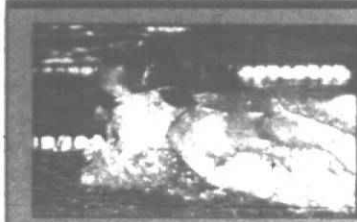


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Funeral services held Tuesday afternoon for Capt. John F. Young included an Air Force honor guard. Young, 30, was killed in a Feb. 20 plane crash in Florida.

Services held for crash victim

By Julie Brown
staff writer

The clear blue sky over United Memorial Gardens cemetery was still Tuesday afternoon.

That stillness was interrupted by the sound of a lone U.S. Air Force jet flying over. Its flight honored the years of dedication and service to his country given by Capt. John F. "Rock" Young.

"You had to know the sun would shine today," said Mark LaPointe, who was Young's baseball coach while Young was a student at Plymouth Canton High School.

Funeral services for Young, 30, were held Tuesday afternoon at Schrader Funeral Home in Plymouth. LaPointe, a teacher at Central Middle School, gave the eulogy.

Young was killed in a Feb. 20 plane crash in Florida. He had been stationed at Norton Air Force Base in California, where he was an aircraft commander.

Young was always able to find the good in bad situations, LaPointe said.

"What a reunion this is," he said. "John's brought us all together. It helps to have you all here."

YOUNG WAS a 1977 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and

a 1982 graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colo., where he earned a bachelor's degree in political science.

Young was remembered as an outstanding student and athlete. Hymns, poems and a heartfelt eulogy honored the young man with so much to give.

"It's kind of difficult to cover 30 years in 10 or 15 minutes," LaPointe said.

Young led a good life, although it was not an easy one. His mother had heart surgery while he was at the U.S. Air Force Academy. Young left the academy for about a year and went to work at the General Motors Hydra-Matic plant, helping out with the family's expenses.

His mother later died, but Young went on with his life from there.

"John got to do what he wanted to do with his life," LaPointe said. It had been Young's dream to fly, so he went to flight school and followed that dream.

It's natural for people who knew Young to feel anger, LaPointe said.

"John's gone. Why? What's the sense of it. God needed a top gun and it's John."

Young was a loving son and brother.

"John was very proud of all of

them, extremely proud." He was particularly proud of his father, John Young Sr.

YOUNG'S FATHER, who didn't learn to read as a child, returned to school in his 50s to learn. He's now a Plymouth-Canton Community Education student and is working on his high school diploma.

John Young Jr. loved his brothers and sisters, their spouses and his nieces and nephews. He bought many gifts for his nieces and nephews.

Young was an outstanding athlete. He was football team captain during his junior and senior years at Plymouth Canton High School. Young was an outstanding baseball player in high school and college, and an outstanding boxer at the academy.

"Wherever John played, he was successful," LaPointe said. Young didn't care about getting the credit; the team's victory was what counted.

LaPointe met Young some 15 years ago. Young, then a high school sophomore, stepped in as pitcher for an important district game against Plymouth Salem High School. He did just fine, and went on from there.

"John was a giver and not a taker," LaPointe said. "John was



A B-52 from Wurtsmith Air Force Base flies over United Memorial Gardens during services for Capt. John F. Young.

selfless, only concerned for others." Young's persistence paid off for him and for those around him.

"John is a legend and we don't have many legends today," he said. Those who remain must tell younger people about Young, "so he may serve as an inspiration for those who follow."

An Air Force honor guard and a 21-gun salute marked Young's burial.

The American flag that had covered his coffin was presented to John Young Sr. by Capt. William DeBenedictis, the military escort.

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Employees seek union at Kmart

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

Workers at the K mart distribution center in Canton Township are seeking to join the Teamsters Union, according to workers and a union official.

More than one-third of the center's 288 workers have signed cards seeking to join Teamsters Local 337.

That's enough for the Teamsters to seek an election that would be monitored by the National Labor Relations Board, said Michael Townsend, a Teamster official who has been organizing workers at the Canton distribution center since mid-January.

"IT'S NOT BECAUSE of money. It's the way they're treated, their working conditions. If they have a complaint, they have no place to go. They want access to our grievance procedure," said Townsend.

Leslie Kota, a spokeswoman for Troy-based K mart, said the only union activity that K mart is aware of is the passing out of material at the Canton facility on Jan. 19.

Charles Bierwiler, manager of the Canton center, refused to comment on the situation.

Workers who were interviewed said the reduction of medical benefits is one of the prime reasons they are seeking to unionize.

"Grievances have accumulated over the years, but this is the worst it's ever been. We don't want to pay someone to represent us, but we don't have any choice," said one worker.

These employees and others, who met earlier this week to discuss grievances, asked that their names not be used for fear of reprisal.

They claimed that K mart: fires

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Police, board agree on pact

By Diane Gale
staff writer

Canton police have a new contract calling for a 13.5 percent pay raise over three years and a new health and fitness clause.

"I'm not completely satisfied with what we ended up with," said Canton officer Bill Keppen, local police union president.

Dental and eye glasses coverage, as well as higher township contributions to pension funds were some areas Keppen said he was disappointed.

"We came to an agreement without going to arbitration," said Dan Durack, Canton personnel director. "It was an agreement both parties could live with."

AN EMPLOYEE fitness program providing health risk appraisal is a new benefit this year that both sides

thought was a good idea. It offers exercise and fitness prescription, annual physical skills tests and a \$250 cash allowance for employees passing a voluntary physical skills test.

"The fitness program I think was a good idea," Keppen said. "Obviously it encourages the people to stay in good shape, and obviously may detect a problem early."

The program will require employees to have a health risk evaluation and follow up with an exercise program tailored for each employee to get them up to a minimum status, or help them maintain good physical fitness.

The program is especially important for officers and firefighters, because physical fitness is an important part of their ability to perform their jobs in a satisfactory manner, he added.

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Task force takes aim at auto thefts

By Diane Gale
staff writer

A Canton-based auto theft team is taking aim at kingpin operators in western Wayne County, who police admit sometimes slipped between the cracks in the past.

"Before maybe you'd arrest two people in a stolen car, but now we have the ability to shut down a whole operation," said Michigan State police Lt. Sandy Miller, western Wayne Auto Theft Elimination Effort commander.

The team was formed in May 1986 at the insistence of John Santomauro, Canton public safety director. More than \$2.2 million worth

of stolen vehicles have been recovered since. The team has arrested 69 people resulting in 154 charges.

THE CONSORTIUM allows a group of officers to specialize and concentrate their efforts to target a problem as opposed to having each department work from their communities alone, Miller said.

Also, the team is able to perform more surveillance and investigations than individual departments and from that constant contact establish experience.

"And the individual officers come at it with information from their communities," Miller said. "You accomplish so much more than if

you tried to go at it on an individual basis."

Since vehicle thieves are usually mobile — living in one community and stealing from a number of different places — it's important to look at the problem as multi-jurisdictional, she added.

"A unit such as this one can specialize and a patrol officer wouldn't see the same things," Miller said.

The team was formed with officers or financial support from the Michigan State Police, Canton, Plymouth, Westland, Redford Township, Belleville, Huron Township, Van Buren Township, Sumpter Township, Northville, Northville Township and Romulus.

NATIONWIDE VEHICLE theft was up 5 percent last year and in Michigan the rate fell 5 percent. Vehicle theft dropped 9.5 percent last year in the communities involved with the auto theft team.

However, the rate rose 1 percent in Canton with 281 vehicles reported stolen.

One reason may be that apartment complexes and hotels bordering freeways are usually the hardest hit by auto theft teams due to easy access, Miller said.

Camaros are the most often stolen. And other General Motors cars top the list, Miller said.

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Lt. Sandy Miller

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Students get taste of Washington

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

WASHINGTON — In the shadows of the White House, Concepcion Picciotto has protested against the arms race nearly every day since President Reagan was inaugurated in 1981.

Cold and wet, she was standing in Lafayette Park on Monday, displaying photographs and articles on bombings and war when a group of Plymouth-Canton High School students stopped to talk to her.

"This is a vigil for peace and justice," said Picciotto, shielding herself from the icy rain with an umbrella, upon which she'd written "justice" in

black Magic Marker. "We sacrifice our lives. We want to open the minds of the people to the destruction of the planet."

STUDENTS MET Picciotto on their first full day in Washington, D.C. They are among the more than 150 students from Canton and Salem high schools taking part in a week-long government studies program called Close Up.

Close Up is a non-profit national foundation designed to broaden understanding of government through hands-on learning.

Students tour Washington, meet with their congressmen and attend

lectures given by governmental representatives.

Students, with teachers Mike McCauley and Bill Gretzinger, raised \$75,000 for the trip, washing cars, selling candy and calendars and hosting a dance and bowl-a-thons.

Added money came from Congress, business, industry, organizations and individuals.

STUDENTS FLEW in Sunday afternoon and enjoyed some free time before workshops got under way at their hotel in Alexandria, Va.

Canton sophomore Matt Stoelt went to the Vietnam memorial, looking for his grandfather's name

amongst the thousands on the black marble wall.

"I looked up his name, and when I found it I started crying. I didn't even know the guy," he said.

"I want to go back and leave a flower by the wall."

Sunday night, students met their roommates, high school students from Massachusetts, and Close Up instructors who hail from across the United States. Most instructors are recent college graduates who've studied abroad, concentrating in fields like international relations, political science and government.

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Steiger faces trial for murder

By Diane Galt
staff writer

Ronald Steiger, who approached police in a Canton bar and asked to be arrested for the shotgun slaying of his estranged wife, will stand trial on second-degree murder charges. Steiger looked straight ahead and ignored comments from friends before the hearing in 35th District

Court on Wednesday. He is being held without bond. Judge James Garber explained his decision to bind Steiger over on second-degree murder charges instead of first-degree, saying there was evidence of intent to kill, but the record was void of premeditation and deliberation.

CANTON OFFICERS testified

that at 12:30 p.m. June 25 they were called to the Rusty Nail Lounge on Ford Road. A bartender motioned to Steiger and they made eye contact with him, the officers said. "He stepped down off a barstool and we approached each other," said Leonard Schemanske, Canton officer.

"He walked up to me with a beer in his hand and said 'I have no

weapons,'" Schemanske said. "Arrest me." Schemanske said he asked Steiger why he should be arrested. Steiger said he killed his wife with a rifle, Schemanske said. "He stepped down off a barstool and we approached each other," said Leonard Schemanske, Canton officer.

While Steiger was in the police station, Schemanske said, he could smell intoxicants on his breath. Steiger said he drank five beers that day — three were in Westland. Irene Steiger was found in the kitchen of Steiger's Royal Holiday Estate mobile home on Warren. She died after two gunshot wounds in her chest and one shot in her stomach, according to a medical examiner's report.

Dorothy Hakala, who worked with Irene Steiger at Norwest Plumbing and Heating, testified that Irene was scheduled to leave work at 12:30 p.m.

SHE RECEIVED a call from Ronald Steiger about 11:30 a.m., Hakala said, and asked to leave work an hour early. Irene Steiger said she was going home, Hakala testified. "She was a very private person," Hakala said after the hearing. "It (the marriage) just wasn't good for the last three years."

Robert Greenstein, Steiger's defense attorney, said Canton officers inappropriately searched Steiger's residence after they found Irene Steiger's body lying in a pool of blood on the kitchen floor with a rifle on the table.

The officers searched for evidence in the home, Greenstein said, before receiving a search warrant.

Clothes reported taken from home

Mobile home residents at 46000 Geddes reported to Canton police that more than \$1,000 in clothing and shoes were stolen from their home last week.

The victim noticed her tennis shoes were missing from the kitchen area, police reported. She then realized clothes were taken from bedroom drawers and closets as well as the front closet.

She reported the following missing: a leather blue suit coat and pants and a black leather skirt and white jacket valued at \$400; 10 underwear garments valued at \$100; 12 pairs of jeans valued at \$550; six skirts valued at \$70 and a \$60 pair of tennis shoes, police reported. BIRD BLOOD BATH: A Denton Road resident reported 22 chickens were killed in their pens March 6, police reported. The owner told police he raised the birds for pleasure and kept them in a small hen house.

Each bird was tagged and kept on a cable to ensure they would stay in the area. An older prize chicken, which was blind, was kept in a separate house outside of the pen with easy access to food. The bird was found in the yard with its head severed from its body, but most of the meat was left intact, police reported. In fact, nearly all the birds' heads were broken at the neck, but the meat was intact.

Their owner believes the chickens were killed for pleasure by wild animals. The victim's sons

crime watch

CASSETTE CASES: A Ford Road Discount Video employee filed police reports on three customers who failed to return videos more than a month after they were rented. The videos were valued at \$79.95 and \$89.95 each. The suspects live in Canton, Plymouth and Ypsilanti.

Some of the movies taken were "The Dead Pool," "Faces of Death," "Young Guns" and "Black Roses."

LONG HAUL: A 40-foot semi-trailer with chassis and body was reportedly stolen from American Yazaki on Haggerty and I-275, police reported. It was left there for unloading and had not been seen for more than a month.

These are only a sample of the incidents reported to Canton police, which can be reached by calling 397-3000.

— compiled by Diane Galt

Team aims at car thefts

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"The more popular the car, the more often they get in accidents and the more you need parts," she said, adding that stolen cars are often stripped of parts that are installed in other cars or sold individually.

Last June the unit received a tip about suspicious activity at Jones Auto Repair on Joy Road in Canton where a total of 11 vehicles was recovered.

They were reported stolen from Plymouth Township, Livonia, Westland and Farmington Hills. Nine of the vehicles had been stripped of parts, including two 1988 Chevrolet Corvettes with less than 28 miles. Value of the stolen property exceeded \$150,000.

The Wayne County Prosecutor's Office has charged three persons with 28 felony counts as a result of the investigation. One suspect was convicted in a jury trial and was sentenced to serve two to four years in prison.

PART OF an interstate truck theft ring was discovered last October on Inkster Road in Livonia. Five stolen semi-trailers with cargo valued at \$75,000 were recovered. "It's not unusual for a professional to be involved in as many as 2,000 thefts," she said.

The Western Wayne Auto Theft Elimination Effort is part of the Auto Theft Prevention Authority, a state body funded by Michigan insured motorists. Anyone with information about a suspicious situation possibly involving car theft is asked to call 1-800-242-HEAT (Help Eliminate Auto Theft), or call your local police departments.

Canton is also involved in consortium efforts for drug enforcement and a special operations unit.

"The beauty of a consortium is that it's cost effective, and there's absolutely no way we could cost effectively duplicate the resources and expertise and consolidate in a specialized area," Santomauro said.

keep workers from accumulating seniority. She said there have been no layoffs in three years at the Canton facility. "There is no favoritism, saying that the firm has a job-posting system."

There are no bogus reprimands. She added that K mart doesn't issue them. Instead, the firm holds corrective interviews with workers, she said. Said one worker: "I've been both ways (union and non-union). The first four or five years here was fine. But in the last couple of years it's gotten bad."

Seniority means nothing except for vacation. If they want to move, you (from job to job), they can. You replace somebody (part-time) in maintenance, they won't pay the difference. You want to change shifts or jobs, it has to meet their needs."

K mart workers seeking union

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employees just short of 10 years employment and full entitlement to pension funds; keeps workers from accumulating seniority by laying them off; engages in favoritism for job assignments; and hands out bogus reprimands to make workers feel insecure.

Kota said that there have been some changes made in the firm's medical plan, but that there have been no cuts in benefits. "We've added a co-pay, but we've also added dental insurance," she said. "They may see it as a reduction."

On the other charges made by workers, she said: "There has never been a lawsuit or even a charge that K mart fired workers to avoid full entitlement to pensions; "There have been no layoffs to

Students visit capital

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Monday, students heard speakers including Daniel Tate, a presidential lobbyist for Jimmy Carter; Michael Geisinger, former staff photographer for Lyndon Johnson; and Barbara Mossberg, who served as United States scholar in residence at the United States Information Agency.

Despite a snow storm that belted Washington on Tuesday, students

planned to visit the Supreme Court, the Library of Congress, the House and Senate, and the National Air and Space Museum. The day's seminars dealt with the judiciary, capital punishment, geography, environment, African issues and perestroika.

A visit to National Airport to speak with protesting Eastern Airlines machinists also was on the agenda.

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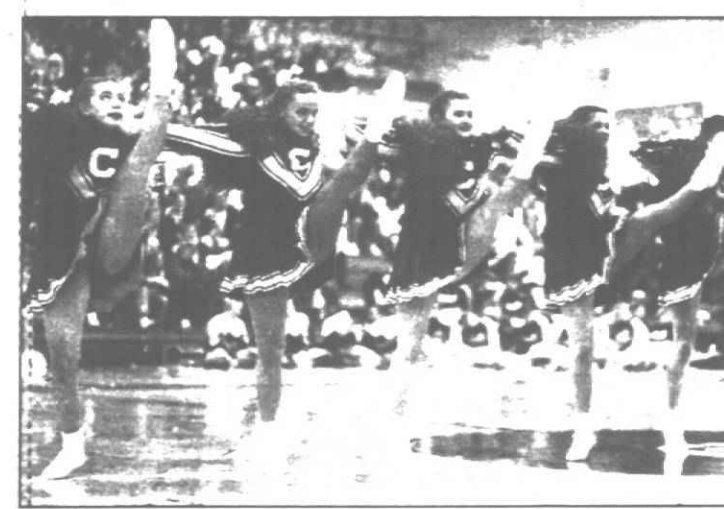
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Rachel Henry of Plymouth Salem during her performance.



The Plymouth Canton squad shows its high-kicking ability during the competition.

Cheery outlook

Local pompon squads earn trophies

There were some high kicks and some high times Saturday at Livonia Churchill High School where the girls from Plymouth Canton High School came away with a second place in the Mid American Pompon State competition. The girls from Plymouth Salem

High School weren't too far behind with a fifth place finish.

Both teams were awarded trophies. The order of finish in the Class A competition was: Saginaw Heritage, Plymouth Canton, Garden City, Davison, Plymouth Salem, Livonia

Franklin, Alpena and Grand Blanc. Plymouth Canton, which placed first in last year's competition, is coached by Christina Branham.

The squad members are: Seniors: Kim Alexander, Tara Gonyea, Joy Kirchgatter, Lisa Kuehnle, Michelle

Merritt, Linda Potvin, Kristen Reynolds, Juniors: Michelle German, Krysti Lazar, Tiffany Loftis, Melissa Napolitano, Elise Stefanelli, Melanie Twort. Sophomores: Heather Boersma, Kathy Bolda, Stephanie Copeland, Michele DeJaeger, Jill Hanert, Kristina Kozach, Jen Strud.

Jill Hanert of Plymouth Canton prays before the competition.

Jeep-Eagle dealership may move into area

By Doug Funks
staff writer

A new Jeep/Eagle car dealership could be in Plymouth Township's future.

An investment group consisting of several local people plus a longtime Chrysler executive plans to build the showroom/service center on Ann Arbor Road just west of the CSX railroad viaduct.

A collision shop and a recreational vehicle storage yard now occupy the five-acre site.

"In a major market such as this, it's to be expected that Chrysler Corp. would want all their brands to be represented," said Larry Turner, a Plymouth resident and president of the investment group called Freedom Oaks Inc.

You could put a bulls-eye on Plymouth and see who the corporation was trying to market to," he added.

TURNER, 39, said he's worked for Chrysler or AMC at the corporate level for 15 1/2 years. Most recently, he's served as manager for Jeep product planning and Jeep and truck operations for Chrysler.

Other investors identified through documents filed with the township planning department are:

- Kal Jabara, a developer and owner of Wild Wing art gallery.
- David D. Phipps, a developer and building contractor.
- John Thomas, a lawyer and developer.
- Paul Moran, a sales executive at Fox Hills Chrysler Plymouth.

The group has requested a rezoning of the property from industrial to commercial use. The township planning commission has set an April 19 public hearing on that application.

The township board must ultimately approve any rezoning.

FREEDOM OAKS also must resolve the use of a 30-foot strip that divides their building site, records indicate. That strip is owned by National Concrete Co., which is in operation behind the proposed dealership.

Turner sees the rezoning and negotiation as comparatively minor challenges.

"At this point, one of the bigger concerns is traffic patterns, access for driveways," he said.

"It's not going to be easy from a traffic standpoint. We're going to try to design the thing so they (motorists) are aware of it before they go under the viaduct," Turner said.

Freedom Oaks intends to renovate the existing 10,000-square-foot collision shop and then attach a 12,000-square-foot addition. Turner estimated construction and land purchase costs at \$2 million.

THE DEALERSHIP is expected to employ 50 at start up. A June groundbreaking is possible, Turner indicated.

"There's tremendous incentive to be open in an October time frame because it coincides with the introduction of new models," he said.

James Anulewicz, township planning director, said he hasn't yet analyzed the rezoning request and come to a recommendation.

He conceded, though, that a car dealership would be more aesthetically pleasing than a collision shop and storage yard.

Police get new contract

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Pushing physical fitness among employees has been an ongoing goal for more than a year.

"We think in general our employees are in pretty good physical fitness," Durack said. "We're hopeful it will help keep them healthier and in that sense make them better and more productive employees. And it will benefit the township if they're not off on sick leave that could have

been prevented if they were in good physical fitness."

THE CONTRACT, effective March 1, also calls for longevity pay from \$500 to \$700 in 1989 and \$800 in 1990. And pension vesting is reduced from 10 years to four years.

The maximum vacation accumulation is changed from after 11 years service to after 10 years of service.

There's a language change in hospitalization coverage, which will al-

low for flexibility in selecting the insurance carrier and should lead to a substantial savings in premium costs, Durack said in a letter to the board.

Another change is the elimination of a cash-out of unused vacation time without the public safety director's approval.

The Canton Township Board of Trustees last week unanimously agreed to approve the contract.

Crash victim called a 'giver'

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The Rev. Merlin Jacobs of Resurrection Lutheran Church in Livonia officiated at Tuesday's services. He remembered Young's life as "a life given by God for our enjoyment, that we might better understand what it means to be living."

"He accomplished a great deal in his 36 years," Jacobs told the

mourners. "John's death is a tragedy. It caught us unprepared. We feel we deserve more."

"But grief is a gift of God," the pastor said. "It brings healing." That healing process takes time.

"He was special. He was one of a kind. He had so many gifts and talents."

Each of us is unique, "gifted by God just as he was," Jacobs said. "It's our responsibility to develop those gifts, just as Young did."

"That is the purpose of our lives. That is how we are like John. "God knows what it's like to lose a son. God has not abandoned John in death, nor has God abandoned his family or any of us."

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KEITH D. ROSOL of Canton has been elected as a member of Alpha Epsilon Delta Premedical Honor Society at the Michigan State University recently.

LISA PAPPAS, marketing communications writer for St. Joseph Hospital in Flint, has been named director of Port Huron Inc. The former Plymouth resident is responsible for developing and implementing promotional and marketing plans for the downtown Port Huron area.

ERIK ANDERSON of Plymouth was named Little

Caesars Player of Tomorrow during a recent Detroit Red Wings Hockey game. Anderson plays center for his Little Caesars Squirt Minor Triple A Travel Team and won the Wonder of the World Tournament in Niagara Falls, N.Y. He attends Our Lady of Good Counsel, Plymouth.

LISA M. CATENACCI, a 1986 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, has been elected student body president of St. Mary's College of Notre Dame, Indiana. Majoring in math with minors in computer science and Spanish, Catenacci has also been nominated to the board of regents.

She has held offices of vice

president for the freshman class and president of the sophomore and junior classes at St. Mary's. She is a national merit scholarship member, listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges" and was a recipient of the Woman's Club of Plymouth scholarship award.

ALICIA ROWE, a Plymouth resident and student of Southfield Christian School, recently received a first division rating in the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association District Solo and Ensemble Festival.

DAVID WEAVER, 14, of

Plymouth was named Little Caesars Player of Tomorrow during a recent Detroit Red Wings Hockey game.

Weaver started skating at six in the Mite Division and now plays defense for his Little Caesars Bantam Minor Triple A Travel Team. He's been with Little Caesars for four years and has finished second in the state tournament last season.

RANDALL M. HAMER and Karl J. Wehrheim, both of Canton, and Erich J. Miller and Jeffrey M. Turner, both of Plymouth, were included recently on the academic honors list for the winter quarter at Peris State University.

community calendar

• **SOFTBALL REGISTRATION** The Canton Parks and Recreation Department Softball Team registration dates are as follows: Men: returning teams, March 1-10, new teams, March 13-24; Women: all teams, March 1-31; Coed: returning teams, March 1-10, new teams, March 13-31; Fees are \$365 for men, \$300 for women, \$190 for coed. This includes a \$40 refundable forfeit fee. Fee must be paid in full at the Canton Parks and Recreation Department, between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday-Thursday at 1150 S. Canton Center, Canton. For further information, call 397-5110.

• **MEN'S SLOW PITCH** The City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department will be offering a Men's Slow Pitch Softball League. The entry fee is \$500 for an 18-game schedule. League play begins the first week of May. Returning teams register starting March 6, new teams register starting March 16. Registration will end March 31. For further information, call Tom Willette at 455-6620.

• **MACINTOSH COMPUTER CLASS** Thursday, March 9 — Macintosh consultant Michael Plunkett will conduct a class at the Canton Public Library at 7 p.m. on how to use the Macintosh SE computer and LaserWriter II printer. Sign up by calling 397-0999.

• **DANCE EXPRESS** Friday, Saturday, March 10, 11 — Dance Express featuring the Plymouth-Salem Rockettes will appear at 7:30 p.m. at the Salem Auditorium, 48161 Joy Road (West of Canton Cen-

ter). This Dance & Variety Show is the Canton Parks and Recreation Department's annual fundraising event of the Plymouth-Salem Rockettes. The cost is \$2 for advance sale (from any Rockette) \$3 at the door. For more information call the Salem High School office or ask any Rockette.

• **HOLIDAY NATURE PRESERVE** Saturday, March 11 — The Holiday Nature Preserve "In search of Owls" tour will be held at 7 p.m. at Koppernick Road entrance in Canton.

• **TRAIN SHOW** Sunday, March 12 — The Plymouth Train Show will be held at the Plymouth Cultural Center from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 525 Farmer, Plymouth. Admission is \$2 per person, under 12 free. Over 100 tables of new, used and antique trains.

• **SPRING CONCERT** Tuesday, March 14 — East Middle School bands will perform at 7:30 p.m. in East Middle School, at 1042 S. Mill, in the school gym. The com-

munity is welcome.

• **BOOK FAIR** Monday-Thursday, March 13-16 — Isbister School Book Fair, at Canton Center Road, between Joy and Ann Arbor Road, will be held from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Special evening hours will be Wednesday from 3:30-7:30 p.m. Fiction and non-fiction books will be available, all reading levels. Open to the public.

• **HOLIDAY NATURE PRESERVE** Wednesday, March 15 — The Holiday Nature Preserve general meeting with guest speaker Jim Rexus, from the Geology Department at Schoolcraft College, will be held at 7 p.m. in Churchill High School, Livonia. The topic is "Geology, Mythology, Just the Facts!" For more information, call 453-3833.

• **ICE CAPEDES** Saturday, March 16 — The Canton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a family trip to the Ice capades. The bus leaves Canton

Township Administration building parking lot at 10:45 a.m. for the noon performance, returning approximately at 2:45. The theme for this year's performance is "Return to Romance," starring Olympic skaters Jill Watson and Peter Oppegard, the California Raisins and many more stars. Call 397-5110 for further information.

• **FREE TAX ASSISTANCE**

Thursday, March 16 — IRS representatives will be at the Canton Public Library, 1200 S. Canton Center Road, from 6-8 p.m. to help local residents fill out their tax returns. Community Outreach is free and open to the public. If you plan to attend, bring your tax forms, booklets, Form W-2 statements, records of interest, dividends, tip and unemployment income. If you itemize, bring records of medical expenses, contributions, interest expense, taxes, union dues and other deductible items. For more information, call 397-0999.

Attorney fees on rise

Township attorney fees are rising in Canton.

Three attorneys represent the township in labor negotiations. Two are increasing their rates from \$95 hourly to \$110 hourly and the third is raising his rates from \$85 hourly to \$100 hourly.

The firm of Fitzgerald, Hodgman, Cox, Cawthorne & McMahon has represented the township since 1979.

"At the time we started our relationship, we kept our rates low in order to permit the township an opportunity to evaluate the quality of our services," according to a letter from

Gilbert Cox Jr. to Dan Durack, township personnel director.

"Although there have been a few rate adjustments in the succeeding years, they have been outstripped by the cost of providing our services and the experience level of our personnel," Cox said.

The board of trustees last week unanimously approved the rate increase.

The township hires other firms for specialized legal work including cases dealing with zoning and planning, as well as general litigation and advice.

Guitarist to perform

A Dutch guitarist who plays classical French compositions and sings in English are ingredients of a musical presentation by musician Albert van Amstel, scheduled to entertain Friday at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria at Plymouth Salem High School.

Amstel, who first toured the Unit-

'Cinderella' ballet comes to Canton on Saturday

The classic ballet "Cinderella" will be performed Saturday by the Livonia Civic Ballet Company.

Performances will be at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. in Plymouth Canton High, 8415 Canton Center Road south of Joy in Canton. Tickets are \$5.

The ballet will be danced to the traditional music of Sergei Prokofiev.

Professional dancer/choreographer Peter Pawlyshyn of the Nevada State Ballet has restaged the ballet exclusively for the Livonia Civic Ballet Company.

The ballet company was established in 1970 by artistic director Jean Newell to give young dancers in southeast Michigan the chance to perform in as close to a professional

atmosphere as possible.

Today Newell and co-director Dawn Greene uphold this tradition not only by teaching dancers classical ballets like "Cinderella" but by offering them the chance to work with modern choreographers and learn contemporary dance works.

By providing a wide array of dance, said Newell, the company is able to offer its dancers the chance to experience the various facets of their art.

Pawlyshyn studied Ukrainian dance in New York and trained in Kiev, Ukraine in the Soviet Union.

For 10 years he toured with the Rusalka Ukrainian Dance Ensemble as a dancer, instructor, and artistic director.

Instructor seeks the actor in every student

By C. L. Rugenstein
staff writer

When she starts talking about theater, especially about firing up young people to love it as she does, Ju Juan Taylor is in constant motion. Taylor, the newest member of Schoolcraft College's communications arts department, was enthusiastic as she spoke about her vision to make drama a part of every student's school experience.

"I'm very fortunate to be in the discipline of drama and communication," she said, and as far as her students go — both high school and college, "the thirst is there overwhelmingly" for drama and its benefits.

"It's a marvelous educational tool," she said.

She quoted the definition of an ancient dramatist Horace, that the purpose of drama is to "teach and delight."

Drama enables students to teach a lesson to large groups of people, as well as giving the student a chance to role play, Taylor said. And in her opinion, role-playing may be an "absolute must for the growth and development of students as persons."

"It's a release, a purging of feelings," said Taylor, who joined the Schoolcraft faculty as an instructor in January. "The student needs to let go and express feelings" like athletes who do runs, or sit-ups. "The soul needs the same exercise," she said.

"TAYLOR KNOWS from experience about students and their 'over-

whelming thirst" for the experience of drama. A Detroit high school teacher for 12 years, Taylor started a theater company at Mackenzie High School that won acclaim and the opportunity to perform with the University of Detroit's drama department. She also has taught speech and drama in Bloomfield Hills Public Schools.

"It was the first time a Detroit high school had ever performed in a professional setting with college theater majors," she said. During the course of the company's existence they participated in forensics competitions sponsored by Wayne State University and at the state level, scoring "super" for three years, Taylor said.

"Taylor, who lives in Southfield, also scored super when she was twice-named one of Detroit's best teachers during that period.

She did not go easy on the high school kids because they were young and inexperienced. She required them to study the classics — Aristotle, Horace, and Shakespeare. Colleagues were amazed that Taylor's students could write papers about Bertolt Brecht, a German playwright and poet, she said.

You have to know the beginnings of drama to know where it's going today and tomorrow," she said.

Taylor isn't just producing actors, or giving students a chance to get rid of surplus feelings. The bottom line, she said, "is to produce critics, who understand criticism and theory."

Not that the world needs more

critics, but there's a certain kind of analytical thinking involved in criticism, Taylor explained.

"Drama critics are people who understand classics and how they relate to happenings of importance today, and how we feel," she said.

"Students who've studied and analyzed the greats can dig inside (themselves) and think about what they had to say," she added.

In fact, that was one of the comments on Taylor's first evaluation as a teacher at Schoolcraft. Said one student in an evaluation sheet turned in to Lawrence Ordowski, head of the department: "She knows how to dig inside, to think of wonderful quotes, philosophies . . . and try to share with students."

Another thought she was "in touch with the way students go about their lives," and seems to bring out the best in them.

It's a quality she got from her father, Taylor said. Though he died when she was 15, he was always encouraging and assuring her.

"He consistently gave me strokes from the time he got home (from work)," she said.

HER MOTHER is her best friend and mentor now, Taylor said. During her days at St. Theresa Elementary School and St. Martin de Porres High School her mother was very strict but made sure Taylor had all the extras — ballet, piano, and drama.

"She enforced education tremendously," Taylor said.

Taylor is well-traveled education-

ally, having received her bachelor's degree from Mercy College, her master's from the University of Detroit, and just recently her doctorate in theater from Michigan State University.

"I have a need to connect with youth and growth," she said, "to take the discipline to its highest level."

Asked if she'd like to start another drama company, she laughed and said "That's Jim's (James Hartman, Schoolcraft's assistant professor of theater) territory." If she starts another company, it will probably be with her children's class at Margrove College in Detroit, where she teaches theater arts dynamics on Saturdays.

Although she loves teaching, she took a brief leave from it this past summer.

"I tried to get away to see what else I might want to do," she explained.

She worked with Esther Gordy Edwards, sister of Motown founder Berry Gordy, helping to get the Motown Museum ready for opening. She found that the business world wasn't for her.

"It was a wonderful experience. I went to some wonderful places, and it was great," she said. "But then I said — I'm not teaching. I missed it."

Taylor smiled, then said, "I will always be an educator."



Ju Juan Taylor, the newest member of Schoolcraft College's communications arts department, believes that drama "is a marvelous educational tool."

Levin: Dispute on Tower won't harm president

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

Controversy surrounding former Texas Sen. John Tower's nomination as U.S. Defense Secretary won't cause long term political damage to the president, Michigan Sen. Carl Levin said.

President Bush will escape unharmed from the controversial nomination because of the president's status as a well-liked Washington insider, Levin predicted.

"If it were someone else, then, yes, there might be a problem," Levin said. "But this thing will be forgotten once it's over."

Levin's comments came during a breakfast appearance Monday before the Livonia and Westland chambers of commerce and one day after Tower charged Democrats, including Levin, with using the nominating process as a tool to weaken the Bush presidency.

Charges of womanizing, excessive drinking and potential conflict of interest dogged Tower almost as soon as he was nominated.

Levin, who opposed Tower's nomination during hearings before the Senate Armed Services Committee, said he initially planned to vote in Tower's favor.

"I EVEN had the letter ready indicating why I would choose to support him," Levin said.

The senator said he changed his mind after reading confidential FBI reports of "excessive drinking" on Tower's part as well as learning about an apparent conflict of interest surrounding Tower's involvement with defense contractors.

Reports of Tower's problems with alcohol were especially damaging in light of the military's crackdown on drug and alcohol abuse, Levin said.

"The standard our military has is very high," he said. "As (Armed Services Committee chairman) Sam Nunn said, Sen. Tower couldn't even be appointed a unit leader with his record."

Levin also said he was uncomfortable with Tower's relationship with the defense industry. Tower had served as a paid consultant to defense contractors.

"AS A member of our negotiating team in Geneva, he knew what our true bargaining goals were," he said. "And our true goals were very close by held. Even Congress wasn't fully aware."

Levin, however, levied no criticism at the president himself. In fact he praised Bush's handling of the situation.

"He hasn't made this a partisan issue," Levin said.

In an appearance the day before on the CBS-TV news program "Face the Nation," Tower charged the



Sen. Carl Levin opposes Tower nomination

nomination had become secondary to a power struggle between the president and Senate Democrats.

Tower supporters accused Democratic senators of conducting a witch hunt against their man by using FBI reports not available for public scrutiny.

Levin acknowledged the process of making accusations from non-public government files has also proved controversial, he said that problem could be avoided with future nominees.

"The administration needs to make a threshold judgment about letting witnesses come forth to speak to potentially damaging information contained in the files," Levin said.

He added the allegations against Tower came from "credible, recognizable" sources.

Despite the Tower controversy, Levin said the president has enjoyed a cordial relationship with Congress.

"President Bush is off to a fast start, at least in terms of his relationship with Congress," he said. "Unlike President Reagan, he sees a role for government in solving the nation's problems. It might not be a big role, but his (Bush's) views more closely correspond with those of Congress."

On other issues: Levin said it was time for America's European and Asian allies to begin paying more for their own defense.

"We are holding the security umbrella for countries that are cleaning our clock," he said.

The senator said "shared sacrifice" could help bring down the nation's budget deficit.

Freezing government programs for a year and raising revenue from sources other than the federal income tax could effectively reduce U.S. debt, he said.

ACT workshop offered

High school students and others preparing for college are invited to attend an ACT test preparation workshop beginning 9 a.m. Saturday, March 16 at Schoolcraft College.

Participants will meet in small classes to take practice tests. Additional information is available by calling the college learning assistance center, 462-4458. Schoolcraft is at 18800 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia.

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There was plenty of food — and variety — at the Geer School Gourmet Gala.

photos by BILL BRESLER/staff photographer



Dave and Emilia Palmer sample pastries provided by Italian Cucina.

A fund-raiser in good taste

Gourmets gather for Geer

Several hundred connoisseurs of fine food gathered in an unlikely spot — Don Massey Cadillac — last weekend to raise money for the historic Geer School restoration.

Chefs from several restaurants in metropolitan Detroit provided samples of cuisine that more than lived up to the event's billing as a gourmet gala.

The fund-raiser will help turn the one-room schoolhouse into a working laboratory where children of the Plymouth-Canton schools will spend a week experiencing life during the 1880s.

Participants at the gala queued up to tables containing such delicacies as filet of salmon, forcé duck, chicken breast prosciutto and roasted red pepper fettucini.

An assortment of pastries, sorbets and ice cream also was available for sampling.

Background music was provided by students from Pioneer Middle School and Canton and Salem high schools.

A silent auction during the gala also netted money for the restoration effort.

Approximately \$13,000 was raised from the event, organizers reported.

Earlene and Jim Bonadeo share a bite.



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Local groups join St. Pat's parade

Shamrocks will be blooming on Michigan Avenue Sunday when the 31st annual St. Patrick's Day Parade kicks off at 2 p.m.

Rain, snow or shine, 100 award-winning bands, marching units and floats will step off at Michigan and Third Street, proceeding one mile to 14th Street.

The Birmingham Chrysler Celtic Pipes and Drums will join the Irish Setter Club of Michigan, Irish step dancers, the Ballet Folklórico of Corktown, Great Lakes White German Shepherd Club of Redford Township, O'Hare School of Irish Dance of Plymouth, Clowns Around Redford, Domino's Pizza ponies, Irish wolfhounds from three states and a host of others on Sunday.

MARCHING BANDS from Troy and Redford Union High schools will be featured along with marching units from Dunleavy's Pub & Grub of Farmington, Monaghan Knights of Columbus in Livonia, the McCusker Family marchers and float of Westland and Donovan's Country Store of Farmington. Charing his 14th parade will be Michael Sullivan, of Farmington Hills.

Owner and president of Waterville Construction in Farmington, Sullivan is affectionately known among the Irish community as "West Side Red."

The Rev. Thomas Duffey and Sister Mary Watson of St. Patrick's Senior Center in the Cass Corridor, are this year's grand marshals.

Michael Sullivan, chairman

Duffey and Watson will lead the parade, expected to draw more than 150,000 spectators.

Joining Cullen on the Maid of Erin court are Katherine Maye of Livonia, a student at Madonna College, and Anne Marie Stanton of Dearborn, a student at Fordson High School.

HEADING UP the Court of St. Brigid is Margaret Mary Cleary of Brighton. Court members are Ann Marie Houlihan of St. Clair Shores and Jennifer Prater of Milford.

"Celebrating the Heart of the Irish in the Heart of Detroit" is this year's parade theme.

The purpose of the parade is to honor the patron saint of Ireland and to emphasize the contributions made by the Irish people to our nation and to our community," said Eileen Finn, parade organizer.

Duffey and Sister Watson epitomize the theme of this year's parade said Finn.

Their work at St. Patrick's in Detroit includes a shelter, soup kitchen, senior center and numerous community outreach programs.

WITH HELP from suburban parishes, Duffey and Sister Watson care for the elderly and poor at St. Patrick's Senior Center.

"No question, Father Duffey and Sister Mary Watson personify the heart of the Irish," said Sullivan, parade chairman.

"Their lives are dedicated to giving to the poor, the unfortunate and the underdogs."

Duffey, ordained in 1949, has worked in Wayne County for 39 years. For the past 11 years, he has been the pastor of St. Patrick's Church.

Sister Watson, a Highland Park native, entered the Racine Dominican Order in 1950. A dietician, she worked with senior citizens in Wisconsin and Nebraska before coming to Detroit.

She transformed an abandoned, rundown high school into the thriving center that today assists hundreds of senior citizens.

She also refurbished a dilapidated motel in the Cass Corridor and to 25 homeless men who live there.

"She is like the Mother Teresa of Detroit," said Finn.

State Rep. Michael Bennane, D-Detroit, and state Sen. John Kelly, D-Detroit, are honorary chairmen of this year's parade.

St. Patrick's Week activities officially get under way at noon Friday when Maid of Erin Anne Marie Cullen and the grand marshals paint shamrocks on Michigan Avenue at Rosa Parks Boulevard near Reedy's Place.

Sponsoring the parade is the United Irish Society, an umbrella group of 19 Irish-American organizations.

Pre-parade activities include the Corktown races, a 4-mile run, 1-mile walk and 1/4-mile run/walk to be held at 12:30 p.m. All three races begin at Tiger Stadium and finish at the parade reviewing stand. For run/walk registration information, call 544-9099.

CPR course scheduled March 14, 16 at S'craft

A CPR course is being offered 6-10 p.m. Tuesday, March 14 and Thursday, March 16 at Schoolcraft College.

CPR, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, is a widely-used life saving technique. The course teaches participants to use CPR in emergency situations involving breathing diffi-

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They include: Daniel Piercecchi, Livonia, chairman; Nedra Jenkins, Plymouth, vice chairman; Arthur Sippola, Livonia, treasurer and Kay Doman, Livonia, secretary.

Schoolcraft College Trustee Harry Greenleaf, also of Livonia, was elected local representative to the GOP state committee. His wife, Au-

drey, was elected vice chairwoman of the 2nd Congressional District Republican Committee, a group that also represents Republicans in Branch, Hillsdale, Jackson, Lenawee and Washtenaw counties.

Others elected to the overall district committee include: Donald and Janet Spregel of Plymouth Township, Barbara Tounignant and Thaddeus McCotter of Livonia and Gregory Dawson of Northville Township.

Secretaries group offers \$250 scholarship at SC

A new \$250 Schoolcraft College scholarship is being offered through the Professional Secretaries International, Town and Country Chapter.

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Senate blocks school tax plan

By Tim Richard
staff writer

All seven Observer & Eccentric area state senators Wednesday voted against placing a school tax reform plan on the ballot as the Senate twice rejected it by narrow margins.

But supporters vowed to try again — perhaps as early as today — to place the massive plan before voters. They have until March 16 to get the plan on a May 16 special election.

"The problem is the high property tax," said Sen. Doug Cruce, R-Troy, summing up the feelings of most suburban senators that the proposal tried to solve two problems (with the proposal) — equalize school funding and high property taxes. We can't do it. It's a confusion to voters, at best; a deception at worst."

BUT THERE were signs that 26 votes — two-thirds of the 38 members — actually favor placing the plan before voters. Wednesday's votes were 21-14 and 22-14.

Senate Democratic leader Art Miller of Warren publicly asked majority leader John Engler of Mount Pleasant to deliver 13 Republican votes in exchange for 13 Democratic votes. "We ask him to put up 13 votes. We get a little wisdom: since walking the plank in 1983," said Miller, referring to the Democratic-supported income tax increase that resulted in the recall of two Democratic senators.

Countered GOP floor leader Phil Arthurs of Whitehall. "There are 15 votes for it in the minority

(Democratic) caucus. There are only 12 votes for it in the Republican caucus. We know all three (Democratic senators) off the floor are yes votes, and two who voted no are yes votes."

Sen. Rudy Nichols, R-Waterford, who opposed the measure, called Miller's remarks "offensive, misleading, insulting, obnoxious, repugnant."

THE SO-CALLED Nye-Oxender plan, named for two rural Republican state representatives who sponsored it, would raise the sales tax two cents, yielding \$1.6 billion, and cut school operating taxes \$1.1 billion — an average of one-third statewide.

In addition, it would allow statewide collection of part of the property tax, resulting in tax base sharing between rich and poor school districts. It would give all districts more money, but poorer districts would be raised most.

Sen. R. Robert Geake, R-Northville, voted no because "people would pay \$368 million more in sales taxes than they get back in property taxes. It's a tax hike, not just a tax shift." In addition, he said, Michiganians would pay \$95 million more in federal income taxes because the higher sales tax wouldn't be deductible from taxable income, while property taxes are.

Sen. William Faust, D-Westland, unsuccessfully sought amendments to protect Taylor and Westland. Sen. George Z. Hart, D-Dearborn, whose district includes Garden City, voted no but did not speak except to introduce a city official in the gallery.

SMART seeks cash for aging buses

By Tim Richard
staff writer

SMART, the new suburban transit system, will seek \$5 million from the federal government to replace some of the fleet's aging buses.

"Monies were diverted from line buses to the (downtown Detroit) People Mover. The average years left went down from eight years to two years," said Ben Gianpetroni, a Macomb County staff member.

Gianpetroni, SMART board chairman Patrick Nowak and general manager Albert Martin told Oakland County's general government committee last week how cost overruns on the People Mover not only drained capital from the suburban system but gave the region a bad name in Washington.

SMART, BY state law, is the successor of SEMTA, the Southeastern Michigan Transportation Authority. As the officials told it, SEMTA budgeted the People Mover, a 2.7 mile elevated electric car line circling Detroit's downtown, at \$137 million. "It came in at \$200 million," said Martin, who became SEMTA's general manager late in that period.

"SEMTA had to commit the capital costs. We were prohibited from even applying (to Washington) for capital funds (for buses) in 1982-3-4-5."

Eventually, SEMTA turned over the People Mover project to the city of Detroit. Last year the Michigan Legislature dissolved SEMTA, created a small umbrella agency called the Regional Transit Commission, and left Detroit to run its system and SMART to run suburban buses.

DESCRIBING how federal Urban Mass Transit Authority (UMTA) officials greeted him, Martin said, "I used to get beaten up."

But he said SMART chairman



SMART board chairman Patrick Nowak an active Republican, 'has good standing with President Bush's Administration.'

Nowak, a deputy Oakland County executive and active Republican, "has good standing with President Bush's Administration."

"I'm optimistic. Until we put a different face on our governing board, we couldn't get anywhere with the administration. Now there are some real possibilities."

Nowak saw no major revenue increases on the horizon. "Bush will tighten even more than Reagan. And there will be no big expansion of state funding."

But he said the new SMART

board, which took over last month, "wrote out \$2 million from administration expenses" to use on bus service.

Gianpetroni added the SMART board will not ask taxpayers for new money "until it satisfies itself it has made the most effective use of the present money."

SEMTA WAS an umbrella agency for the seven-county region, receiving \$90 million in federal operating grants. It kept \$31 million to run suburban buses and service to downtown Detroit and passed the rest on to the city of Detroit.

SMART, which stands for Suburban Mobility Authority Rapid Transit, has a fleet of 200 buses. Because of the recession and federal aid cuts Gianpetroni said, the suburbs saw bus service scaled back 50 percent in 1982-3.

But the suburbs need bus service, he went on. During the 1980s, daily work trips have declined from western Wayne County to Detroit and from Macomb County to Detroit, but they have increased within Oakland County, within western Wayne County, within Macomb County and between Macomb and Oakland counties.

Meanwhile, in the economic recovery of the last six years, the suburbs have gained 527,000 jobs — 231,000 in Oakland, 126,500 in suburban Wayne and 126,500 in Macomb.

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Rehabilitation

Substance abuse home will help

CANTON TOWNSHIP is looking at approving the expansion of a home to house up to 12 women who are recovering from substance abuse.

The board didn't approve the addition but is expected to when language governing the home's zoning is straightened out.

We hope the township quickly approves the project.

That would send a positive message to people like Jo-Ann Brown. She's a substance abuse counselor who is asking the township to allow her to expand her home, which is on the north side of Michigan Avenue between Sheldon and Morton Taylor.

That expanded home would be a stepping stone for women who have had problems with substance abuse. It would give them a toe hold in the community and a place from which to go back to work and to get their personal lives in order.

BROWN SAYS that substance abusers need a drug-free residence with a family atmosphere in order to make it. "When you come into a home where everyone is recovering, you automatically get the support," she said.

We not only agree that a home setting is the best place for recovering drug abusers, we feel that that theory should be extended to the community.

Drug abuse surrounds us, and too often our society seems to want to bust the pushers but forget about those hooked on drugs or alcohol.

Our society helped create drug abuse, so we all should be responsible for trying to help its victims.

Part of that responsibility involves providing treatment facilities in communities where those suffering from drug abuse live. Not all alcoholics are skid row residents, nor are those who abuse drugs. They are our friends and neighbors.

WE ARE pointing this out because often when people attempt to turn homes into refuges for

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persons with problems that range from drug dependency to spouse abuse, neighbors object. They don't want people they perceive as different in the neighborhood.

We hope that no such objections arise over Brown's proposal.

Brown's request to remodel her home to allow more people to live in it comes at the same time that drug officials have confiscated at least one home in Canton in connection with a drug raid.

And although there isn't a system to allow officials to turn such houses over for use as drug recovery homes, we think somebody should take a look at doing it.

In its war on drugs the federal government is confiscating things like houses, boats and cars owned by drug dealers. Those items are sold and the money is used to finance the war.

However, we'd like to see some of those proceeds used to help finance the recovery of drug addicts. If there is no demand for drugs, then the system that supplies those drugs dies.

While Brown will have to finance the expansion of her own safe society that would tap into the money made from the illegal drug trade to finance the recovery of that trade's victims.

Home ownership

Blanchard serves up good idea

OWNING your own home.

From the quaint colonial of Plymouth to the brick ranches of Southfield to the newest subdivisions of Rochester Hills, that part of the American dream has been the driving force for generations of suburbanites.

For many Detroiters in the years immediately following World War II, the desire for a home on a nice-sized chunk of land at an affordable price was the motivation for leaving the city in which they grew up.

The communities in western Wayne and Oakland counties were their destination. Urban flight from crime and the resulting suburban congestion didn't come along until much later.

But the newest generation of potential suburban homeowners — people in their late 20s and early 30s who grew up in the suburbs — may never know the satisfaction of having a place that is truly "their own."

Their quest for a home at an affordable price is being done in by the economic realities of the late 1980s. For many, their parents' dream has become a pipe dream.

THAT IS WHY we support continuation of a full tax deduction for mortgage interest. And that is why, although we have some reservations about the specifics, we believe Gov. James Blanchard's HOST (Home Ownership Savings Trust) plan for first-time home buyers is a good idea.

Both these measures will help keep home ownership an attainable goal for suburban residents.

The steep rise in housing prices since the early 1970s — outstripping wage gains and even the general rate of inflation by a nearly 2-1 margin — has cut deeply into the pocketbooks of most people. The \$30,000 home in 1970 would today sell for close to \$90,000. Unfortunately, the people who could afford that home in 1970, can now only afford a home in the \$60,000 range. These people are being "priced out" of many suburban homes.

The nationwide home ownership rate among 25-29-year-olds has decreased by 7.5 percent since 1980, according to a home construction trade journal survey. The rate for 30-34-year-olds is down by 8 percent. In fact, the rate for all age groups has dropped despite the fact that the economy is headed into its seventh consecutive year of expansion.

With interest rates headed back up the ladder

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— the prime lending rate was increased to 11 1/2 percent last week — even more potential first-time home buyers are going to be pushed into renewing their apartment leases.

NOW IS CERTAINLY not the time for Congress to be monkeying with the tax deduction for mortgage interest, although there are some legislators who are considering just that. They believe cutting the amount of deductible interest is one way to tame the federal budget deficit.

While we applaud any effort on behalf of the deficit problem, cutting the mortgage interest deduction isn't feasible in light of the current economy. It would only manage to freeze more first-time home buyers — who use the deduction to help pay property taxes and other ownership expenses not incurred as renters — out of the picture.

The HOST plan, meanwhile, is another step in the right direction. Under the plan, first-time home buyers in Michigan would be able to save for a down payment by socking away a small portion each month with the state government for three to 10 years.

The state would invest the money in treasury bills and interest accumulated in the account would be tax-free.

At the end of the specified period, the state would guarantee a 10-percent down payment toward a house in a pre-chosen neighborhood, regardless of how much housing costs have increased.

The plan is similar to the Michigan Education Trust proposal the state introduced last year to help parents pay future college tuition costs.

There are pitfalls. Should housing costs rise at a meteoric rate, all Michigan taxpayers would have to foot a portion of the bill for those enrolled in the program.

But we feel the benefit of such a program — helping the current generation and future generations of suburban residents to buy their own home — outweighs the risk.



Democracy makes sense

even on the silliest days

YOU'VE JUST got to wonder what the Soviet children staying in Birmingham think of what they've seen in the last week or so.

Oh, I'm not talking about the drugs, the crime or other maladies that commonly afflict societies around the world.

No, I'm talking about the mixed signals they see coming out of this democratic republic when it comes to free speech.

After examining a few incidents this past week in our suburbs, it's no wonder that folks of the conservative ilk never cease to confound the leftist mind — especially the minds of leftists who just now are winning the battle for free speech in their country.

In Bloomfield Hills we have Terry Rakolta, populist star of sorts who is taking a chapter out of the Ayn Rand's book of bad manners by seeking to get a television show taken off the air.

Her tactic: Put the public opinion squeeze on advertisers for promoting their products during a program called "Married... With Children," aired locally on Channel 50.

Bringing her the most notoriety was Coca-Cola's vow to keep a better tab (no pun intended) on that program's content and a firm promise to a threat to withdraw sponsorship totally.

from our readers

Vulgar language
offends reader

To the editor:

I recently saw the movie "The January Man." Upon reflection, I wondered why it was given an "R" rating. There wasn't one gun fired, the main character didn't have a gun. The only physical violence was when the serial strangler was going after his next victim, and the final fight down many flights of stairs.

The reason this movie received an "R" rating was for the one explicit bedroom scene I think the promotional people put this scene in to draw an adult audience. Also the "F" word was used excessively throughout this movie.

I believe society has accepted this word as no longer being vulgar. The everyday use seems to have made it the "word" of the current day and age, but it still is offensive to me.

There are also some very distasteful songs being played on the radio. Not to mention on MTV. I wish I could do something to let the network know how much violence and vulgarity is unnecessary to produce quality movies, videos, TV and radio programs. How far will it go before we realize we are letting our youth be "brainwashed" into accepting a "soft porn" society?

What can I do to help stop this from happening? I think it takes a very strong sense of self-esteem to be able to say, "This has gone far enough." I would like to know if there are any organizations I could

DOWN THE road in Farmington Hills we have businessman Patrick Anderson, who is seeking to pry information out of the Farmington School District. So reluctant were public officials to fork over the information that Anderson has been forced to use the Freedom of Information Act to obtain the data to which he has a perfect right.

Unlike Rakolta, he is without allies in the soft drink industry.

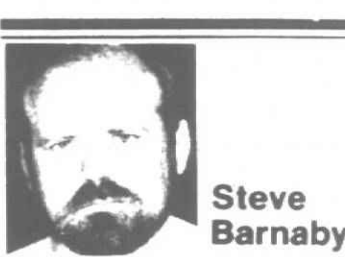
Readers should note that Anderson, an Alexander Hamilton Life Insurance Co. executive, is working closely with Richard Headlee, conservative standard bearer.

ON THE one hand we have a conservative seeking to suppress free thought and, on the other, we have conservatives trying to obtain information that is being suppressed by a government body.

As a leftist who has lived all his life in a country that has gone to great pains in maintaining most forms of free speech, I feel obligated to unravel this mysterious contradiction for our guests from the Soviet Union.

Please understand, glasnost or not, the battle for free speech is often delineated by the equation "money + power = influence."

NO MATTER how much a country develops the traditions and laws that reinforce a right to free expression, citizens must always stand guard



Steve Barnaby

against those who would rather censor ideas and information.

The guarantee of free speech is on paper, the execution of the guarantee comes from the hearts of those who have the courage to defend it.

Fear of information transcends ideology — left, right or center. When we are out of a fear of embarrassment, loss of power or threat to lifestyle, the results are the same.

Certainly, you, my Soviet friends, understand how and why governments suppress information. You've lived with that for many years. Government's in this country are often the same.

One big difference of course, is that in America Coca-Cola sometimes has more to say about what should and shouldn't be expressed than does the government.

That's called free enterprise.

Steve Barnaby is managing editor of the 12 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Society is hooked on TV

To the editor:

I have read, with great interest, your series on education, focusing on the Michigan MEAP test scores. I have enjoyed the comments from our leaders in education in various communities, and how most of them directed the blame to the difficulty factor of the tests. Steve Barnaby's column provoked more thoughts.

Now it's my turn, and if anybody who reads this sees the problem as I do, speak up before it's too late.

I received my education in the 1950s and early '60s. We bought a TV when I was 11 and I was hooked. My whole family was hooked. "The Honeymooners," "I Love Lucy," Ed Sullivan and Walter Cronkite prevailed over Monopoly, chess, Scrabble and family outings.

Television, however wholesome it was then, has dramatically changed our society, our nation, our leaders and our classrooms.

Now, I do not watch much TV. But my kids do. I try to monitor their choices, but I work, and it's hard. When I do watch with them, I try to discuss the things I see that offend me, but they just think I am odd.

I grew up respecting the Ten Commandments and the Golden Rule — I still do. Kids today respect money, good looks, sarcastic humor, sex ap-

peal; and the people they imitate are actors, rock stars and sometimes athletes.

The kids who don't, where parents try to focus on a more moral lifestyle, are under tremendous pressure from their peers to conform.

In our classrooms, school teachers use lots of TV to reinforce their studies. In November, my son, a seventh grader, watched for two weeks a study on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. How many times he saw this great man shot makes me sick to my stomach. Finally a permission note was needed to watch the autopsy on President Kennedy's wounds to the skull. My son was furious when I sent back a big no. Turned out I was the only parent who did.

Right now, we have TV addicts raising and teaching more TV addicts.

The only solution I can see is a personal boycott, by each and everyone of us who care. We can no longer turn the other cheek. We must make demands on the industry to change their product or simply stop buying.

I know I have only touched the tip of the iceberg on this, and you do, too. We must get morality back into our homes and our classrooms. Cable television, VCR and TV companies, video stores are all flourishing. How about our kids? Are they flourishing?

It's time to turn off the TV, get off the couch and do something else. Take your concerns to your legislators, your PTAs, write letters — make demands. One television in Westland is not enough to make a difference.

Laurel Rainsane, Westland

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points of view

Open enrollment lets parent select school

Q: What is meant by open enrollment?

A: Open enrollment, in general, means that parents have the right to pick the school they wish their child to go to within the school district.

Originally I did not believe in this concept, but after having worked in two school districts with open enrollment, I am convinced that it is the appropriate way to address certain issues.

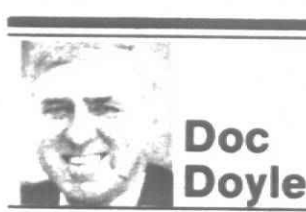
For instance, if parents can't stand a particular principal, teacher or program in a certain elementary building, they have the right to move that child to another elementary building. Conversely, it can be a break for the building principal and/or teacher who could be very competent. But for some reason there exists such a personality conflict between the parent and/or principal and/or teacher it rubs off negatively on the child.

IN AN EXTREME case, I knew of one child who was an emotional basket case in the third grade, having been labeled a "wimp" by his peers. This child was moved to another elementary school where his reputation was not known and where he blossomed into a well-adjusted, bright child with a healthy self-image. The change can't be totally attributed to a school change but I believe it played a major role.

However, caution should be exercised in districts with two or more high schools.

If one high school has a great high school football team or outstanding marching band and the other high school does not, subtle recruiting could occur. Recruiting commitment needs to be made by teachers, coaches or band leaders at the outset.

Open enrollment usually has some restrictions. In most cases, the parent must furnish the transportation for the child to the other school.



Doc Doyle
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Open enrollment is not a cure all, but it does resolve some situations to the benefit of all parties. The number of parents who take the option usually is less than 1 percent because most children and young adults don't want to leave their neighborhood or classroom friends for football, band or for whatever reason.

Dr. James Doyle is an associate superintendent in the Troy School District. The answers provided here are the opinions of Doyle and not the Troy School District. Questions for this column should be sent to Doc Doyle c/o the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

keeping up with government

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Women still waiting for 'potty parity' here

THIS IS about toilets, so giggle now, get it over with, and let's get down to serious business.

Penny Wright and I had occasion to toast state government — unfortunately, not Michigan's — for a progressive improvement in the matter of women's restrooms in public buildings.

Virginia's new "potty parity" law took effect March 1. It says that women's restrooms must have two toilets for every one in the men's restroom.

The Virginia Legislature took note of a college study that found "women take longer — 2 1/4 to 3 minutes compared with 84 seconds for men — because of clothing restrictions, because there's no time-saving female equivalent of a urinal and because they often must attend to small children as well as themselves," according to wire service reports.

SHUCKS, THAT'S what Penny was writing about three years ago.

You remember her Our Land features on trash, conservation and toxic wastes. The Michigan Audubon Society picked her as top environmental writer of the year.

Wright was a free-lancer, writing for us and a raft of trade magazines on a per-article basis. I am pleased to report she recently took a satisfying, full-time position as communications director of Barton Malow Construction Co. in Southfield.

It began in the summer of '85 when she did a feature on Wayne County parks and came up with a 30-year-old photo of a long line outside the women's restroom, noting there was never a long line outside men's rooms.

I had noticed the same thing myself in the Masonic Temple, where the Metropolitan Opera used to hold forth, but I assumed women didn't mind because they didn't squawk about it. Wright was the first person I heard complain.

"Penny's potty project" was born.

HER RESEARCH showed a lot of other places had long lines outside the women's room. Pine Knob was allegedly the worst. Tiger Stadium and Michigan Stadium were pretty bad.

The Joe Louis Arena is terrible. A friend told how, at a Luciano Pavarotti concert, the women rebelled and invaded the men's room, carefully turning their eyes from the gents at the urinal as they paraded fiercely to use the stalls.

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Wright invited women to write to her. They did, and their war stories were pretty explicit and very unpleasant.

We found that architects, mainly men, weren't aware of the problem. We found that women were embarrassed when the subject was brought up until they found we were a serious audience.

Our effort — actually, Penny did the lioness' share of the work — finally produced a meeting with the state Plumbing Board, which writes the code that is reviewed by the honorable members of the Michigan Legislature.

THE CHAIRMAN gave her a sympathetic ear, took her under his wing and gave her friendly advice about how to lobby for changes.

That gave us troubles. One trouble was that she as a free-lance writer and I as a salaried journalist lacked time and freedom to lobby. The other was that area women's groups, obsessed by the abortion issue, failed to pick up the ball and wage war for something that would benefit all women.

"Some women's group could do it, find it an easy victory, and have some credentials under their belt," Wright said.

There the matter rests. Virginia has a proper law. Michigan women still are waiting in long lines.

Tim Richard, political writer and columnist, is the Oakland County editor of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

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County bond rating boosted

Move should save taxpayers' money

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

Wayne County took a half-step up financially Tuesday after a major New York investment firm raised the county's bond rating. But the county is still several strides behind other major metropolitan areas.

Moody's Investors Service Inc. announced it was raising the county bond rating from "ba" to "ba1." The move will reduce the interest paid by county taxpayers on future bond issues.

With a new jail, new morgue and renovated hall of justice on the horizon, the move is seen as saving taxpayers "hundreds of thousands" in interest payments, county officials said.

"THIS IS probably the best news we've had in a long time," said Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara.

The county's rating increased because it now has a balanced budget, McNamara said. Modifications to the county's indigent health care program, long considered a major debt-producer and the county's December 1987 debt payment agreement with the state were also seen as factors.

Even with the increase, the county is far from a sure bet for investors. Its new rating means that bonds' "future cannot be well assured," according to Moody's prospectus.

"What we're saying is that there are still speculative elements but the overall trend is a positive one,"

said Diana Rosulich, Moody's vice president/general manager for the Great Lakes region.

A team of Moody's analysts took a three-day tour of the county in December, McNamara said.

Improvements to Wayne County's bond rating are expected to improve individual ratings among Wayne County municipalities.

"THE REASON our rating isn't better is because of Wayne County's poor rating," said one western Wayne County official who declined to be named. "They pull us down."

Wayne County's bond rating dropped in 1979, when the county instituted payless paydays to avoid a financial crisis. The announcement Tuesday was believed to have

been the first major upgrading of the county's bond rating since then.

Moody's rates bonds from "Aaa" to "C." The lower the rating, the more the county would have to pay in interest to entice investors.

The new rating places the county a half-step below the city of Detroit as a risk to investors.

Livonia and Westland are two full steps ahead. Dearborn and Oakland County are two-and-one-half steps ahead. Kent County, Michigan's top-rated county, is three steps ahead. Bloomfield Hills Schools, given Moody's top "Aaa" rating, is four steps ahead. (For a comparison between Wayne County and other major metropolitan areas, see related chart.)

BOND RATING	BOND RATING	BOND RATING	BOND RATING	BOND RATING	BOND RATING	BOND RATING	BOND RATING	BOND RATING
AAA	AA1	AA	A1	A	baa	ba1	ba	B
Bloomfield Hills Schools	Los Angeles County	Kent County, Michigan	Cook County, Illinois	New York City	Detroit, Michigan	Wayne County-new rating	Wayne County-old rating	Ecorse, Michigan

DAVID FRANK/graphics editor

Where county stands

Here is a comparison between Wayne County bonds and those of other counties, municipalities and school districts as they are ranked by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. Moody's ranks bonds in nine categories, ranging from as high as "Aaa" to as

low as "C." Not all rankings are represented on the chart. Wayne County's new "ba1" ranking indicates its bonds are a better risk than others in the "ba" classification.

WSU reception planned for education school alum

The Wayne State University College of Education Alumni Association will host a reception at 4 p.m. Thursday, March 16, to honor WSU education graduates from 1952-57.

The reception will be in the Alumni House on the Wayne State Campus.

Speakers will include dean Donna Evans, as well as former dean Edward Simpkins.

Refreshments will be served. All graduates of that period are invited. For more information, call the Alumni House, 577-2300.

Schoolcraft seminar to focus on drug-free workplace law

A seminar on the nation's new Drug Free Workplace Act will be held 9 a.m. Thursday, April 6, at Schoolcraft College.

The seminar is designed for business personnel directors, administrators and supervisors. The fee is \$45. The federal act becomes effective

March 18. It requires companies to develop policies to curb drugs in the work place as a condition of receiving federal grants or contracts.

Additional information is available by calling John Chichester, 462-4438. Schoolcraft is at 18600 Haggerty, Livonia.

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Yvonne Raisanen (left), appearing as one of the witnesses, is questioned by Katrina Sinishtaj, appearing as an attorney. Judge James Garber of the 35th District Court keeps the proceedings moving right along.

Trial brings law to life

By Julie Brown
staff writer

Judge James Garber sees his share of capable attorneys in his 35th District Court courtroom.

The students he met with Thursday, March 2, aren't lawyers, but they display considerable legal talent and promise.

The Plymouth Canton High School students were participating in the 1989 Michigan Mock Trial Tournament. Teams of students played the parts of the plaintiff, defendants, witnesses and attorneys.

"They're a little more nervous" than lawyers, Garber said of the students. Even so, they do just fine.

"It does get better each year." This year's competition included five teams of students, said Audrey Etienne, who teaches government and international relations at Canton High School.

THIS IS THE sixth year Centennial Educational Park students have participated in the program, which

Staff photos
by Art Emanuele

is an extracurricular activity. The program is sponsored by the University of Detroit School of Law, The Michigan Law-Related Education Project, Wayne County Neighborhood Legal Services, and the State Bar of Michigan-Youth Legal Education Committee.

The program involves students "and helps them understand how the legal system works," Etienne said. Students interested in studying law have the opportunity to work with lawyers and judges; many local attorneys donate their time, working with the students.

"So it's a chance to work one-on-one with an attorney," she said.

The hypothetical case involves a student at Michigan High School, Pat Roman. On June 8, 1988, Roman's gym bag was searched by a teacher, Terry Wordshaw, who was looking for a missing plaque won by the school's cheerleading squad.

The plaque, discovered missing from a display case at the school, isn't found during the search. Wordshaw does, however, discover a marijuana joint in the gym bag. As a result, Roman is suspended from school.

Roman sues, claiming the search is a violation of the Fourth Amendment prohibition against "unreason-



Judge James Garber keeps a watchful eye on the proceedings at Plymouth Canton High School. Garber has been helping with the mock trial program ever since it started at Centennial Educational Park.

able searches and seizures." The search created considerable embarrassment, Roman claims, due to the fact that personal items were in the gym bag.

GARBER'S ROLE during the competition wasn't so much to rule on the merits of the hypothetical case. Instead, he provided constructive comments for the teams of students, and selected two teams to participate in the state competition March 18 at the City-County Building in Detroit.

"I always enjoy coming up to the high school," said Garber, who speaks to classes throughout the year. "It's fun coming up and talking to the youngsters."

Garber's schedule Thursday also included the preliminary exam for Leonard Tyburski, charged with murdering his wife and placing her body in a freezer.

That sort of case is a once in a lifetime one, said Garber, who's been practicing for more than 30 years. Most court matters are more routine.

He uses the same court rules and rules of evidence during the mock trial that he does in 35th District Court. Garber's not too harsh in dealing with the students, however,

"They've done extremely well. The kids have worked hard on it."

— Judge James Garber
35th District Court

he had no plans last Thursday to hold any students in contempt of court.

Not all of the participants will go on to law school, but the experience will nevertheless serve them well.

"There's nothing that we do in life that isn't of some value later on," Garber said.

THE PROGRAM helps to demystify the court system and legal proceedings, according to Garber.

A survey by the Michigan Supreme Court found that 85 percent of the state's residents get all or most of their information on the court system from TV. Of that number, only 35 percent get their information from news programs; the remainder watch such shows as "Night Court" and "L.A. Law."

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Artrain will visit Plymouth

Artrain, the Michigan-based art museum on a train, is scheduled to make a Plymouth stop later this year.

Artrain will visit Plymouth's Old Village area June 1-4.

The 1989 exhibition, "Treasures of Childhood: 150 Years of American Toys," presents more than 300 of the finest objects from the Lawrence Scripps Wilkinson Collection of Toys.

An affiliate of the Detroit Historical Museum, the Wilkinson Collection is one of the most distinguished of its kind in the United States. The exhibition will be seen throughout the Midwest from April through November.

The opening reception and preview for the Plymouth visit is Wednesday, May 31, with admission by ticket only. The local visit is sponsored by the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

ARTRAIN WILL be open June 1-4 in Plymouth; admission is free. Hours will be 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

"It's really good for the community," said Pam Mincher of Plymouth Township, one of the volunteers working on the project. "It's great for Old Village. They are very supportive of it."

The exhibit of antique toys will be particularly interesting for children, she said.

Artrain last visited Plymouth in April 1987. That year's exhibit, "The Cranbrook Vision: Past and Present," featured treasures from the Cranbrook Academy of Art.

Mincher was serving as arts council president when plans got under way for that visit.

"It was such a success," she said. Many visitors, including students from the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, saw the Cranbrook exhibit that year.

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volunteer

The train first visited Plymouth in the early 1970s. Plymouth was one of the first communities Artrain visited. The visit helped the local arts council become established, Mincher said.

Co-chairwomen for this year's visit are Janie Hunt and Debbie Walter.

ARTRAIN IS accessible to handicapped people. It includes three gallery cars, an artists' studio, demonstration car and a caboose. Visitors who board the train will first see an audiovisual presentation introducing the "Treasures of Childhood."

The galleries will be filled with many toys, including a tin train set from 1875, a turn-of-the-century Uncle Sam mechanical bank, teddy bears and a 1957 original Howdy Doody doll. Visitors will see toy-makers at work in the demonstration car.

Lawrence Scripps Wilkinson is a former buyer and vice president for F.A.O. Schwarz, New York's famous toy store. Portions of the Wilkinson Collection have traveled throughout the country, Europe and Asia.

Since 1971, Artrain has visited more than 250 communities in 28 states. It is supported by the Michigan Council for the Arts, the Michigan Council for the Humanities and the Institute of Museum Services.

Helping

Donated teaching materials will be put to good use

Teaching materials donated to the Community Literacy Council will come in handy.

"It was just such a generous gift," said Sharon Streaan, assistant director of Plymouth-Canton Community Education and secretary of the Community Literacy Council. "We're really envisioning a tremendous use."

The materials were donated by the Plymouth Community United Way through the Gifts in Kinds program.

The brand-new materials will be used by adult students in the adult basic education program and the English as a Second Language program. Children in the ESL program will use the materials as well.

Gifts in Kind Inc. is the national charity created by United Way of America. It helps companies contribute such things as office equipment, clothing, personal care products and medical supplies to non-profit organizations. Those contributions supplement financial support.

THE PLYMOUTH Community United Way is one of only 20 United Ways slated to receive a gift of teaching materials. Gifts in Kind is making a nationwide contribution of materials to help in literacy programs.

Reading kits, a phonic series, instructional materials and others are included in the donation, Streaan said. Some 72 boxes of material were contributed.

Not all of the materials are of the conventional print variety. Audio tapes, filmstrips, flashcards, and computer-aided instruction programs are included.

"They need so many different kinds of reinforcement," she said.

A total of 33 volunteer tutors who work with ESL students recently completed training. Some of those ESL students speak little or no English, she said.

"You just have to have one-to-one help."

That training program was developed by Dorothy Beckman and Connie Kish, Plymouth-Canton Community Education staffers.

"We had awfully good turnout for that," Streaan said. Those tutors work with children and adults in the ESL program.

Those tutors don't need to be able to speak or read another language; skills in English and a willingness to help are the requirements.

In addition to those volunteers, other tutors work with adult basic education students.

"A lot of the materials would work for both groups of people," Streaan said.

SOME 172 STUDENTS in kindergarten through 12th grade are in the bilingual education program, she said, with some 250 adults in the ESL and adult basic education programs. Those numbers mean the donated materials will be put to good use.

Streaan was contacted by Marie Morrow, executive director of the Plymouth Community United Way.

"I didn't even know about Gifts in Kind," Streaan said.

It's difficult to estimate the dollar value of the materials, she said.

"Materials are very expensive, so it's a significant donation. It'll really enhance what we try to do."



Carolyn Burns, (left) president of the Community Literacy Council, and Sharon Streaan look over some of the donated materials.

Streaan is the assistant director of Plymouth-Canton Community Education.

BILL SPESLER/staff photographer

Mock trial brings law to life

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TV's "People's Court" does accurately portray goings-on in a small claims court, Garber said, but most shows don't come that close to courtroom reality. Projects such as the Michigan Mock Trial Tournament help students get a better understanding of the court system.

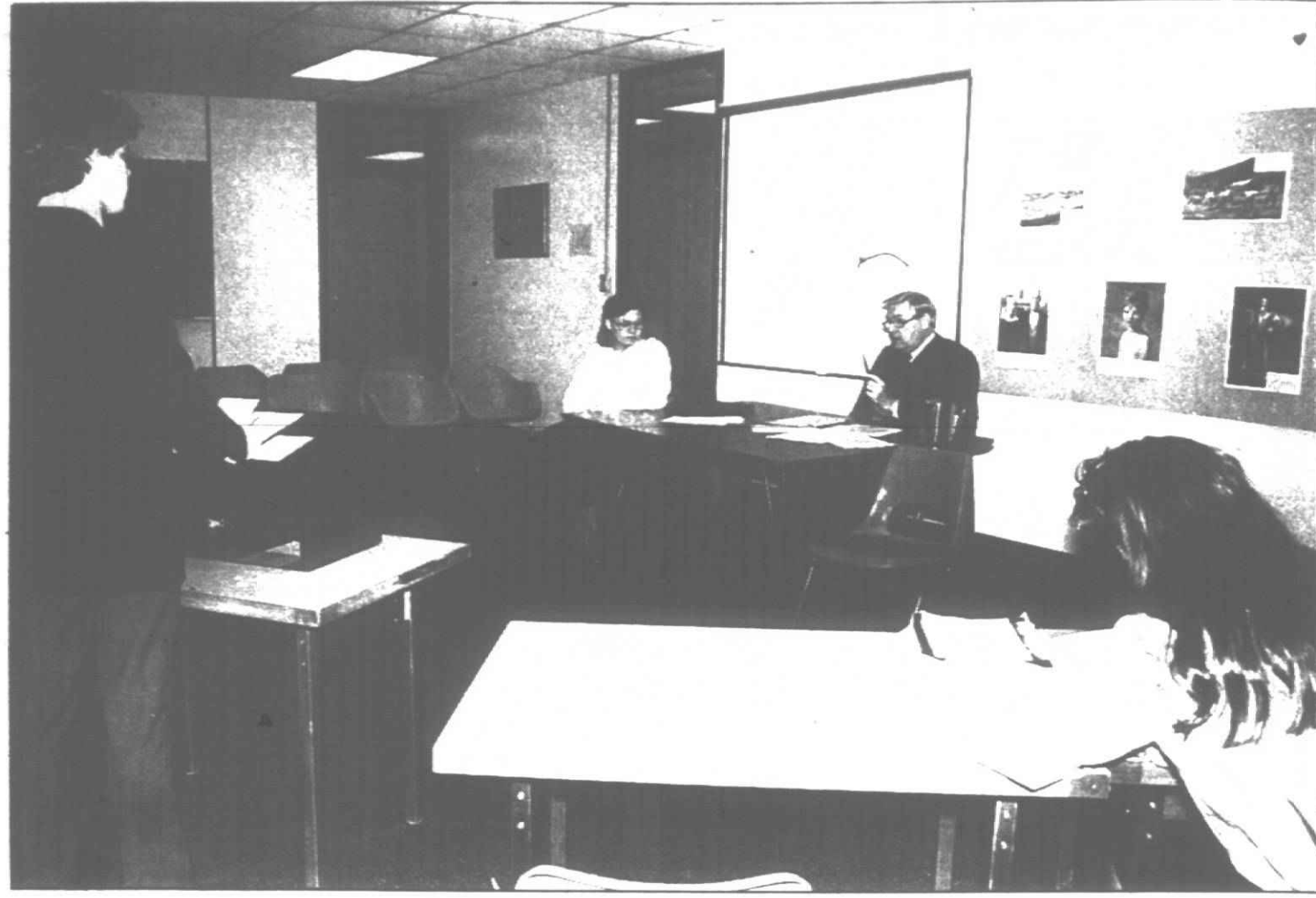
"They've done exceedingly well," he said. "The kids have worked hard on it."

The two teams of four students each — representing the plaintiff and the defendants — will have some practice time before March 18. As in previous years, they'll go to the 35th District Court in Plymouth, to practice in a real courtroom before the big day of the competition.

"I'm getting really into it," said 17-year-old Tanya Szyszko, a senior at Canton. She appeared as one of the defense attorneys.



Student Jim Gallagher appears as an attorney during the mock trial.



Judge James Garber makes a point during the proceedings. Among those listening are students Jim Gallagher and Yvonne Raisanen (seated, center).

clubs in action

FASHION MAGIC

A "Fashion Magic" fashion show will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 9, in the Hellenic Cultural Center of the Sts. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 36375 Joy, Westland. The show is being hosted by the women of the St. Helen Philoptochos Society, and presented and directed by Leah Marks. Cocktails will be served at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m., and the fashion show following. Ticket price is \$25, with all proceeds supporting national and local charities. For reservations, call 937-3392 or 278-5239.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Plymouth Historical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 9, at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main. The speaker will be Matt Lee, a collector of antique fire engines and equipment. He will discuss antique firefighting equipment. Lee's lecture will include slides and a display of leather fire helmets dating from 1850 to 1950. Admission is free of charge. For reservations or more information, call the Plymouth Historical Museum, 455-8940.

AMERICAN LEGION

The American Legion, Passage-Gayde Post No. 391, will hold a business meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 9, at 173 N. Main, Plymouth. Veterans who need general/claims assistance or those interested in American Legion membership should call Bill Nicholas, 495-1633, or Jim Maahs, 455-5541.

M.O.M. GROUP

M.O.M. (Meet Other Mothers) will

"I've just learned everything here," she said. "I've learned a lot."

Shelly Davis, an 18-year-old Canton senior, appeared as the plaintiff, Pat Roman, and enjoyed participating in the program.

"I thought it was a really good way to get a feel for what the law is like," Davis said. She and others on her team spent many hours preparing for the competition.

"And our lawyer was a great help too," Davis and others on the team worked with attorney Ron Lowe.

Both Davis and Szyszko are considering attending law school, but don't have definite plans just yet.

The Centennial Educational Park students are hoping to win top honors at the March 18 competition in Detroit. The school has been well-represented in previous competitions, winning first place in 1986 and 1988 and second place in 1984 and 1985.

Council offers scholarships

The Plymouth Community Arts Council offers scholarships for students living in or attending school in the Plymouth-Canton community.

The Joanne Winkelman Huice Founder's Scholarship is awarded in honor of Joanne Winkelman Huice, founder of the arts council.

The scholarship, a \$1,000 cash award, is available for high school seniors who show promise in an artistic field and wish to further their education in that field.

A committee of judges with artistic backgrounds will consider applicants from a variety of fields, including painting, ceramics, dance, design, graphics, drama, photography, sculpture, textiles, instrumental and vocal music, and literary arts.

STUDENTS WHO wish to apply are asked to write a letter, including name, address, phone number, artistic background, plans for continuing education and a personal profile explaining qualifications for the award. Two letters of recommendation from a teacher and another person associated with the applicant's work, should be submitted, along with at least two representative pieces of work.

Performing artists should be prepared to perform for the judges. Applications may be mailed to the Plymouth Community Arts Council, JWH Scholarship, 332 S. Main, Plymouth Mich. 48170. The deadline for submitting applications is Friday, April 7. Finalists will be interviewed or auditioned on Saturday, April 22.

Additional information is available at high school offices or at the PCAC office, 455-5260. PCAC office hours are 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday.

Another scholarship offered by the PCAC is the Jeanne M. Allison Memorial Scholarship Fund for Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp. The arts council has budgeted \$800 to assist students in grades 6-11 who will attend

Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp in 1989.

The camp then matches amounts awarded by the PCAC, making a total of \$1,200 available.

Those scholarships will be offered in art, dance, music and theater. Applicants will be judged by a panel of judges on the basis of talent and interest.

THE DEADLINE is Friday, April 7, for submitting applications and, where applicable, three samples of the student's best work. A letter of recommendation, from a teacher or someone else familiar with the student's work, is required.

Material is to be brought to the PCAC office in Plymouth between 9 a.m. to noon weekdays. The office will also be open 3-5 p.m. Friday, April 7.

After winners are selected, art work may be picked up at the PCAC office starting May 8.

For an application or more information, call the PCAC, 455-5260, or contact school music or art teachers. The council also offers the Margaret E. Wilson Scholarship for the Performing Arts. This single award of \$500 is available for a person pursuing a career in dance, drama or music. Applicants will be judged on the basis of talent rather than financial need.

The scholarship is available to any graduating senior or graduate of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools who has been accepted into an appropriate professional program. Applicants must submit:

- A written description of goals, aspirations and career plans.

- A letter of acceptance from an accredited program, teacher or coach.

- Two letters of recommendation from people closely associated with the applicant's talent.

- A tape not to exceed 10 minutes and to include more than one selection. Live action in dance and drama are acceptable.

Arts group plans its class schedule

The Plymouth Community Arts Council will offer spring art classes for children. Spring break workshop classes, running the week of March 27-31, include "Origami I" and "Origami II," "Masks" and "Fabric Painting."

"Origami I" and "Origami II" are designed for students ages 6-8 and 9-12 respectively. Students will learn the ancient craft and create amazing items merely by folding paper.

The "Masks" class is for students ages 9-12. Each student will make a decorated plaster cast of his or her face.

In the "Fabric Painting" class, students ages 8-12 will apply designs on their own T-shirts, sneakers or canvas bags with dyes and paints.

Classes are offered twice a week, mornings and afternoons, during the week students are on school break. Prices range from \$10 to \$12.

THE COUNCIL'S six-week art education classes will start April 6 and

continue through May 16. From 4:15 to 5:30 p.m. Mondays, children ages 5-7 will meet for "Exploring Art: Multi-Media."

Students ages 8-11 have two class options this term. They may enroll in "Watercolor" (for beginning or intermediate students) 4:15-5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays or in "Printmaking" 4:15-5:30 p.m. on Thursdays.

From 9:30 to 11 a.m. Saturdays, advanced students ages 10-14 can enhance their drawing ability in the "Advanced Drawing" class.

Price for the six-week classes is \$40. Plymouth Community Arts Council members receive a 10 percent discount on classes.

All classes are scheduled to meet at the arts council office. Registration may be made by phone, mail or in person at 332 S. Main, Plymouth Mich. 48170 (455-5260).

The PCAC, founded in 1969, is a non-profit arts organization. Its programs are funded in part by the Michigan Council for the Arts.

Mission

She brings a message of caring

By Julie Brown
staff writer

Mother Charlesetta Waddles has been hard at work for more than 30 years.

Her Perpetual Mission helps people with such basics as housing, clothing, food and furniture. She started her mission, a non-profit, non-denominational religious organization, in the 1950s.

Waddles, who has 10 children, was born in St. Louis, Mo. She left school at age 12 approximately 64 years ago.

Her mother had heart problems. Her father died, and Waddles had to help out with the family's finances. At that time, social service programs weren't available. Waddles learned to wash, iron, cook and scrub, helping put food on her family's table.

"GOD STARTED preparing me even then for what I do today," she said.

Waddles married at 14 and had her first child. She now has 38 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. Her children range in age from 35 to 62.

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She spoke at a Lenten forum, held at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

HER EXPERIENCE proves that God lives among us, she told those at the meeting.

"And if you love enough, God will do anything."

There's a need for Christ-like efforts these days, she said.

"It's just marvelous to be a Christian. I think we should strive to be Christ-like Christians."

"We have got to learn to be what God would be pleased at. Each one of us are the spirit of God wrapped in flesh."

At times, Waddles was considered "out to lunch," she said. Some questioned her wisdom in setting up the mission.

"But it has proven itself."

PEOPLE SHOULD "love the hell out of folks," Waddles said. The reason for much of the trouble in this world "is because we won't just let go and love them enough."

"Everybody responds to a smile, and they respond to the good feelings they have."

Her mission has not been without controversy. A priest in an outstate Michigan community was excommunicated in the late 1960s, she said, because he invited her to come and speak.

Her mission distributes food baskets to the needy. Furniture and clothing are provided, along with help with prescriptions and other necessities.

"Whatever it is that folks need, we try to find."

She works with the Salvation Army and other agencies. Her mission, which receives support from the United Way, has regular religious services.

SHE HOPES to stop drug abuse in Detroit.

"And I believe we can do it. So we've got a job to do and we've got to find a way to turn it around."

Young people with drug problems aren't all bad, but are misguided, she said.

Waddles works with a number of volunteers and some staff members at her Perpetual Mission. First-time offenders from Oakland, Wayne and Macomb counties are assigned to work at the mission as well.

THE PICTURE isn't all bleak, she said in an interview after her presentation. Although Detroit's drug problems are severe, there have been some improvements in recent years.

More social services are now available, and more agencies work together, she said. There's more willingness to look at other people's points of view.

Waddles plans to continue her work.

"If it sounds like I plan to live to 100, I do."

She's hoping the Lord will put her out of business.

WADDLES was invited to speak "because we thought she would be something of interest," said Dorothy Atwell of Canton, Christian ed-

ucation coordinator at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

Atwell enjoyed the presentation by Waddles.

"It was very down to earth," she said.

Her beliefs are simple and yet effective.

"But it works if you get people to understand and do it," Atwell said.

Members of the Plymouth church do a great deal of work with Fort Street Presbyterian Church in Detroit, she said. Many go there to help distribute food.

Church members have been interested in having Waddles speak for quite some time. She's a spiritual woman "who puts her faith to work among the needy," said the Rev. Philip Rodgers Magee, pastor at the Plymouth church.

"It couldn't have pleased me more that she came out to talk to us."

APPROXIMATELY 75 people attended the Wednesday, March 1, session. An offering was taken that evening, to help with the work of the mission. Some people made additional financial contributions or offered to volunteer.

The presentation made people aware of the problems of urban poverty, said Magee, a Plymouth resident.

"She made them very real right on our doorstep."

People tend not to understand the extent of those problems, he said. People don't want to be that way, but just aren't aware of the extent of the problems.

"Yes, we tend to be isolated."

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T.G.I.F. Singles will hold a dance/party from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday, March 10, at the Airport Hilton Inn, 194 and Merriman in Romulus. The dance/party is for singles ages 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn (no blue jeans). Price is \$4, \$3 before 9:30 p.m. For more information, call the hot line, 843-8810.

SALAD LUNCHEON
Our Lady of Good Counsel Lady's Guild will hold a salad luncheon and card party at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 11, at the school gym, 1160 Penman, Plymouth. There will be door prizes and raffles. Price is \$4. For more information, call Dolores Dalski, 459-5547, Terry Doyle, 455-2914, or Carol Schmitt, 453-4241.

CINDERELLA
The Livonia Civic Ballet will perform "Cinderella" at 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday, March 11, in the Little Theater at Plymouth Canton High School, 8415 Canton Center, south of Joy in Canton. This fund-raising event will feature guest artist and choreographer Peter Pawlowsky. Tickets, priced at \$5, must be bought in advance; there will be no refunds. For tickets, call Diane LaFaire, 464-2876, after 6 p.m.

SATURDAY NIGHT
Saturday Night Singers/Westside will hold a dance/party the evening of Saturday, March 11, at Roma's of Livonia, on Schoolcraft west of Inkster. There will be a disc jockey. The dance/party is for singles ages 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn (no jeans). Price is \$3. For more information, call the hot line, 277-4242.

TRI-COUNTY SINGLES
Tri-County Singles will hold a dance/party from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, March 11, at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus Hall, 19801 Farmington, between Seven Mile and Eight Mile roads. The dance/party is for singles over age 21. Dressy attire should be worn. Price is \$4. For more information, call the hot line, 843-8917.

CANTON BPW
The Canton Business and Professional Women will meet Monday, March 13, at the Roman Forum Restaurant, on Ford Road in Canton. Social time will be at 6 p.m.; dinner is 6:30 p.m. and the program at 7:30 p.m. Dinner price is \$7.50. Area working women may attend. This month's program will feature "Career Shadowing" participants. During the week of Feb. 19, young women from Centennial Educational Park spent time on the job with Canton BPW members. Participants learned about the requirements and responsibilities of different careers.

HELEN THOMAS
Helen Thomas, UPI White House bureau chief, will speak at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 14, at the Michigan League in Ann Arbor. Her topic will be "The First 100 Days of the Bush Administration." The lecture is sponsored by the Waterman Alumnae Group Town Hall Series, and will support scholarships for undergraduate women students at the University of Michigan. A luncheon will follow the lecture. Price is \$10 for the lecture and \$10 for the luncheon. Tickets may be ordered by sending a check to: Waterman Town Hall Series, P.O. Box 8142, Ann Arbor 48107. (Participants should enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope.) For more information, call Ruth Whitaker, 668-1375.

DIVORCE GROUP
The Women's Divorce Support Group will meet 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, at the conference room of the Lower Waterman Campus Center, Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. The group is sponsored by the Women's Resource Center at the college. It provides a forum for women to share experiences, feelings, information and success. Advance reservations aren't required. For more information, call the Women's Resource Center, 462-4443.

GIFTED EDUCATION
The Plymouth-Canton Association for the Academically Talented will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, in the cafeteria of Central Middle School, 650 Church, Plymouth. Carol Stenros of the Wayne County Intermediate School District will be the speaker. She will discuss "Gifted Education: Reading." Parents, teachers and other interested people may attend.

SALAD LUNCHEON
St. Kenneth's Church will hold a St. Patrick's Day salad luncheon and card party at noon Thursday, March 16, at the church center, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth Township. There will be door prizes. Admission price is \$5. For more information, call 420-3331.

SPAGHETTI DINNER
The Schoolcraft College Women's Advisory Committee and Women's Resource Center will hold a spaghetti dinner at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 16, at the Waterman Campus Center, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. This is a fund-raising event for the Women's Resource Center. The wine glow will be at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. There will be entertainment. Door prizes will include \$200 free air fare from the World Travel Agency of Plymouth, a weekend for two at the Mayflower Hotel, and a weekend's use of a Chrysler New Yorker, courtesy of Thrifty Car Rental in Plymouth. Advance reservations are required. For ticket information, call 462-4443.

WESTSIDE PARTY
Westside Singles will hold a St. Patrick's Day party 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday, March 17, at Roma's of Livonia, on Schoolcraft west of Inkster Road. The party, for singles ages 21 and older, will feature a band and a disc jockey. Dressy attire should be worn (no jeans). For more information, call the hot line, 562-3160.

CRAFTER'S CORNER
A "Crafter's Corner" arts and crafts show will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 18, in the gym at Catholic Central High School, 14200 Breakfast Drive, Redford Township. Admission price is \$1. More than 60 crafters will participate. The high school is between Five Mile, Schoolcraft, Inkster and Beech Daly roads. For more information, call 534-0660.

NEW MORNING AUCTION
New Morning School will hold its 13th annual auction at 6 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at the Helene Center in Westland. This year's theme is "The Great Escape - An Evening in Paris." Ticket price is \$35, including food, an open bar and a gourmet sweets table. More than 600 items will be available, including tickets to the Masters Golf Tournament in Augusta, Ga.; a two-night New York get-away for two, including Broadway tickets, lunch for four with Ernie Hawell; a mink jacket, and a round of golf for two at Oakland Hills with Pat Sheridan of the Detroit Tigers. This auction is the parent cooperative school's major fund-raising event. For ticket information, call 420-3331.

SUNDAY NIGHT
Sunday Night Singles will hold a dance/party 8 p.m. to midnight Sunday, March 19, at Hawthorne Valley, on Merriman north of Warren in Westland. The dance/party is for singles ages 30 and older. There will be a disc jockey. Dressy attire should be worn (no jeans). Price is \$4. For more information, call the hot line, 277-4242.

BUSINESS WOMEN
The MAIA chapter, American Business Women's Association, will meet Tuesday, March 21, at the Marriott Inn, on Plymouth Road in Ann Arbor. Cocktails will be served at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m., with the program and business meeting from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Speaker Carole Verroen will discuss "Psychic Phenomena." Dinner reservations are required and may be made by calling 462-2425 before March 18. Guests may attend.

OPEN FORUM
An Open Forum Series meeting will be held 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, March 21, at the Upper Waterman Campus Center of Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile in Livonia. The series is sponsored by the Women's Resource Center at the college. The speaker will be Kathleen H. Stacey, professor of communications at Eastern Michigan University. Stacey, who also teaches at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, will discuss assertiveness techniques. The public may attend the free presentation. For more information, call 462-4443.

NEWBORN CARE
The Plymouth Childbirth Education Association will offer a two-week course on newborn care for expectant couples Tuesday, March 21 and 28, at Geneva United Presbyterian Church, 5835 N. Sheldon, Canton. Classes give information on care and development of infants from birth through the age of 3 months. To register or for more information, call 459-7477.

SCIENCE CAMP
The Living Science Foundation will host a "Discovery Day Camp" Monday-Friday, March 27-31, at foundation headquarters, 40400 Grand River, Suite F, Novi. The camp is for children ages 5-11. Participants may enroll either in the morning sessions (9 a.m. to noon) or afternoon sessions (1-4 p.m.). Price is \$25 per day or \$115 for the entire camp. Advance registration is required. To register or for more information, call 478-1999. The camp will offer hands-on learning experiences with live birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians and marine life.

DOG OBEDIENCE
Dog obedience classes for all breeds are offered by the Detroit German Shepherd Dog Obedience Training Club. Classes are held Monday and Wednesday evenings at the American Legion Hall, 31775 Grand River, Farmington. Novice classes are at 7 and 8 p.m. Mondays, advanced classes at 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Open and utility classes at 8 p.m. Wednesdays. A health certificate is required. Classes are for dogs 6 months and older. The next session will start Monday, April 3, and Wednesday, April 5. Price is \$60 for a 12-week session. For more information, call 476-2477 or 521-6496.

STYLE, SUBSTANCE
"Style With Substance," featuring spring fashions from top New York designers, will be presented at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 4, at the Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Model and author Nina Griscorn will be the commentator. Fashion and beauty tips will be given. The program is presented by the Margaret Waterman Alumnae Group of the University of Michigan, and will support scholarships for women students at the U-M. Manufacturers Bank is sponsoring the event, which was produced and underwritten by Revlon Inc. Tickets are available at the Michigan Theater, priced at \$8 for Waterman Town Hall subscribers and \$10 for the public. For more information, call 668-8397, 665-0304 or 668-8577.

ART SALE
The art rental gallery of the Plymouth Community Arts Council will hold its annual sale 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 5, and Wednesday, April 12. The gallery is upstairs at the Dunning-Hough Library, 223 S. Main. There will be mark-downs on selected artwork at the gallery. The work of many Michigan artists is featured. Buyers will be able to choose from original watercolors, oils, acrylics and some fine reproductions.

ARTS AND CRAFTS
St. Kenneth's Church will hold an arts and crafts show from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, April 7, and from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, April 8. The show will be held at the church center, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth Township. There will be 30 crafts tables and a bake sale. Admission is \$1, payable at the door.

ANNUAL RECITAL
The Polish Centennial Dancers will hold their annual "Polish Extravaganza" recital at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 30, at Livonia Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh, north of Joy. The recital will feature national and regional dances of Poland, popular polkas, pompon routines and others. Ticket price is \$4 in advance, \$5 at the door. For ticket information, call 464-1263 or 278-4025. A reception will follow the recital, with music provided by "Pan" Franek and the Muskegon Polka Tappers.

MEMORIAL DAY
The American Legion, Passage-Gayde Post No. 391, will host this year's Plymouth Memorial Day parade on Monday, May 29. Patriotic and military units participating should have representatives contact Jim Maahs, parade chairman, by March 20. For more information, call Maahs, 455-5541, or write him at P.O. Box 588, Plymouth, Mich. 48170.

POLISH DANCING
The Polish Centennial Dancers PNA Lodge 3240 will offer Polish dance classes for adults. Classes will be offered in beginning polka, performing folk dancing, aerobics and other areas. For more information, call 522-3777 or 464-1263.

EASTER FUN
An Easter traditions workshop will be offered by the Polish Centennial Dancers PNA Lodge 3240. Polish paper cutting, egg decorating and Polish embroidery (crawel and cross stitch) will be covered. For more information, call 522-3777 or 464-1263.

SCOUT PACK
Cub Scout Pack/Tiger Cub Den No. 748 meets at 7 p.m. Mondays at Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, Cherry Hill and Ridge roads, Canton. For more information, call Roger or Kristin Cope, 462-8841.

GRIEF SUPPORT
New Beginnings, a grief support group, meets 7-9 p.m. each Monday at the Plymouth Church of Christ, 9301 Sheldon, south of Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth. Meetings are for people grieving as a result of divorce or a death. Admission is free of charge. For more information, call 453-7630.

weddings and engagements

Gola-Polidori

Laura Polidori of Redford Township and Michael Joseph Gola of Canton were married in December 1988 at St. John Bosco Catholic Church, Redford. The Rev. Richard Oseba performed the ceremony. Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Carlo Polidori of Redford and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph (Margaret) Gola of Farmington Hills. The bride is a graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn and is a graduate student at Wayne State University. She is employed with Federal Mogul Corp. of Southfield. Her husband is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University. He is employed with General Motors Corp.

Kathleen Ingroby was the maid of honor. The bride's attendants were Heather Polidori and Denise Courter. Edward Chodynicki was the best man. The bridegroom's attendants were brother of the bridegroom Robert Gola and Alan Wing. For her wedding, the bride wore a lace-length lace and satin gown. The gown had beading across the front

Williams-DeJack
Robin Elizabeth Williams and John Michael DeJack plan a late May wedding at St. Raphael Catholic Church in Garden City. She is the daughter of Fred and Betty Williams of Garden City. He is the son of Leonard and Rosemary DeJack of Canton Township. The bride-to-be is a 1982 graduate of Garden City West High School. She is employed by Northwest Blue Print. Her fiancé is a 1980 graduate of John Glenn High School. He is employed by J&J Wall.

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Elliott-Fannin

Charles and Betty Elliott of Saline announce the engagement of their daughter, Tracy Christine, to Wayne Fannin, son of Wilburn and Eunice Fannin of Plymouth. The bride-elect, a graduate of Saline High School, is a student at Washtenaw Community College. She is employed as an account representative with General Tire in Farmington Hills. Her fiancé attended Plymouth Canton High School. He is employed as a machine operator with Northland Container in Plymouth. An early May wedding is planned at St. Andrew's Church in Saline.

Ward-Roth

Sharon Himebaugh of Plymouth and Dan Ward of Sullivan, Ill., announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Lynn Ward of Plymouth, to Randall Jay Roth of Toledo, Ohio. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Donna Roth of Toledo and Richard Roth of Grand Rapids, Ohio. The bride-elect is a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. She is employed with American Community Insurance Co. Her fiancé is a graduate of Rogers High School in Toledo. He is employed as general manager of Bill Knapp's in Ann Arbor. A mid-April wedding is planned at St. Mary's in Bronson, Mich.

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Bob and Sandy Kelley of Plymouth announce the birth of a daughter, Alyssa Ann, Feb. 21 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Detroit. Grandparents are Charles and Carol Schultz of Plymouth and Doug and Peggy Kelley of Riverview. Great-grandparents are Leonard and Evelyn Schultz of Plymouth, Vicky Kelly of Trenton and Maggie Kelly of Henderson, Ky. Alyssa Ann has a sister, Amanda, 2.

Kevin and Elise Holman of Plymouth announce the birth of a daughter, Geena Renee, Feb. 21 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Thomas and Berne Carter of Albion, Mich. Dorothy Patterson of Ypsilanti, and Ray Holman of Ann Arbor. Geena Renee has a sister, Gwen, 2.

Matthew and Meghan Sharpe of Livonia announce the birth of a son, Alex Roy, Feb. 15 at the Providence Hospital Birthing Center in Southfield. Grandparents are Tom and Donna Sharpe of Livonia and Lorraine Ford of Plymouth. Alex Roy also has a great-grandmother in Dearborn, a great-grandfather in Bellaire, Mich., and a great-great-grandmother in Kokomo, Ind. He has a brother, Doug, Matthew, 2.

Chuck and Liz Cios of Canton announce the birth of a son, Thomas Edward, Feb. 22 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Laura Maki of Canton and Dolly Cios of Westland. Thomas Edward has two brothers, Andrew, 13, and Billy, 11.

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The Rev. Bong Ho Kim, pastor of Livonia Seventh-Day Adventist Church, is concerned about the survival of his church.

Money woes Korean church works to keep its doors open

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

The neighborhood church: a place often taken for granted.

But as many Catholics in Detroit have recently found out, not even a place of worship is immune to economic hardship. Such is the case with the Livonia Korean Seventh-Day Adventist Church, which is \$35,000 in debt.

The church has 50 members, predominantly Korean. Most are first generation immigrants. As a result many work on the lower end of the pay scale, making it even more difficult to support a church budget.

"I don't know how long we can survive," said the Rev. Bong Ho Kim, pastor of Livonia Seventh-Day Adventist Church.

For many Koreans who first arrive in this country, the church serves as more than a place of worship. It provides a base in the transition to a new culture.

Through the church, they find out about job opportunities, where to find housing or schools for their children.

Also, the church is a place where they can keep alive the traditions of their culture. Services at the Livonia Seventh-Day Adventist Church are spoken in the Korean language.

Members usually meet for a dinner of Korean food afterward.

"To me, there is no other bigger social gathering than at church," said Myung Nam-m of Lathrup Village, who is a clerk at the Livonia church. "That purpose is very important. Koreans are very religious people."

KOREANS FROM the Detroit metro area, and even farther, attend Livonia Seventh-Day Adventist Church. Some even come from as far as Toledo, Ohio, to attend services that take place on Friday and Saturday.

The church is one of 10 Korean churches in the area, covering many of the denominations including Catholic, Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist.

The Livonia Seventh-Day Adventist Church has been at Sunnyside and Middlebelt roads for 10 years. Another 10 years there at this point appear bleak, according to church elders.

Not helping matters any is a \$11,384.35 bill from the City of Livonia for the paving of Sunnyside Road. The church, a non-profit organization, was assessed the 100 percent commercial rate.

Members of the church recently took their plea before the Livonia City Council. They wanted to be reassessed at 100 percent residential or 30-40 percent commercial.

The council only agreed to extend the payment period from 10 years to 15 years at 8 percent interest. But for a church whose existence is in question, that figure looms particularly large.

"Our question is that we're in a residential area. Why should we pay 100 percent commercial?" said Paul Kim of Bloomfield Hills, who is the church treasurer.

As long as we live in Livonia, we're willing to cooperate. We don't agree with their decision."

RAUL GALINDO, city engineer, said St. Paul Presbyterian Church was assessed the same rate when paving was done there.

St. Paul Presbyterian faces Five Mile Road and Galindo said the church was also charged for the pavement of side streets. Like St. Paul Church, the Seventh-Day Adventist Church faces a main street, Middlebelt Road.

Livonia Seventh-Day Adventist Church members could find their situation is quite different than St. Paul's church, though. For one, they don't have 1,400 members as a financial base to draw from.

"Clearly, we thought it was equitable and fair," said Robert Bishop, Livonia council member. "We saw no reason to deviate. Once you start treating people differently, everyone has the right to the same treatment."

Everyone has to pay their fair share, even churches."

Joan McCotter was the lone council member who didn't agree with the assessment. "My feeling was that they were a small, minority church," McCotter said. "They didn't have commercial usage. I would have preferred to see them assessed at 50 percent commercial."

The debt of \$35,000 also includes a mortgage, parking lot, roof and basement repairs. Members want to pay that all off.

"We want to have God's belongings debt free," Nam said.

Nonetheless, the church members don't appear down beat. Families stay well into the afternoon after the morning service to socialize.

Children play in the parking lot outside. Their mothers and fathers only hope there is a church for them when they grow older.

The pastor, has a difficult time with English but still conveys his frustration at the situation.

"I have a big problem and a headache," Kim said, hitting himself on the forehead.

church bulletin

The church bulletin is published every Thursday in the Observer-Examiner. Information for the church bulletin must be received in the Livonia office by noon the Monday prior to publication.

FATHER-SON BANQUET

Jimmy Williams, defensive captain for the Detroit Lions, will be the guest speaker at 8:30 p.m. Friday, March 10, at Ward Presbyterian Church's Father-Son Banquet. The banquet is open to all fathers and sons. The church is at 17000 Farmington, Livonia. For information, call 422-1826.

CPR

Clarenceville United Methodist Church will be sponsoring a cardiopulmonary resuscitation certification class for all ages Saturday, March 11, at the church, 20300 Middlebelt, Livonia. Classes begin at 10 a.m. or 11 a.m. and take up to three hours to complete. The classes are open to the public. For information, call 474-3444.

WOMEN'S SEMINAR

"The Feminine Touch" will be presented on Friday and Saturday, March 10-11, at the First Baptist Church, 44500 Cherry Hill Road, Canton. Pat Quisenberry, an author, will lead the seminar.

The eight-hour seminar is designed to address many questions that many women are faced with today. The seminar starts at 6:30 p.m. Friday and continues from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Cost is \$25. For information, call 981-6460.

AMBASSADORS

The Ambassadors of Village Presbyterian Church of Redford will be visiting the Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, March 11. A lunch at the church will precede the tour of the Ford home.

SING-ALONG

An Irish sing-along will given by the St. Hilary Rosary Altar Society at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 18, in the social hall, 23901 Elmira, west of Appleton, Redford. Cost is \$7.50. For information, call 533-5698 or 534-0046.

ANNIVERSARY

Ascension Lutheran Church of Livonia will observe its 25th anniversary on Saturday, March 18, at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Six Mile Road, Livonia. A special dedication service at Ascension Lutheran Church will take place at 10 a.m. Sunday, March 19, for dinner reservations, call 464-8081 or 464-7519.

FILM NIGHT

The First Baptist Church of Canton, 44500 Cherry Hill, will be hosting a family film night at 6 p.m. Sunday, March 12. The film, "Kevin Can Wait," will be featured. There is no charge. The film presentation is open to the public. For information, call 981-6460.

MARRIAGE CLASSES

The Rev. Richard Alberta will present a class to engaged couples establish a foundation for their marriage. A 12-week series of marriage preparation classes is being offered at Ward Presbyterian Church. Classes meet at 8:30 a.m. each Sunday in fellowship hall. There is no charge for classes, which run through May 21. For information, call 422-1826.

TEEN CHOIR

The Teen Choir of Ward Presbyterian Church will present a concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, March 12, at the church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia. The program of contemporary music and dramatic sketches will be presented at the home church before the group goes on a regional tour. The event is open to the public. There is no charge.

SYMPHONIC CHOIR

Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church will present a concert by the Livonia Stevenson High School Symphonic Choir at 7 p.m. Sunday, March 12, in the sanctuary, 9601 Hubbard, at the corner of West Chagrin. Baby-sitting will be provided. For information, call 422-0494.

MASS

Sunday evening Mass will be offered at 7:30 p.m. at Madonna College in Livonia. The celebrants will be the Rev. Patrick O'Neil on March 12 and the Rev. Ken McKenna on March 19. The Mass will take place in the Campus Chapel, 14221 Levan, near I-96. For information, call 591-5006.

NEW PASTOR

The Rev. Ronald Lewis will join Detroit First Church of the Nazarene in Farmington as new pastor on Sunday, March 12. Lewis and his wife, Mary, come to Detroit Nazarene from the Anaheim Church of the Nazarene.

BREAKFAST

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Not everyone suffers from a memory loss

Dear Jo:
Does everyone become "senile" sooner or later, if he or she lives long enough?

Mrs. K.L.
Western Reader

Dear Mrs. L.:
First of all, before I answer your question, — the word senile is a meaningless word that was formerly used to describe the various aspect of memory loss that occurred in the later years. Gerontologists and other health care professionals agree that for the most part, the word should be discarded. Memory loss associated with aging is now referred to as just that — memory loss. The word dementia is used when the condition is medically related.

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memory loss if he or she lives long enough. Even among those who live to be 80 or older, only 20 to 25 percent develop Alzheimer's disease or some other incurable form of brain disease.

Temporary forgetfulness in old age can be related to a number of treatable conditions such as a minor head injury, a low grade infection, poor nutrition, adverse drug reactions, depression, stress, a high fever and loneliness. For the most part, memory loss is no longer a problem when these conditions are treated.

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Dear Jo:
What is the most common cause of accidents in older persons?

Mr. R.O.
Thorabury Retiree

Dear Mr. O:
Accidental falls are the most common cause of injuries among the elderly — and most of the falls occur in the home. Falls can be prevented by practicing good safety habits. Homes can be made "elderly proof" by the use of good lighting, nonskid floors, and keeping living areas free of obstacles.

Dear Jo:
Will the population in the future have more older folks than young?

Ms. B.B.
Windsor Reader

Dear Ms. B.:
This is not expected in the foreseeable future. Today, 12 percent of the North American population are age 65 and older. By the year 2030, this figure is expected to increase to 20 percent.

This is the first time in recorded history that there have been so many people living this long. As time progresses there will have to be a great many changes in society and social policy to accommodate this demographic phenomenon.

Readers can write to Jolayne Farrell at 11 Cynthia Crescent, Richmond Hill, Ontario L4E 2P8.

How's your label sense?

With resolutions to start eating better and taking better care of ourselves in general, we're all probably spending more time checking out labels. So, food shoppers, it's time for a little quiz about food labels. A lot of consumers are mystified by the information found — and not found — on food labels. So let's start with some basic information:

DO ALL PACKAGED FOODS HAVE LABELS?

The answer is a technical "yes." However, the kind and amount of information found on the label varies greatly. All labels must provide the following: the name of the product; the name and location of the manufacturer; packer or distributor; the net contents or net weight.

DO ALL FOOD LABELS PROVIDE NUTRITIONAL INFORMATION?

The answer is no. Manufacturers are only required to provide nutritional information on their product labels if one or more nutrients are added to the food ("fortified with 8 essential vitamins") or if a nutritional claim is made by the product ("provides 100 percent of vitamin xyz").

The nutritional information must include the number of calories and the amount of protein, fat carbohydrates and sodium in



Terry Gibb

a specified serving of the product. The label must also show the per serving protein content and percentage of recommended daily allowances (RDAs) for seven essential vitamins and minerals.

MUST ALL PACKAGED FOODS LIST ALL THEIR INGREDIENTS?

The correct answer is "maybe." Many — but not all — foods list the ingredients on their label. There are approximately 300 foods on the market today, from jelly to mayonnaise for which the FDA has an established "standards of identity." This means that these products have specific mandatory ingredients and percentages that under the law do not have to be identified on the label. Optional ingredients in these products must be listed, however. Also, the ingredients must be listed by their "common or usual name" for all non-standardized foods.

WHAT DETERMINES THE

ORDER IN WHICH INGREDIENTS OF A PRODUCT ARE LISTED ON THE LABEL?

Ingredients, by law, are required to be listed in order of amount in the food. The ingredient found in the largest amount is listed first, the second largest amount listed second and so on. This is to ensure, for example, that if the largest amount of a drink is water, the consumer knows this and can make a knowledgeable comparison between different brands.

Also, if the label has a picture of the product, that picture must fairly accurately represent what is inside the container according to the law.

IS SODIUM ANOTHER WORD FOR SALT?

The answer is no. There are at least 70 sodium compounds used in food. Salt is sodium chloride and is about 40 percent sodium. Salt is, however, the largest single source of sodium in the human diet.

(Advertisement)

Parents train child for a dry night's sleep

When the Wilsons first realized they had a problem, Billy was 5 years old. Now he is 10.

"Don't worry, he'll outgrow it," the doctors kept telling them. That was five years ago.

But Billy was still wetting his bed. He would wake up in a dry bed perhaps two days a week. "Five doctors had tried their best. The family doctor had prescribed some medicine which stopped his bedwetting; but then he had a relapse as soon as the drug was discontinued," says Billy's mother. "Our pediatrician examined Billy and found nothing physically wrong. He referred us to a psychologist whose comment was Billy was a little hyperactive, but not abnormally for his age." An internist and an urologist put Billy through many tests. Nothing seemed to work.

"Over the last 5 years, we felt fortunate if the bed was dry two nights in a row," says the boy's father. "Billy would go to visit someone and spend the night. But he might stay awake the whole time, because he was too embarrassed and did not want to wet the bed."

Then several weeks ago, the Wilsons heard of the Michigan Children's Center. They sent away for the free literature and saw their own son's story being played out. What had hit them hardest was an earlier story that linked bedwetting to a change in personality.

"My son tried to set our cat on fire. That's when I said I am tired of hearing 'don't worry, he'll outgrow it.' Also, I found out bedwetting is harmful physically and emotionally. If bedwetting can be stopped, why should we put our son through such a horrible experience. We did not hesitate when our daughter needed braces. The expenses have nothing to do with it."

statistics between the ages of five and ten, he has a better than fifty-fifty chance to be correct. A history of bedwetting in the family can reduce the chances a child will outgrow it. Also Psychologist Dr. Warren Baller of the University of California at Los Angeles writes, "Evidence accumulated casts doubts that children outgrow bedwetting. Most bedwetters hide their feelings. Shame and embarrassment are their constant companions. Correcting their affliction often produces remarkable results in family relationships, behavior, school work and peer contact."

Billy was dry nine weeks after the Wilsons sent for the Center's literature, and eight weeks without a wet bed, they started to notice other changes.

"My son has always been very quiet, very withdrawn. He seldom talks to us. I guess that's because he was teased a lot when someone who'd let him stay at his home let the cat out of the bag," says his father. Today Billy reaches out for affection from his family in a way they've never known. He also appears much more confident and less argumentative.

ing. Often hostility, resentment and feelings of rejection or anti-social traits can carry over into adulthood.

"Our success goes beyond just stopping bedwetting," says case director, Adrienne Clinansmith, R.N., B.S., of the Children's Center. "Most parents tell us that their children are happier with themselves. The children like themselves more and so do their parents. A child who likes and respects himself is more capable of liking and respecting others."

"A tremendous amount of stress is removed from the whole family. Often they weren't even aware it was related to bedwetting. Parents often find a great behavior and attitude change in the child."

"Schoolwork often improves and so does the child's attention span and concentration. These are some real, positive benefits from stopping bedwetting."

The concerned parent

Bedwetting can leave emotional problems both on children and on parents if the problem isn't treated quickly and corrected before attending school. "So the majority of our inquiries come from parents of pre-school children looking for a solution prior to starting school."

Some parents try rewarding their children for a dry night or scolding them when bedwetting occurs. But Clinansmith says, "To offer a child a reward for

accomplishing something when he's sleeping is a no-win situation."

He notes that a 3½ year study at the McGill University in Montreal, Canada concludes that deep sleep, not the child, is the No. 1 cause of bedwetting.

Causes and effects

Bedwetting can cause serious psychological problems in a child if not being looked after quickly. After a while, the child develops some strongly ingrained habits and negative self-expectations which in turn make it even harder to overcome the problem.

Early symptoms of this taking place are: Temper tantrums, putting things off, avoiding responsibilities, afraid to be alone, difficulty in making friends.

Staff psychotherapist at the Center, Arnold Keller says that the worst so-called solution, without a doubt, is for parents to wait for the children to outgrow the problem. Since toilet training points out the difference between right and wrong, clean and dirty, success and failure, bedwetting naturally reinforces negative feelings and can lead to a poor self-image.

Most bedwetters hide their feelings in shame," says Keller. "They pretend that it doesn't bother them, and they stop talking about it. And when parents don't think it affects the child, and everything seems to be alright, that's when things can become serious."

"The majority of bedwetters don't work to their full potential," he says. "They often have difficulty communicating with their parents because of the guilt associated with bedwetting. One study showed three of every four institutionalized juvenile delinquent were or had been bedwetters."

Fortunately, bedwetting can be corrected in almost every case. The Center enjoys a success rate of over 97 percent of those accepted into the program. Using the Dry Bed Training method pioneered by the Center over the past 14 years, parents can stop their child's bedwetting problem right in the privacy of their own home.

For additional information, and to find out why your child wets the bed, send for our free brochure. Call or write Michigan Children's Center, 870 Griswold, Northville, Michigan 48167. Telephone in Detroit 961-4944 or Toll Free 1-800-265-0802.

To offer a child a reward for accomplishing something while he's asleep, is a no-win situation. It sets him up for failure.

Many don't outgrow bedwetting

Bedwetting is not life-threatening, so it's not a disease. But it endangers a child's mental health, so it's more than an inconvenience. Its symptoms are well known, so it can't be called a discovery. It does not fit into any recognizable category as a psychological phenomenon, so it's treated as a physical nuisance. A nuisance that the child hopefully would outgrow.

But children don't always stop bedwetting. One report showed an incidence of 40 percent at five years, 22 percent at ten years and 1 to 2 percent at twenty years of age. Girls do not wet their beds as often as boys. Bedwetting is about twice as common among boys as among girls. In 14 years the Center has successfully treated thousands of bedwetters with an enviable rate of success, and receives a great number of inquiries from adults who still have the problem.

Quite often a doctor will say, "Don't worry, your child will outgrow it." That's because most doctors don't want to worry the parents. And if we look at the

Harmful physical and emotional effects

Billy follows the pattern of many "nocturnal enuretics" as the condition is medically known. For them, the problem is more than just a "wet sheet nuisance." Unfortunately it's still a closely closeted problem few people are willing to discuss openly let alone seeking help. As a result, socially these children can develop poorly. Their bedwetting problem makes it difficult for them to join the crowd, making friends and learning the skill in a healthy relationship. They live in constant fear of ridicule—that somebody will uncover their problem. Bedwetting is not an accepted thing to do.

The resulting shame from bedwetting during the sensitive age of a child can be devastat-

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The Federal Trade Commission said an agreement among car dealers to limit evening and weekend hours violated antitrust laws because it increased profits and limited comparison shopping.

'Don't tell us when to be open'

By Peggy Aulino
staff writer

A Federal Trade Commission ruling requiring Detroit area car dealerships to be open at least 64 hours a week is "no big deal" to many salespeople — lots of them say they already put in a work week that well exceeds 40 hours.

Most expect the ruling handed down last Thursday to be overturned by an appeals court anyway.

Still, people who sell cars in the nation's car capital say they don't want the FTC telling them when to do business. And for now dealerships will not extend their hours.

"Our position is no branch of the U.S. government has got the right to tell independent businessmen how many hours they must be open, and any court in the land would overturn that order and will," said Dan Hayes, executive vice president of the Troy-based Detroit Auto Dealers Association. The organization represents approximately 240 dealers in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

THE DISPUTE stems from an agreement adopted more than 15 years ago by the majority of auto dealers in the tri-county area. They closed their doors to customers all day Saturday and on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday evenings. "In response to employees' requests, pressures, whatever you want to call it," Hayes said.

The FTC said that move violated antitrust laws because it increased profits and limited comparison shopping. An administrative law judge

disagreed with the federal commission in a 1987 ruling, but the FTC overruled that last week.

"They said it reduced competition," Hayes said. "The trial proved without a doubt that there was no effect on competition and that, in fact, car prices were lower in Detroit than anywhere else in the U.S."

The DADA has 60 days from the ruling date to file an appeal. Hayes and others said the matter could be tied up in court for years.

MOST DEALERS are currently open approximately 50 hours a week, which includes evening hours Monday and Thursday. The FTC ruling did not specify that dealers open on Saturday. But it is the notion of working on Saturdays that is foremost in the minds of salespeople.

"Do you want to work on the weekends?" asked a salesperson at Bill Brown Ford in Livonia, who spoke on the condition of anonymity. "Nobody in this world wants to work on Saturday."

If the requirement is upheld, not only could it ruin the weekends of the Detroit area's 6,000 auto salespeople, some said it might prompt them to go into another line of work.

"I think you would probably see a lot of people start to get out of the car business. They don't want to put in those kind of hours," said Gary Krupa, who estimated he puts in 56 hours a week at Art Moran Pontiac in Southfield.

John Hillman, another Bill Brown Ford salesman, followed his father into the car sales business. But he said he would abandon it if he had to

go beyond the 45 to 55 hours a week he now works.

Hillman termed his father's hours "horrendous," saying he worked Saturdays and weeknights.

"I used to see my father on Sunday afternoons," he said. "It's crazy."

And Hillman said if he is faced with the prospect of additional work he "would have to find a job that would provide me with less hours. I'm not going to sacrifice my home life for a job. That's silly," he said.

SALESPeople SAID they hear some complaints from customers about the inconvenience of not being opened on Saturdays, but they said some shoppers take advantage of the weekend closings.

"Believe it or not, people like to look around on the weekend, find what they like and do their shopping Monday or Tuesday," Krupa said. "They don't want to be pressured. They don't want to be bothered. They just want to look around."

Most customers, the salespeople agree, make adjustments in their schedules when they shop for a car.

"I think 62 hours to come look for a car every three years is sufficient," said Al Reighburg, who works approximately that many hours at Don Massey Cadillac in Plymouth.

Reighburg doesn't support the FTC ruling, but he said a few additional hours would be "no big deal to us," he said.

IF THE FTC's objective is to get dealers to open on Saturdays, the plan could backfire, Hayes said.

Long-distance paging offered

By Peggy Aulino
staff writer

When Captain James Kirk told his "Star Trek" associates to beam him up, he wanted the crew to bring his entire body to the Enterprise, which was cruising along in outer space.

Transporting one's body may still be possible only in the realm of science fiction, but technology has been developed to "beam up" voices and send them from D.C. to L.A. and points in between.

National Satellite Paging uses such technology to keep its customers in touch with their home offices, clients and anyone else who dials an access number.

MOST PAGING services are effective only within a local range. There are a few other nationwide systems, but they rely on FM radio frequencies.

"(Those systems) are a patchwork of FM stations throughout the country. They don't own their own network," said Helaine Bank, national accounts manager in the NSP's Farmington Hills office. "We are the only company licensed at this time with the FCC (Federal Communications Commission) to use 931 MHz, the highest frequency."

FM radio frequencies are less reliable than satellite transmission, Bank said.

"I tell people you don't know whether you're getting a page or Wayne Jennings," she said.

A person with a satellite system beeper can be tracked down whether he or she is on a subway train or in the bowels of an office building, Bank said.

BANK PEDDLES SkyPager and SkyTalk, two satellite transmission systems aimed at the business traveler who must rely on high-tech lifelines to survive in a competitive market.

With SkyPager, a caller dials 1-800-SKY-PAGE, then punches in the individual's access number. The NSP customer's beeper goes off and the number to be called lights up on the unit.

SkyTalk, which can be reached by calling 1-800-SKY-TALK, is based on the same principle, but the caller can leave a voice message. The person being beeped calls an 800 number and hears that message.

The basic monthly cost for SkyPager is \$45. SkyTalk costs an additional \$20 per month.

THE ORIGINAL call goes to a computer in Washington, D.C., home of the NSP headquarters, and is transmitted to an "uplink" station in California.

"From there it goes 22,500 miles up to our satellite," Bank said.

The signal then comes back down to transmitters set up in every major metropolitan area, representing hundreds of cities.

If a call comes in when the NSP customer is not within range of a transmitter, the message is saved until the person with the beeper enters a service area.

"We are still not in real remote places," Bank said.

But NSP will put up a transmitter for an individual company if that company agrees to use 50 to 100 pagers.

NSP HAS offered SkyPager in the Detroit area since its inception in 1987. SkyTalk was added in early 1988. With the opening late last year of the regional office on Northwestern Highway, the company has big plans for the state of Michigan.

NSP transmitters are in Detroit, Ann Arbor, Flint, Lansing and Grand Rapids, and the company plans to expand to Saginaw, Benton Harbor and Battle Creek this year.

Car phone sales skyrocket

By Mary DiPaolo
special writer

The word cellular no longer conjures images of high school biology class. In today's business world, it refers to a person's telephone away from home.

The popularity of cellular telephones has created nothing short of a revolution since the service was commercially introduced just five years ago. Growing faster than telephone, VCR or television usage, the industry attracts new customers at a rate of 75,000 per month nationwide.

By next year, nearly four million Americans will own cellular telephones. By 1993, that number is expected to double.

And the Detroit area is right in step, representing one of the nation's fastest-growing markets.

That's the word from Linda Elian, marketing manager with Ameritech Mobile Communications eastern region in Southfield. Cellular One is the other carrier serving this area.

"Last year Detroit experienced tremendous growth in that usage was up 156 percent as compared to 87 percent in 1987. When you consider the nation's average growth rate of 35 percent, Detroit has proven itself to be a very viable user community," Elian said.

SO WHAT MAKES cellular telephones so appealing?

"They save a lot of time and aggravation," said John Gargaro, owner of Gargaro Construction Co. in Livonia. "Rather than sitting in

my office to return phone calls, I can contact the people I have to from the construction site or when I'm on the road."

Gargaro said his service runs about \$400 per month but has been worth the cost. "It isn't a toy, so I don't treat it like one."

Judith Trepeck, partner in the Birmingham-based CPA firm of Grey & Trepeck, agrees.

"I've had my car phone for four years now and wouldn't be without it. If I need something done at the office, all I have to do is call rather than holding off until I get back."

She points out another feature: a sense of personal safety.

"If you're on the way to a meeting or appointment and something happens to the car, it's encouraging to know any crisis can be handled almost immediately."

IN TERMS OF technology, cellular car phones are capable of receiving and transmitting information when hooked up to lap-top computers, on-line data bases, portable diagnostic equipment and facsimile machines. Soon, voice activation technology will be available so users can direct their cellular phones to "call home" or another phone automatically.

The problem of missing incoming calls has also been solved. Mobile message services will accept messages for users away from their cars.

In terms of cost, both Ameritech Mobile Communications and Cellu-

lar One have recently restructured their rates.

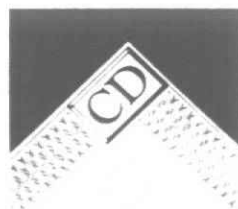
"The Detroit area has always had the lowest monthly service charge when compared to the rest of the country, but as demand has grown in Detroit so has the need to build more cell sites, add more customer service personnel and enhance the overall system," Elian said.

Cellular One, under its Productivity Plus 500 package, and Ameritech Mobile, under its Time Pack 500 plan, offer 500 minutes of usage per month for a flat rate of \$149-\$150.

"IF YOU KNOW how much time you spend on the phone and can accurately predict future usage, picking the right plan can save quite a bit of money," Elian said. For those needing less than 100 minutes per month, service is available for about \$7.50 per month and an additional 56 cents per minute during peak hours and 18 cents per minute during off-peak times.

A recent study by Technology Futures of Austin, Texas, showed that the average cost of owning and operating a cellular phone is about \$131 per month for the relatively active user (250 minutes). By 1997, it will cost about \$60 per month.

"I know it's been said that owning a cellular telephone is a lot like buying a razor; you get the razor for free and spend all your money on the blades," Gargaro said. "But almost everyone needs a razor, and it won't be long before everyone needs and gets a cellular telephone."



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Mary DiPaolo

Management team can mean success

Successfully managing a business as a single entrepreneur is almost impossible. No matter how savvy or experienced, one person can accomplish only so much in a single day.

As the Small Business Administration has stressed, the primary reason for small business failure in our country is "lack of management capability and experience."

The key executive areas of most businesses include finance, marketing and production.

To best carry out the planning, implementation and control activities of these and other major divisions, a co-management team of three or more business professionals is imperative.

PUTTING TOGETHER a winning management team isn't easy. A recent survey among 170 small business members of the Smaller Business Association of New England showed that two-thirds of existing partnerships had broken up by the time the survey was administered.

About 60 percent of these breakups were due to "changing business interests or interpersonal conflict" among management team members.

To avoid this type of situation, it has been found that firms managed by two or more people with complementary business skills and experience provide the highest growth potential.

INC. MAGAZINE confirmed this in their 1983 survey conducted among America's 100 fastest-growing public companies. Two-thirds of the business owners surveyed have at least one partner; three-fourths of whom were still in business together.

Finding and attracting the right people to help manage a new venture requires that the business owner initially resolve two key issues tied to the recruitment effort.

First, the owner must decide how much stock to offer his or her team members.

Second, the owner must figure out how to compensate the members before receiving large-scale financing. Because new businesses are usually cash-poor, it is impossible to recruit key managers by offering a comparable level of pay and benefits as do older and more established companies.

AS A result, the incentives offered should reflect the owner's creativity, flexibility and skill.

Overall, entrepreneurs should consider potential investor requirements before becoming overly concerned with percentage ownership agreements or other stock allocation strategies. If money is needed from outside sources, investor support may require a 30-70 percent share in the company.

For business owners who give away too much stock too soon, the results can be devastating. But delaying the recruitment of all management team members for the sake of "stock savings" isn't advised either.

The amount of stock saved using their type of strategy isn't worth anything in the long run without investor support.

Mary DiPaolo is the owner of MarkeTrends, a Farmington Hills-based business consulting firm. She is also producer and host of the cable television series, "Chamber Perspectives."

Theresa D. Ponkey of Livonia was appointed assistant vice president, community banking with Comerica Bank Detroit. Ponkey joined the company in 1967 as a customer service representative and was named branch officer in 1988. She is a member of the Canton Business and Professional Women's Association.

Larry Baker, sales associate at Century 21 Suburban in Plymouth won the Century 21 International Gold Associate award for sales in 1988.

Delpha Darlene Broquet of Westland earned the professional designation of Certified Travel Counselor from the Institute of Certified Travel Agents. Broquet is president of Your Travel Planner in Garden City.

Don Stephens of Livonia joined Answering Service Inc. of Southfield as director of the payroll services division and as company accountant.

John M. Guzik, originally from Livonia, joined Technicom Graphics Inc. of Detroit as executive vice president. Guzik had been local president of the Detroit area office.



Ponkey



Broquet



Guzik



Baker



Stephens

grams director for the Republican National Committee.

Susan Parko of Livonia was appointed area manager of training in the park operations department at Cedar Point.

Christine Barry was named executive director of OmniStaff's Detroit area office.

Madonna College of Livonia has promoted the following faculty: Sister Mary Francine of Livonia, professor; William Herman of Plymouth, professor; Sister Ann Stamm of Livonia, professor; Diane Thorber of Livonia, professor; Patricia Vint, professor; Ralph Glenn, associate professor; Jessie Namikas, associate professor; Stanley Ngeyi, associate professor; Libette Popoff-Parks of Plymouth, associate professor; John Redmon, associate professor; Eugene Schaefer, adjunct professor; Donald Blohm of Livonia, adjunct associate professor; Patrick Duggan of Livonia, adjunct associate professor; Anita Herman, adjunct associate professor; James Karagon, adjunct assistant professor; F. Michael

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Koch of Livonia, adjunct assistant professor, and Reginald Sobczak of Livonia, adjunct assistant professor.

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Sid Mittra

Economist expect 2-percent growth

The month of February is typically earmarked for making annual predictions. This February is no exception.

Many economic forecasters have already published their predictions, and most of them expect the economy to grow 2.5-3 percent real rate in an environment of moderate inflation.

Of these forecasts, the one made by the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago is particularly interesting, since it is based on the second Annual Economic Outlook Symposium. Participating were 34 economists and analysts from major industrial firms, financial institutions, and other organizations in the Midwest.

Most participants expect the U.S. economy to complete its seventh year of expansion in 1989. The rate of growth of real GNP, which would be 2.3 percent, would extend the second-longest U.S. expansion on record (the longest was the 1961-69 expansion).

Not everyone, however, predicted a 2.3-percent growth. The range of predictions was 0.8 percent to 3.3 percent.

While the group was optimistic about the continuous growth of the U.S. economy, its optimism was tempered by concerns about weakness in some sectors of the economy.

my, the risk of higher inflation, and continued large federal deficits.

The group expects a rate of inflation of around 4 percent, although some predict a rate of more than 5 percent.

Interestingly, the group believed that further efforts to slow economic activity—in order to reduce the inflationary risk or cut the trade deficit—could put the economy towards recession, thereby ending the rosy outlook for the economy.

Seminar: "Market Timing to Maximize Stock/Bond Return," "Creative Ways of Using Single-Premium-Deferred Annuity," "Limited Partnerships in Equipment Leasing and Real Estate," "Preparing for Retirement" and "Lump-Sum Distributions."

The seminar, sponsored by the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and Coordinated Financial Planning, will be 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, in the offices of Coordinated Financial Planning, Sheffield Office Park, 3250 W. Big Beaver, Suite 540, Troy 48064.

For reservations, call 643-8888.

Sid Mittra is a professor of finance, school of business at Oakland University and owner of Coordinated Financial Planning.

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• HELP WITH TAXES

Thursday, March 9 — Help with your 1989 taxes offered 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile. Free information browsing desk, 421-7338, Ext. 633.

• BUSINESS WOMEN

Saturday, March 12 — Dearborn chapter of the Michigan Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs Inc. bears seminar on taxes, estate and financial planning 1-3 p.m. at Henry Ford Centennial Library, 16301 Michigan (west of Greenfield). Information: 593-3673.

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• INFORMATION CONTROL

Wednesday, March 15 — "Information Control and Security: The Risk is Yours" offered 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Detroit Fairlane, 3801 Southfield Service Drive, Dearborn. Non-member fee: \$105. Information: Donnamarie Galipeau, 229-4488. Sponsor: Association of Records Managers and Administrators Inc.

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• RETIREE MEDICAL LIABILITIES

Friday, March 17 — Free seminar on FASB retiree medical expenses will be 9 a.m. to noon at the Fairlane Manor, 19000 Hubbard Drive, Dearborn. Information: Joellen DeFoe, 961-5485 Ext. 357. Sponsor: The Wyatt Co.

• TRANSPORTATION CLUB

Friday, March 17 — Transportation Club of Detroit meets in Dearborn. Information: Toni Pantano, 582-2530.

• QUALITY CONTROL

Monday, March 20 — Automotive division and Greater Detroit section of American Society for Quality Control hold seminar, "Reliability — How Long Does Quality Last?" 7:45 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Novi Hilton. Non-member fee: \$180. Information: Chuck Tomlinson, 956-6777.

• JAPANESE PARTNERS

Tuesday, March 21 — Planner Bruce J. Bond of Ford Motor Co. will discuss "Doing Business With Our Japanese Partners" at 1 p.m. in Kresge Hall, Madonna College in Livonia. His appearance is part of the business lecture series. For information, call 591-5117.

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Dan McCosh

I spent the better part of a summer once making numbers for General Motors, a job that left me with a chronic crook in my right index finger and a deep distrust for any kind of statistics.

My stint in the Chevrolet Forge steel yard making little blue slashes on one-inch steel rods (there were about a zillion of them) was followed by a brief period as a rat timer in college, yet another stint at a calculator that ended when a rat bit me.

I also worked for the census bureau for a short time, and despite a lifelong dislike of things statistical, spend a long time counting cars and preparing reports on production.

AS A result, I have a grudging respect for the toilers who keep numerical records, since without the people who keep track of sales, inventories and other critical numbers, the whole auto business would likely grind to a halt, since no one would be able to say things like, "Have that report on my desk in the morning, Jones."

Up to now, I thought one reason the Japanese were doing so well in the auto business was that they spent more time building cars than counting them — or pieces of steel in their steel yards. Likewise, I assumed

they operated on instinct when it came to marketing methods, rather than wasting time compiling endless reams of data about hypothetical customers.

Not so. I HAVE IN MY possession a document entitled "Survey Report on Awareness and Current Status of Users of Imported Vehicles," a 36-page document that arrived in the mail written in the kind of English you used to find on the tissue-paper instructions that came with your new camera.

It is a study of the attitudes of Japanese consumers that buy "foreign" cars — the 400,000 or so vehicles sold in Japan produced outside that country, currently mainly Volkswagens.

At first glance, the report seems full of ambiguous information typical of U.S. marketing studies — the

kind that leave you feeling as though you've eaten too much cotton candy after reading them.

BUT THERE is a zen-like quality to some of the categories studied. Several graphs refer to the "culture rich" as opposed to the "classic rich," for example, groupings that have almost opposite overtones.

The classic rich lifestyle includes "rooms decorated with objects that are worthy of being shown to guests." The culture rich take a lot of holidays, according to the study, while the classic rich keep their houses clean.

A second cultural schism: The classic group believes safety is withstanding impact, while the culture group finds security in the notion that a car is fast enough to escape risk. Sort of like Ralph Nader vs. Car and Driver.

Most perplexing is a graph de-

scribing "domestic vehicle users intimate feeling toward imported vehicles," which determines that 51 percent of the respondents "do not feel imported vehicles near themselves." Only a cold draft of air.

OTHER CATEGORIES hint at Japanese expectations that would bewilder any American, such as whether a dealer "renders kind service, such as offering a substitute car and picking up and delivering a repaired vehicle." You wonder how you would say, "And that's just an estimate, buddy," in Japanese.

Getting to the hard facts, there are 935 imported cars operating in the Shimane prefecture, compared to 20,132 in Hokkaido. Of 818 people surveyed, 68.5 percent have "apprehension toward parallel-imported vehicles." Now that I think about it, so do I.

The Japan Automobile Importers Association, who sent me this wealth of data, likely knew it would touch a nerve.

For a week now, I wake up in the middle of the night thinking about those steel bars — wondering whether I might have missed one.

Dan McCosh is automotive editor of Popular Science Magazine.

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County parks chief resigns, heads for job in Lansing



Though he said he leaves with "good personal feelings" for current County Executive Edward McNamara, Wayne County parks director R. Eric Reickel acknowledged there were "philosophical differences" between the two over park restoration and development.

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

The man who headed Wayne County's parks system for the past four years is leaving for a position with the city of Lansing.

County parks director R. Eric Reickel announced his resignation Monday to become director of the Lansing city parks. His last day on the job will be Friday, March 17.

An initial appointee of former county executive William Lucas, Reickel's tenure was marked by the struggle of keeping parks viable in the face of county budget cuts.

"When I came here it was with a goal and a promise," Reickel said. "The goal was to restore the Wayne County Parks to the way they were when I was child. The promise was that there would be a millage to do so. But he (Lucas) never went out for the millage."

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"I LIKE Mr. McNamara and I believe his administration is committed to parks," Reickel said. "But it's a question of how long it's going to take. I guess you could say I wanted to do it the quick and dirty way — to go for a millage."

Michael Duggan, deputy county executive, said Reickel will be missed.

"It's a real loss. He's one of the best in the state," said Duggan, who added that Reickel was "destined to be frustrated as long as he was here. He had \$30 million ideas and a \$3 million budget."

Duggan said that the administration plans to move quickly to replace Reickel. One candidate will be interviewed this week. Two others are scheduled for next week.

In his State of the County address

two weeks ago McNamara announced a major park development plan. Details of that plan, including financing, haven't yet been released.

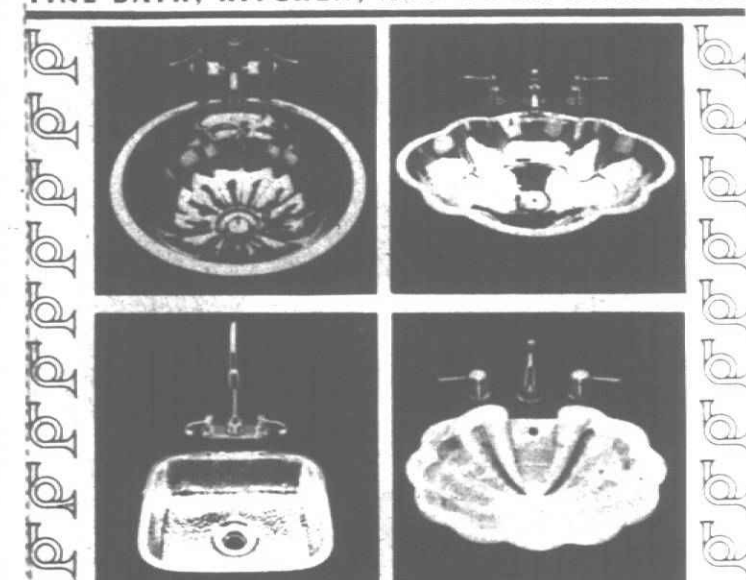
The county parks system includes Edward Hines Park, which stretches through Livonia, Westland and Plymouth and Canton townships. It also includes Lola Valley and Bell Creek parks in Redford Township, as well as Elizabeth Park, Trenton and Veterans Memorial Park, Hamtramck.

Reickel, a Rockwood native, said he was considering considering moving to Trenton before the Lansing job came up. During his tenure as Wayne County parks chief, Reickel lived in Northville Township.

"There was a consideration of whether to make a long term commitment to commitment to the Wayne County Parks or to move on," he said.

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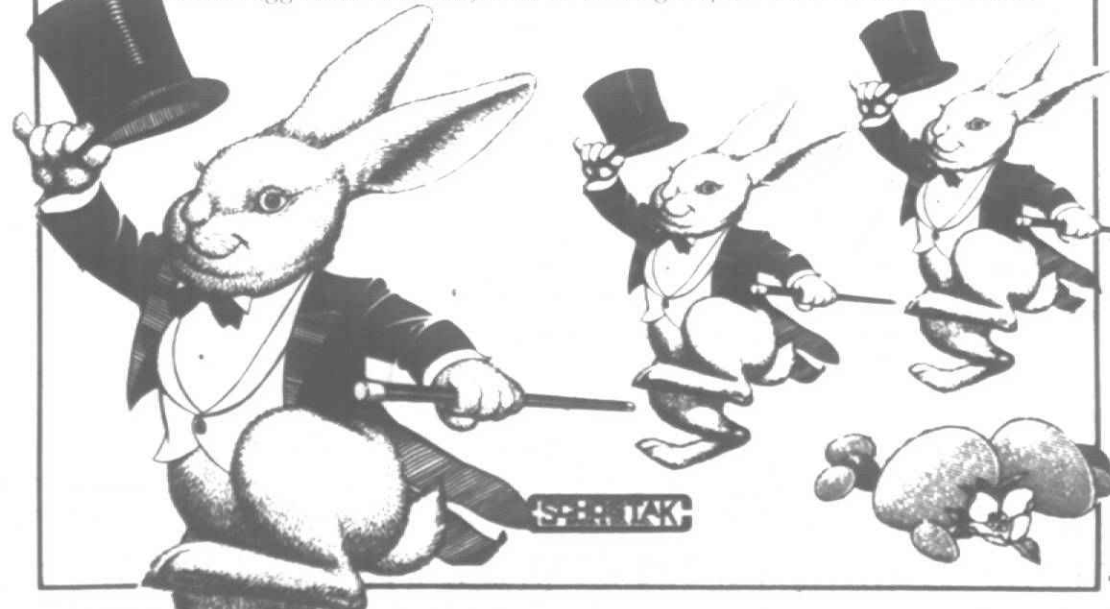
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Reality dramas Counselor writes plays about people in a crisis

By Cathie Breidenbach
special writer

BIRMINGHAM playwright Kitty Dubin's latest play, "The Last Resort," will soon have its world premiere at the Live Oak Theatre in Austin, Texas.

Besides being a playwright, Dubin is a counselor. She said her job gives "as a constant reminder of the internal journeys people go through. It's real fodder for my writing."

Several days a week she works as an independent therapist, helping adults going through the normal crises and transitions of life.

Dubin holds a master's degree in counseling from Oakland University in Rochester Hills. She has been a therapist for the last 12 years.

In her writing she never lifts people wholesale from real life to become characters in her plays. Instead she pieces together parts of her own experiences and those of friends when she creates dramas.

SHE STRIVES to write plays anchored in reality, that have a natural organic quality. The everyday traumas and troubles of ordinary middle-class, mid-American people in crisis lie at the center of her plays.

"Everybody needs a good crisis," she said of her belief that crisis situations work as catalysts in people's lives, both for the real people she knows and for characters she creates.

Teddy Spain, the protagonist of her newest play, faces a crisis when her ex-husband initiates a fight over custody of their teenage son.

As a last resort (pun on the play's title intended), Teddy retreats to a summer resort in Michigan where she went as a child. There she hides out, deliberates her course of action and, to add love interest and complication to her dilemma, she meets an attractive man.

Dubin said of crises, "People don't come into therapy just for fun." The desperation brought on by a life crisis drives them to seek counseling, and when they successfully work through problems, they have a "positive transformation." They're exhilarated about having increased control of their lives.

"I like to write about people who haven't been in control and are coming up to a point where it's now or never," she said. That point often arrives sometime during middle age when the ticking of biological clocks grows louder and people become acutely "aware of their own mortality." Their need to realize unfulfilled dreams becomes more urgent.

SUCH IS the case with Teddy TONER READ scripts, critiqued her work, gave her valuable feedback. In his opinion, "The Last Resort" is her best work to date. When he recently took a new job as artistic director of the Live Oak Theatre in Austin, he decided to put her play in his first season.

In the last six years Dubin has written three plays. When a new idea is fermenting, "It takes you by storm," she said. The first draft takes three to six months to write. "Then there's all the rewriting."

An early version of "The Last Resort" won her an individual Artist Grant from the Michigan Council for the Arts, and last April the play was given a staged reading at Wayne

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— Kitty Dubin

Spain, who has blamed others, gotten sidetracked and, one way or another, never before taken responsibility for her own life.

The ultimatum of "now or never" makes "The Last Resort" sound like heavy drama of the wet handkerchief variety. Not so. The play capitalizes on humorous situations and delights in funny people. Dubin said of her dramatic style, "My plays are all funny but they're not comedies."

"The Last Resort" is Dubin's fifth play and, in many ways, she believes it is her best. "It's crafted better and is less talky," she said. She can think more visually now and make points without words more often than she did in earlier works.

Her first play, "Cookies," won a Detroit Motion Picture Playwriting Contest Award while she was a student earning her master's degree in English from Wayne State University in Detroit. Critics praised the play, and it came close to being produced in Los Angeles, which is how Dubin met her mentor, Don Toner. He was set to direct the L.A. run of "Mirrors," and even after production plans fizzled, he and Dubin remained in contact.

Because she and her husband both write, Dubin describes him as her "in-house critic." She said of their life style, "We both have offices at home. We have jobs and other lives. It suits us well and allows for flexible parenting. Every day is different."

Dubin ENJOYS scheduling that allows her to work out three times a week, play tennis, teach an evening adult education class in playwriting at Cranbrook and continue her part-time practice. "If I were working 9 to 5, when would I fit things in?" she asks.

She also has published magazine articles on contemporary women's issues. She sold one entitled "Do You Say What You Mean When You Talk to a Man?" to Family Circle.

Last year she took a year-long class in writing plays for stage and screen taught by Howard Burman, then at Wayne State. During the class she wrote an episode of "Thirtysomething" and relished creating a plot for already-established characters.

When she weighs the merits and money of screenwriting against the artistic control granted playwrights, she opts for "less money, more control. As a playwright, you're still the authority on the play and you will be consulted on any word that is changed."

Of the future Dubin said, "I don't know where the road's going, I'm trying to see where this takes me." Meanwhile she keeps writing and keeps busy. Recently, Dubin flew to Texas to help select the cast — two men, three women and a teenage boy — for the world premiere of "The Last Resort."



In her Birmingham home, playwright Kitty Dubin goes over script of her fifth play, "The Last Resort," which will have its world premiere in Texas. "Mirrors," her second play, was produced by the State Fair Theatre in Detroit. A counselor by profession, she uses her own and friends' experiences to get ideas for her characters.

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Open auditions have been scheduled for eight one-act plays to be presented Saturday, April 15, by the Oakland University Department of Music, Theatre and Dance. Auditions for the One-Act Play Festival will begin at 7 p.m. Sunday-Monday, March 12-13, in 133 Varner Hall on campus in Rochester Hills. The auditions are open to experienced actors and newcomers. A list of the plays is available outside the audition room. For further information, call 370-3018.

PLAYS FAVORITES
Dan Greenberg, film critic for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, will present his classical music favorites on the Thursday, March 9, edition of "Guess Who's Playing the Classics" on radio station WQRS (105.1 FM) 9-10 p.m. Greenberg teaches film history/appreciation at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills. Greenberg appears regularly as film critic on OCC-TV's "Arts in Review," which is cable-cast twice weekly throughout Oakland County.

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New restaurant
Great Steak and Fry has opened its first Michigan restaurant, at the Renaissance Center in Detroit. The chain, based in Hamilton, Ohio, has 40 restaurants throughout the United States. Great Steak and Fry is in Tower 100, Street Level, at the Ren Cen. It specializes in "Philadelphia-style" sandwiches and featured hand-cut french fried cooked in peanut oil.

'Suite' Stakes
An emerald and diamond ring, total weight one carat, is the grand prize in the St. Patrick's Day "Irish Suite" Stakes" at the LaSalle Drinkery in the Embassy Suites Hotel in Southfield. The ring, provided by

Sidney Krandall & Sons Jewelers in Troy, is valued at \$1,400. The stakes will take place from 5-10 p.m. Friday, March 17, in the lounge. Guests will have the opportunity to win the emerald ring, along with many other prizes. Patrons also will become official "Irishpersons" with a LaSalle Drinkery Irish I.D. card, entitling them to 10 percent off all food and beverage orders at the lounge for a month. There will be an extended Irish happy hour buffet with miniature corned beef sandwiches, cabbage and green beer.

New partners
The Roman Terrace Restaurant, and McFrocks' Saloon in Farmington Hills is under new management and partnership. Joe Machiorri, has joined with Terrace veteran Ed McDonald to oversee the Italian restaurant and local saloon. The Roman Terrace features a selection of Italian and continental lunch and dinner dishes under the direction of new Executive Head Chef Debra Nelson. McFrocks offers food and drink specials Mondays-Sundays. The Roman Terrace is open from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m., serving dinner until 11 p.m. McFrocks is open from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. nightly.

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obituaries

ROBERTA GLADDEN

Funeral services for Roberta Gladden, 53, of Plymouth were March 5 at the Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth, with burial in Roseland Park Cemetery, Berkley.

Mrs. Gladden, a homemaker, died March 3 in New York City. She was born in Detroit Oct. 20, 1935 and came to the Plymouth community in 1965.

She is survived by her husband, John; daughter Kathi Linker of Texas; sons Robert of New York and Mark of Texas; and mother, Elizabeth E. of Plymouth.

Memorial contributions were requested to the Michigan Humane Society.

LESTER L. BURDEN

Funeral services for Lester L. Burden, 83, of Plymouth were March 5 at the Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth, with burial in Cadillac Memorial Gardens, Westland.

Mrs. Burden died Feb. 28 in Ann Arbor. She was born Oct. 8, 1905 in Plymouth.

Mrs. Burden is survived by sons Charles of Plymouth and Ronald of Wayne; daughters Betty Childress of Canton and Arlene Cranford of Plymouth; 13 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and sisters Viola Shillister and Madeline McClung of Plymouth.

Memorial contributions were requested to the Parkinsons Disease Association.

BETTY SEXTON

Funeral services for Betty Sexton, 65, of Plymouth were March 4 at St. Kenneth Catholic Church, Plymouth, with burial in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

Mrs. Sexton died Feb. 28 in Livonia. She was born July 21, 1923 in Detroit and moved to Plymouth in 1964.

Mrs. Sexton was a homemaker. She is survived by husband Robert; son Michael of Schwartz Creek; daughters Diane Fennelly of Plymouth and Suzanne Greener of Saline; six grandchildren; and brother William Jones of Detroit.

Memorial contributions were requested to the Michigan Heart Association or in the form of Mass offerings.

MARGARET FISHER

Funeral services for Margaret Fisher, 84, of Plymouth were March 2 at the Schrader Funeral Home, Plymouth, with burial in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth.

Mrs. Fisher, a nurse, died Feb. 27 in Ann Arbor. She was born Oct. 8, 1904 in Branch County, Mich.

Mrs. Fisher is survived by son Robert of San Jacinto, Calif.; daughters Doris Widmaier of Livonia and Margaret Detling of Cannon City, Colo.; 13 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and sisters Anna Soultz of Florida, Mary Davison of Plymouth, Helen Schomburg of Canton, Florence Henry of Plymouth and Ethel Blunk of Plymouth.

Memorial contributions were requested to St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Plymouth.

military news

• **MARINE LANCE CPL. MATTHEW RUPPERT**, a 1984 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School, was recently awarded the U.S. Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal. He received the award for good behavior and conduct over a three-year period. He is the son of Linda Ruppert of Plymouth.

• **MARINE PFC. JEFFERY P. WYRABKIEWICZ**, a Canton resident, was promoted to his present rank after graduating from Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif. He joined the Marine Corps Reserves in 1988.

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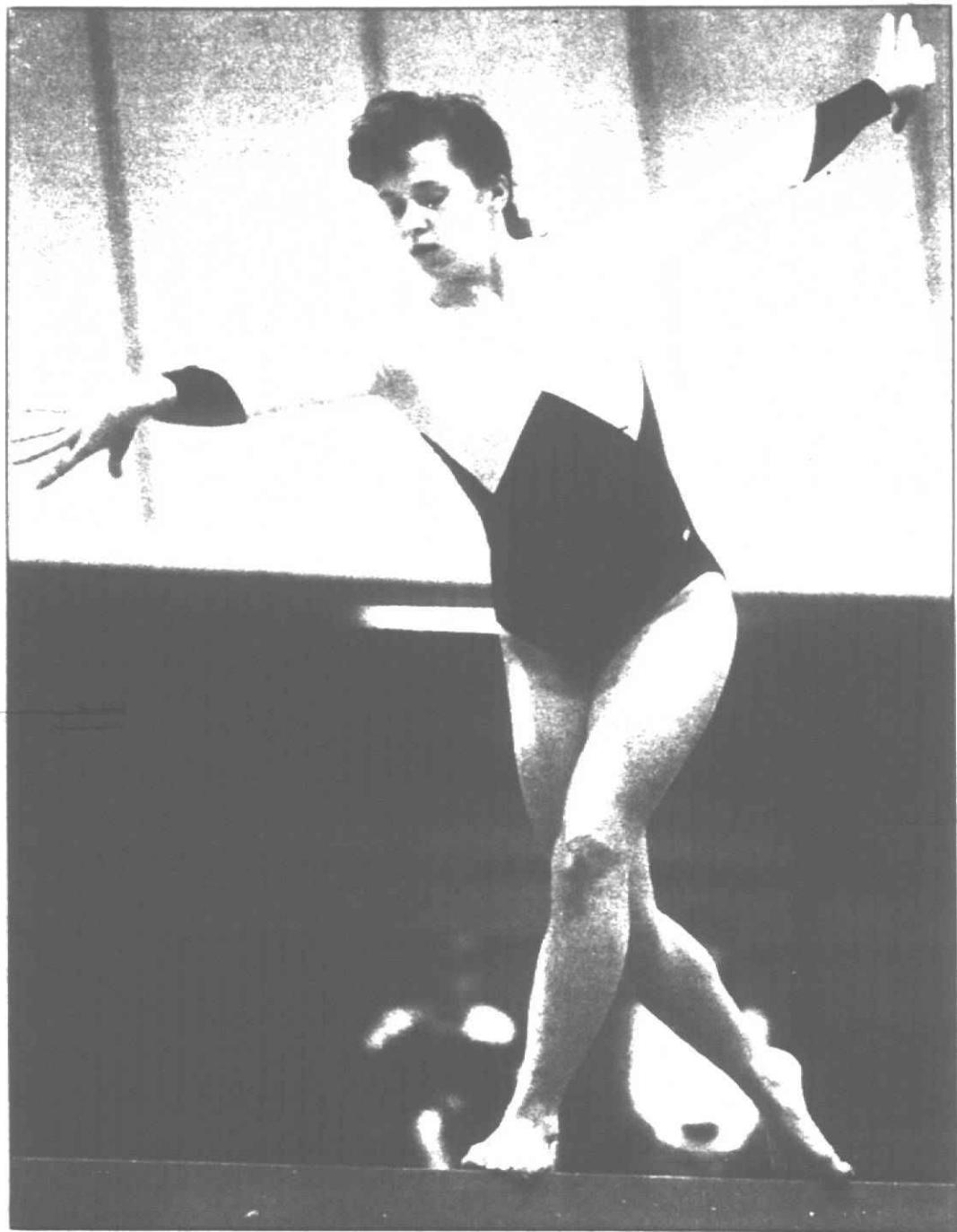
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Regional competition

Plymouth Canton's Johanna Anderson, an all-around competitor, will be one of the gymnasts competing for the Chiefs in the regional Saturday at Canton High School.

The Chiefs are expected to contend for one of three state-qualifying team berths. See story on Page 3D.

State meet next test for area swimmers

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

Ron Orris had his pick of events for the state championships in high school swimming this weekend.

The Plymouth Salem junior, who met the qualifying standard in every individual swimming event, has elected to enter the 200-yard freestyle and 100 butterfly. He also will compete in the freestyle relay.

The preliminaries are Friday and the finals Saturday in the Charles McCaffrey Natatorium on the Michigan State University campus. The competition begins at 2 p.m. each day. Tickets are \$3 Friday and \$4 Saturday.

"He's rated pretty high in both (events), and those seemed appealing to him," Salem coach Chuck Olson said. "He went 52.1 in the butterfly early in the year, and we'll see how that stacks up. None of the events will be easy."

Orris, who set meet records in the individual medley and 500 freestyle while leading the Rocks to a second straight Western Lakes Activities Association title Friday, was fifth in the 100 freestyle (47.65) and sixth in the 200 freestyle (1:44.7) at last year's Class A meet.

ORRIS, WHO has the best Observerland times in seven of eight individual swimming events, has gone 1:42.73 in the 200 this year. His best in the 100 is 47.71.

Orris will be contending along with defending state champion Jim Hume of Ann Arbor Pioneer, Mark Loveland of Ann Arbor Huron and Dave Klavitar of East Lansing in the butterfly.

"There are quite a few top-notch fliers, and I definitely think Ron is in that group," Olson said. "And this way, he won't be doing all freestyle."

"It was a tough decision between the fly, 100 free or even the 500 free. The breast(stroke) is too close to the free relay. We had to eliminate that this year."

"He's going up there with the idea of swimming well," he added, "and,



Ron Orris
will swim 200 free, butterfly

if he swims well, he's got a chance."

Orris won't be alone. In fact, the Rocks will be well represented. Both relays have qualified and so have seniors Mike Hill and Fred Seidelman in individual events. Plymouth Canton will send Jeff Homan, Bryce Anderson and its medley relay team to state.

Hill qualified in the 100 and 200 freestyles but will swim just the 100 since Olson plans to use him in both relays. In addition to the 50 freestyle, Seidelman will go in two relays, also.

"I THINK MIKE Hill has the ability to do well in the 100 freestyle," Olson said. "The 50 is a crazy event. It's whoever has the best start and turn that day. (Seidelman) is a senior, he's worked hard to get there and he deserves to do well."

Orris can put together quite a few combinations in the 200 medley relay, with any two out of Chris Butzlaff, Mark Erickson, Rick Steshetz, Sean Fitzgerald or Eric Bunch making up the other half of the foursome.

The 400 freestyle relay team is pretty well set with Hill, Seidelman

swimming

and Orris already penciled in. "Rick Steshetz has the inside track," Olson said. "Unless he gets sick, he'll be there. He's done a good job for us this year."

Salem has the area's best times in both events. The Rocks have gone as fast as 1:43.55 in the medley, and they won the freestyle recently at an invitational meet with a 3:17.96 time.

"From everything I've heard, the freestyle relay should be seeded as one of the top four teams there," Olson said. "Some people said it will be the top seed, but I don't know about that."

"THE MEDLEY has been dropping steadily, and they have a shot at doing well, too. But it's tough meet with teams coming from all over."

With a talented trio like Orris, Hill and Seidelman, all of whom have been to the state meet before, the Rocks could have an impact on the team scoring.

"We'd like to swim as well as we can," Olson said. "We didn't shave Orris, Hill or Seidelman for the conference meet. They have enough speed and experience they could swim right through the conference meet."

"(Winning the WLAA) was our big goal and now we're ready for the next one. We'll see what we can do up there when we do shave down."

Orris added that not shaving for the league meet and still winning the championship puts his swimmers in "great psychological shape" heading into the state meet.

"We did a little different taper," he said. "Through (semester) vacation, we worked harder than we did in the past. Guys like Steshetz and Butzlaff are going to drop more this weekend. We relied a lot on emotion

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Stevenson on losing end in close regional contest

By Brad Emons
staff writer

It didn't take lunch pails or hard hats to figure out what kind of basketball team Livonia Stevenson brought into Tuesday's Class A regional at Willow Run.

The hard-working Spartans took unbeaten Woodhaven to the limit before falling, 71-68, as senior guard Eric Higgs won it on a three-pointer as time expired.

The Spartans proved that Friday's come-from-behind 71-70 upset victory over Western Lakes Activities Association champ Plymouth Salem in the district final was no fluke.

Stevenson, which trailed by as many as 12 points during the second period, rallied in the second half and made things interesting right until the final horn.

Higgs' game-winning shot eluded the out-stretched arms of 6-foot-6 Stevenson center Mike Vrooman.

The Spartans' Rick Laven forced Woodhaven's hand when he nailed his fourth 3-pointer of the night, knotting the count at 68 with 33 seconds left.

"WE'VE HAD quite a few games go right down to the wire like this," said Woodhaven coach Michael Krogel, whose team is 23-0 overall. "When we called the timeout (with 24 seconds to play), what we wanted to do is take the first available shot with four seconds left. We didn't want to shoot any earlier and take a chance by letting them come down and get off a 3-pointer."

Stevenson coach Jim McIntyre and his staff countered with a zone defense with a man guarding Dustin Snell, Woodhaven's long-range shooting threat. But Snell was nearly the goat earlier when he launched an ill-advised jumper in the key, setting up Laven's game-tying basket.

"We tried to cover Snell and we were upset that he got the ball," said the Stevenson coach. "It wasn't like he (Higgs) wasn't being guarded. We'll take that shot against us any day of the week. The kid just hit it."

It was a free-wheeling, wide-open game from start to finish.

Stevenson fell behind 26-17 after one quarter and 33-21 with 4:38 left in the second period after a free throw by Vernon Crump.

And despite missing six straight free throws, including four one-and-ones in the second period, Stevenson clawed back to trail by only six at intermission, 34-28.

THE SPARTANS, helped by a half-court zone trap which forced numerous Woodhaven turnovers, began to make their move in the third period.

An acrobatic layup and free throw by Chris Nazelli with three minutes to play in the quarter pulled the Spartans to within one, 42-41.

Stevenson then took a brief lead (45-42) on two straight hoops by Scott Kosikowski.

It was 49-all after three quarters, but Woodhaven regained the lead and appeared to have the game clinched when Higgs scored with 1:29 left to make it 68-63.

But a nifty layup by point-guard Eric Schwedt, coupled with Snell's poor decision and Laven's three-pointer, forced the Warriors to into the final shot.

Krogel said he was leery of Stevenson's never-say-die attitude, particularly after hearing the scouting report on the Salem game where the Spartans erased a 20-point third-quarter deficit.

"I showed the Salem game film to our team, and I told them they never give up and never to think you've got the game won," said the Woodhaven coach. "We were fortunate to win. I don't know how we won."

DeANTHONY HARTMAN, a junior guard, paced Woodhaven and all scorers with 24 points. Higgs added 14, while Snell and Max Reck each added 11.

Laven, who did not start, paced a balanced Stevenson attack with 14. Three others were in double figures including Nazelli (13), Schwedt (12) and Kosikowski (11).

If the Spartans let down in any area it was at the free throw line where they made only eight of 18. (Woodhaven was 17 of 29).

"We told the kids that to stay in the regional, you'd have to shoot 75 percent to win the ballgame," said McIntyre, whose team bowed out with a 16-7 record. "Maybe we should move the line back to the top of the key and shoot free throws from there."

McIntyre may have been joking, but he was partially right as the Spartans outgunned Woodhaven from the three-point range, 6-4.

But the Stevenson coach couldn't kick about his team's effort, spearheaded by Schwedt and Nazelli, the relentless left-hander.

"Nazelli couldn't get the ball to roll, and he had several (shots) spin off," said McIntyre. "They (Woodhaven) did a smart thing and made him go to the other side (his right), but he was outstanding."

"And it was good to see Eric becoming more and more comfortable as a scorer and penetrator as the season went along. He played very hard."

McINTYRE SAID he will miss this cast of players. "Sure, we made mistakes and gave up things we shouldn't have, but I think we came with the intent to win," he said. "The kids came to play every night and that's what was so enjoyable about coaching this group."

I know we had a chance every time the ball goes up. This was a fairly talented group. Each kid had something to offer."

The Spartans offered Woodhaven everything and more, but it was Higgs' three-pointer which sends the Warriors into tonight's regional final against Ann Arbor Huron, an 18-point winner over Romulus in the other game of the doubleheader.

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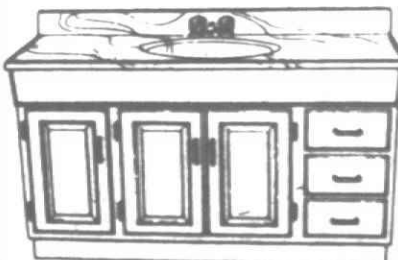
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Dragons survive rally by Borgess

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Shattered and nearly on the ropes, Mount Clemens Clintondale proved it could take Redford Bishop Borgess' best shot Wednesday, advancing in the state basketball tournament.

The Dragons pulled out a 56-53 victory over the Spartans in the Class B regional at Warren Woods-Tower.

After falling behind by as many as 19 points in the third quarter, Clintondale appeared down for the count as the Spartans staged a furious fourth-quarter rally.

Junior Shawn Respert sparked the comeback for Borgess by scoring 17 straight points after Scott Nielsen's layup with 6:02 remaining gave the Dragons a 39-20 advantage early in the third quarter.

But by the end of the third quarter Borgess had cut the deficit to nine, 46-39.

Borgess then made its move. Clintondale missed three straight one-and-one free-throw situations between the three and two-minute mark as Borgess pulled to within one, 54-53, on Charles North's three-pointer with 1:23 remaining.

BORGESS THEN came up with a steal, but missed two shots in the final 20 seconds. Clintondale's Jerry Howard grabbed the second miss and dribbled to midcourt where the ball was slapped out of his hands.

With the ball being inbound and only 10 seconds left, Borgess was forced to foul Nielsen, who calmly connected on two free throws to seal the victory.

Following the free throws, which gave Clintondale a three-point cushion, Howard stole a Borgess pass and ran out the clock as the Dragon fans streamed onto the floor, jubilantly hoisting Nielsen (15 points) and 6-foot-10 center Greg Grant (15 points, 17 rebounds and eight blocks) on their shoulders.

Nielsen is probably our second best free throw shooter, but in the clutch he's our best," said Clintondale coach Tom Simon, whose team will take a 20-3 record against Detroit Benedictine in Friday's final. "We didn't make any foolish passes; we didn't do anything foolish. They (Borgess) had a good ballclub and have the ability to come back."

BORGESS DUG ITSELF a hole by shooting only nine of 42 (including 0-for-7 on three-pointers) from the field in the first half.

The Spartans had a hard time solving Clintondale's zone, which featured the 6-10 Grant on the wing denying the ball.

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'They (Clintondale) were extending their defense the first half and we couldn't hit any shots. We didn't do anything to stop them in the first half, but the kids showed a lot of heart and character coming back. . . . Give them (Clintondale) credit. I knew all five of their players could hurt us at any time.'

— Mike Fusco
Borgess basketball coach

"When we play a tough team we play zone," Simon said. "We protect Greg in so far as his stamina is concerned. We don't want him running all over the floor. They're going to try and make him foul and take him out of there, and we don't want to put the pressure on somebody else."

Grant, bound for the University of Detroit, put plenty of pressure on Borgess early, scoring 12 points, to go along with 10 rebounds and seven blocks. Teammate Mike Daniloff tallied eight of his 15 in the opening period as Clintondale led 18-14.



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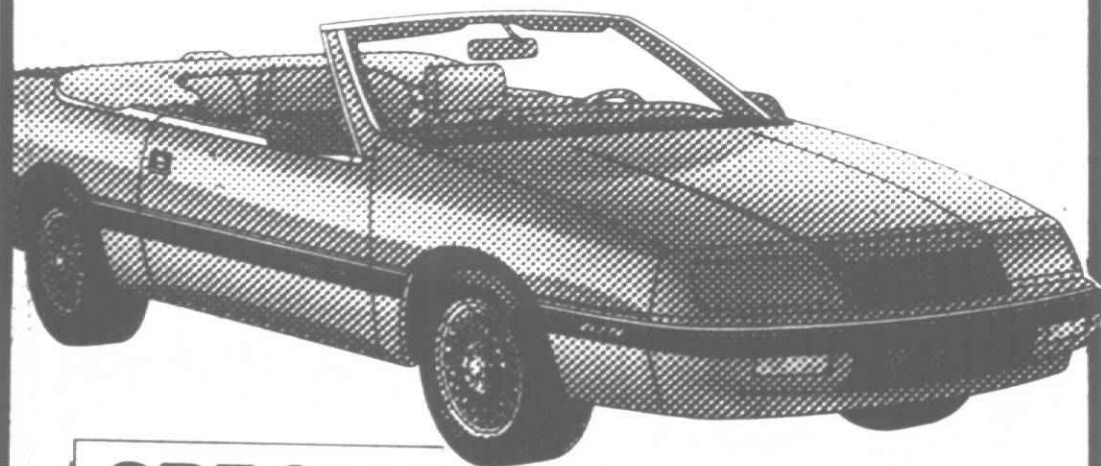
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Anti-surrogate loophole plugged

By Tim Richard
Staff Writer

The state Senate moved to tighten Michigan's anti-surrogate parenting law by prohibiting surrogate gestation for pay.

"We're making criminals out of people eager to have children," protested Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, who opposes the measure. The current law, passed in 1988, prohibits paying a woman whose ovum is artificially inseminated with the sperm of a man who would later adopt the child.

The new bill, on its way to the House, extends that law to cover an already-fertilized egg of one woman being implanted in a surrogate who is paid to bear the couple's child.

PASSAGE CAME on a 32-5 vote Wednesday after an hour of sharp debate.

Among area senators, only Faxon voted no. Supporting the Binsfeld bill were Republicans Doug Grice of Troy, Richard Fessler of Commerce, Robert Geake of Northville and Rudy Nichols of Waterford; and Demo-

crats William Faust of Westland and George Z. Hart of Dearborn. The legislative efforts are aimed directly at Dearborn attorney Noel Keane, who is paid by couples without children to match them with a woman who will bear a baby for them. Typical fees: \$10,000 for Keane, \$10,000 for the surrogate mother.

MOST OF the debating was done by opponents, who called it "anti-family."

"I don't think the state should be in the business of making adoption more difficult," said Sen. Joe Conroy, D-Flint. "It's very difficult to adopt a baby other than one from Mexico or South America."

"We have couples who get married at (age) 27 or 29 and find out too late they can't have children."

Sen. John Kelly, D-Detroit, called the bill "anti-nuclear family."

Faxon said the child is that of the sperm donor and egg donor, even if gestation occurs in a second woman. "That should not be prohibited," he said. Faxon offered an amendment to declare that the "natural" mother is the "egg" mother and not the gestation mother, but it was rejected.

"WE WENT through all those arguments for five years," said Binsfeld. "This amendment clarifies the intent of the law." She noted the law was passed with 30 votes in the 38-member Senate and 90 of the 110 House members.

Binsfeld said there is a bond between the woman who has borne the child and the child.

Sen. Lana Pollack, D-Ann Arbor, supported Binsfeld, saying the law doesn't prohibit surrogate gestation — "as long as there is no compensation. The sponsor (Binsfeld) is trying to outlaw the exchange of money. You shouldn't rent your womb."

IN OTHER ACTION, the Senate gave 35-1 approval to Fessler's bill to expand the state Law Enforcement Training Council from 11 members to 15.

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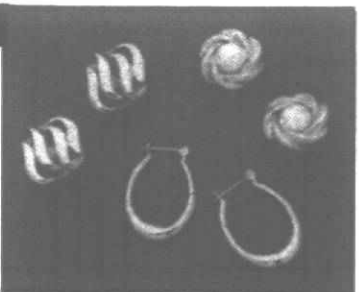
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Artist's rendering of the first house in Woodlynn, the future Detroit Symphony showhouse, shows how New York City architect Robert A.M. Stern kept a strong mid-western look in his design.

Woodlynn

Showhouse composed for Midwest audiences

By Corinne Abatt
staff writer

DAVID JENSEN, Birmingham-based builder/developer, talks like a philosopher and a visionary. That's because he is. And these days his vision is focused on his 23-acre development, Woodlynn, Bingham Farms, a community of million-dollar residences.

The acreage isn't visible from the road, but it came with a 60-foot wide access strip that is now paved, attractively landscaped along both sides and christened Woodlynn Drive.

A cobblestone gatehouse part way down the drive was just completed. A 200-year-old black walnut tree stands as a sentinel on the other side because Jensen had the road curved to save it.

The 14 building sites front on a cul-de-sac. Three will border on a small pond that is being created in terrain that is a natural for it near the south boundary.

All of the houses are or will be designed by New York City architect Robert A.M. Stern. All of the landscape architecture is designed by The SWA Group out of Boston, Mass.

"This is a development by design with a master plan," Jensen said as he drove slowly along Woodlynn Drive, describing the thinking that went into each step.

"We had to have a very special architect on this project. Stern has a love affair with Cranbrook. He was there for a week in 1980. He asked me to take 35mm pictures of everything I liked around here."

AFTER STERN had studied Jensen's photographs, he asked Jensen, "Why not do something that spins off Frank Lloyd Wright's Winslow House in Chicago?"

"The Prairie style had its inspiration in that kind of look. Stern is a traditionalist with a modern interpretations," Jensen said.

Stern was aware and concerned about maintaining a Midwestern identity in his designs, Jensen said.

In his book, "Years with Frank Lloyd Wright," Edgar Tafel said the Winslow house (actually in River Forest, Ill.) was Wright's first independent commission after leaving Adler and Sullivan in 1893. Tafel said the setting for the entrance and front door are reminiscent of Louis Sullivan, his former employer. In any event, the much admired design brought Wright many clients.

So, the first Woodlynn home (5,400 square feet) now being completed, with its red brick exterior and cedar shingle roof, has a traditional look and a historical

legacy, somewhat reminiscent of Wright's early style with its broad eaves and signature urns at the entrance.

AS THE 1989 Symphony Showhouse, it will be seen by many visitors when it is open later this spring. It is a true family home with a circular staircase in the entry hall, a second staircase in the back of the house.

One of Stern's trademarks is his use of windows to take advantage of the light, the views and the elevations, and at the same time enhance the architectural line and look.

A large fanlight (window) high above the front entrance allows the two-story entry hall to be bathed in natural light. There are windows on three walls in the living room, a bank of bay windows in the dining room and even slim vertical windows tucked into unexpected places such as a storage area or a child's bathroom.

The flooring in the large living room and the detailing of the fireplace suggest the elegance of Eliel Saarinen's designs at Cranbrook. The oak floor is laid in a herringbone pattern with darker detailing around the perimeter.

An interlocking pattern of carving runs vertically across the front of the fireplace. Great attention is being paid to the cove molding, wood trim around the doors and installation of interior pocket sliding glass doors.

The second house, already well under way, is a 7,000-square foot, triple-gabled English country house. There will be no makeovers of floor plans or modifications of styles from one house to another, Jensen said. Each will be a completely individualized residence that will be compatible with, but distinctly different from, the others.

A LOOK through a catalog of buildings and projects that Stern did from 1981-85 erases any doubt about his versatility. This 300-page book of color photographs of finished projects, floor plans and elevations shows the tremendous body of work he has produced in those four years, from the East Coast to as far west as Alaska, where he did the Performing Arts Center in Anchorage.

Stern's transformation of a 19th century factory in Voorschoten, The Netherlands, to the headquarters for Mexx International, a Dutch fashion company, is the subject of an article and pictures in Architectural Record, May 1988. In it, the writer refers to Stern's "signature eclecticism."

Jensen wrote in his purpose



BARBRA WALZ

Robert A.M. Stern, an internationally recognized architect, will come for the May opening of the Detroit Symphony show house, which he designed.

statement for Woodlynn. "To provide an inspired environment which balances the sensitive issues of the land, the building (or structures) and the gardens. Our effort is to create a wonderful sense of place, where a neighborhood is experienced, where the sum of the total parts is greater than the individual parts."

STERN, HOST of the PBS-TV series, "Pride of Place: Building the American Dream," and professor of graduate studies in architecture at Columbia University, is also a philosopher.

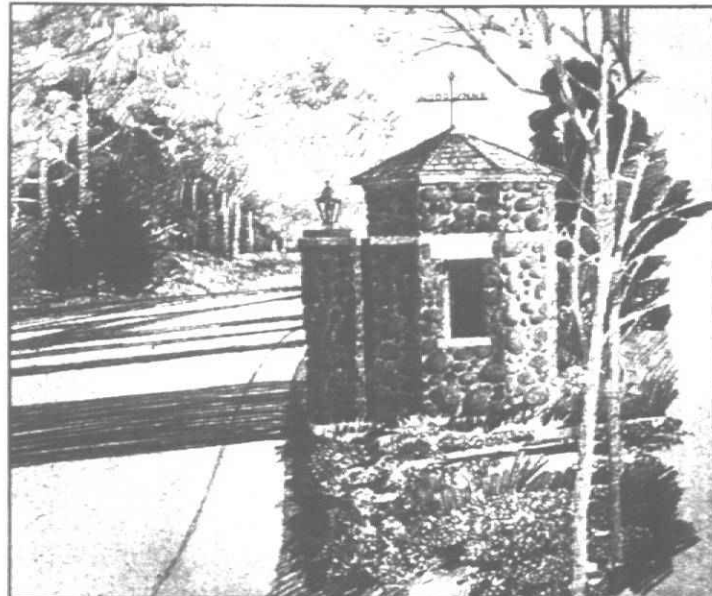
Stern will be here for the opening of the Symphony Showhouse. He will speak to the students at De-

troit Country Day School and be the guest at a banquet in his honor.

"Believing as I do in the continuity of tradition, I try to create order out of the chaotic present by entering into a dialogue with the past, with tradition," he wrote in the introduction to his book.

"I do not believe that the past offers a cure for the ills of the present; I do believe it offers standards for evaluation."

Jensen can already picture the formal gardens that will surround the homes. He likes the idea of single drives into secluded courtyards. On one site, he pictures a fountain. He has many drawings and paintings of how the landscape will look. His vision is taking shape.



Drawing of the gatehouse, which is now in place, shows how it will look when spring arrives and what it says about the homes beyond the curve of the drive.



"Our effort is to create a wonderful sense of place, where a neighborhood is experienced, where the sum of the total parts is greater than the individual parts."

— David Jensen

Woodlynn created on historic site

Woodlynn, the 23 acres of land in Bingham Farms, comes complete with a well-documented history. Had things gone differently, the University of Michigan, might be on 13 Mile Road instead of in Ann Arbor.

Developer David Jensen bought the parcel of land from Semon E. (Bunkie) Knudsen.

He had kept it after the Knudsen home was sold to the David Hermelins when the Knudsens moved to Cleveland, Ohio, in the early '70s when he became chairman and chief executive officer of White Motor Corp.

The property is first on record as part of a government land grant to John Daniels around 1832 when

Michigan was still a territory. An 80-acre parcel of the larger piece was "reserved for the University of Michigan" in compliance with an act of Congress approved in 1826 "concerning a seminary of learning in the Territory of Michigan."

However, Daniels bought that 80 acres from the state of Michigan in 1852 for \$400 when the state apparently decided on another location for the university. Descendants of the Daniels family owned the acreage until the Depression, when Knudsen acquired it.

So instead of the University of Michigan, there is Bingham Farms and its newest development, Woodlynn.

'Spring Fever Cure'

VAAL class schedule has forward look

A new all-media class plus workshops in relief painting using linoleum are some of the new offerings in the spring lineup of classes offered by the Visual Arts Association of Livonia.

Classes will begin Monday, April 3, in Room 34, Jefferson Center, 9901 Henry Road, Livonia. Registrations are now being taken. For more information, call 464-4772 or 421-3297.

The new seven-week, all-media class will be taught by Westland artist Sandra Stood from 7-10 p.m. Tuesday nights, beginning Tuesday, April 4. She will also teach a seven-week oil painting techniques class

from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fridays, beginning April 7. Sandra Stood will be the instructor of the three-week print-making class of relief painting using linoleum. Classes will meet from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Thursdays, April 27, May 4 and May 11.

FARMINGTON ARTIST Edee Joppich will conduct several of the VAAL offerings including a one-day workshop called "Spring Fever Cure." Scheduled for 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Saturday, May 6, the session will focus on painting outdoors in the medium of the artist's choice. Joppich will also conduct three

seven-week classes in creative approach to watercolor painting. One will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Mondays, the second from 7-10 p.m. on Mondays, and from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Tuesdays.

"Drawing on the Right Side of the Brain" classes will be offered from 9 a.m. to noon on Thursdays with instructor Mary J. Ehler. Ann Loveland will instruct a seven-week Still Life in Watercolor class from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, and a three-week monotyping class will be conducted by Lily Dudgeon.

Workshops will include one in mixed medium, on Thursdays, April 6 and 13 in mixed medium with Au-

drey DiMarco, and a five-hour "paint flowers" session by Joppich, details of which will be announced following registration.

A two-session Saturday morning Exploring Watercolor workshop, scheduled for May 13 and 20, will be conducted by Marge Chelstorsky.

Supported in part by the Livonia Arts Commission and the Livonia Cultural League, VAAL was formed over 10 years ago to promote better acquaintances, involvement and understanding of creative expression of the arts. Membership in the group is open to all area residents. Special benefits include reduced class and exhibition fees.

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The award-winning James Topp Singers will be presented in a special concert at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 18, in the Livonia Civic Center Library auditorium. Sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission, the concert is part of an ongoing effort by the arts group to present a wide range of family entertainment. Admission is \$2. Tickets are available at the library during regular business hours.

The Singers have performed throughout the state during its sesquicentennial and the East Coast during the reopening of the Statue of Liberty. They are the recipients of several citations of excellence from the state government and were also presented with the Spirit of Detroit award.

In keeping with the Easter season, they will conclude their Livonia appearance with Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus."

MAGICAL MINIATURES

Contest and unusual displays will highlight the annual Miniature and Teddy Bear Show at the Northwest YWCA 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

March 19. The Northwest Y is at 35940 Grand River in Redford.

Amateur room boxes will be judged and prizes will be awarded. Prizes will also be awarded for the best dressed, smallest, largest and most loved teddy bears.

Dealers, hobbyists and craftspeople from throughout the state are expected to participate in this year's event. There is a \$2 admission fee. For more information, call 537-8500.

AUTHOR TO SPEAK

Southfield author Thomas Sullivan will be guest speaker Wednesday, April 12, at the book and author presentation to be held during National Library Week hosted by the Carl Sandburg Branch of the Livonia Public Library.

Sullivan will speak and autograph copies of his novel, "The Phases of Harry Moon," described by Library

Journal as a "comic novel, strong on clever wordplay and edge of absurdity landscape."

Copies of the book are now on sale at the library at a 20-percent discount for those who wish to read it before the talk. The event is open to the public. For more information, call 476-0700.

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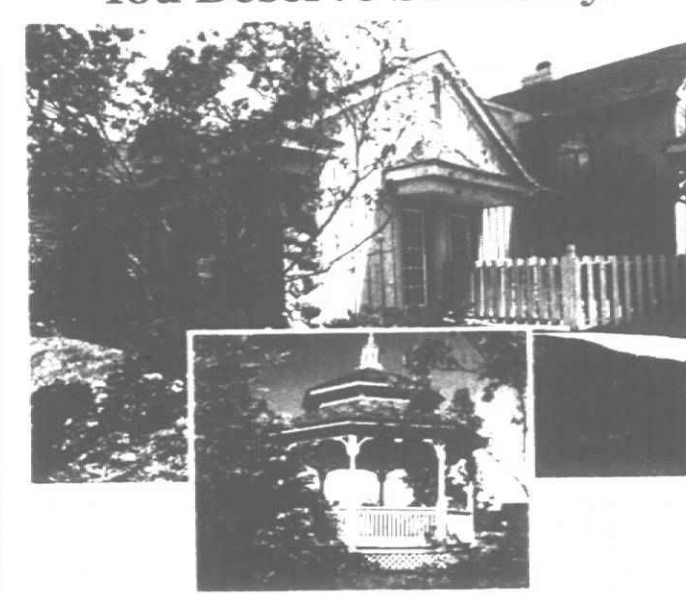
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Political profiles sadly lacking

COLEMAN YOUNG, William Milliken, Walter Reuther — three dynamic, powerful, influential men — each destined to play a role in Michigan's volatile political history. The good news is that books about each of these fascinating men have been published within the last few months.

The bad news is that, in all three books, we're showered with roses, roses, roses — with barely a prick of the thorn. The good news is that the life's work, the complexities of their personalities, the times that shaped their ideologies are all issues begging for objectivity.

In the Young biography ("Coleman Young and Detroit Politics" — From Social Activist to Power Broker, by Wilbur C. Rich, Wayne State University Press, hardbound \$21.95, see public relations hard at work, and the results are predictable: a biography that is, ultimately, a boring piece of apologetics.

To have to concede that a book about Coleman Young is a yawner is pretty incredible, considering Young's own, carefully constructed tough-guy impression: the profane, irascible countenance, the seldom-appropriate, often-hilarious wit, the never-back-down stance, whether he's dealing with the military as a Tuskegee Armyman during World War II, Harry Bennett and the Ford union busters in the 1940s, the House Un-American Activities Committee in the 1950s, or fiscal decline, the dismantling of Poletown, the abandonment by the Reagan administration and the sleaze factor in his own administration in the 1980s.

RICH, A PROFESSOR at Wayne State, may have been hobbled by the fact that this project grew out of a luncheon discussion with members of the Coleman Young Foundation.

The book was written over a four-year period with their unflinching support — though, according to notes at the end of the book, Rich was only able to interview Young on two occasions.

In "American Dreams: Lost and Found," Studs Terkel's 1980 chronicle of 100 American Lives, Young talks about his own life and brilliantly, idiomatically, profanities intact, tells it all in only 14 pages. Too bad he didn't allow Rich more time. Too bad he didn't write his own book.

"**THE MILLIKEN YEARS, A Pictorial Reflection**," is written by Joyce Braithwaite and George Weeks, published originally by The Traverse City Record-Eagle and Village Press Inc., and released recently in large paperback by Wayne State University Press (\$17.50).

What you see is what you get. An endearing picture book with lots of hand shaking, lots of happy faces — about what you would expect from two former Milliken staff members.

Braithwaite was Milliken's campaign manager and executive assistant for 14 years; Weeks, a Detroit News columnist, served as either press secretary or chief of staff for all of Milliken's 14 years in office.

But it, too, is pretty boring, except for a page or two of political cartoons near the end of the

book break

Mona Grigg

book — most of them connecting Milliken with — guess who? — Coleman Young.

IN THE Reuther biography, it is a loving daughter, Elisabeth Reuther Dickmeyer, who does the telling.

The book is called "Reuther: A Daughter Strikes" (Spelman Publishers, Box 3333, Farmington Hills 48333, \$21.95 hardbound, \$14.95 softbound), with a forward by Doug Fraser.

In all fairness, I have not seen the review copy. I can only quote the press release and wish that all it says is true.

"The blast from a would-be assassin's shotgun... plunged all Reuthers into a lifetime of strict security, constant bodyguards, bulletproof windows and vests, barbed wire and constant fear. Brother Victor was shot next."

"Then there were the anonymous threats and charges by J. Edgar Hoover. But there were good times, too. All are described in Elisabeth Reuther Dickmeyer's 400-page account of Walter Reuther's two lives — as UAW president and as a devoted husband and father."

ALONG THE way, the family was exposed to figures like Eleanor Roosevelt, JFK, Martin Luther King and India's prime minister, Jawaharlal Nehru. Then, in 1970, it all came to an end when Walter Reuther and his wife, May, were killed in a plane crash. Dickmeyer suggests possible sabotage.

Partly because of an enlightening trip to India with her father, Dickmeyer became a Hare Krishna devotee and collaborated with Alfred Ford, great-grandson of Henry Ford, to convert the Fisher Mansion into a Hare Krishna temple.

It has not been my policy to mention a book until I've seen the hard copy, and I hesitate to do it now. Objectivity aside, much of what I want from this book may be wishful thinking.

SO, IF I haven't read the book, why am I even bringing it up? Because any book about the Reuthers is important; because I wanted to mention it along with the other two biographies — the lives of all three influential men interconnected at crucial periods in Michigan's history — and because this will be my last column for a while.

I'm taking a sabbatical of sorts — for how long, I can't say. The fiction world beckons and I've been wanting to explore its possibilities for a long time. I may well get lost — hopelessly lost — but I wouldn't miss the trip for anything.

But not to worry — Book Break will continue and an interim columnist will be announced within two weeks.

Animal life is focus of exhibition

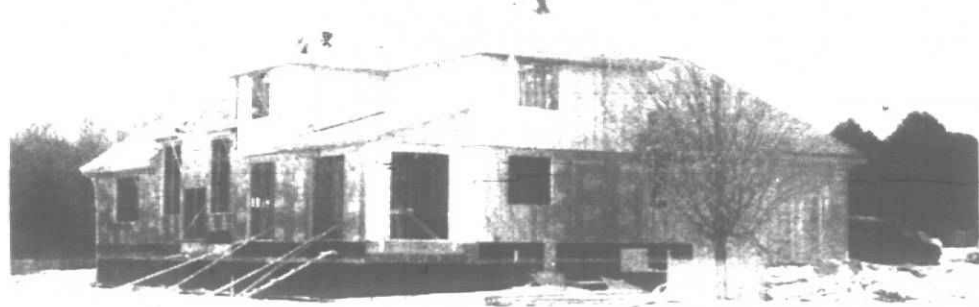
Twenty area artists are featured in an animal life art exhibition and sale in progress at Somerset Mall in Troy.

Participating artists include watercolorist Elbert Weber of Livonia.

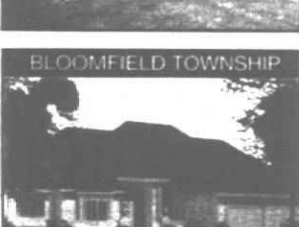
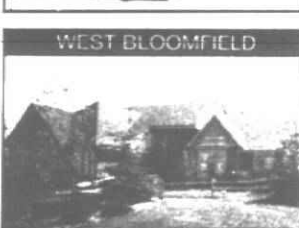
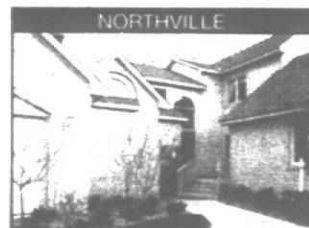
Commenting on the show, its coordinator Carol Pilgins said: "Although there are many talented, innovative contemporary artists working today, relatively few portray animal life in their work as a theme."

"Reasons for the comparative scarcity of this imagery are no doubt multiple, but one major factor is that of a society becoming increasingly more urban, technological and less agrarian resulting in a physical remoteness from our fellow creatures." Somerset Mall is at 2801 Big Beaver, on the southeast corner of Big Beaver and Coolidge. The exhibition continues through March 12 and is open for viewing during normal mall business hours.

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'Cinderella' ballet has special highlights

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The longtime Livonia area personality will have a role in the production of "Cinderella" which her ballet company, Livonia Civic Ballet, is presenting in two performances Saturday in the Plymouth-Canton School Little Theater.

Newell will be cast as the stepmother — "not the ugly, just the mean," she added with a wry smile.

The production, to be given at 2 p.m. and again at 7 p.m., has as its codirector Dawn Green, a teacher at Joann's Extension dance studio in Plymouth.

BOTH NEWELL AND Green are members of the Cecchetti Dance Council of America. Newell is a past president.

Special choreography for the show was done by Peter Pawlyshyn, a member of the Nevada Theatre Ballet, who has taught the past two years at the Cecchetti Council's summer conference at Michigan State University.

Pawlyshyn studied Ukrainian Dance in New York and trained in Kiev, Ukraine, USSR, at the Pavlo Virsky Folk Dance Studio. His ballet training has been with the Royal Winnipeg Ballet and he taught character for its summer sessions of 1981 through 1985.

Cast in the role of Cinderella is Dawn Rhodes. The stepsisters will be danced by Jackie Long and Arnell Newell. The cat will be played by Catrina Choate at the matinee and Dawnell Dryja in the evening. The prince will be played by David

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A black and white line drawing of a two-story house with a gabled roof and three dormer windows. The front porch has a railing. To the right is a detached two-car garage with a gabled roof and a small window. The house is surrounded by trees and shrubs.



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