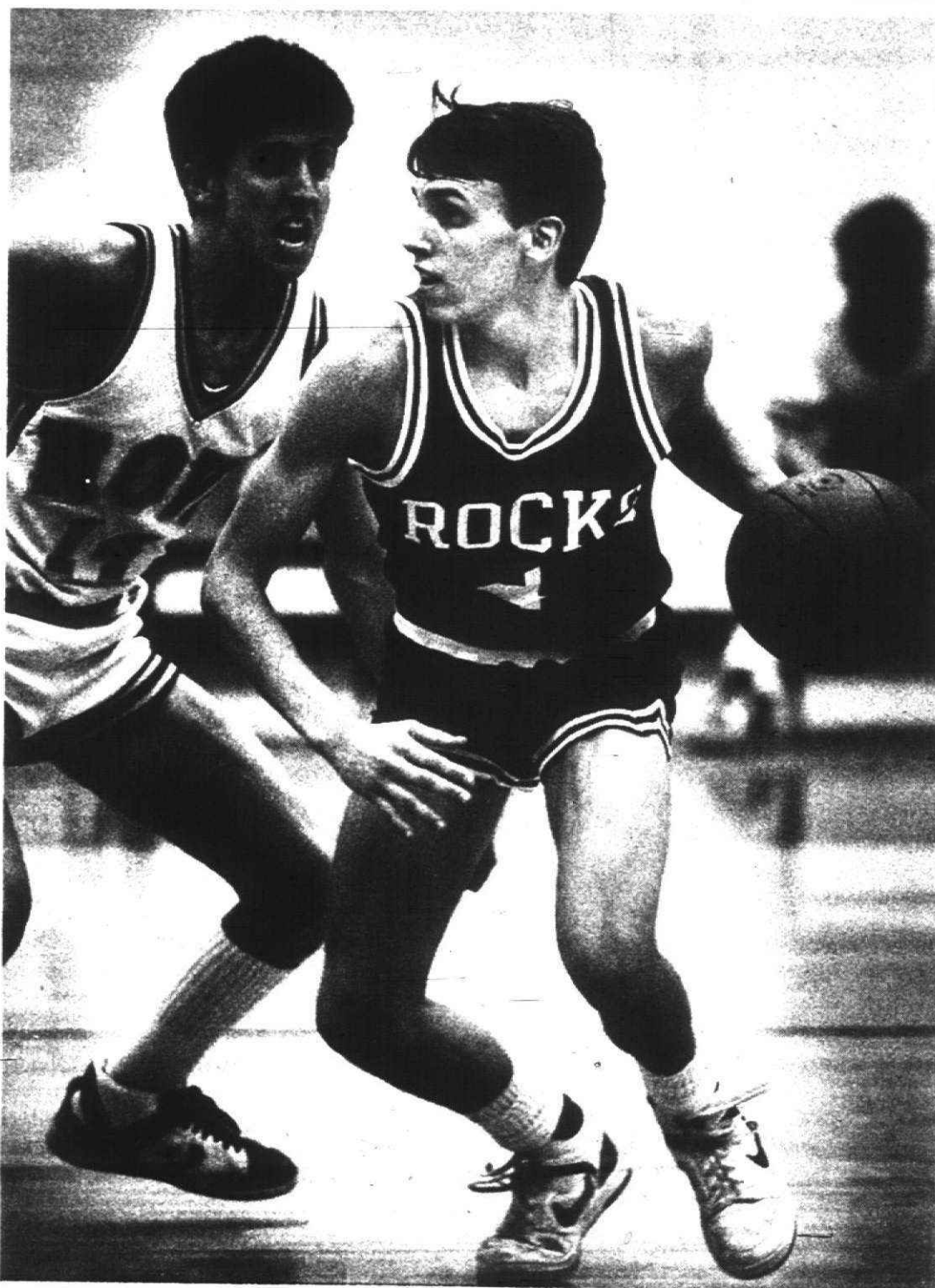
"I couldn't be happier for the kids," Brodie said. "They have achieved every one of their goals for this season. They wanted to be 18-2, win the division and the league, hold opponents under 50 points per game and win the district. They've done all that. Now we have to establish some additional goals."

The Rocks took the game away from Novi in the second quarter. The Wildcats led 17-16 early in the second quarter. But the Rocks closed out the first half with a 25-7 run.

The full-court press Brodie mentioned created seven turnovers in the quarter resulting in six Salem baskets.

TAYLOR LED all scorers with 27 points. Bryan Kearis scored 20 and Hale added 13.

Hale also dished out nine assists, an abnormal amount for a 6-5 forward who doesn't often handle the



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Bryan Kearis scored 20 points Friday night helping Plymouth Salem win its second dis-

trict championship in three years. The Rocks pulverized Novi, 86-66.

basketball. But Hale was Salem's press-breaker this night.

Novi deployed a three-quarter court trapping press throughout the game and Salem picked it apart. The Rocks would lure the press to the wing then fire the ball back to Hale in the middle, who would break upcourt. Often this led to a three-on-two break for the Rocks with Hale leading the charge.

"We wanted to go back to attacking the pressure. In the last couple of games we were concerned only with breaking the press, not really attacking it," Brodie said. "Tonight we wanted to attack and score." Mission accomplished.

BRYAN KEARIS also played as if he was on a mission. The senior point guard opened the game by scoring Salem's first six points. His message was clear: Go ahead and key on our big guys. I'll light you up from the outside.

In the second quarter Kearis scored eight more points, including an Isaiah Thomas-like, high-arching scoop shot that seemed to remove a good bit of the fight from the Wildcats. The shot and subsequent free throw (he was banged to the floor on the play) came with 3:59 left in the half. It spread Salem's lead from three to six and the Rocks scored the next 12 points without interruption.

"Bryan has been down lately," Brodie said. "He's faced a lot of pressure from Glenn and Canton and it had shaken him up some. He came out of his shell tonight. He knows we need him to play like that for us to be effective as a team."

Novi, runners-up in the Kensington Valley Conference this season, got 21 points from Joe Miskovich and 15 from Dave Skown. Jeffrey Tanderys added 10. The Wildcats finish with a 15-7 record.

The Rocks will take a 21-2 record into the regional tournament.

Glenn tips Chargers

By Tim Smith
staff writer

High-flying Westland John Glenn geared up for regional play with a closer-than-expected 66-56 victory over Livonia Churchill in Friday's Glenn Class A district basketball championship.

With the win, coach Gordie Davis' team will square off at 7 p.m. Wednesday against Detroit Chadsey at Glenn regional. But Davis said his team will have to play better than it did against Churchill to advance past that game.

"They (Chadsey) have quickness and rebound well," said Davis in his office afterwards. "We'll have to shoot better than we did tonight (against Churchill). We could have led by 20 at halftime."

The Rockets hit on 27 of 60 from the floor, but missed many shots from in close. However, with the Chargers having an even harder time scoring, John Glenn (21-2) still coasted to its first district title since 1981.

After trailing early, the Rockets went ahead 6-4 three minutes into the game and never again looked back, leading by as much as 19 at one point.

JOHN GLENN'S offensive struggle may have been tied to the fact the team's leading scorer this year, Steve Hawley, found himself in early foul trouble and tallied only eight points. He eventually fouled out.

Picking up the scoring slack for Hawley was senior guard Greg Bates, who scored a season high 20 points. Senior center Andy Grazulis hauled down 19 rebounds in a power performance for the Rockets. Leading the Chargers attack were junior center Brad Wylie and junior guard Steve Ditchkoff with 20 and 10 points, respectively.

The tenacious Chargers (8-14) played their opponent tough most of

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the way, and could have made it even closer with better second half shooting, according to coach Don Albertson.

"When the score was 36-29 (with John Glenn leading early in the second half), we had a lot of opportunities to eat into that seven-point lead — and just plain missed them," lamented Albertson.

Albertson also pointed to the fourth quarter, when the Chargers missed four scoring opportunities from close range.

"But we played a 20-2 team and they had to keep their first stringers in most of the game," he said. "I feel very good for our team. We won some other things tonight besides the game."

THE CHARGERS' coach gave credit to John Glenn's menacing leaping and rebounding skills. "They may have been intimidated with their leaping ability enough to alter their shots a little bit."

Anson Stroman and Marcus Lowe were two of the high-flying Rockets, with each ripping down six boards. Stroman chipped in with 10 points.

Leading Churchill in rebounds with four each were Wylie and senior forward Brian O'Leary. Wylie and John Glenn's Bates each were a perfect six-for-six from the free-throw line during the final quarter.

"I think we controlled the boards on them," Davis said. "We didn't give them too many second chances. I thought we kept our poise pretty well and played real good defense."

If John Glenn defeats Chadsey, it will play at 7 p.m. Friday in the regional final.

CC beat at buzzer

By Brad Emons
staff writer

Cheers turned to tears in a matter of seconds for the Redford Catholic Central basketball team Friday night.

Mark Brisker buried a jumper from the dead corner with only three seconds left to give Detroit Henry Ford a heart-stopping 45-44 victory over the host Shamrocks for the Class A district championship.

But the game didn't officially end until referee Angelo Gust waved off Lance Vaccarelli's 35-foot desperation shot that hit nothing but net. Gust ruled the attempt was released after the buzzer had sounded.

Ford (15-7) moves on to the Westland John Glenn regional. On Tues-

day, the Trojans will face Detroit Cooley (19-3), a 78-53 winner Friday over Redford Bishop Borgess at the Detroit Cady district.

It appeared, however, that CC would be making a trip to the regional instead of Ford. The Shamrocks, for the most part, shut down the Trojans' tall frontline of 6-11 Erik Wilson, 6-7 Steve Hardwick and 6-4 Ronnie Woolfork to a combined 20 points.

BUT THE SHAMROCKS were done in by the smooth-shooting Brisker, a 6-4 guard who finished with a game-high 21 points.

The winning shot was diagrammed by coach Stan Allen dur-

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Falcons cruise, series even, 1-1

By Chris McCosky
staff writer

The crowd at the Plymouth Cultural Center Ice Arena sat silent and nearly motionless throughout the hockey game Thursday night. It was so still it seemed at times unreal, like a painting or a backdrop for a theatrical play — a dull theatrical play.

"The crowd is reflecting the team I'm afraid," said Larry Pilut, who is the director of player personnel for the Hennessey Engineers Junior A hockey team.

Correct. The Fraser-based Detroit Falcons nailed the listless Engineers 7-1 Thursday to even the best-of-seven semifinal series in the North American Junior Hockey League state playoffs at one game each.

The winner of the series will face Detroit Compuware in the best-of-five state finals beginning March 24. The winner will also get an automatic berth in the national Junior A tournament beginning April 3 at the Oak Park Compuware Arena.

THE ENGINEERS' performance, coming on the heels of an impressive 5-4 win at Fraser Tuesday in the series opener, baffled coach A.J. Baker.

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"I really don't understand it," Baker said. "Guys at this level, with as much hockey as they have played, should not be so cyclical. They shouldn't be high one minute and low the next. But we did exactly that here tonight."

The Falcons broke the game open with a four-goal barrage in the second period.

The game had been every bit as close as the 1-1 tie on the scoreboard would indicate after one period. But just 29 seconds into the second period, the Falcons' Craig Colby scored on a fluttering shot from just inside the blue line. This goal seemed to unnerve Engineer goalie Doug Brown who had been sharp up to that point.

Brown was nicked for two more goals in the period. On the second he stretched a hamstring and left the game. Dave Church came on with 5:30 left in the period and was greeted by a Falcon goal 1:05 later.

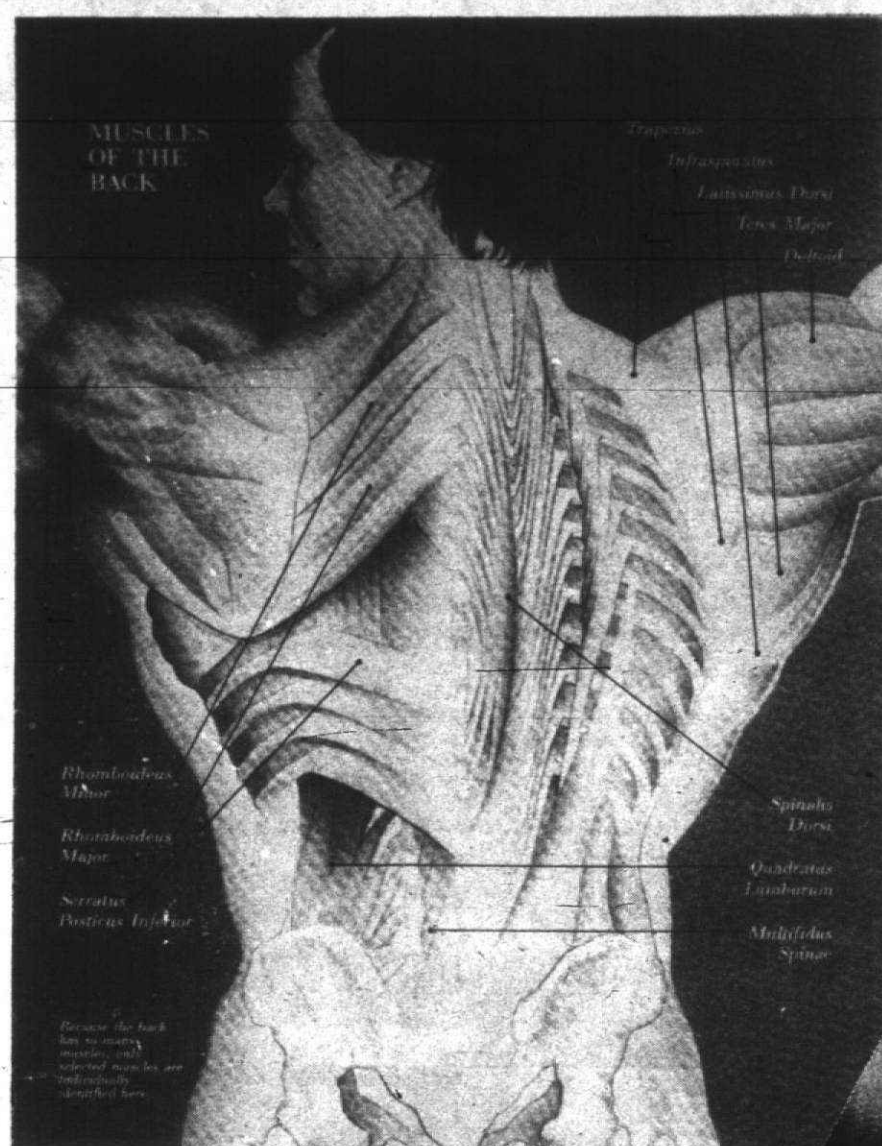
It was 5-1 after two periods. The Engineers applied pressure in the

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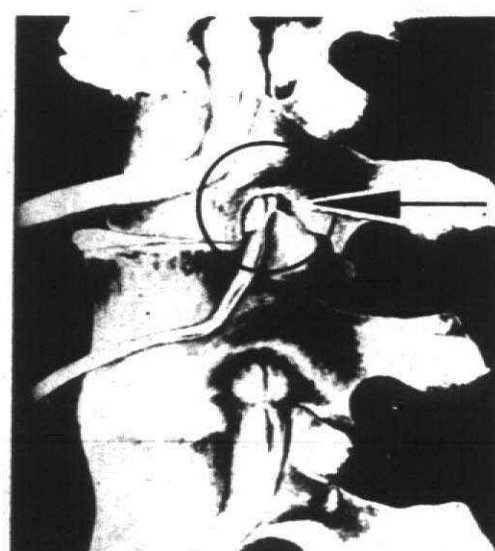
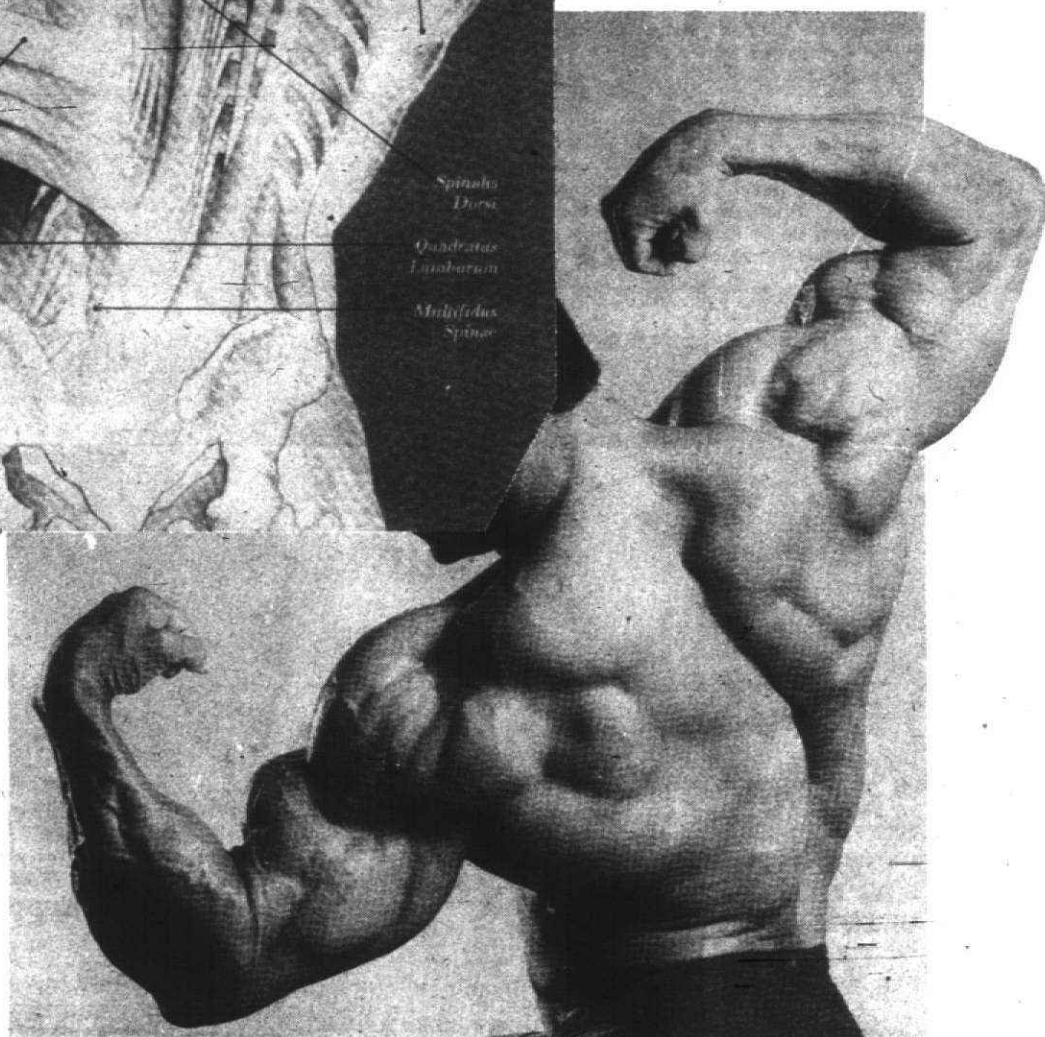


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Bob Mlynarek (No. 24 pictured in a game earlier this season) has been a hot scorer for the Engineers this season, but he and the rest of the team were cooled off by the Falcons Thursday.



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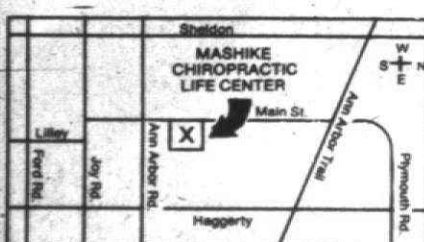


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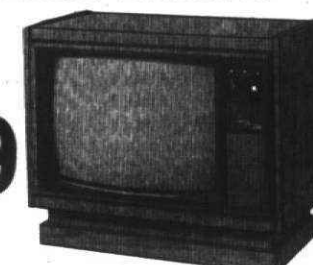
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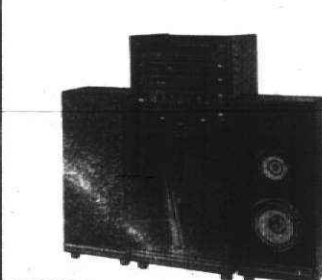


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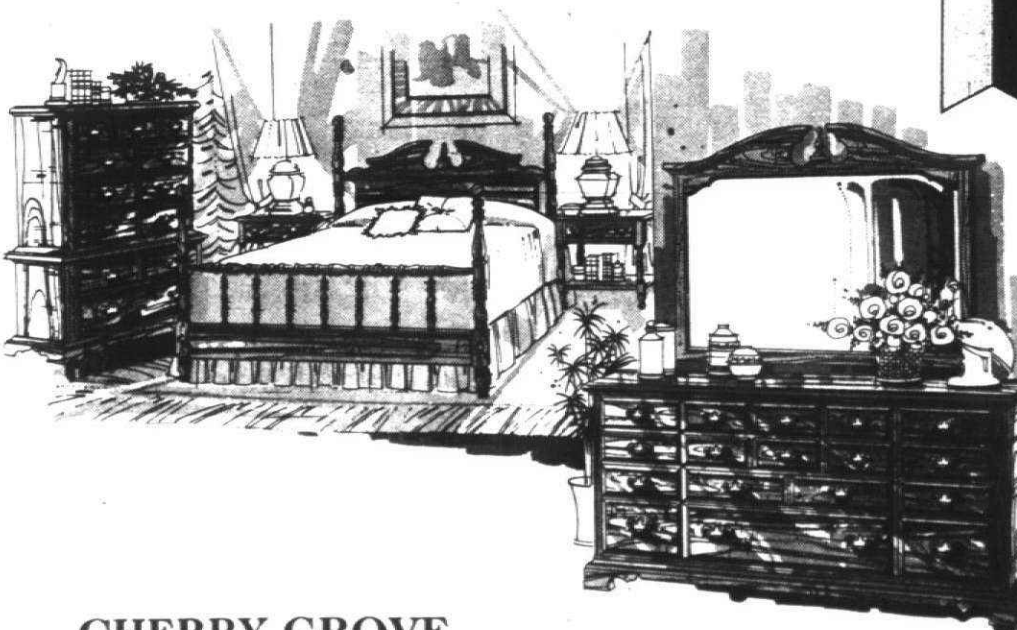
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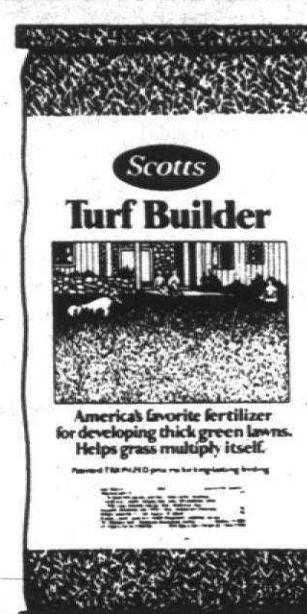
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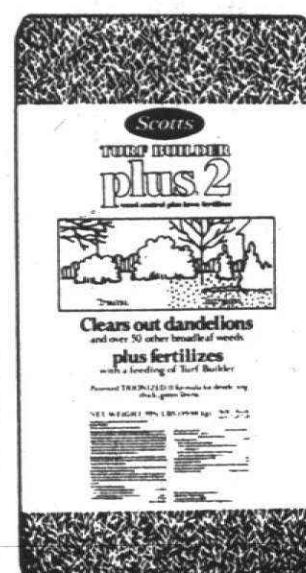
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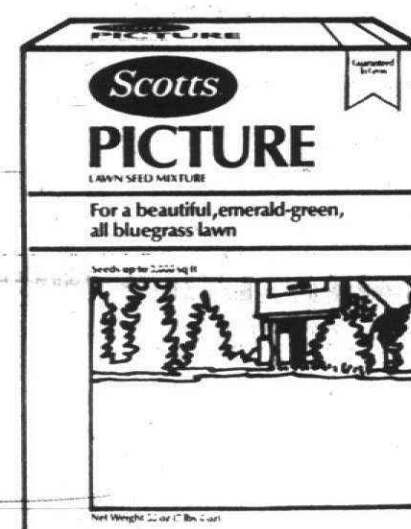
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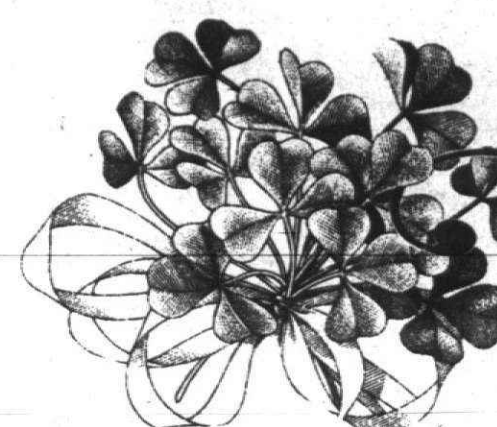
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Ex-undersheriff: I didn't quit

By Wayne Peel
staff writer

Former undersheriff Robert Novak says he isn't disappointed in his 38-year Wayne County Sheriff's Department career as ended — it's the way it ended that bothers him.

Though announced as a resignation, Novak said his departure was Sheriff Robert Ficano's idea, not his. "I wasn't fired, I was told I wasn't needed," the Livonia resident said. "You can make of that what you want."

Novak's own assessment is that it was an exit too swift and too unceremonious for his liking.

Ficano, however, called the departure a "mutual agreement."

"There's no animosity, I feel very good about Dick Novak," Ficano said. "We discussed it for an hour and a half."

Former jail services director Warren Evans was appointed to the post Thursday.

"He (Sheriff Robert Ficano) told me it was like a big corporation and

'I wasn't fired, I was told I wasn't needed.'

— Richard Novak
ex-undersheriff

big corporations change over every three to four years," Novak said, recounting a March 3 meeting between both men at a Livonia restaurant.

Saying he was surprised by Ficano's statements, Novak alleges the sheriff wanted him out immediately and the office notified newspaper reporters of the change before discussing it with him.

"I know it's a political appointment, I served at his (Ficano's) pleasure," Novak said. "But I'm upset at the way it went down."

While not commenting directly on Novak's statements, Ficano said: "Every effort was made for this to be as comfortable (for him) as possible."

sheriff Loren Pittman — an appointee of then-county executive William Lucas — was the proper office holder.

Novak said he helped build Ficano's reputation among department employees and other Wayne County police officials when the former deputy clerk was appointed sheriff in 1982.

"He was very little known," Novak said of Ficano, a former deputy county clerk. "I thought I did a helluva job in selling him to the troops."

For Ficano, periodic staff changes are a sign of good management. "One of the qualities of leadership is being able to change when you should," he said.

Novak sees matters differently. "The teacher's out, the student's in," he said. "That's politics."

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Tom O'Halloran, owner of O'Halloran's Tipperary Pub, joins in on the accordion with Terry Murphy (left) and Billy Dixon.

Paintin' the town Green

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

Harp, Guinness, green beer — it'll be flowing like honey in Irish pubs from Clare to here come St. Patrick's Day.

If you're in the spirit tomorrow, chances are you won't have to look far before you find a spot where the wearin' of the green or the spendin' o' the green will see flocks of folks making merry on a highly touted Tuesday.

At Jamie's on 7 in Livonia, Brendan McNulty, Colin Page, Terry Murphy and Billy Dixon and "The Sprig of Ireland Band" are getting an early start. Tonight, beginning at 9 p.m., the group is entertaining at a "Gala Pre-St. Patrick's Day Party."

That should have the band primed for the high holy day itself, when the boys will perform at Malarkey's Pub at Wayne and Warren roads in Westland.

For a fair number of St. Paddy's Day observers, today may well be a day of recuperation. The St. Patrick's Day Parade, held downtown yesterday, highlighted a jam-packed weekend.

FOR MANY, St. Patrick's Day will begin at church.

It'll be standing room only by the time Mass at Detroit's Most Holy Trinity Church begins at noon. The "Sharin' o' the Green" liturgy raises thousands of dollars for the city's homeless and hungry.

St. Patrick's Day Masses will be said elsewhere, including the Ancient Order of Hibernians at 24242 Grand River west of Telegraph.

That evening at the AOH (from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.), Jack Cahill of Novi and Rochester's Kevin Murphy will play traditional Irish music and lead a sing-along. There'll be no cover, and food will be available.

Authentic Irish and Scotch entertainment will be featured at the Monaghan K of C, 19801 Farmington Road from 4 p.m. to midnight. The Irishfest there will see singers, fiddlers, Highland pipers, flutists, guitarists, and the champion Irish stepdancers and Celi dancers entertain. Adults will be charged a \$4 cover.



Tipperary Pub owners Tom and Kathleen O'Halloran of Redford Township came over from Ireland in 1956.

Tending bar

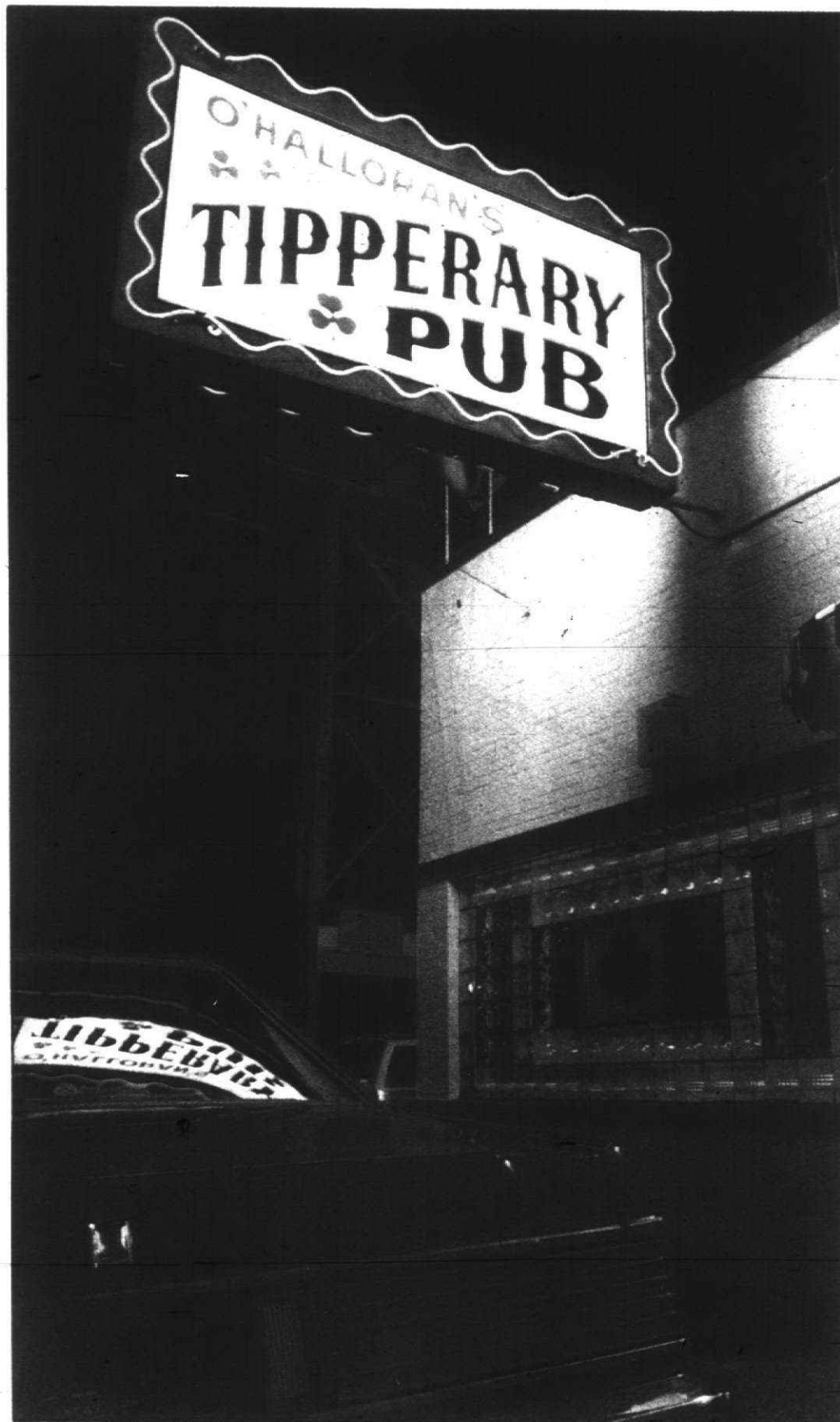
By M.B. O'Dillon
staff writer

Have ye seen the cardboard green shamrocks bloomin' in bars all around this place?

The high holy days are upon us, and 'tis true a host of Irish bartenders around town are bustin' their buttons they're so pleased. They're in a contest, and the winner will be off to Ireland before long.

Sure it's no secret to ye, if ye have set yer foot inside the door of a pub in these parts.

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photos by LAURA CASTLE/staff photographer

O'Halloran's Tipperary Pub on Detroit's west side is one of the many local Irish pubs that will be overflowin' with St. Paddy's Day revelers this Tuesday.

Inside



Waterbed wave

Johnny Carson and Joan Rivers may crack jokes at their expense, but waterbeds are here to stay. Industry figures show that one third of all bedding sales are waterbeds.

On a roll

Who's taking part in life in the fast lane at your local bowling establishment? The answer may strike you as surprising.

Underwater parks

Davy Jones' Locker used to be wide open when it came to Great Lakes shipwrecks. But now underwater preserves are protecting historic wrecks from scavengers.

Hollywood bound

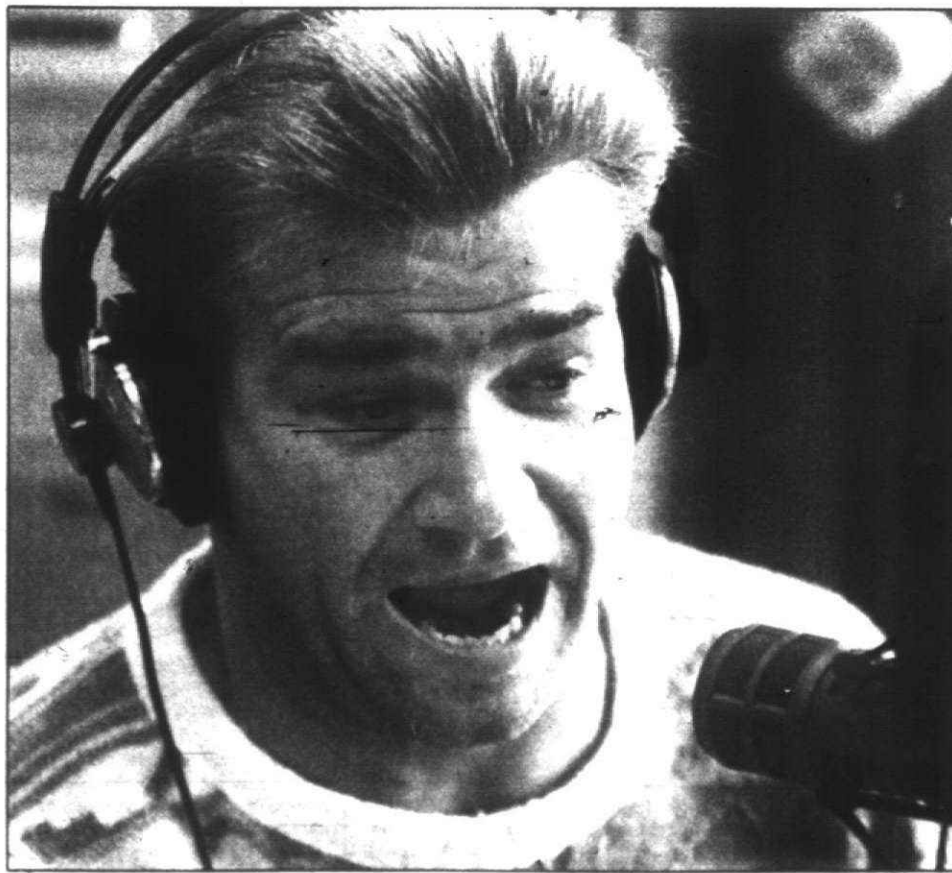
So you think you know who's going to win the Oscars, eh? Enter our contest, and you could end up on your way to Hollywood.

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STEVE CANTRELL/staff photographer

Former Livonia resident Steve Courtney is the man of many voices for Jim Harper's morning show on WDTX-FM.

One DJ — many funny men

By Mary Rodrigue
staff writer

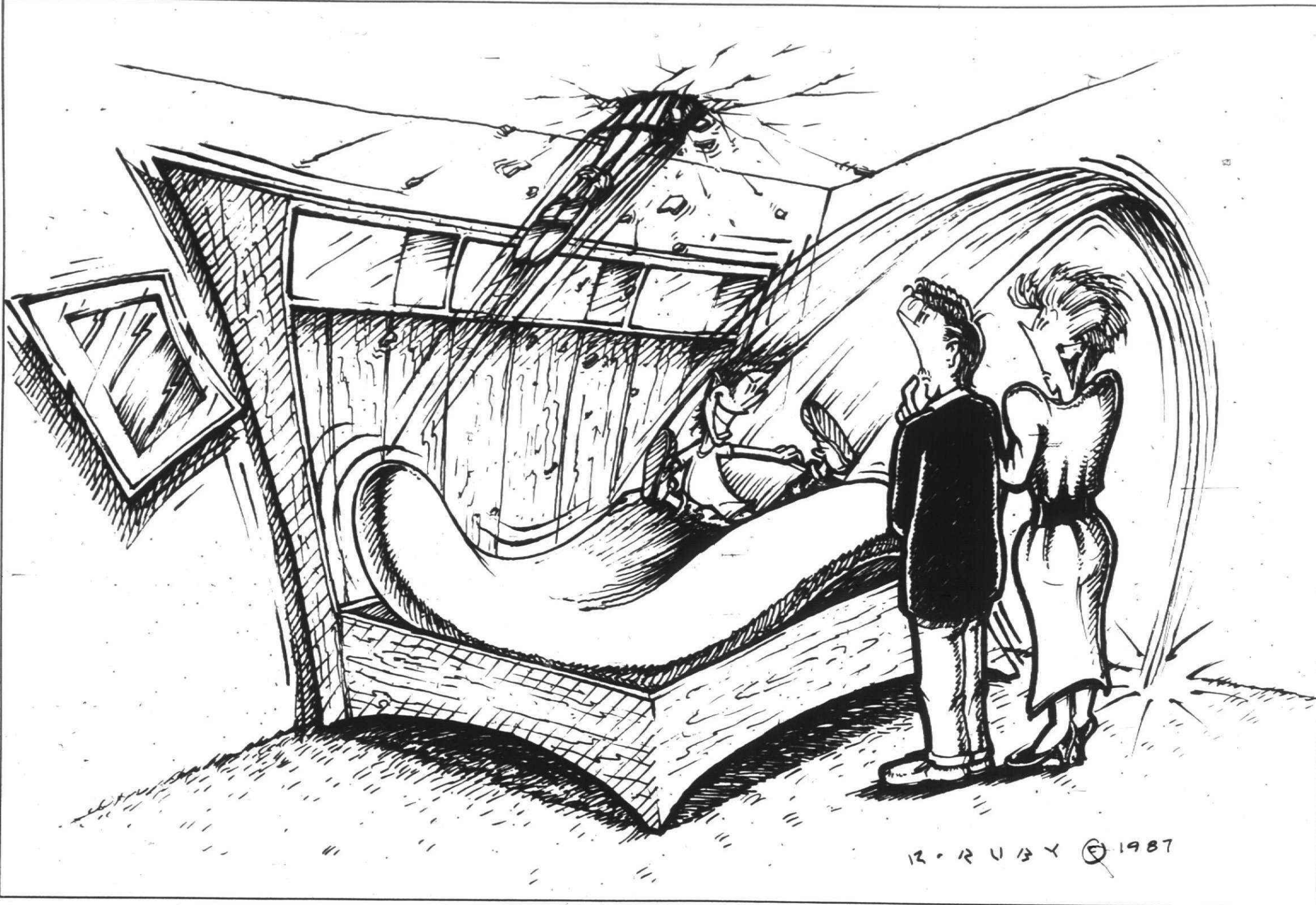
There's less than bright Carl, obnoxious Barney and Jack the dog, a takeoff on Soupy Sales' White Fang.

The voice impersonations are all in a day's work for Steve Courtney, WDTX-FM disc jockey and sidekick to morning man Jim Harper.

On a recent show with a beach party theme, Carl played volleyball with Harper and assistant program director Mike Bradley until he spiked the ball with his head. Barney and Jim went out for paczki. And Jack told a caller, an Eastern Michigan coed slightly depressed because she wasn't leaving town for spring break, that she could join him at Houghton Lake.

Zany banter is the order of the day with this show, produced 6-10 a.m. weekdays in a studio at Eight Mile and Coolidge.

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Waterbeds still making a splash

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

Waterbeds — those slightly racy, slightly wavy sleep devices.

With the 1970s long ended, is anyone still sleeping on waterbeds? You bet they are. And who's doing it may surprise you.

Turn down the covers and you'll find a senior citizen as often as a swinging single.

It's not that waterbeds are no longer fun. It's just that they've become, well... respectable.

Not to mention big business. "It's no longer a limited market. We're selling to everyone from babies to senior citizens," said Jasper Fanfalone, assistant general manager of the Waterbed World chain, which has a store in Livonia.

"Waterbeds have become a piece of furniture, not a novelty item."

AND IT'S A piece of furniture finding its way into an increasing number of homes.

"I would say at least one out of every five beds now sold is a waterbed, and that's being conservative," said Mary Gerber, an executive with the Waterbed Gallery, which has stores in Livonia, Southfield and Westland.

A 1985 trade organization study indicated waterbed sales made up one-third of the total bedding market.

Despite the snickers — 20 years

after their invention waterbeds are still an occasional target for Johnny Carson, Joan Rivers or anyone else with a late-night talk show — there's a serious side to the business. And backers are quick to point out waterbeds' advantages.

"Waterbeds provide even support from head to toe," said Jacki Gutierrez of the National Flotation Health Care Foundation. "They also provide low-level surface pressure."

Because of that, waterbeds are particularly well-suited for arthritis and burn patients, said Gutierrez, whose organization "acts as a clearing house," working with waterbed trade organizations to provide waterbeds to needy patients.

GUTIERREZ IS currently compiling doctors' referral letters and medical studies dealing with waterbeds.

There's also a potential price advantage over conventional mattresses, but that depends upon which models are chosen.

Comfort and price aside, there must be a reason why waterbeds have stood the test of time. After all, earth shoes were comfortable. And double-stick popcicles a whole lot less expensive than Dove Bars.

That reason could be adaptability. Original models — now called hard siders — have been augmented by numerous design variations. Even those turned off — or whose stomachs were turned over — by the

original models might now be able to find a waterbed to call their own.

Some newer models, called soft-siders, look like conventional mattresses by adding a layer of cushioning above the liner. Other new models add water chambers between conventional mattresses, reducing the rolling motion to a virtual standstill.

WATERBEDS ARE offered in waveless, semi-waveless or full-motion models.

As to other worries. "They're sturdy," Gerber said. "They're not going to leak unless you take a knife to them." They shouldn't fall through the floor, either.

"Any house built up to code should be able to hold a waterbed," she added.

Still, waterbeds might not be for everyone.

"Some things take some getting used to," Gerber noted. "You've had people sleeping on mattresses for 400 years."

Maybe in the next 400 years — or 40 — waterbeds will become old hat.

Legend has it the man who invented the waterbed originally planned to have people sleeping on Jell-O. Technology being what it is, today's choice of waveless, semi-waveless or full-motion might some day be joined by cherry, orange or lime. Now, that would be something.

business etiquette

Joan Dietch

Avoid 'finger talk'

One of my colleagues at work has the annoying habit of talking through his fingers. He sits at his desk or table, where he can lean on his elbows with his hand in front of his mouth. It drives me nuts! What can I do to help him break this habit?

In lieu of asking him if he removes his hand from his mouth will his lips fall off, try this: When the two of you are alone and he proceeds to talk through his hands, gently reach across the desk and take his hands away, saying, "I can't hear you through your fingers." Do this over and over with an attitude of helping him break a habit that is destructive to his career.

Talking through your fingers is like talking through your hat, no one will believe you. The message is, "I'm not sure of what I'm saying so I'm not sure you want to hear me."

I often have names and numbers left on my answering machine, but no message. If people would leave a brief message about what they are calling for it would eliminate a lot of phoning back. I could just call and give them the answer or info they want, leaving it on their machine or with a secretary. When no message concerning why they have made the call is left, I have to call and ask why they called, or leave word that I returned their call, then they have to return my returned call, etc., etc. and on and on. How can I get this

across to my callers in a polite fashion?

It is more expedient to leave a message on a machine in addition to name and number. However, the personal contact is more effective. It depends on the nature of your call — is this a favor from your business contact you're asking, a special privilege, some consideration you want to explore? In these situations the best approach is the direct phone call, not a recorded message. In cases where a simple business problem is the topic, definitely leave a succinct message on the machine. That is the efficient as well as the considerate thing to do. Add to your recorded answer a request for your caller to leave a brief message of why they are calling. That will help eliminate those returned calls.

I will be embarking on the interview circuit soon with my MBA in hand. I've got the grades and resume I need. Now I need help handling myself outwardly so I make a positive impression. What are some pointers for polite body language?

You have the attitude of a winner since you recognize the importance of the first impression. You have only 30 seconds to make that first impression. Start with a firm handshake when you meet your interviewer. Sit erect, not slumped, keeping your arms open, not crossed over the chest. Look the interviewer

directly in the eyes. Don't cross and uncross your legs, keep both feet on the floor. Listen to everything the interviewer says, allowing the interviewer to do the talking whenever possible. Don't interrupt but have questions about the company ready. Keep a friendly, alert attitude during the interview.

Be well groomed. A suit is recommended for the first interview for both men and women. The best color for the first impression is navy blue. It projects sincerity and stability. Follow up the interview with a thank-you note within 24 hours.

(For instance: "I found our interview informative and encouraging. It was profitable for me to hear your comments on the plans for WS&S Sons. I know I will be an asset to your company and hope I am seriously considered as a candidate for the position we discussed.")

"Your company's reputation for quality and the pride in association of everyone I met increased my enthusiasm to join the company."

"I'm looking forward to hearing from you."

"Sincerely,"
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loose change

Marty Redilla

Sorting out investing

Marty Redilla is assistant vice president of E.F. Hutton & Co. in Plymouth. A graduate of Western Michigan University, he has a special interest in helping young investors. His series of columns will deal in how to gain an understanding of the investment market.

From time to time we all are subject to face the unknown or the slightly unknown. Planning the financial future is one of those unknowns for those of us who are just reaching the point of having the extra funds to invest.

Some persons have professionally managed trust funds from date of conception that provide \$90 million dollars a year until the investor passes the pile to their successors. Others win the Lotto.

Then there are the rest of us who, through choosing our own successive fields, try to plan our futures as best as possible.

THE PROBLEM is that everybody who has a buck has a mouth and therefore an opinion. Who do you believe?

Add to that the media blitz of all the financial services companies: banks, insurance companies and brokerage houses.

What I hope to do through this column is to help make some sense of the financial environment to which we are subject. Please note, if you have any input or questions, write to

me at Observer & Eccentric, Street Scene, Editorial Department, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

LESSON 1: There are basically three types of investment — debt, equity and cash. What the innovative marketer does is create some interesting vehicles that usually are some type of a derivative.

We all know cash — to the investor it is a short-term place to park safe, liquid funds.

Some examples of cash are savings accounts at banks or savings and loans with rates in the 5-percent range. These are simple and the individual can withdraw his money in person, or by check, or by machine at almost any time, with funds insured by an agency of the government up to \$100,000 per institution.

Next are certificates of deposit, or money market or time certificates — a deposit made for a specific amount of time at a specific rate on a specific amount. They are also insured by the same agency.

I will refer to "CD's" as cash if they are for six months or less since they currently tend to produce a similar result.

NEXT ARE treasury bills. They are similar to CDs — safe and liquid. But there are two main differences. They are backed by the U.S. government directly, and they are purchased at a discount to face value — the appreciation being the interest.

The last item I'll cover is money

market funds. These are actually very short-term mutual funds, or pools of CDs, treasury bills and the like with the price fixed at a dollar with the return that's paid fluctuating daily or weekly, based on the return of the pool.

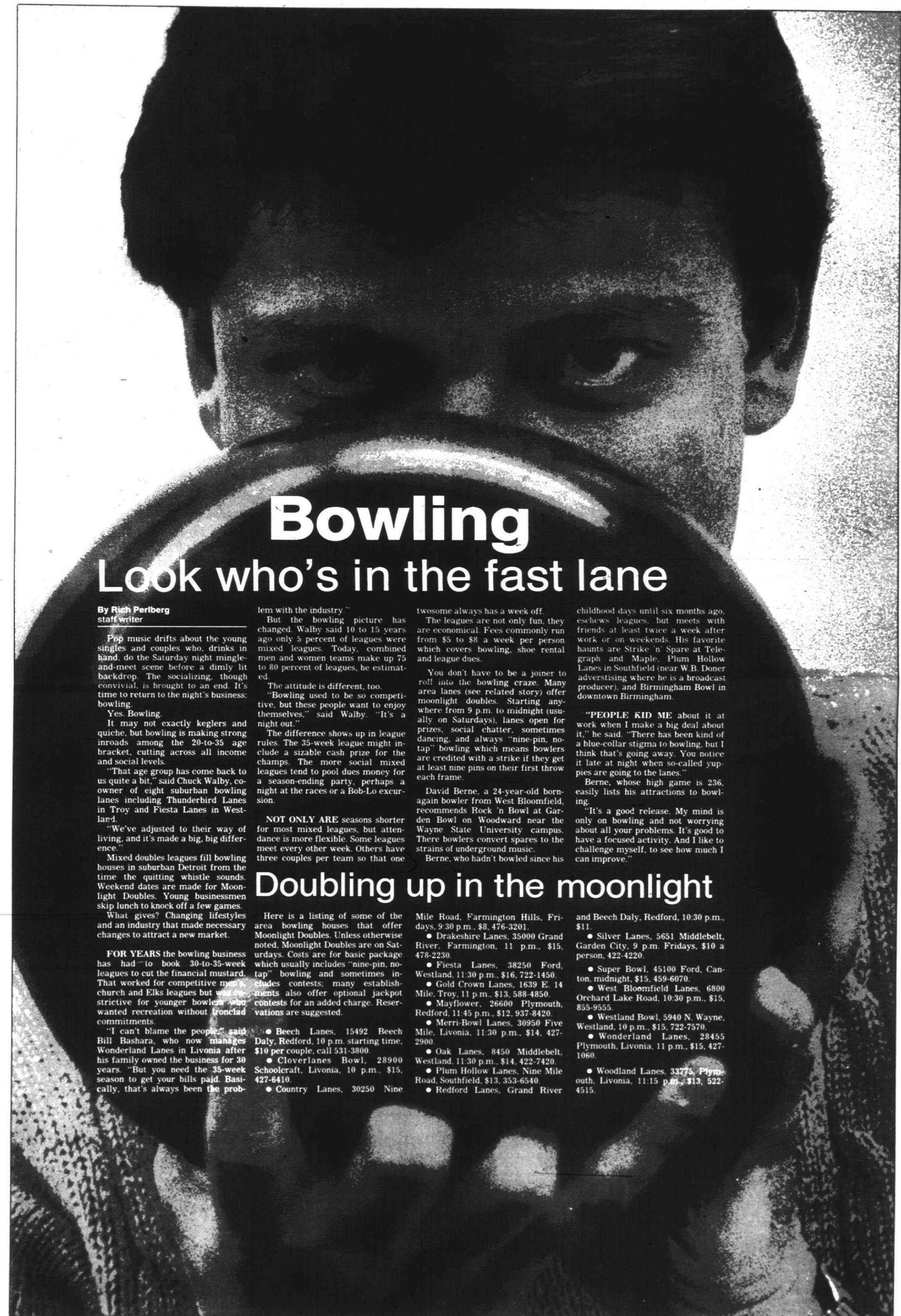
These "cash" type investments are generally returning 5 to 6 percent to their holders, but again are considered to be safe, liquid places to hold money we don't want to put in danger.

One main problem with a cash-type of investment is it has a tendency to find two enemies — taxes and inflation.

The 5 percent or so received is subject to federal tax as well as Michigan tax (for Michigan taxpayers). This means that an investor in roughly the 30-percent marginal tax bracket will pay almost 1.75 percent in taxes. That 5 percent now equates to approximately a 3.25 percent after-tax return.

A "REAL" rate of return is a return that is adjusted for inflation. In other words, if you've earned 10 percent at the end of the year, and the price of goods and services costs 5 percent more, what rate have you netted? Your 3.25 percent after-tax current savings rate is eaten away to 25 percent with inflation at its present 3-percent pace.

Savings or "cash" type investments have their place in almost anyone's portfolio. They are safe, liquid and very stable. The trade-off is that the rates of return are typically very unexciting for the longer-term investor.



Bowling

Look who's in the fast lane

By Rich Perlberg
staff writer

Pop music drifts about the young singles and couples who, drinks in hand, do the Saturday night mingle-and-meet scene before a dimly lit backdrop. The socializing, though convivial, is brought to an end. It's time to return to the night's business: bowling.

Yes, Bowling.

It may not exactly keglers and quiche, but bowling is making strong inroads among the 20-to-35 age bracket, cutting across all income and social levels.

"That age group has come back to us quite a bit," said Chuck Walby, co-owner of eight suburban bowling lanes including Thunderbird Lanes in Troy and Fiesta Lanes in Westland.

"We've adjusted to their way of living, and it's made a big, big difference."

Mixed doubles leagues fill bowling houses in suburban Detroit from the time the gutting whistle sounds. Weekend dates are made for Moonlight Doubles. Young businessmen skip lunch to knock off a few games.

What gives? Changing lifestyles and an industry that made necessary changes to attract a new market.

FOR YEARS the bowling business has had to book 30-to-35-week leagues to cut the financial mustard. That worked for competitive men's church and Elks leagues but was restrictive for younger bowlers seeking recreation without long-term commitments.

"I can't blame the people," said Bill Bashara, who now manages Wonderland Lanes in Livonia after his family owned the business for 30 years. "But you need the 35-week season to get your bills paid. Basically, that's always been the prob-

lem with the industry."

But the bowling picture has changed. Walby said 10 to 15 years ago only 5 percent of leagues were mixed leagues. Today, combined men and women teams make up 75 to 80 percent of leagues, he estimated.

The attitude is different, too.

"Bowling used to be so competitive, but these people want to enjoy themselves," said Walby. "It's a night out."

The difference shows up in league rules. The 35-week league might include a sizable cash prize for the champs. The more social mixed leagues tend to pool dues money for a season-ending party, perhaps a night at the races or a Bob-Lo excursion.

NOT ONLY ARE seasons shorter for most mixed leagues, but attendance is more flexible. Some leagues meet every other week. Others have three couples per team so that one

twosome always has a week off.

The leagues are not only fun, they are economical. Fees commonly run from \$5 to \$8 a week per person which covers bowling, shoe rental and league dues.

You don't have to be a joiner to roll into the bowling craze. Many area lanes (see related story) offer moonlight doubles. Starting anywhere from 9 p.m. to midnight (usually on Saturdays), lanes open for prizes, social chatter, sometimes dancing, and always "nine-pin, no tap" bowling which means bowlers are credited with a strike if they get at least nine pins on their first throw each frame.

David Berne, a 24-year-old born-again bowler from West Bloomfield, recommends Rock 'n Bowl at Garden Bowl on Woodward near the Wayne State University campus. There bowlers convert spares to the strains of underground music.

Berne, who hadn't bowled since his

childhood days until six months ago, eschews leagues, but meets with friends at least twice a week after work or on weekends. His favorite haunts are Strike 'n Spare at Telegraph and Maple, Plum Hollow Lanes in Southfield (near W.B. Doner advertising where he is a broadcast producer), and Birmingham Bowl in downtown Birmingham.

"PEOPLE KID ME about it at work when I make a big deal about it," he said. "There has been kind of a blue-collar stigma to bowling, but I think that's going away. You notice it late at night when so-called yuppies are going to the lanes."

Berne, whose high game is 236, easily lists his attractions to bowling.

"It's a good release. My mind is only on bowling and not worrying about all your problems. It's good to have a focused activity. And I like to challenge myself, to see how much I can improve."

Doubling up in the moonlight

Here is a listing of some of the area bowling houses that offer Moonlight Doubles. Unless otherwise noted, Moonlight Doubles are on Saturdays. Costs are for basic package which usually includes "nine-pin, no tap" bowling and sometimes includes contests; many establishments also offer optional jackpot contests for an added charge. Reservations are suggested.

• Beech Lanes, 15492 Beech Daly, Redford, 10 p.m. starting time. \$10 per couple, call 531-3800.
• Cloverleafs Bowl, 28900 Schoolcraft, Livonia, 10 p.m., \$15, 427-6410.
• Country Lanes, 30250 Nine Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Fridays, 9:30 p.m., \$8, 476-3201.

• Drakeshire Lanes, 35000 Grand River, Farmington, 11 p.m., \$15, 478-2230.
• Fiesta Lanes, 38250 Ford, Westland, 11:30 p.m., \$16, 722-1450.
• Gold Crown Lanes, 1639 E. 14 Mile, Troy, 11 p.m., \$13, 588-4850.
• Mayflower, 26600 Plymouth, Redford, 11:45 p.m., \$12, 937-8420.
• Merri-Bowl Lanes, 30950 Five Mile, Livonia, 11:30 p.m., \$14, 427-2900.
• Oak Lanes, 8450 Middlebelt, Westland, 11:30 p.m., \$14, 422-7420.
• Plum Hollow Lanes, Nine Mile Road, Southfield, \$13, 353-6540.
• Redford Lanes, Grand River

and Beech Daly, Redford, 10:30 p.m., \$11.
• Silver Lanes, 5651 Middlebelt, Garden City, 9 p.m. Fridays, \$10 a person, 422-4220.
• Super Bowl, 45100 Ford, Canton, midnight, \$15, 459-6070.
• West Bloomfield Lanes, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, 10:30 p.m., \$15, 855-9555.
• Westland Bowl, 3940 N. Wayne, Westland, 10 p.m., \$15, 722-7570.
• Wonderland Lanes, 22455 Plymouth, Livonia, 11 p.m., \$15, 427-1060.
• Woodland Lanes, 33775 Plymouth, Livonia, 11:15 p.m., \$13, 522-4515.

STREET SEEN

Seen it all. Don't bet on it. But not to worry. Our Street Seen reporter Charlene Mitchell will do all about — all that neat stuff in shops and boutiques throughout the area that you've heard about but don't have time to track down.



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Hats off to St. Paddy

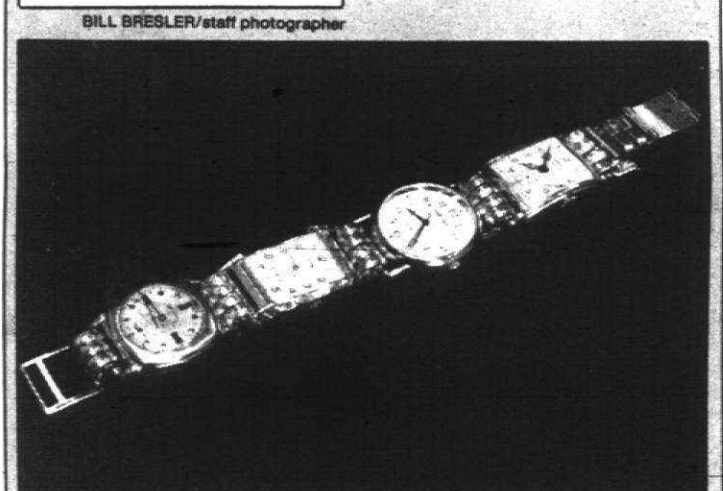
This Donegal tweed Irish walking hat will be a favorite long after the Green Parade passes by. You can wear it in the rain (as in the misty Emerald Isles), shove it in your pocket, stomp on it, fold it, crease it or reshape to fit own image. In other words, it's practically indestructible. With a \$36 price tag, you can find it at the Blarney Stone and also at neighboring A Wee Bit of Scotland in Forest Place Mall in Plymouth.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

No place like gnome

Artist/sculptor Tom Clark has carved a niche all his own with his marvelous limited-editions collection of charming gnomes. This two-piece is called "Willie and Son." Clark will be at Georgia's Gallery, N. Mill Street in Plymouth on Friday, March 27, to autograph his work. Drop in — getting to know him is to love his artwork.



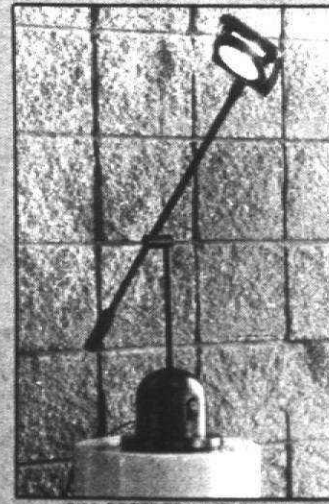
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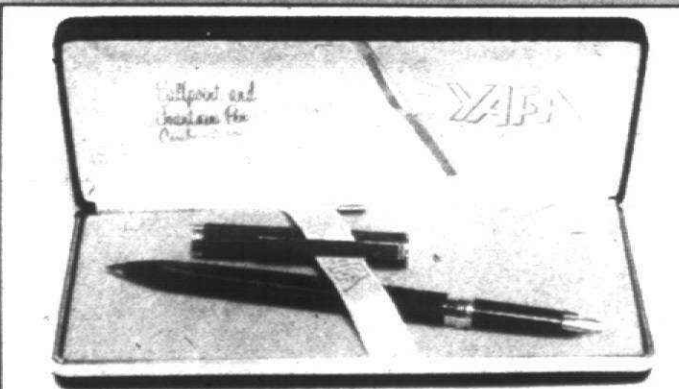
For the person with nothing but time on her hands. This antique gold handcrafted bracelet has three nonworking antique watches and one new one, a Quartz by Timeloch. At Quintessence at LaMira, Southfield. \$150.

Light on target

This halogen contemporary lamp is more than sleek and crisp in design. It does a masterful job of lighting. The Elatrix halogen bulb will last for 2,000 hours and will retain 100 percent of initial output throughout the life of the bulb. And there's more proof of its efficiency — this 50-watt bulb delivers the equivalent of 150-watt output but consumes only 1/3 of the energy. \$95 at Master Lighting, Canton.



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The ultimate in writing pens is this combination ballpoint and fountain pen by Yaris. For the person who prefers the old-fashioned class of a fountain pen, but needs a ballpoint to sign all those multiple carboned documents. At Lee Specialty, Birmingham. \$45.

Rockin' St. Paddy

Benny and the Jets Band and the Corvettes Band will perform at a St. Patrick's Day Party at 8 p.m. Tuesday at JR's Bar and Grill in Farmington. The party will feature WHND-AM disc jockey Fred (Boogie) Brian. There is no cover charge. (JR's Bar and Grill, 30855 W. 10 Mile, Farmington Hills, 474-5755.)

Cool trumpet

Famed jazz trumpeter Maynard Ferguson and his band will be hitting the high notes in Livonia next week. Ferguson is scheduled to appear at Jamie's on 7 for two shows, at 8:30 and 10:30 p.m. Monday, March 23. The cover charge is \$15 for each show. Showcasing name acts is nothing new for Jamie's, which in the past has featured such acts as the Count Basie Orchestra, the Glenn Miller Orchestra, Chubby Checker, Herman's Hermits, the Platters and Frank Sinatra Jr. (Jamie's on 7, 29703 Seven Mile, at Middlebelt, Livonia, 477-9077.)

New age

Jim Bajor of Auburn Hills has become a master of what's been called New Age music — soft, instrumental music designed to have a very personal effect on its listeners. The solo pianist's album, "Awakening," released a year ago, is regularly featured on Johnny Williams' show on WNIC. But Bajor also can be heard live, 6-10 p.m. Mondays through Wednesdays at Appeteeser in Birmingham and 8 p.m. to midnight Thursdays through Saturdays at the Clarkston Cafe. (Appeteeser, 280 N. Woodward, Birmingham; 646-7001; Clarkston Cafe, 18 S. Main, Clarkston; 625-5660.)

STREET WISE

Return of 'Evita'

"Don't cry for me, Argentina, I'm laughing all the way to the bank" could be the theme song of Andrew Lloyd Webber. Webber's highly successful "Cats" continues through Sunday, April 19, at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit. Now his earlier hit, "Evita," is being performed at The Birmingham Theatre. The musical about former Argentine first lady Eva Peron will be at the theater through Sunday, April 12. Broadway actress Florene Lacey is in the title role. Tickets are \$14 and \$24 (Birmingham Theatre, 211 S. Woodward, Birmingham; 644-3533.)

Space odyssey

"Space After Challenger: Where Do We Go from Here?" will be the topic of a special presentation at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Birmingham Seaholm High School. Jim Loudon, staff astronomer for the University of Michigan Exhibit Museum, will speak and show slides. (Seaholm High School, Birmingham; 852-8292 or 641-8074.)

Blues jamming

Shake away those Monday blues with some Monday blues at Gangsters in Redford Township. The lounge has started a Blue Monday Jam Session at 8 p.m. every Monday.

Battered women

Nancy Beckett's play "The Women Here Are No Different" is about six women of varied backgrounds at a shelter for abuse victims. The Actor's Alliance Theater of Farmington Hills will be presenting the play through Sunday, with proceeds going to the WomenCenter at the Orchard Ridge Campus of Oakland Community College. Jan Radcliff of Birmingham and Laurie V. Logan of Bloomfield Hills are among the cast. The shows will be at 8 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday and at 2 and 6 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$9.50 and \$11.50. The Wallace F. Smith Performing Arts Theatre, OCC Orchard Ridge Campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills; 642-1326.

B.B. shots

Two masters of the blues, B.B. King and Bobby "Blue" Bland, will be in concert together at 8 p.m. Friday at the Masonic Temple. Tickets are \$18.50, and all seats are reserved. (Masonic Temple, 500 Temple, Detroit; 423-6666.)

Dance master

Ballet superstar Rudolph Nureyev will appear with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra at 8 p.m. Sunday at Ford Auditorium. Tickets are \$12-50, with the latter ticket including admittance to an afterglow with Nureyev. (Ford Auditorium, 1 Auditorium Drive, downtown Detroit; 567-9000.)

'Madame Butterfly'

"Madame Butterfly" Giacomo Puccini's classic opera of the tragic love between an American naval officer and a Japanese geisha, will be performed by the New York City Opera Company. The company is under the general direction of Beverly Sills. The performance is scheduled for 8 p.m. Sunday at the Music Hall Center. Tickets are \$28 and \$35. Music Hall Center, downtown; 962-7680.

Acrobatty

The Flying Karamazov Brothers will bring their zany blend of acrobatics, juggling, music, comedy and magic to Detroit. They will appear at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Michigan Theater in Ann Arbor. Tickets are \$12-50 and \$16-50. Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor; 669-8397.

Got something interesting in the works? Drop us a line. Send your information to Richard Lech, Street Wise, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

DJ is man of many voices

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"I used to get in trouble in school for impersonating teachers and students," said Courtney, 26, who grew up in Livonia. "I was always interested in doing voices. I chose radio as a career when I can use it."

VETERAN STRAIGHT man Harper characterized Courtney as a "diamond in the rough" when he hired him five years ago at WNIC in Dearborn.

"He was naturally funny," Harper said. "You can teach a monkey to run the controls. We went by our intuition in hiring Steve. It turned out to be more than we could even hope for."

The admiration is mutual. To Courtney, who began his radio career in Defiance, Ohio, and moved to another station in Traverse City, Harper was a personality to be emulated. He was the big time.

"At the time I was just a DJ," said Courtney, a graduate of the Specs Howard School of the Broadcast Arts in Southfield. "I never dreamed it would evolve into what it is now. Detroit — this is where my friends and family are. Jim was my boss when he hired me. It was a rush."

"I'd like to be his apparent to

what Jim Harper stands for. It's a dream come true to be trained by the foremost radio personality in the entire city."

COURTNEY EVOLVED from an on-air jock to helping out with Harper's comedy.

"The chemistry is there between Jim and I. We're looking for a lot of success."

Harper left WNIC 18 months ago to launch new station WDTX, of which he is co-owner and program director. He brought Courtney and producer Mike Bradley with him.

Their studio, on the third floor of an office building on the Detroit/Oak Park border, has a wall of windows overlooking traffic on Eight Mile. Carousels are crammed with hundreds of tapes — more than 600 rock and easy-listening songs, advertisements and prerecorded sound effects.

James Dean peers down from a calendar, and the Coneheads of Saturday Night Live smile from a wall of pictures and posters that include Madonna, Dan Ackroyd, and Kirk Gibson leaping for joy in '84. "It's very demanding, but fun," Courtney said. "I still don't know what I want to be when I grow up. I

get paid to laugh, to listen to music, to have fun."

THERE'S A LOT more to the job than spinning tunes. Courtney is up from his chair almost constantly during the show — taking or replacing tapes from carousels and sketchily rehearsing vignettes with Harper in the brief breaks between air time.

Dressed this day in brown slacks and a beige and blue ski sweater, Courtney sat in a swivel chair across a large desk from Harper, who is at the controls. Eye contact is important, he said.

"Most of the bits are planned premises, not scripted," said Courtney, chain smoking Players menthol cigarettes. "We have to make it entertaining to listeners, to keep their attention."

Their target audience is "anyone with a radio who is up between 6 and 10 a.m. We'd love them to listen."

Barney is jabbering away now about eating hot dogs with sauerkraut and horseradish. But when he goes off the air, Courtney isn't even drinking coffee.

"I drink coffee for the first two hours," he said. "Then it's water for the rest of the show."

COURTNEY'S DAY begins at 4:30

Ah, sure'n 'tis the Maid of Erin

By M.B. Dillon
Staff writer

Farmington's Katy Lawton, an accomplished harpist and vocalist, was selected as this year's Maid of Erin at a competition that drew 350 to the Gaelic League in Detroit.

It's Lawton's role to represent the Irish community at events throughout the year — the premiere event being the St. Patrick's Day Parade that yesterday wound through Corktown and downtown Detroit.

Lawton, a Michigan State University senior, said she participates in Irish activities because they bring young and old together.

"I think it's important for young people to get involved and keep traditions going. It gives them a place to go, and the ability to identify with people of all ages," said Lawton, an English major.

"Events like this give people the chance to enjoy a family, community atmosphere. There's such a lack of that these days with all the decentralization that seems to isolate people of different ages from one another. It's just segregation in a different way," she said.

Both Lawton's parents are Irish-born. And while Lawton is proud of her heritage, "I don't want to be nationalistic," she said. "I don't think the Irish are inherently better than anyone else. But there are things I enjoy about being Irish."

"Being a musician, I've realized that the Irish culture is so rich in music," said Lawton, who plans to sing professionally. "And our literary heritage — I'm proud to be associated with that. The Irish have contributed so much to American society."

dancers, were elected to the Maid of Erin court.

REDFORD'S ROSELEEN EARLY, Maid of Erin chairwoman, said Lawton is representative of what the storied, annual tradition is all about.

"My whole purpose in doing the pageant is to get young people involved in the Irish culture and community and to expose them to all of the events we have open to them," said Early, whose father, John Ear-

Livonia's Michelle Maye, 19, and Eileen Fallon, 17, both Irish step-

Contest raises a bit o' the green for parade

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Ye might have filled out a ballot, paying a dollar to nominate yer No. 1 bardman in the Favourite Irish Bardender competition that's been run by Bob Finn.

"We hope to raise \$10,000 to \$15,000, and it all goes to the St. Patrick's Day Parade," said Finn, 32.

"Detroit's Thanksgiving Day Parade has a \$250,000 budget. We put on the St. Patrick's Day parade for one-tenth of that."

TOM AND KATHLEEN O'Halloran — who left County Offaly, Ireland in 1956 to come to "the best country in the world" — own the Tipperary Pub on Southfield near Joy.

It's a popular gathering place for Germans, Polish, police from Detroit and Redford Township, and, of course, the Irish — especially on St. Patrick's Day.

An accordionist who often plays

with young house musicians Peter Quinn and Terry Murphy, O'Halloran says service is the name of the game. That he learned working in a family-owned general store in the village of Kinnitty back home.

"The moral of the story, if you're a bartender, is to run up and down the bar and look at 'em right in the eye, and you know what they want," said O'Halloran.

"You go down there and serve 'em. What any bartender should do when they serve a drink is say thank you." There are "certain times when you have to be a good listener," added the 28-year Redford Township resident.

The hours and effort a bar owner invests are worth it because of "all the fine people you meet," added O'Halloran, who says he can give to folks who've never been to Ireland "some idea of what the Irish are like" at his pub. Lining its walls are family crests, photographs "a little

bit of history and a lot of Irish paraphernalia," said O'Halloran.

The attraction to the Tip is more than decor, however. "I guess people enjoy the clientele we have, and maybe it's just because they can relax. There's no pool table and a lot of stuff like this," said O'Halloran.

AS FOR THE best bartender, yer man Finn said that if ye want to go to the Tipperary, Denny's Pub & Grub, O'Sheehan's Tavern, an Irish Eatery, Four Green Fields, the Dublin Inn, the Village Inn, the Old Shillelagh, or anywhere else to vote, that ye better hurry up. The votin' closes tomorrow.

The winner will be determined based on the number of votes received, divided by the legal seating capacity of the bar, so all bars have a shot," said Finn, sales manager for Northwest Propane in Farmington Hills.

"The grand prize is one week in Ireland for two, all expenses paid."

S²cience

By Casey Hans
Staff writer

Hulls of old wooden ships lie peacefully at the bottom of the Great Lakes, carrying untold stories of lake travel in days past.

They whisper their secrets to people like Louis Twardzik, who are fighting to keep many of the estimated 3,000 Great Lakes shipwrecks preserved for all to enjoy.

Twardzik, a professor of the Department of Parks and Recreation Resources at Michigan State University, talks of areas where clusters of shipwrecks have been declared "underwater preserves" — and of one proposed for an area around the Manitou Islands west of the Leelanau Peninsula along a formerly popular trade route.

Each preserve area covers 150-300 square miles, experts say.

"We've got some famous wrecks," Twardzik said. "There was just so much activity on these lakes during those days. It's the interesting clustering that makes it desirable to preserve these."

MICHIGAN'S COLD, fresh water is a natural preservative for the wrecks, which can decay in ocean salt water, he added. "We have a preservative here they don't have in any other parts of the world. Our wooden ships are preserved."

"That's why we have such a unique opportunity to keep our culture."

Underwater preserves will be the topic of a special segment during Natural Resources Week, part of Agriculture and Natural Resources Week March 24-27 at MSU.

The preserve program is scheduled 1-5 p.m. Wednesday, March 25, at the Kellogg Center on the university's East Lansing campus, and is open to the public.

It will be preceded by a morning meeting of the Michigan Underwater Salvage Committee comprised of various state-wide groups and agencies, including the state Department of Natural Resources. This committee oversees all "underwater preserve" designations, making recommendations for a joint decision by the DNR and other state agencies.

Westland resident William Kenner is the public represent-

ative sitting on the salvage committee.

He became interested because, as a diver, he wanted to preserve the shipwrecks. "There's a lot of divers that don't like to see wrecks stripped," he said. "I happen to be one of them."

KENNER SAID he is happy with the progress made by the committee — considering there is little funding for Michigan's preserve movement. "I'm happy," he said. "I don't expect any fast progress on it at all."

There are no physical walls around the preserves, Kenner explained. "The preserve in itself is just an artificial entity on paper." Although current legislation affects all the lake bottoms, rules are stricter in the designated preserves, where DNR permits must be pulled before anything can be removed.

Four underwater preserves currently designated in Michigan — in Alpena, the Mackinac Straits, in Michigan's Thumb, at Munising in the Upper Peninsula and one scheduled to be designated at Whitefish Point this year — are different from underwater "parks" which are popular in parts of Japan and in the Virgin Islands.

Parks allow visitors to walk underwater in a structure and view the underwater environment. Preserves such as those in Michigan, are not accessible except to divers. Official "preserve" status keeps people from taking items they might normally remove for keepsakes, Twardzik said.

Although designated a "preserve," each is managed differently depending on the nearby community, Twardzik said, although they do get "minimal" DNR law enforcement.

"There's no responsibility for it, and no money. They let the local people do with it as they will."

A local community or group petitions the state salvage committee for a preserve area, and following committee discussions and public hearings a decision is made.

Divers voiced perhaps the most vehement opposition when the state began studying the establishment of preserves in 1971, Twardzik said. Today, they lend the committee support.

Preserves came into being because of scavenging efforts.

"It became blatant in recent years with the increased amounts of divers bring the stuff up... making coffee tables or whatever," he said. "It became bad enough that we passed legislation protecting these areas."

SOUTHFIELD RESIDENT Bill Dykman, past president of the Michigan Skin Diving Council, said sentiment in his groups used to run 80 percent in favor of picking over the Great Lakes wrecks.

Today, 80 percent of the diving community want the artifacts saved. When Dykman began diving 26 years ago, scavenging was not the problem it is today.

There are "less and less good wrecks" for divers, according to Bill King who teaches diving for the YMCA in Farmington Hills. "I think you'll find most divers, as I am, for the preserves."

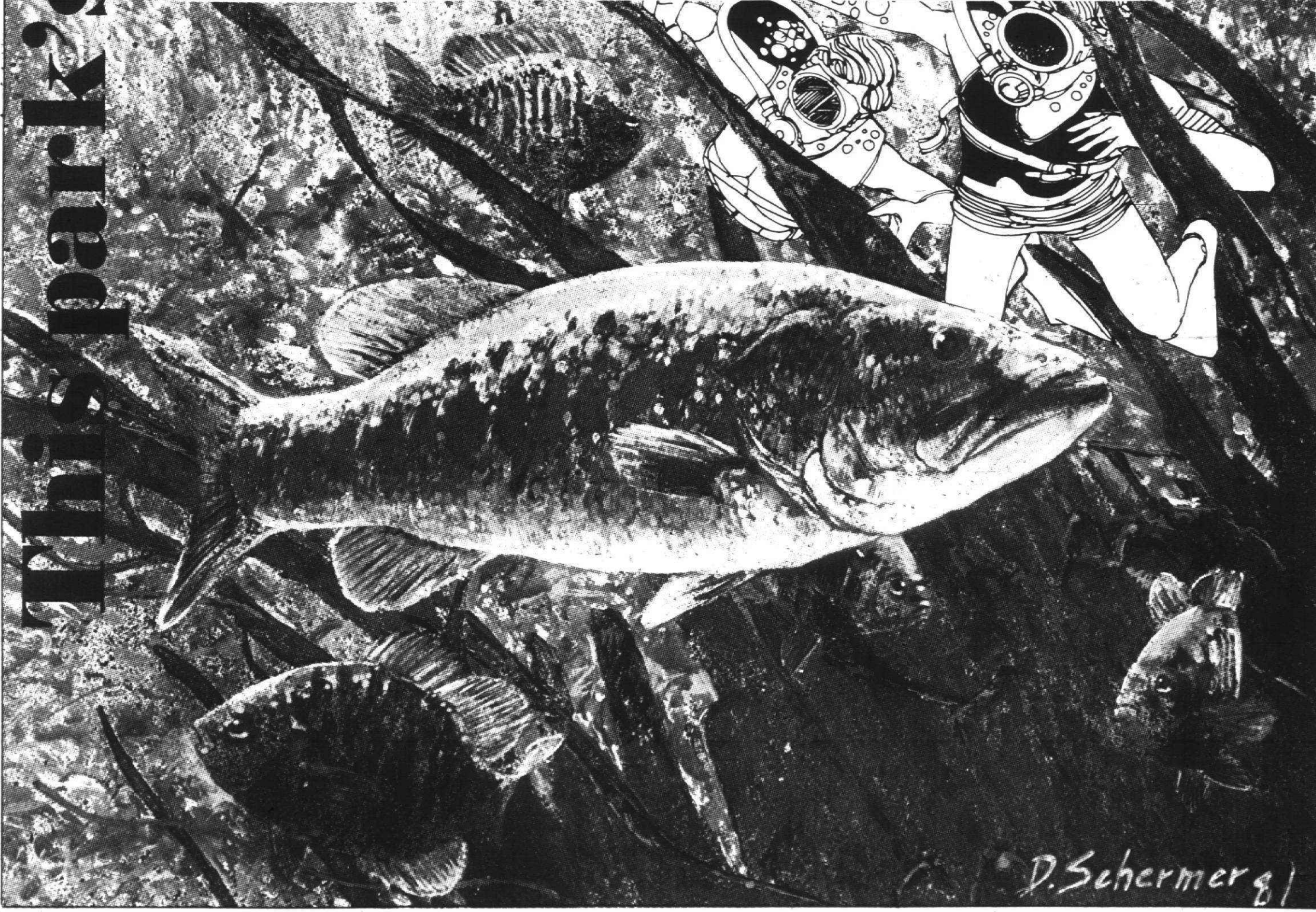
Today's Great Lakes divers police themselves, and local charter companies in the preserve areas watch for foreign boats and unknown divers, he added.

The DNR studied significant Great Lakes shipwrecks in 1972, followed by an individual study in 1975 which showed 26 wrecks in Thunder Bay alone. State legislation allowing underwater preserves was finally passed in 1980.

Michigan's law is the only one in the country that does not restrict a diver's right to participate in the sport, Dykman said. Other states restrict the divers and "divers fight them (the laws) greatly." People have sued claiming that federal admiralty laws supersede the state laws.

To counter these efforts, legislation has been proposed at a national level — still pending after six years — that would give control of all shipwrecks to states with underwater preserve bills.

Despite state legislation and the continued study of wrecks and preserve areas in Michigan, the project still has little coordination and little support, Twardzik contends. "We have a resource out there that is recognized as being important," he said. "We don't have the necessary leadership — state or national — to do anything about it."



Tax checkoff aids threatened species

By Neal Haldane
Staff writer

It's a taxing time for endangered and threatened animals and plants in Michigan.

The state has less than 350 nesting pairs of loons.

The bluebird population is 10 percent of what it was 50 years ago.

And while the bald eagle population has rebounded, only 125 nesting pairs call Michigan home.

Coming to the rescue of these species and others are Michigan residents who allocate a portion of their state income tax refund to the non-game wildlife fund.

In the three previous years, the non-game wildlife checkoff on state tax forms has generated more than \$1 million for the preservation of a variety of animal and plant species, said Dick Lehman of the Department of Natural Resources. He is the

public affairs coordinator for the fund.

"The money is given to species that are in need of special attention," Lehman said. "Without it (the checkoff), we would not have the money to fund these programs."

Taxpayers who have a refund coming can check off line 32b (or 16b on the EZ form) and donate a portion of their refund to the fund. In the past two years, 100,000 Michigan residents have taken part, Lehman said.

"IT'S NOT a unique program to Michigan. There must be 40 other states that have a checkoff program. It's a most convenient way to do it. It's money they might not otherwise miss."

The programs receiving funding cover a wide variety of plant and animal groups, according to Betty Chailis of the Michigan Audubon Society.

Locally, Healy said there has been a great deal of interest in introducing peregrine falcons in downtown Detroit.

The program has already started

"For so many years we concentrated on game animals," Chailis said about license fees and taxes going to manage animals that are hunted. "Game animals constitute about 6-7 percent of all wildlife."

It's always been my opinion that it's unhealthy to focus on such a small percentage of wildlife. What we need is a diversity of wildlife."

He said the Southfield resident who represents the Audubon group on the Michigan Environmental Council.

And the fund is helping preserve that diversity, said Bob Healy, president of the Detroit Audubon Society.

"It's a very broad-based environmental activity," Healy said. "There's something for everybody. Somewhere along the line, someone will have an interest."

Locally, Healy said there has been a great deal of interest in introducing peregrine falcons in downtown Detroit.

The program has already started

in Grand Rapids and this summer will be extended to Detroit, Healy said.

Five young birds will be housed on the Guardian Building in Detroit and will be free to fly and hunt in the downtown area, Lehman said.

"PEOPLE WILL enjoy seeing the birds in flight over the Detroit River — people that might not otherwise get a chance to get in the outdoor world and see that," he said.

Falcons are not the only bird garnering attention. The public is being asked to help encourage bluebirds to nest in the state.

"Certain species seem to generate a great deal of publicity," Healy said. "People have said, 'I haven't seen a bluebird in years.'"

The bluebird population has decreased because of the increased use of pesticides and the elimination of nesting sites, Lehman said.

To counteract the decline, work-

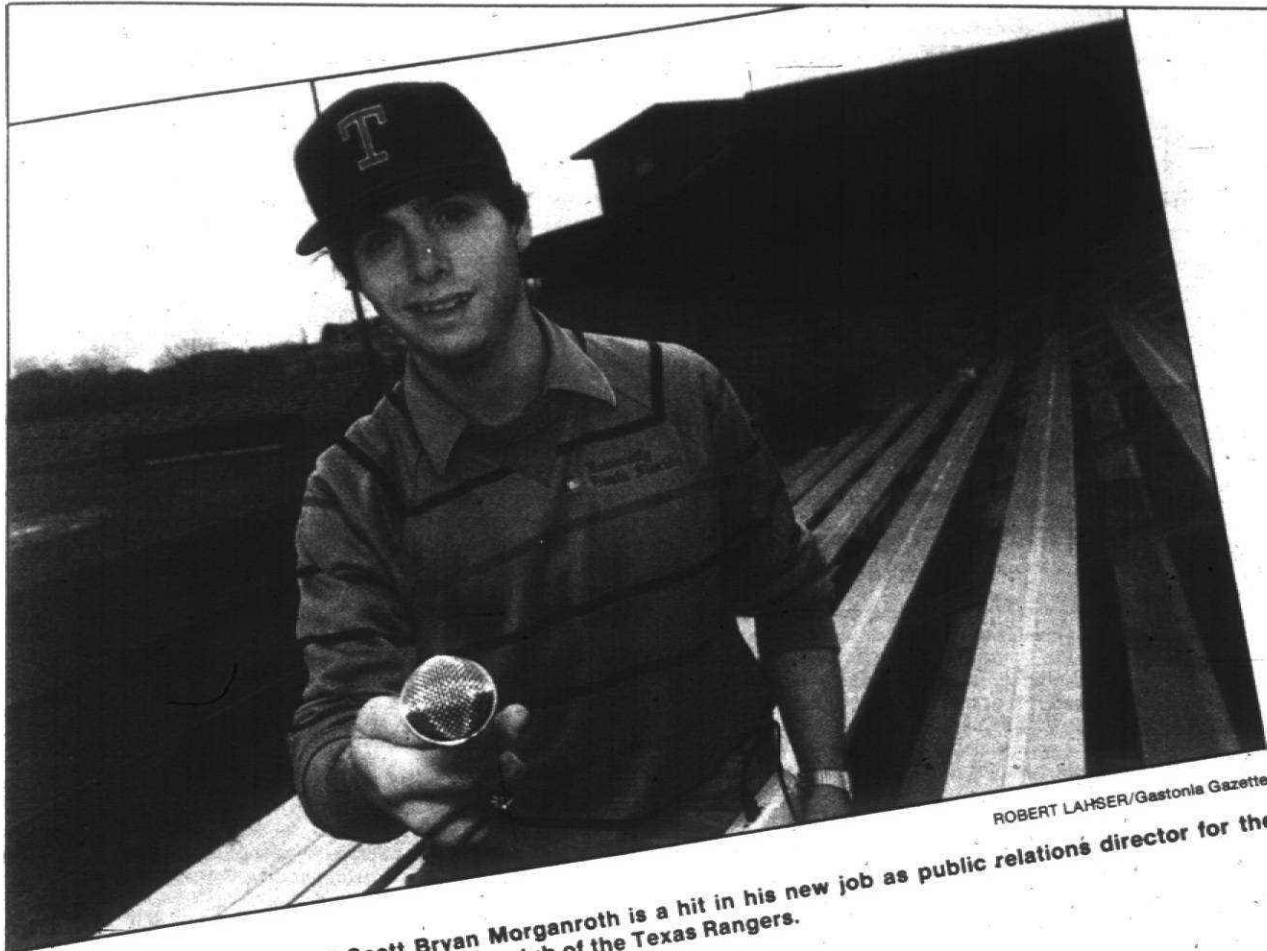
shops have been conducted throughout the state to discuss the bluebird situation and provide information on how to build artificial nesting sites.

Another project receiving funds involves the location and banding of young bald eagles to study the habits and survival rates of the birds.

Loons also are receiving attention as the state attempts to increase their numbers in the northern Lower Peninsula and Upper Peninsula nesting sites.

While the tax checkoff fund has generated needed revenue, there is a problem with coordinating non-game activities with existing state personnel, Chailis said.

"One of the biggest flaws in the program is the lack of staff to make the programs work," she said. "You can have lots and lots of projects but if you don't have the staff, they never get off the ground."



ROBERT LAHSER/Gastonia Gazette

Former Southfield resident Scott Bryan Morganroth is a hit in his new job as public relations director for the Gastonia (North Carolina) Rangers, a farm club of the Texas Rangers.

By Shirlee Rose Iden
staff writer

If every dish he washed and dried were laid end to end, they'd reach to a job in professional baseball.

Washing dishes is exactly how Scott Bryan Morganroth, 23, got to the Florida Winter Baseball Meetings and a job scavenger hunt that led to employment with the Gastonia (North Carolina) Rangers.

Morganroth is the public relations director for the Rangers, a farm club of the Texas Rangers.

A resident of Highland, Mich., who grew up in Southfield, Morganroth's eye is on the heights even as he views them from the bottom-most rung of the sports ladder. His dishwashing augments a communications education and a lifelong passion for sports.

It might have been more fun last year when the team was affiliated with the Tigers, but then, they didn't do so well either.

With a bachelor of arts in speech communication from the University of South Florida in Tampa, and experience as a sportswriter on newspapers including the Tampa Tribune, the Hallandale Digest, and his college newspapers, Morganroth has a handle on the fundamentals of sports and sports writing.

The Florida Community College Press Association awarded him first place for best sports reporting among Division A newspapers in 1984, and earlier, as a teen, he worked as an assistant radio producer at WCAR for a sports talk show.

"I PLAYED played baseball, basketball, and hockey but my dream is to be a sportscaster, maybe even a television sportscaster," he said.

"My idols are Vin Scully of the Dodgers and Ernie Harwell of the Tigers. I met Ernie during spring training a while back and we've been good friends for about four years.

"Naturally, working for the Tigers or the Dodgers are my first preference, but I'll work anywhere, and in any sport, though I love baseball."

Morganroth's dream of doing play-by-play announcing is something he always wanted to do "even as a child in Southfield."

Living in his parents' (Shila and Mickey Morganroth) home, he hunted writing jobs while formulating plans to try for a baseball job at the winter meetings. "The meetings are a good place to job hunt," he said. "I knew if I didn't go I would live with regrets."

NO STRANGER to a kitchen, Morganroth adamantly rejected offers of help from his parents, rolled up his sleeves, and righteously earned his dishpan hands and the wherewithal for a budget trip to Florida and his dream.

"My friends, Gene Ryeson and Elia Nicholas, at the Highland

House helped me when I needed to save for a car, when I first left for school in Florida, and this time they came through again," he said.

Morganroth turned down journalism jobs knowing he would be leaving. He didn't want to unethically take employment and then quit.

Once at the baseball winter meetings, he renewed friendships with Tom Lasorda of the Los Angeles Dodgers and a number of baseball idols. Lasorda is a special friend who gave Morganroth his first big time interview.

"I walked up to a guy with a beard, starting talking, and it turned out he was Mike Veeck, son of the great Bill Veeck.

"The job hunt was like being in a war zone," he said. "There were 225 people hunting for a job like one I landed, and only 11 were hired. Already, several of those are gone, either fired or burned out."

MORGANROTH was in the final three for a baseball writing job with the Buffalo Bisons, who disappointed him by rejecting him for lack of experience.

"My boss, Jack Farnsworth (Gastonia club president) told me, 'Scott, you can take this job to the bank, and when you're ready, it will help in getting another.'"

Though he brought his trusty mitt with him to the city of 65,000 in North Carolina, Morganroth's days and evenings are taken up with selling advertising, season tickets and scorecard ads and such for the South Atlantic League team.

"My boss says that knowledge is power that you don't get fired, you fire yourself," he said. "I'm not saying he's a bed of roses; he's a hard-nosed guy. But he helped me and he said to me: 'You've gotta have the dream.'"

Right now, Morganroth, the salesman, has the dream, but also a challenge.

"Southerners are very conservative and not as sports-minded as Detroiters. I've never sold anything before in my life, and people don't need baseball, so I really have to sell."

Morganroth is hanging in there. He makes his rounds and has sold thousands of dollars worth of ads. He shows up at the field, but in minor league play, says they will hardly know the team lineup until the April 8 opener.

Morganroth is expected to do some public address announcing, and still dreams of a chance to do play by play.

"A couple of weeks ago they had a country club promotion for the Rangers and I wasn't even mentioned as part of the team," he said. "I was mad. I told myself they'll know me later."

No way of knowing where he'll be a year from now, but despite his youth, and his dishpan hands, Scott Morganroth qualifies as one of the "boys of summer."

Getting to first base

Minor-leaguer has big-league dreams



A snapshot from a sports fanatic's scrapbook: Scott Bryan Morganroth with one of his favorite athletes, Muhammad Ali.



Another snapshot from Morganroth's file: Here he's shown with his idol, Detroit Tiger broadcaster Ernie Harwell.

Oscar contest

The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and AMC Theatres are sponsoring an Academy Awards contest.

Participants will pick winners from six categories: Best Picture, Best Director, Best Actor, Best Actress, Best Supporting Actor and Best Supporting Actress. Those participants with the most correct answers will be eligible for the prize drawing.

Grand prize is a round-trip for two to Hollywood (six nights).

Second prize is an AMC Gold Pass.

Third prize are AMC Guest Passes.

Contest rules

1. If more than one entry contains the most correct answers, the winner of the grand prize and

subsequent prizes will be selected by random drawing.

2. Entries should be mailed to the address listed in the accompanying entry blank, deposited in the entry boxes in the lobby of any AMC Theatre or deposited at any office of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

3. Employees of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, AMC Theatres and TWA and their immediate families are not eligible.

4. Entry deadline is midnight Friday, March 27.

5. Limit, one entry per person.

6. No purchase necessary to enter contest.

7. Judges' decisions are final.

8. Winners will be announced in the Monday, April 6, issue of Street Scene.



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