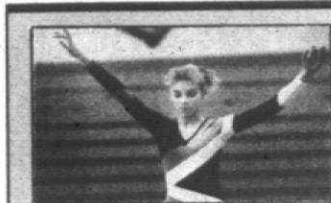


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Edison tops off trees, sets off Canton man

By Diane Gale
staff writer

A majestic line of what were 35-foot evergreens makes more of a comical picture now that the tops are lopped off.

But Canton resident Eugene Korte doesn't find anything funny about Detroit Edison disfiguring the trees he planted as seedlings almost 40 years ago. The electrical company claimed it has easement rights and descended on the property despite Korte's protests and calls to the police.

Korte has lived in the house on Michigan Avenue at Beck Road since 1947 and he's not sure whether Edison has rights.

EDISON'S explanation is clear.

Fifteen years after the lines go up easement rights are automatic, said Scott Simons, an Edison spokesman.

"It's an easement that's provided for the company for maintaining those lines, even though easements are not platted along original property lines," he said.

If the customer accepts electricity after the line is constructed that essentially constitutes an agreement to the easement rights, Simons said.

Edison learned a lot during the major rain storm last July, he added. For instance, 65 percent of the outages were caused by downed trees.

"And after we do line clearance we have 42 percent fewer outages," he said explaining that Edison tries to get 10-foot clearance unless the cut on the tree would be unhealthy and a deeper cut is better for the tree.

And there's safety concerns, too. Wires downed by tree branches are dangerous, Simons said adding that Edison subscribes to the National Arborists Association standards when trimming.

Korte argues that Edison shouldn't have put the wires over the trees when they were small.

"Once the trees are cut there's nothing you can do," Korte said estimating that Edison chopped off 15-20 years growth.

SITTING AT his small kitchen table looking out a window, Korte has a clear view of the now ravaged looking landscape.

"They destroyed those trees and part of my life," he said. "I just want to make it so someone else doesn't have the same trouble. I think that it's a crime that they do that."

"All they're interested in doing is trimming the tree so that they don't have to come back in 8-10 years," Korte said as he walked by an evergreen seedling in his backyard. He started it from seed and plans to give it to his daughter for her house.

Korte shook his head and said that if he knew the fate of the established trees just a month earlier, he could have taken the tops off himself and sold them as Christmas trees.



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Eugene Korte points to the hacked off evergreens he planted as seedlings decades ago.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Hitting the right note

Plymouth-Canton students received a thumbs up sign from Detroit Symphony Orchestra trombonist Randall Hawes. He and other symphony members were at Lowell Elementary

School to help the kids tune up. See Page 3A for stories and photos.

Resident has 6 cars, no place to park

By Diane Gale
staff writer

Mary Christie's family has six cars and a pocketful of parking tickets. The reason, she says, is that the township prohibits parking on both sides of her street.

"There (are) six cars in our house and they don't all fit in the driveway," Christie said at a recent Canton Board of Trustees meeting.

In the Sunflower subdivision north of the Warren Road, signs on one side of the street ban parking for fire lane zones. On the other side of the street, signs restrict parking during school hours. They were erected a few years ago to keep high school students from jamming the streets with their cars.

Christie wants a reprieve.

Among many inconveniences caused by the parking dilemma, Christie said, is that she can't hold meetings at her home for her volunteer work.

Canton Public Safety Director John Santomauro said he understands Christie's problem, but a solution will take time and investigation.

"The police department realizes that residents have a dilemma," he said, adding that there is a need for

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— John Santomauro
Canton Public Safety director

fire lanes allowing easy access to hydrants.

The other signs were requested by the Sunflower Subdivision homeowners association to weed out students from parking in the neighborhoods.

That points up an underlying issue, Christie said. The high schools don't provide enough parking at the Joy and Canton Center complex to accommodate all the students who drive to classes.

WHEN RESIDENTS complained about the swell of cars in the neigh-



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Try parking during certain times on some streets near the high schools and you're out of luck. Just ask Mary Christie.

borhood they asked for signs. The police department agreed, but with hesitation.

"The police concern was we would be restricting parking for residents," Santomauro said.

He's contemplating two options: Take down the restricted parking signs. Or, issue parking permits for residents only.

Santomauro said he has people investigating whether parking permits

are legal and whether it would be convenient for police to oversee and enforce the permit process.

"It puts us in a position to update permits and we're really not in that position," he said. "We have to work with the homeowners association and check with residents to resolve this."

Christie said earlier this week that she's planning a meeting with the homeowner's association.

Transportation for schools of choice is trouble

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

The two dozen volunteers drafting a state-mandated "schools of choice" plan for Plymouth-Canton Community Schools asked not what their district could do for them, but what they could do for their district. It's been such a frustrating, time-consuming experience that some are sorry they did.

The Michigan Legislature announced a month ago that all districts must draft a plan enabling students to attend the school of their choice, as long as it's within their local district.

Gov. John Engler proposed that all schools make available one percent of their space for transferring students. Varying plans were tossed into the legislative hopper, but none was recommended to the planning committees.

So the committees — required by law to draft a plan by April — have few guidelines to work with. One thing they have been told is that they must figure out a way to provide bus transportation for students switching schools — a costly proposition.

IT'S A PROBLEM state Rep. James Kosteva, D-Canton, who sits on the state House Education Committee, said he mentioned recently to his colleagues on the committee.

"I think the concept of schools of choice warrants a look and has some potential to benefit certain students in certain situations," said Kosteva, whose wife Laura is serving on the Plymouth-Canton committee. "I felt the legislative approach to it last year was far too rushed. And it was not given the proper deliberative thought, nor the time for local planning committees to adequately plan. Only recently have some guidelines been issued by the Department of Education, and they still remain in draft form."

Boards of education will accept or turn down the recommended schools of choice plans. If rejected, voters

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— Rep. James Kosteva

will have a chance in June to adopt the plans.

Carey Peters, co-chair of the Plymouth-Canton committee, said the committee checked with 150 communities in Michigan and across the country who've adopted schools of choice plans.

"We found out that in those 150 communities, there are 150 different ways schools of choice are defined," she said.

They've been formed to combat problems involving everything from drop-out rates to truancy, unwed teenage mothers, immigration and language barriers, Peters said.

"We are trying to figure out what the educational needs are here, and the purpose of schools of choice in Plymouth-Canton."

"Twenty-two members of our committee went out and talked to as many friends and neighbors as we could in a week. We talked to over 200 families, just saying, 'If it came to Plymouth and Canton, would you use schools of choice?'"

"WE FOUND OUT that most all of the answers were pretty much emotional needs," Peters said.

Many answered that they'd use schools of choice if it meant their

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Property seized

Canton public safety director John Santomauro is flanked by Drug Enforcement Administration special agent William R. Coonce and U.S. Marshal James Stewart. They presented Santomauro with checks, valued at more than \$17,000, from goods confiscated from a 31-year-old Canton man's home last week. The Canton man had more than \$30,000 worth of jewelry and cash confiscated from his Saltz Road house. Canton po-

lice assisted federal marshals in arresting the man who reportedly violated his probation on a marijuana charge. Stewart said. A federal law allows enforcement agencies to seize assets in connection with drug arrests. The federal agencies may give 80 percent of the seized assets back to the local police departments to be used for law enforcement.

Police arrest, jail army deserter

Canton police arrested a 21-year-old Novi man listed as a deserter from the U.S. Army. The man was stationed in Fort Bragg, N.C. Canton police learned about the man from a teletype saying he was absent without leave. It was expected that military police would pick the man up from the Canton jail this week.

HOUSE BREAK-IN: A Lotz Road

house was reportedly broken into Feb. 3. The thieves reportedly broke through a door window and stole an \$80 Elgin watch and a \$230 ring. Police are investigating the case.

PLAN GOES UP IN SMOKE: A security person at Meijer reported that he overheard a man tell two women that he planned to steal a load of cigarettes earlier this week. The man apparently placed \$140

worth of cigarettes in his cart, went to another department and tried to conceal them in a plastic bag.

CAR BREAK-IN: A 1987 red Ford Escort was reportedly broken into while it was parked on Ford Road earlier this week. A purse valued by its owner at \$80, a \$50 wallet and

crime watch

\$250 in cash was stolen, the woman told police.

Schools have 'choice' problem

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child could attend an elementary school closer to where they worked, or the child's day care center.

Paying for transportation is a major headache in light of the gloomy financial picture the district faces, said Mitchell Howard, Plymouth-Canton committee co-chair.

Howard says committee members have spoken with people in Minnesota, which implemented schools of choice, "and they can't believe we have to deal with transportation. Can you imagine the geography and numbers of students we have to deal with?" asked Howard.

"We were given a great deal of latitude and we'll make the deadline. But it's going to come from a lot of hard work and lot of hard head knocking. We don't want to do anything that would contribute to the budget problem."

Laura Kosteva says that based on what she's learned, she's not certain schools of choice will bring about improvement in Plymouth-Canton.

"I'm not convinced of that at all," she said. "In fact, the legislation only offers a 20 percent increase over the categorical part of school funding for transportation. If we were to do this districtwide, the actual cost to this district would be exorbitant. I'm just wondering whether or not it would be worth it."

"Sincerely," she added, "from what we can gather, all the schools

are very similar. We don't have any particular school that is in much worse shape than any other. So we are questioning whether we have the need here."

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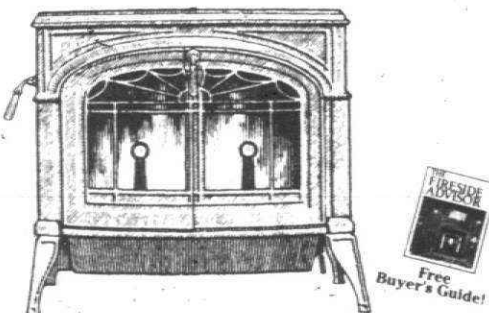
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Bill Lucas, a symphony member and 1975 Plymouth Salem High School graduate, coaches the trumpeters.



Symphony members perform for the students.

Kids tune up with Detroit Symphony quintet

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer



Adam Harry plays a trombone during a clinic conducted by Randall Hawes of the Detroit Symphony.

Five guys wearing dark suits and carrying shiny horns showed up at Lowell Middle School's cafeteria Tuesday morning. They played moving music — tunes like George Gershwin's "Bess, You Is My Woman," Hoagy Carmichael's "Georgia," and the W.C. Handy's "St. Louis Blues."

How good were they? So good that more than 100 adolescent band members sat transfixed. And so good that all five are employed by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

The musicians belong to the Detroit Chamber Winds, a brass quintet consisting of tuba player Wesley Jacobs, trombone player Randy Hawes, trumpet players Kevin Good and Bill Lucas, and French horn player Bryan Kennedy.

Lucas is a 1975 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. THE CONCERT AND clinic materialized thanks to Lowell band director Judy Meyer and the Plymouth Community Arts Council. Meyer, whose brother is Randy Hawes, applied to the arts council for a grant

and received a generous \$915. The funding enabled the brass quintet to entertain and instruct horn-playing students Tuesday morning. A second DSO group, the Woodwind Quintet, is scheduled to stage a similar program tomorrow for students who play wind instruments.

The quintet drew rave reviews. "They were awesome. They were cool," said Beth Prezioso, a sixth-grader who plans French horn.

"They're good, and they play some pretty nice music," agreed percussionist Derek Williams, a sixth-grader.

Good taught students about melody, harmony, dissonance, rhythm, jazz and the blues.

"Does anyone know what the blues are?" asked Good before the quintet launched into the "St. Louis Blues."

"A hockey team," piped up a student.

After performing, the group broke up into five clinics. Kennedy said it was time well spent.

It's great for us, and great for the kids," he said. "Hopefully, it keeps them interested in the arts, which is

important right now, and it gives them some insight into what it takes to become a musician. Best of all, even if they don't end up in music, maybe they will be future ticket buyers at cultural events. Everything for the future," said the Dearborn High grad.

BAND DIRECTOR Meyer and Lowell Principal Pat Patton were more than pleased with Tuesday's outcome.

"This is very generous of the arts council, and we're very concerned that the community know their funds are being put to such good use," said Patton.

"This gives students a chance to work with people they would never otherwise have the chance to," said Meyer, who plays oboe. "They've broken up into small teaching groups and are receiving some really high quality, specialized training," she said.

That was evident in the classroom where an animated Lucas was teaching the fundamentals to young trumpeters.

"I'm tricking you into learning," said Lucas, who had the students laughing, playing, and obviously enjoying themselves.

Lucas, who plays his horn an average six hours a day, credits Plym-

outh-Canton schools' music program, and band teacher Jim Griffith in particular, for much of his success.

"I went here all 12 years, and the band program was fabulous," said Lucas. "One of the reasons I'm in the symphony is because of my experience in the band programs. Under Jim Griffith, I learned to be a musician at a young age. He really taught me how to play, and that's really important. I still have fond memories of the concerts we played."

"What I find rewarding is being able to affect audiences, showing them the genius of the great composers, and being able to play what I feel," he said.

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Above: Wesley Jacobs performs on the tuba. Right: Michael Ziolkowski, a sixth grader, listens to chamber music.



Bryan Kennedy usually plays a French horn in the symphony, but he brought along his home-made hose-a-phone, which is made from a garden hose and a funnel.

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community calendar

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THURSDAY

PLYMOUTH YMCA: The Plymouth Community Family YMCA will offer the following classes: Stop Smoking/Weight Control, Women's Self Defense Rape Prevention, Sell Your Home Workshop, Dog Obedience, and "Y" Super Sitters. Call 453-2904.

SENIORS: Tax assistance is available in Plymouth (455-3670 or 455-6620), Canton (397-5444) and Northville (349-4140) through April 15. Call for appointment. Free services are available for the handicapped and shut-ins.

FUTURE TRIPS: The City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring trips. Ameri-Flora "92" in Columbus, Ohio, three days, May 27-29; Frankenmuth, April 8; America's national parks, 11 days, June 13-23; and Glacier National Park and Sun Valley, 11 days, Aug. 4-14. 455-6620.

LEARN TO SKI: Register now for lessons at Riverview Highlands Ski Area. Call Canton Parks and Recreation at 397-5110. No residency requirements.

REMS BASKETBALL: Canton residents may register now for recreation night basketball at Erikson Elementary School gym. Call Canton Parks and Recreation Services at 397-5110.

AEROBIC FITNESS: Classes are held at St. John's Episcopal Church, Faith Community Church and Canton Parks and Recreation at various times during the week. Call Sue

Johnston at 348-1280 for more information.

AEROBICS: Exercise classes are offered at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. Child care available, 459-9485.

ADULT RECOVERY: Chemical Dependency Outpatient Program provides therapy for adults on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Straight Inc., 42320 Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth, 453-2610.

SELF HELP: Families Anonymous meets 8 p.m. Thursdays, St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton, 453-2811.

FRIDAY

TEEN SKI: Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring a trip for all area teens to Alpine Valley Ski Area on February 7. Space is limited. Call 397-5110.

VALENTINES PARTY: Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring its annual party for Canton children ages 3-12, 10-11 a.m. on February 8. For advance reservations call 397-5110.

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MONDAY

TOUGH LOVE: Parent support group meets 7 p.m. Mondays, Faith Community Church, 46001 Warren Road, Canton, 981-5967.

KARATE: Classes meet 7:30 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays. Call Canton Parks and Recreation at 397-5110.

TUESDAY

FREE CLASSES: IBM training and GED training. Plymouth-Canton

SWEET ADELINES: Women who enjoy singing four-part harmony, barbershop style, are welcome to join the Spirit of Detroit Sweet Adelines International Tuesday evenings. For information, call 534-4468 or 861-0417.

TOASTMASTERS: Club meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Denny's Restaurant, 39550 E. Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth. Call Ken Morley at 699-9697 or Bill Jones at 473-1438. 453-2610.

WEDNESDAY

BREATHERS CLUB: Group meets the second Wednesday of every month. For details call the American Lung Association of Southeast Michigan, 559-5100.

ALZHEIMER'S GROUP: Support group meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Leisure Village, 31720 Van Born Road in Wayne, (313) 526-8030.

Senior citizens

HEALTH CARE: Speakers on long-term health care and Medicare are available. Call Patty Jamison at 455-0510.

SENIOR CLASSES: The Canton Recreation Center offers classes, 397-5446.

HOSPICE SPEAKERS: Hospice Services of Western Wayne County has volunteers available to speak to church groups and civic organizations, 522-4244.

TRIPS: For senior citizen or adult trip information, call Plymouth Parks and Recreation, 455-6620, or Canton Township Parks and Recreation, 397-5444.

Education

FREE CLASSES: IBM training and GED training. Plymouth-Canton

Community Education. Call 451-6555.

PRE-SCHOOL: Come Little Children's Center, 45050 Warren Road, in Canton, ages 6 weeks to 2 years, 455-4667.

The Discovery Learning Center: 45878 Helm, in a Metro West Industrial Park, in Plymouth, 6 weeks through kindergarten, 455-5490.

Pathways to Learning: Children's Center, 42290 Five Mile, 420-3553.

Canton Parks and Recreation: Preschool program, the Canton "Cricketts," 397-5110.

Creative Playhouse: Canton, 981-2382.

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church: Co-op Preschool, 42690 Cherry Hill, Canton, 981-0286 (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.).

Young Moments Preschool (non-daycare): First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 453-3020.

New Morning School: Plymouth, 420-3331.

Creative Day Nursery School: Canton, 2 1/2-5 years of age, 981-3990.

Plymouth Canton Head Start: Central Middle School, 451-6656.

Willow Creek Co-op: Geneva Presbyterian Church, 3- and 4-year-olds, 453-5464.

St. Michael Christian School: Canton, registration for 3-year-old preschool through second grade is March 2-13. 459-9778.

St. Peter Lutheran Day School: kindergarten through eighth grade, 1309 Penniman, 453-0460.

Plymouth Christian Preschool: 43065 Joy, 459-3505.

Plymouth Children's Co-op Nursery: Canton, 981-5521.

Preschool Creatives: Plymouth YMCA, 453-2904.

Infant and Preschool Special: Educators program, Tanager Elementary School, 451-6560.

Help

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION: Volunteers are needed to assist with Adult Day Care Program for persons with memory impairment. 557-8277.

HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS: Hospice of Washtenaw needs volunteers that can offer assistance with program support and/or direct care. Call Maureen at 741-5777.

READING ASSISTANCE: Free adult tutoring and confidential skills assessment. Call Community Literacy Council, 451-6555.

RESUME WRITING: Growth Works, in Plymouth, will write resumes and cover letters for job seekers, 455-4093.

VOLUNTEERS: Needed to package or deliver meals to homebound seniors living in the Plymouth/Canton community, 453-2525.

INTERPRETERS: Volunteers who are fluent in a foreign language are needed to assist in interpreting for ill, disabled or elderly people. Call Helen or Colleen at 981-8820.

EMPLOYMENT REFERRALS: Growth Works, in Plymouth, will connect job seekers and employers looking for help, 455-4093.

SPEAKERS AVAILABLE: Speakers for groups interested in learning about home care as an alternative to nursing homes or hospitals. Call the

community relations director, 981-8820.

SMOKE DETECTORS: Free detectors, with installation, offered from Colonial Kiwanis of Plymouth. Call Plymouth Fire Department, Chief Al Matthews, 453-1234, or Plymouth Township Fire Department, Chief Larry Groh, 453-3840.

VOLUNTEERS: Teen and adult volunteers are needed at the Arbor Health Building, Plymouth, and McAuley Health Building, Canton, 572-4139.

WALKING: Group walks are at 10 a.m. Monday-Friday and 6:30 p.m. Thursday at St. John Neumann Church parking lot, 44800 Warren Road in Canton, 455-9042.

SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS: New Morning School in Plymouth Township is seeking "paid" volunteers for teacher aide substitutes and teacher substitutes, 420-3331.

ADULT CARE: Foster care is needed for adults with mental retardation. Call 332-4410 in Oakland County or 455-8880 in Wayne County.

"Y" VOLUNTEERS: The Plymouth YMCA seeks volunteers, 453-2904.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION: Focus HOPE provides food to eligible Canton senior citizens at the Canton Recreation Center, 397-1000. Ext. 278.

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district would be included with Levin's home base in Southfield.

THE BATTLE centers on representation in Macomb County, including Warren, Sterling Heights and Shelby Township—but Redford residents would also see changes.

Under the Democratic plan, north Redford residents would be part of the Levin/Hertel battle.

Those living south of I-96 would be placed in a district with Pursell. Republicans, meanwhile, would put north Redford in the 1st District, currently represented by Conyers, and southern Redford in the 13th, home of Rep. John Dingell of Trenton.

Dingell blasted the GOP redistricting plan in a statement released Tuesday afternoon.

"You may pick the word to describe the Republican plan,"

Dingell said. "The word could be outrageous, egregious, ruthless, overreaching, self-serving or myopic."

The Democratic plan, however, would pit Pursell and longtime congressman William Broomfield, R-Birmingham, against each other—though Pursell said such a showdown wasn't likely.

"Anything could happen, but I know two of the three judges (reviewing the case) are Republicans," he said.

Levin said he expected the judges' decision to be based on fairness, not party politics.

"To expect anything else flies in the face of a long judicial tradition in Michigan," he said.

A ruling is expected by mid-March.

BROOMFIELD, who also seeks re-election, was also unconcerned about a potential showdown with Pursell.

"It's all up in the air at this point," Broomfield aide Jack Sinclair said. "Judges could adopt one plan, they could adopt the other or they could draw a plan of their own."

Ford's relative safety could be attributed to his new status as chair of the House Committee on Education and Labor. But he noted the GOP plan gives him a more Democratic district than the plan drafted by his own party.

"I do understand where they are coming from," Ford said. "We do want districts as fairly drawn as possible when we go before the judges."

Whatever happens, Michigan will lose two of its current congressmen. That choice is now in the hands of the courts—and voters.

Staff writer Tim Richard contributed to this story.



Ford is likely to hang on to the most of his western Wayne constituents, while seeing his district expand west to Ann Arbor—an area currently represented by Pursell.

Livonia, Garden City, Redford face change

Change is a subtle thing in western Wayne County when it comes to U.S. Congressional redistricting. Redford could be divided among as many as four different districts. (See below for details.) But most local communities are likely to retain their current representatives, at least going into this year's elections.

The 15th District, currently represented by William Ford, D-Taylor, is likely to retain Canton and Westland.

The 2nd District, now represented by Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth, is likely to retain Plymouth and Plymouth Township. In a change worth noting, the district is now likely to include all of Livonia, taking southern Livonia neighborhoods out of Ford's district and placing them in Pursell's.

Garden City resident may experience change, too—but only if the GOP redistricting plan is adopted. Democrats would leave

Garden City in the 15th District, while Republicans would place it in the 18th, now represented by John Dingell, D-Trenton.

Here's a community-by-community list of the changes that would occur under each plan.

● Canton: Current district 15th. New district: None, will remain in the 15th under both plans.

● Garden City: Current district 15th. New district: None, will remain in the 15th under both plans.

● Livonia: Current district split between the 2nd and the 15th. New district: 2nd, under both Democratic and Republican plans.

● Plymouth: Current district 2nd. New district: None, will remain in the 2nd District under both plans.

● Plymouth Township: Current district 2nd. New district: None, will remain in the 2nd under both plans.

'Whole language' is topic of meeting

"The Whys and Wherefores of the Whole Language Approach" will be the focus of the Thursday, Feb. 13, of the Metro Area Gifted Information Consortium (MAGIC).

The meeting is set for 6:45-9 p.m. in Gaudier Academy which is housed in the educational wing of Village United Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile Road, Redford.

The whole language method is a new and widely acclaimed means of teaching reading and language arts to children. It involves integrating all aspects of language skills from a very early age. The teaching team at Gaudier will discuss this method and how it is used in a classroom setting.

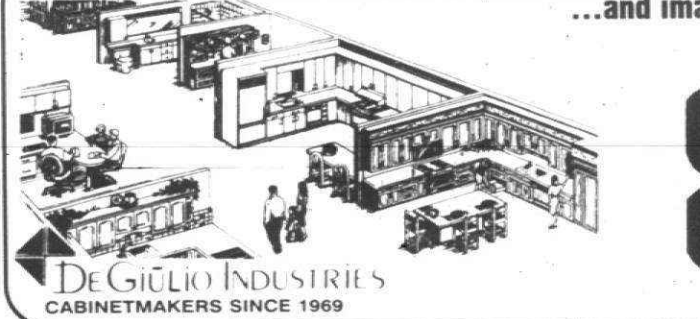
MAGIC is a non-profit support group for parents and educators of gifted children. The group offers

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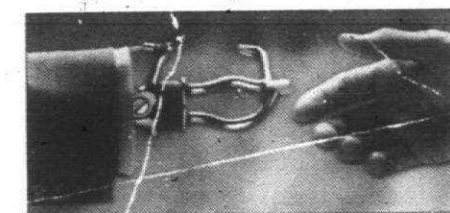


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Shoes sought for homeless

The Michigan Podiatric Medical Association (MPMA) and the Salvation Army will hold a statewide shoe collection drive to benefit the homeless.

Shoes will be collected at podiatrists' offices throughout the state through February 29. The program, Heart & Sole to the Homeless, aims to collect both new and used shoes to be distributed to Michigan's homeless and needy by the Salvation Army.

All types of new and used shoes in good condition are needed, especially heavy duty shoes with rubber soles such as work boots, winter boots, athletic shoes, walking shoes, and children's shoes. All shoes will be inspected and disinfected prior to distribution by the Salvation Army to the needy.

In Plymouth, donations can be brought to the office of Dr. Bruce Kaczander at 851 S. Main Street. Call 459-1151 for collection hours.

Auction supports scholarships

Greenhills School of Ann Arbor will hold a benefit auction on Saturday, March 7, at the Fox Hills Country Club in Plymouth.

The event's chairman, Gail Buczek and Pam Anderson, live in Plymouth and 10 percent of the students come from the Plymouth-Northville area.

A silent auction will begin at 6 p.m. followed by a gourmet dinner and live auction at 8:30 p.m. There are many special items available including NASA Space Camp, vacations in Hawaii, Mexico, Grand Cayman Island and Palm Springs, Calif.; custom designed jewelry and much

more. Many of the items are one-of-a-kind experiences available only here.

The auction is expected to raise \$100,000, and profits from this year's auction will support scholarships and enrichment programs for students. Of the current students one (1) in seven (7) receive financial aid.

The \$75 admission ticket includes hors d'oeuvres, dinner and entertainment. A free preview party will take place Thursday, March 5, also at Fox Hills Country Club. Call Greenhills School, 769-4010 for more information about this fun event.

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Plawecki will seek appeals court seat

District Court Judge Edward Plawecki is a candidate for the Michigan Court of Appeals.

Plawecki, 38, seeks the First District seat, including Wayne, Washtenaw, Livingston, Monroe, Lenawee and Jackson counties. He will be a candidate in the Aug. 4 primary.

He lives in Dearborn Heights with his wife and daughter.

Plawecki is currently chief judge for the 20th District Court, Dearborn Heights. He served on the Wayne County Commission from 1983-89, including two terms as board vice chairman.

As a county commissioner, Plawecki helped create the county alternative work force. He also implemented the program in the 20th District Court. Alternative work force assigns offenders to community service projects instead of jail.

He is presently a member of the Wayne County Detention Committee which addresses the issues of jail overcrowding and early release of prisoners and was formerly a municipal prosecuting attorney.

Plawecki is a cum laude graduate of Central Michigan University with a bachelor's in teaching. He holds his law degree from Detroit College of Law. He has taught in the Wayne Westland school district and is currently an adjunct professor of public administration and



Edward Plawecki seeks appeals court seat

municipal law at the University of Michigan.

Plawecki was formerly in private practice as a senior partner in the law firm of Plawecki & Ghanam from 1987 to 1989 and a partner and attorney with the firm of Berry, Hopson, Francis, Mack & Seifman from 1980 to 1987.

From 1982 to 1984, Plawecki served as a member of the board of directors of the Southeastern Michigan Transportation Authority (SEMTA).

He is currently a member of the legislative committee for the Michigan District Judges Association, Wayne County District Judges Association and numerous bar associations.

County urges state to install computer

The Wayne County Board of Commissioners is urging the state not to "renege on its promise" to install a new computer system this year that would speed service to Friend of the Court clients.

The county board adopted the resolution, introduced by commissioner Maurice Breen, R-Plymouth, Jan. 30.

Breen introduced the resolution after hearing that the computer installation was to be delayed from 1992 until 1995, according to the chief administrator of the Wayne

County Circuit Court. The Friend of the Court is a division of circuit court that is 90 percent funded by the state and supported by Wayne County through staff only.

Breen said that delaying installation of new computers would greatly add to problems expected from the scheduled closing on Feb. 20 of the Westland annex of the Friend of the Court.

"Closing the annex seems unavoidable because of state budget constraints, but it will only compound

problems already existing in the Friend of the Court," said Breen, whose district includes Plymouth, Livonia and Northville.

"The further tragedy is that it will cause hardship for those of limited financial means, the lowest-income people who can least afford inconveniences in the system," added Breen.

Breen said he received many telephone calls with complaints of long delays and slow delivery of child support payments and that most complaints are directed against the

county by people unaware that the Friend of the Court is under state, not county, jurisdiction.

"The 'Wayne County' in the Wayne County Friend of the Court is a geographical reference, not administrative," Breen explained.

Breen's resolution also requests that all state legislators, the state Department of Social Services and state Supreme Court administrator's office be contacted and asked to advance installation of the new computer system.

Applications now available for Schoolcraft scholarship

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IN BRIEF

Millionaire's party

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Try your hand at blackjack, roulette, craps and the Wheel of Fortune. You start out ahead of the game, because when you arrive you're given \$5 in chips.

FBI cop

LT. Sandra Miller, commander of the Washtenaw and Western Wayne Auto Theft Teams, based in Canton, recently graduated from the FBI National Academy, Quantico, Va.

She was among 45 law enforcement officers from around the U.S. who graduated in the 167th session. The program includes 11 weeks of advanced investigative, management and fitness training for selected officers.

Miller had been assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division of the Michigan State Police in Livonia. She also worked as a patrol sergeant at the Ypsilanti post.

Golf outing

Preparation for the Canton Foundation's Second Annual Golf Outing has begun. Last year's event helped raise more than \$15,000 for the foundation's community work.

The outing is limited to 54 foursomes. You may either sign up as a group or reserve a place for yourself and have a foundation committee put you in a foursome.

A steak dinner and sports auction for charity will follow the June 4 golf outing sponsored by Jack Demmer Ford.

Ice fest on cable

Omnicom Cable will broadcast taped highlights of the 1992 Plymouth Ice Spectacular this month.

The 1992 program is scheduled for cablecast on the following dates and times: Friday, Feb. 7, 8 p.m.; Tuesday, Feb. 11, 9:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Feb. 12, 5:30 p.m. and Friday, Feb. 14, 8 p.m.

Residents from Plymouth, Canton and Northville can view the program on channel 8. Residents of Romulus watch channel 43 and residents of Van Buren and Belleville watch Channel 40.

For more information on Omnicom's coverage of the Plymouth Ice Spectacular or to obtain a copy for cablecast in other communities, contact Maria Holmes, program director at 313-459-7321. In Romulus contact Oliver Warren, program director at 941-7570 or in VanBuren (Belleville) contact Steve Wilson, 699-8900.



Ed Wertanen finishes a shirt with the "Buy American" theme at his shop Plymouth Screen Printing.

BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Plymouth T-shirts 'born in USA'

By Kevin Brown
staff writer

T-shirts made in Plymouth with a new twist on the "buy American" theme are hotter than firecrackers on the Fourth of July.

Ed Wertanen, owner of Plymouth Screen Printing on Amelia near the cultural center, said he's turning out 1,500 T-shirts and sweatshirts per week, with the message, "Buy American or Bye America."

"Dennis Green's group came up with the idea and he sought us out to print it," Wertanen explained, during a break in printing the shirts.

Green, of West Bloomfield, owns the

Southfield advertising agency The Dennis Group Inc. He came up with the slogan while driving in his car.

"Basically I'd been thinking about a way to help graphically, to get the message out to 'my fellow Americans' — as president (Lyndon) Johnson used to say — to take a hard look at our purchasing habits," Green said.

"We just started selling it a week ago last Sunday," said Wertanen, now retired from the General Motors Willow Run plant. "We have had no negative feedback — It's all positive," Green added.

GREEN SAID he was moved to come up with the slogan by Japan's reluctance to ease trade barriers with the U.S.

Several designs were finished at his ad

agency, and shirts are offered in three styles. Plymouth-area outlets for the shirts so far are Dimitri's Party Pantry, McAlister's Grocery Store, and Greetings Plus in Canton.

On Tuesday at Wertanen's print shop, he and Green were shaking their heads over the most recent pronouncement of Japan's prime minister, that Americans did not want to work "by the sweat of their brows."

"There's been a series of slights they're taking at us that are uncalled for," Green said. They have so much to lose by infuriating Americans. They'd be better off saying nothing."

Green said the T-shirt message isn't meant to bash the Japanese.

"We only have ourselves to blame for much of the economic slump, with one of four cars being sold here Japanese. If we all bought American, our economy would be in much better shape."

"We are saying, take a good hard look at what you're buying. The issue goes into the unfair trade atmosphere," Green said.

He recounted stories of how various U.S. products aren't allowed into Japan. "There are just so many inequities and they don't allow us to compete fairly," Green said.

Green in the past two weeks has appeared on several Detroit morning radio programs, and he's hoping to get Willard Scott of TV's "Today" show to display one of the red, white and blue shirts.

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Views of war in Yugoslavia anger area serbs

By Ralph R. Ehtlinaw
staff writer

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Serbia is Yugoslavia's largest republic, with a population of 9.5 million. It controls a national army that was considered the third most powerful on the European continent as late as last June. Serbs dominated the ranks.

The civil war began on June 25 when 600,000 Serbs living in Croatia took up arms to protest Croatia's declaration of independence.

The Yugoslav army was sent into Croatia with the expressed intent of

protecting the Serbs therein, but stories of unwarranted brutality belied the stated aim.

Croatia, on the other hand, had no army to speak of and was outnumbered two-to-one in population by Serbia. And so it would seem that Serbia was to blame.

Even the U.S. government "joined an increasingly large international chorus in singling out the Serbs for particular responsibility," according to the Sept. 27, 1991 New York Times.

BUT SERBS living in Oakland County point to World War II to argue their point.

Kathy Vitosevic, who owns the Cabana Cafe in Keego Harbor with husband Jablan, has family in Serbia.

That's what they did during the Second World War and that's what they're doing now.

The Serbs retaliated in kind with massacres of their own after the war.

N. JOVANOVIĆ of Keego Harbor, whose husband asked that her first name not be used, said most of her family remains in Serbia, including a cousin in the army.

Like most Serbs, Jovanovic can't forget the Ustashi atrocities of World War II. "We don't trust these people. The Ustashi never left (Croatia). They're still there."

For example, she points to the German and Vatican recognition of Croatia and Slovenia (a Croatian ally) as independent nations in December and January.

That's no coincidence, area Serbs say, considering that Germans and Catholic priests bear a lot of the responsibility for the World War II murders.

The Vatican has sought to play down any suggestion that the war has a religious character related to the 1,000-year schism between the Eastern Orthodox and Roman Catholic churches. But some diplomats suggested that the Vatican's recognition of the two breakaway states could bring religious differences into much sharper focus, the New York Times reported Jan. 13.

While Serbia and Croatia have accepted a United Nations-sponsored cease fire (the 15th since war began), Serb leaders refuse to give up military gains in Croatia, and Croatian leaders refuse to cede the Serb-populated areas of their country to Serbia.

Although the latest cease fire is holding so far, local Serbs don't necessarily expect it to last. "It's unfortunate that this is turning into a religious war," Mrs. Vitosevic said. "It's like animosity between everybody. It's a dirty war."

Student moves ahead in national geography bee

Shawn Earl is the winner of the school-level competition at Hilbert Junior High in Redford of the National Geography Bee.

The achievement at Hilbert puts Shawn, a seventh grader, one step closer to winning a \$25,000 college scholarship.

The school-level bee, at which students answered oral questions on geography, was the first round in the fourth annual National Geography Bee which is sponsored by Amtrak and National Geographic World, the magazine for children published by the National Geographic Society.

The kickoff for this year's bee was the week of Dec. 2 to coincide with Geography Awareness Week. Thousands of schools around the U.S., District of Columbia, and five U.S. territories participated.

The school winners, including Shawn Earl, will now take a written exam. Up to 10 of the top scorers in

each state and territory will be eligible to compete in their state bee on March 27.

The National Geographic Society with its co-sponsors will provide an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C. for state champions and their teacher escorts to participate in the national championship on May 20, 21. The first-place winner will receive a \$25,000 scholarship, the second-place winner a \$15,000 scholarship, and the third-place winner a \$10,000 scholarship.

The society developed the geography bee program in response to a growing concern about the lack of geographic knowledge among young people in the U.S. A 10-country Gallup survey conducted for the society in 1988 and 1989 found that people in the U.S. ages 18-24 — the youngest group surveyed — knew less about geography than young people in any of the other countries in the survey.

CITY OF PLYMOUTH MICHIGAN
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth Michigan, will accept sealed bids up until 10:00 a.m. on Friday, March 20, 1992 for a partially self-funded employee group insurance program providing the following coverages:

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Purchasing Agent

Published February 6, 1992

PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Wednesday, February 19, 1992, at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan, commencing at 7:30 p.m., for the purposes of considering the Tentative Preliminary Plat for Brecken Ridge, a proposed subdivision located on the west side of Haggerty Road, north of Schoolcraft Road and south of Greenbriar Lane, and east of Farmbrook Drive, as required by Subdivision Ordinance No. 32. Application No. 1168.

Description of property for the proposed subdivision is:

PARCEL "A"
Part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Town 1-South, Range 8 East, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point on the centerline of Haggerty Road distant South 87 degrees 14 minutes 30 seconds West 485.33 feet and North 22 degrees 50 minutes 17 seconds East 163.78 feet from the Center of Section 24, Thence continuing along said centerline North 22 degrees 50 minutes 17 seconds East 230.81 feet, Thence South 87 degrees 13 minutes 06 seconds West 260.24 feet; Thence North 00 degrees 46 minutes 54 seconds West 148.60 feet; Thence North 87 degrees 13 minutes 06 seconds East 326.93 feet to the centerline of Haggerty Road; Thence along said centerline North 23 degrees 04 minutes 15 seconds East 108.36 feet, Thence South 87 degrees 16 minutes 50 seconds West 467.37 feet along the Southerly line of "Pine Cove Subdivision", as recorded in Liber 101 of Plats on Pages 63-65 of Wayne County Records; Thence South 87 degrees 10 minutes 02 seconds West 400.36 feet along the Southerly line of "Lake Pointe Village Sub. No. 8", as recorded in Liber 88 of Plats on Pages 14 and 15 of Wayne County Records; Thence South 00 degrees 34 minutes 25 seconds East 454.09 feet; Thence North 87 degrees 13 minutes 06 seconds East 667.22 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 7.000 acres of land, subject to the rights of the public over Haggerty Road. Subject to an easement for public and private utilities over the North 25 feet of the above described parcel "A", also subject to a construction easement over the South 25 feet of the North 50 feet of the above described parcel "A". Also subject to other easements and restrictions of record, if any.

PARCEL "B"
Part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Town 1 South, Range 8 East, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan described as beginning at a point distant South 87 degrees 14 minutes 30 seconds West 485.33 feet North 22 degrees 50 minutes 17 seconds East 163.78 feet along the centerline of Haggerty Road and South 87 degrees 13 minutes 06 seconds West 667.22 feet from the Center of Section 24, Thence continuing South 87 degrees 13 minutes 06 seconds West 348.49 feet; Thence North 00 degrees 34 minutes 25 seconds East 453.87 feet along the Westerly line of "Lake Pointe Village Sub. No. 3", as recorded in Liber 83 of Plats on Page 15, of Wayne County Records; Thence North 87 degrees 10 minutes 02 seconds East 148.90 feet; Thence South 00 degrees 34 minutes 25 seconds East 454.09 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 2.592 acres of land, subject to easements and restrictions of record, if any.

Tax I.D. Nos. 78-022-99-0005-001 & 78-022-99-0005-002

The plat, as proposed, is available for review by the public during business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting.

The application, review of the proposed plat, meeting, and address for written comment is: Plymouth Charter Township, Community Development Department, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Telephone Number 453-3840, Ext. 209.

DONALD SPROGELL, Secretary
Planning Commission

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH MICHIGAN
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to State Law 257.252, the following vehicle(s) will be sold at public sale at Mayflower Towing, 42300 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth, Michigan, on Thursday, February 20, 1992 at 4:00 p.m.

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TV coverage

Cable should air all meetings

WE WERE ABLE to watch the William Kennedy Smith trial and Clarence Thomas hearings on television. It's just too bad we can't do the same when it comes to the Plymouth Canton school board.

Canton Township airs its meeting on cable. It's time for the school board to realize it's the '90s and do the same. But the school board shouldn't take all the blame. To us Omnicon Cable bears part of it. The cable firm should be knocking on government's door to televise the meetings.

CABLE TELEVISION has helped put government on during prime time, with CNN and C-span poking the camera eye into doings that normally weren't seen. It's given us all the opportunity to be better informed.

Let's face it, the world has changed. More people are working, and early evening hours are of-

ten taken up with the daily domestic tasks that were previously done during the day.

People just don't have the time or often the energy left to attend meetings that are often long and tedious. However, if they are offered on cable television, keeping track of local government is easier.

Here's what local officials had to say when asked about televising the meetings.

One criticism of televising the meetings was that trustees or commission members would have to appear on the camera, making the meetings drag on.

We suspect that could be true at first, but that would eventually subside. Members of the public are the best critics when it comes to hams and would quickly catch on to the theatrics of certain politicians.

The time has come for Omnicon and the school board to join the '90s.

MEAP tests

Another educational debacle

TAXPAYERS deserve a better explanation of the Michigan Educational Assessment Test results from educators.

School officials recently released the test results, which were dismal when it came to math. Some say the test is too hard, while others say the kids aren't up to snuff.

Then there was the controversy over a reading question for fourth grade students on the Roman Empire. Some say the material was covered in the third grade, while others say it was an unfair question.

What's happening is that the state is trying to enforce a statewide curriculum called the Michigan Model. The model isn't mandated, but if test scores continue to drop and parents become more angry, they'll become the enforcers for the state.

The Plymouth Canton school district is caught

in the middle of the battle. Either they go with the model and watch test scores rise or they don't, watch them drop and then listen to angry parents.

BUT PARENTS aren't only angry, they're confused. We don't blame them. We're awash in educational theories, and sometimes it makes us wonder if these theories are nothing more than career boosters for educators.

We should all be angry with an educational establishment that has been educating kids in public schools for more than 100 years but doesn't seem to know what it's doing. Just take a look at your tax bill. Chances are more of your money is going to school taxes than to the defense department.

It's tragic that we know better how to kill people in a war than educate our own kids.

Black eye

Next primary needs revision

HERE'S FAIRLY good news: Both Republicans and Democrats will allow voters to declare party affiliation at the polls March 17 in Michigan's presidential preference primary. You won't have to declare 30 days in advance.

Democrats generated the fuss when their national party rules said national convention delegates had to come from a "closed" system, either primary or caucus, in which participants at least declared themselves Democrats. No more George Wallace crossoverers for them.

In 1988 Michigan used a caucus system, but both parties had miseries. Democrats had an invasion of Jesse Jackson supporters, Republicans of Pat Robertson newcomers.

SO THEY CUT a deal in the Legislature: a primary where voters had to declare an affiliation. It backfired. A mob of people, both with Democratic and Republican preferences, were enraged at the thought of revealing their party preferences 30 days prior to the primary. It

didn't matter that many other states require a party declaration. Michigan's tradition of "open" primaries is very strong.

Democrats responded by using party rules to allow same-day declaration.

Republicans in the Senate passed a bill for an "open" primary, but House Democrats sat on it. Gov. John Engler did the only thing he could, asking the Republican State Committee to pass a same-day rule like the Democrats'. The RSC will meet Feb. 11, and the odds are it will be adopted.

That's where it stands: To vote March 17, you have to declare a party preference. That's not all bad. It will help the parties identify their supporters. Stronger political parties will reduce the power of single-issue zealots, special interest groups and political action committees.

But once again Michigan has a political black eye because of a presidential primary mess. We hope Michigan politicians are embarrassed enough to come up with a more palatable system in 1996.

Rouge

Plans give river hope, new life

THINGS ARE looking up for the Rouge River, that meandering, usually muddy, sometimes polluted set of streams that drain 42 communities in southeastern Michigan.

Johnson Creek, a western tributary, is about to become a trout stream. At the urging of the Western Wayne County Conservation Association, the state Department of Natural Resources intends to plant trout fingerlings in the creek, which runs through Salem Township in Washtenaw County, Northville and Plymouth townships.

Trout were planted in the Middle Rouge in the late 1960s to provide a temporary fishery after part of that branch was killed off. Perhaps Johnson Creek, running through hillier terrain, will flow swiftly enough to support this most desirable of gamefish. Thanks to WWCCA's Bob Lach and the DNR for giving it a try.

Southfield and the Michigan Wildlife Habitat Foundation have gone a step further than

keeping the nine miles of the Rouge jam free in that town. The group installed "wing wall deflectors" along a portion of the river from Telegraph to Hooper Road.

The deflectors — rows of broken concrete set at an angle to the banks — protect against erosion while scouring the bottom of the river and sending silt and sediment downstream. "Areas of the river that were six inches deep all the way across now hold three, four and five feet of water," said Bill Zikewich, of Southfield's parks and recreation department.

The state House has voted to put a constitutional amendment on the ballot to allocate part of the state's land trust money to rebuild CSOs — combined sewer overflows. In CSOs, stormwater and sewage run together and overflow into the Rouge in periods of heavy rain. The Senate and the voters also must say yes. The money will go into a revolving loan fund. Ending CSOs will be a massive, years-long job, but the starting line is in sight.



JERRY ZOLYNSKY/staff photographer

Another world

Below the Civic Center Drive bridge east of heavily traveled Telegraph Road in Southfield lies the cleaner, more rapidly flowing Rouge River which has been stocked with small

mouth bass. For an editorial on what's being done for the river in southeastern Michigan, see the lower left hand corner of this page.

Judges to rule in high stakes redistricting plan

THE BIGGEST, highest stakes game in Michigan politics takes place only once every 10 years. And 1992 is the year.

It's called redistricting, the process by which the political system (which in practice means the courts) redraws boundaries for various election districts in order to accommodate population changes as measured by the census.

This year in Michigan, an entirely new map will be drawn for all seats in the U.S. House of Representatives as well as the entire state Senate and House.

Drawing the districts cleverly (i.e., to your party's advantage) is complicated. Mathematical and constitutional requirements of "one person, one vote" and by the Voting Rights Act, which requires maintaining minority districts.

The process also ends political careers and determines things like control over legislatures.

No wonder most political people are walking around these days looking more than slightly preoccupied.

FRIDAY was the deadline set by the U.S. District Court for both political parties to submit their competing plans for new congressional districts.

A three-judge panel — including James Ryan, a distinguished jurist and longtime Redford resident who is a former Michigan Supreme Court

justice and now a U.S. Court of Appeals judge — has the job of picking a plan.

Practical deadline is May 12 — the last date to file petitions for the Aug. 1 primary — to pick one plan or impose their own. The judges have indicated they want to finish their work by the end of March.

This won't be easy. Michigan's congressional delegation will drop from 18 to 16 because the state gained only 33,000 residents in the census, far less than the population gain in other states. So the big question is not only who gets to run in what district but which incumbent congressman will be forced to run against another incumbent.

This is too bad, because Michigan's representatives in Congress from areas served by these newspapers have been a pretty able and responsible bunch.

In ORDER of district, here's who's at risk:

If the Democratic proposal is adopted, 2nd District Republican Carl Pursell of Plymouth might have to run against 18th District Republican William Broomfield of Lake Orion. That's too bad because both have been effective, moderate Republicans. Although Broomfield is coming to the end of a career dating to the Eisenhower years, his Oakland constituents have received outstanding service.

In the 15th District, Democrat Bill Phil Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper. His award-winning column will appear periodically.



Philip Power

Ford of Taylor has represented western Wayne County since the '60s, and the odds are that he will keep his base while adding more of Washtenaw County. One of the most powerful members of the Michigan delegation, Ford is chair of the entire Education and Labor Committee, one of the most important in Washington.

Under both parties' plans, Democrat Sander Levin of Southfield will almost certainly have to run against Democrat Dennis Hertel of Harper Woods in a new 14th District. Levin has been very active in sponsoring legislation designed to bring down the Japanese trade surplus with the U.S. and in working to help Michigan's auto industry.

Whatever finally happens once the judges rule, some very able and good Michigan representatives in Congress will be out of a job come November.

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Involvement by parents could help kids do better on MEAP

By Bobbie Cleary
special writer

What will become of the MEAP fiasco of the 4th graders in Plymouth/Canton? Will it cause people to question developmental education and whole language, which these students endured? Probably not. But it will cause the administration to be rewarded for their failure with one of the following: Reduced class size, longer school days, longer school years, more experimental education.

School administrators are right. Parents need to be learners — not just of state or local educational propaganda. Parents need to research what went on in the schools before progressive educators got control in the 1960s and destroyed public education nationwide. Historically our nation was well educated, spending much less time, money, and politics on each student (who was in a larger classroom than today).

But proposed solutions will not look at educational philosophy or teaching methods, which are the elements that have changed most dramatically in our schools. No, in fact, if anything, administrators will probably beg for more dramatic change — not in their accountability, though.

And what of the dreaded Roman

guest column

Empire reading selection on the 4th grade MEAP which students couldn't decipher? It came from a third grade history textbook.

Will the state Department of Education help us? Don't count on it. Don't forget, they redefined reading in 1984. This is to fit the whole language agenda. Four areas are covered in redefined reading: Constructing meaning, knowledge about reading, attitudes and self-perceptions. This explains the self-esteem push in Plymouth/Canton. For the uneducated, if you increase self-esteem (perception), you will automatically make a student a reader, or whatever you desire. So naturally the MEAP reading test has students answer attitude and self-perception questions. This constitutes a personality test.

In the mid-80s, the Hatch Amendment was passed on the federal level. According to the law of the USA, students do not have to volunteer answers to personality testing, which is an invasion of privacy. So how can passing the MEAP be made mandatory for graduation? I am all

for having decent, reasonable standards in the schools. But that will not happen if it is left to educational elite.

The only way we will ever insure a good educational system is for parents to become actively involved in all aspects of the schools. People need to remove their blinders and start probing into some real questions of the teaching methods. Bush proposes a national curriculum ultimately. This will further remove control from the community. He also proposes government-paid preschool, year-round school, socialized medicine, etc. This fits the NEA and the MDOE plans quite nicely. Until each community actively involves themselves into researching the problems, we will not see better educated youth. And God forbid, should we do nothing, the federal government will take over and we'll have a tax burden few can survive.

Bobbie Cleary is a Canton resident and a former candidate for the Plymouth Canton school board.

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points of view

Keep school letter issue simple

A COLLEAGUE of mine recently wrote that Birmingham business people, faced with competition in Troy and empty storefronts, are learning that doing business as usual threatens the future of that shopping district.

The same is true in education, where educators are making out lists and asking voters to fill their carts with the latest in modern technology, sometimes to be paid for with a new millage or bond issue.

Some aren't too lucky. Oakland Schools recently had to delay start up of a new high school for the sciences because the economy forced hoped-for corporate sponsors to delay support.

In Birmingham, a controversial operating millage was approved Monday, with money to be set aside for facilities, a depleted fund equity and a teachers' pay raise the district was tied into three years ago.

The Plymouth Canton district voted a bond issue in the fall for high tech equipment, including computers and new buildings.



Sandra Armbruster

LIVONIA SCHOOLS face their own uncertain future. Voters Feb. 10 are being asked to approve a \$62.1 million bond issue for computer hardware and software, renovating school buildings, renovating science labs, improving lighting and bringing buildings up to code.

But all the money and all the equipment in the world won't allow our students to compete on an equal footing with those in other countries until our attitudes toward what constitutes a good education change.

Nowhere was that more evident than at Monday's Livonia School Board of Education meeting, where parents and students lined the aisles, spilling out into the hallway.

The issue wasn't that huge bond issue; it was a matter of whether students other than athletes would be allowed to wear earned school letters on varsity jackets.

Students and parents alike talked about constitutional issues like freedom of expression. Amy Pachia, a member of the all city orchestra, said it "appears athletic directors in the high schools are controlling the varsity letter policy, not principals or students."

IF THERE were any athletic directors or athletes in the audience, they didn't speak on the issue. It makes one wonder if they really care, or if this nebulous "policy" is merely a throwback to an earlier generation when if you weren't a jock you were a nerd.

Superintendent Joseph Marinelli was polite, noting that "contributions and hard work that go into being a band member" were appreciated. He also conceded the need for appropriate recognition.

But he pointed out that the high schools are allowed to set their own

policies. He said he would ask the staff to study the issue, would seek a legal opinion and would talk with those who had expressed concerns.

Finally Marinelli noted the issue could always be appealed to the board.

It all seems so complicated, now that the superintendent is involved. The issue is simple: Our young people need a shopping cart full of positive experiences to carry through their lives. Telling them they are somehow less than adequate to wear a letter on a varsity jacket leaves something missing from that basket.

You really do only go through high school once, and whatever it takes — a favorite subject or participation in music or sports — will help keep those school storefronts filled until graduation.

Don't spend money for a legal opinion. Your students gave it to you straight Monday night.

Sandra Armbruster is editorial page coordinator for Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Handling of Haitians tarnishes image

THE STATUE OF Liberty is yesterday's paper. "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free." These words, immortalized in the folklore of our country, tell of the Great Melting Pot, an amalgam of different peoples, different cultures melded together to form a cohesive whole. But the Statue of Liberty appears a false prophet.

When persecution reared or the land failed, immigrants came from England, Poland, Germany, Ireland, Scotland across the water in droves. They became our craftsmen and builders and farmers. These immigrants became the backbone of the great land known as the United States of America.

Somewhere along the way, however, the image began to tarnish like nickel-plated silver. If you were right-looking, you could assimilate and achieve the heights; if not, don't bother knocking at the Door of Opportunity.

The Statue of Liberty is leaning from a heavy wind. Why can't the Haitians immigrate? Give me your tired, your poor... but we've

grown tired. I think, and afraid, too tired to think of huddled masses, too afraid to consider what it must be like to risk pirates, sharks and dehydration in leaky, floating coffins in order to "breathe free."

WHY CAN'T the Haitians immigrate? As they try to answer the question, the Bush administration keeps 10,000 men, women and children in a squalid, festering concentration camp in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Coast Guard crews patrol the waters off Miami in the Cuban Corridor, shouting through bull horns "Go home. We can't handle it."

Harried doctors rush hither and yon spouting one piece of contradictory explanation after another: "They're not political prisoners," says one. "It's humanitarian," says another. "We're sending them back to discourage new refugees."

Now the Supreme Court has rubber stamped the Bush decision, and the military will begin the tortuous job of sending thousands back to the waiting hell of torture, persecution and possible execution.

Why can't the Haitians immi-



Jeffrey Miller

grate? The Statue of Liberty sinks deeper under the weight of the deafening silence this outrage against the people frenzy that would occur if 10,000 Poles or Russian Jews or Irish Freedom Fighters were denied entry to this country, detained on an off shore island, then turned around and sent packing with a stiff kick in the rump and a "Tell your friends we don't want you here!"

Demands would come from every sector to delay, to rethink, to compromise. Yet in the case of Haitian immigrants, fleeing one of man's most vile oppressive regimes, silence is the sound most heard. Silence from the clergy, silence from the media, silence from the politi-

cians. Why can't the Haitians immigrate? Some said people believe they carry the AIDS virus. Another thought they would turn criminal, like the infamous Mariel Boat Exodus. One person guessed that it was because they're black.

We're in trouble, folks. If in fact we've bought into all the media myths about blacks and people of color, then the Statue of Liberty is yesterday's paper. And if we discard the principles on which this still great country was founded, then we must also throw out our hopes for the future.

"A house divided cannot stand," said Abraham Lincoln. This nation must close the Great Divide growing ever wider which separates black and white or face chaos. If the real reason the Haitians can't immigrate is because they are black — then the Statue of Liberty is hurting indeed.

Jeffrey Miller is producer of "Transition," a WXON-TV Channel 20 show about inner city problems. He is a Southfield resident.

Hoop heroes without egos

IF YOU GET off watching Isiah Thomas play basketball, you should see Patty Robak, Eric Taylor, Jennifer Golen and Mario McIntosh.

As hoop heroes go, they're even less well known than the Democratic presidential candidates. They'll never

● Appear on the cover of Sports Illustrated.

● Be on the Olympic hoop squad.

● Spit on little girls in the stands like Charles Barkley.

● Overdose on cocaine like Len Bias (and die).

Or people hire their services all over the league like so many prostitutes. (See Morris, Jack).

ROBAK, TAYLOR, Golen and McIntosh play Division II basketball for Oakland University, which is to say in subject obscurity. The cost of seeing their games is \$4, usually a doubleheader. In comparison, the cost of attending a Pistons game is almost enough to buy a home in West Bloomfield. That's what it takes to pay a seven-foot-tall malcontent with a pot full of traffic violations like in excess of \$1 million a year like William Bedford.

In ancient times, when poor athletes were paupers like us, they were easier to relate to. Nowadays, Joe Fan is to Joe Superstar what Spam is lamb. It ain't easy.

Although I entered puberty many years ago as much as a fan as anyone, my proclivity to admire poor athletes decreased proportionately with the rising bile of multi-million-dollar salaries, contract negotiations, mid-season strikes, felony convictions and the boorish behavior of hedonistic egomaniacs.

As parents, we talk about the importance of not spoiling our kids, but as fans we often fawn over these athletic mercenaries like hypnotized supplicants. Is it any wonder their hat sizes grow to John Merrick proportions?

YET THE FTID stench of Division I college athletics makes pro sports seem like a particularly fine perfume.

The NCAA disciplines the millions of big-buck college athletes about as well as our representatives in Washington control the federal disburse, er, I mean deficit. We preach the value of education

to our children, approve millage increases for our schools and call education the biggest problem facing the United States. Then we tune in the college basketball game on network TV and salivate over the feats of ambulatory ecstacy perpetrated by young men who would find this sentence incomprehensible.

But in Division II sports, you'll find the hustle on the basketball court, rather than in the treatment of the athletes or the assertion that they are real students.

AS A FORMER sports editor of Oakland Post, I'm in a relatively good position to tell you that, at Oakland, the term "academic standards" isn't a perverse euphemism for tackles or assists. In fact, Oakland's academic standards are higher than most of its contemporaries. Ergo, the Pioneer hooperster can look at the scoreboard and actually tell if they're ahead or behind.

It's sort of a paradox, but Oakland inadvertently values athletics more than big schools because it can't afford to pour enough money into them to bring the corrupting influence of acclaim into play.

Hence the school's arena should more properly be called a gym. Spartan though it may be, you can easily sit close enough to clearly hear Jennifer Golen holler "ball, ball, ball," as she frantically waves her arms in the face of a harried guard. Then watch coach Bob Taylor yell like a drill sergeant when his stentorian baritone voice, "Patty! Patty! She's left handed!"

And after you see Eric Taylor, Mario McIntosh and their mates systematically disassemble a well-guarded opponent in the second game, you can be sure the hoopers will have little time for celebration, because they've got a 10 o'clock Renaissance Literature class the next morning.

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School punishment bill sparks debate

By Tim Richard
staff writer

A bill allowing teachers to use force to maintain order is headed for the state House of Representatives after a long committee battle.

"This issue is tearing this committee apart," said Rep. William Keith, D-Garden City, chair of the House Education Committee.

Keith's panel reported out its version of the Senate-passed bill on a 12-1 vote with five abstentions and a lot of legal questions.

"It's terrible," said Sen. Lana Pollack, D-Ann Arbor, author of the 1988 law prohibiting corporal punishment in schools.

SENATE BILL 338 amends Pollack's law by spelling out conditions under which school personnel can use physical force.

Pollack cast the only "no" vote when SB 338 sailed through the Senate last fall. She's putting up a stiffer battle in the House.

Area members supporting SB 338 were Keith; Justine Barns, D-Westland; James Kosteva, D-Canton; Georgina Goss, R-Northville; and Tom Middleton, R-Ortonville.

"I wanted to pass it for the day (postpone)," said Rep. Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia, who abstained. "There have been all kinds of amendments, but there wasn't an attorney in the room to clarify them."

"The bill is better than when it came from the Senate," said Keith. The bill will go to the House floor next week. If passed, it will have to



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be returned to the Senate for concurrence in amendments.

Teachers in the Michigan Education Association prompted Sen. John Schwarz, R-Battle Creek, to introduce the bill in attempt to clarify their power to quell disturbances.

POLLACK SAID SB 338 "clearly invites" use of force in three ways.

First, current law prohibits corporal punishment by school personnel for punishment or penalty. It broadly defines corporal punishment as "physical pain by any means."

SB 338 would amend the definition to list "hitting, paddling, spanking, slapping or any other physical force."

Pollack said the bill's narrower definition would allow punishment by "uncomfortable body positions," such as standing on one leg.

Second, SB 338 tells authorities that "deference shall be given to reasonable, good-faith judgments" of teachers and school employees.

"That gives the teacher's word the benefit of a doubt," said Pollack,

fearing the student's word would be disregarded.

Third, SB 338 allows reasonable force to "maintain order," which Pollack said is too close to using it for discipline.

"This was written for the MEA. They have clout," said Pollack.

THE HEART of the bill allows teachers, bus drivers, volunteers and contractors to use "reasonable physical force upon a pupil as necessary to maintain order and control" under these circumstances:

- To remove a misbehaving pupil who has been warned from class or a school-related activity.
- "For self-defense or the defense of another."
- "To prevent a pupil from inflicting harm on himself or herself."
- "To quell a disturbance that threatens physical injury to any person."
- To confiscate a weapon or dangerous object.
- "To protect property."

IT PROTECTS school personnel from civil liability when they have used force properly.

Some officials said the bill is premature because there are no court cases under the current law.

But educators said that without the bill they would be powerless to halt disruptive behavior or violence.

They cited widespread parental concern about school violence and the propensity of kids to tell teachers to "go to hell" and get away with it.

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New Morning hosts parent discussion

New Morning School, the only pre-school through grade 8 parent cooperative in southeastern Michigan, will hold a parent discussion night Tuesday, Feb. 11, at the school, 14501 Haggerty, Plymouth.

Interested families are invited to tour the school, speak with teachers and students. The discussion night is planned for parents, however, middle school students (grades 6-8 in the fall), are encouraged to attend with their parents. All students are invited to visit during a school day at a later date.

The school has openings in the pre-school, early primary and middle school programs for the 1992-1993 school years.

To register for the meeting, call 420-3331.

As part of its commitment to fostering an interest in science at an early age, the school is presently offering the World In Motion program, created by the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE), to upper elementary and middle school students.

Anticipating a shortage of engineers by the year 2000 the World In Motion program was created by SAE to promote science literacy. Five engineers from Ford Moto Co. are volunteering their expertise and time at the school during the course of the program.

Students are busy working like engineers in The Skimmer Regatta unit. Each of six design teams are exploring physics concepts of forces and motion and are applying their knowledge to the development and design of their skimmers.

Rotary seeks host family

The Dearborn Heights Rotary is seeking a host family for its exchange student, Alberto Ocampo of Argentina.

Ocampo currently lives with a host family in Livonia and attends Churchill High School.

Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders dedicated to humanitarian service and to promoting world peace through programs such as the international youth exchange.

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Rocks keep invite crown

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

Besides having great gymnastics talent, the other reason Plymouth Salem is ranked No. 1 in the state and has won three invitationals is its team depth.

The Rocks proved the value of the latter again Saturday while winning the Plymouth Invitational for the second straight year.

Salem scored 142.10 to edge host Canton, which had a six-tenths-of-a-point lead over the Rocks with one event remaining and finished at 140.5. The top seven teams included Freeland, Rochester Adams, Troy Athens, Holt and North Farmington.

The Rocks accomplished the victory without two of their top all-arounders, freshmen Melissa Hopson and Stephanie Skeppstrom, both of whom had suffered knee injuries.

Hopson got hurt in practice Friday and Skeppstrom was injured Saturday after competing on vault and bars.

"I JUST hope our injuries aren't serious," Salem coach Becky Martin said. "It will make it harder to compete against (Muskegon) Mona Shores (later in the season)."

The Rocks got outstanding individual performances from junior Courtney Gonyea and sophomore Alycia Sofios and called on sophomore Sarah Makins, senior Autumn Bunch, junior Stefanie Angiulo and senior Aimee Wong for support.

"We do have a lot of depth," Martin said. "It makes it easier when you do have injuries. You have people to fall back on. Any of our top all-arounders can go in for one of the others. On any given day, any one can do what the others can."

Canton coach John Cunningham used a basketball analogy to describe Salem's depth advantage.

"She takes out Michael Jordan and brings in Dominique Wilkins. (Bunch) is an excellent all-arounder, so almost nothing was lost."

Salem overcame the Chiefs by winning the floor exercise competition with a 36.55 total in the final rotation. Canton finished on bars and scored 34.35.

"WE CAN score 34-something on bars and they can score 36-something on floor," Cunningham said. "That meant we were going to lose by about one and a half points, which is about what happened."

Gonyea finished first on floor with

gymnastics

a season-high 9.50 and Sofios scored 9.45 to capture second place. Angiulo had 8.85 and Makins 8.75.

"We really picked up on floor and did well," Martin said. "The tumbling was excellent. They just pulled everything together. When we went to floor, they knew what they had to do."

Salem also had the top team scores on vault (35.95) and bars (35.30) but chased Canton most of the day after the Chiefs started the meet with a strong showing on beam. Canton's 35.40 held up as the daylong best.

"I was most impressed with our beam," Cunningham said, adding the top Canton scores were 8.8, 8.8, 8.85 and 8.95. "That's what you call a team performance. If you wanted a psychological advantage, that was it. You let other teams see that and try to match it."

"That's how we won the Rockford meet. We so disconcerted the other teams because we were so good on beam that by the time they got to beam they fell out of contention."

CANTON'S KIM Rennolds was the No. 2 all-arounder in Division I. Gonyea was third, Annie Jud of North Farmington fourth, Sofios fifth, Canton's Kim Lewke 11th and Makins 12th.

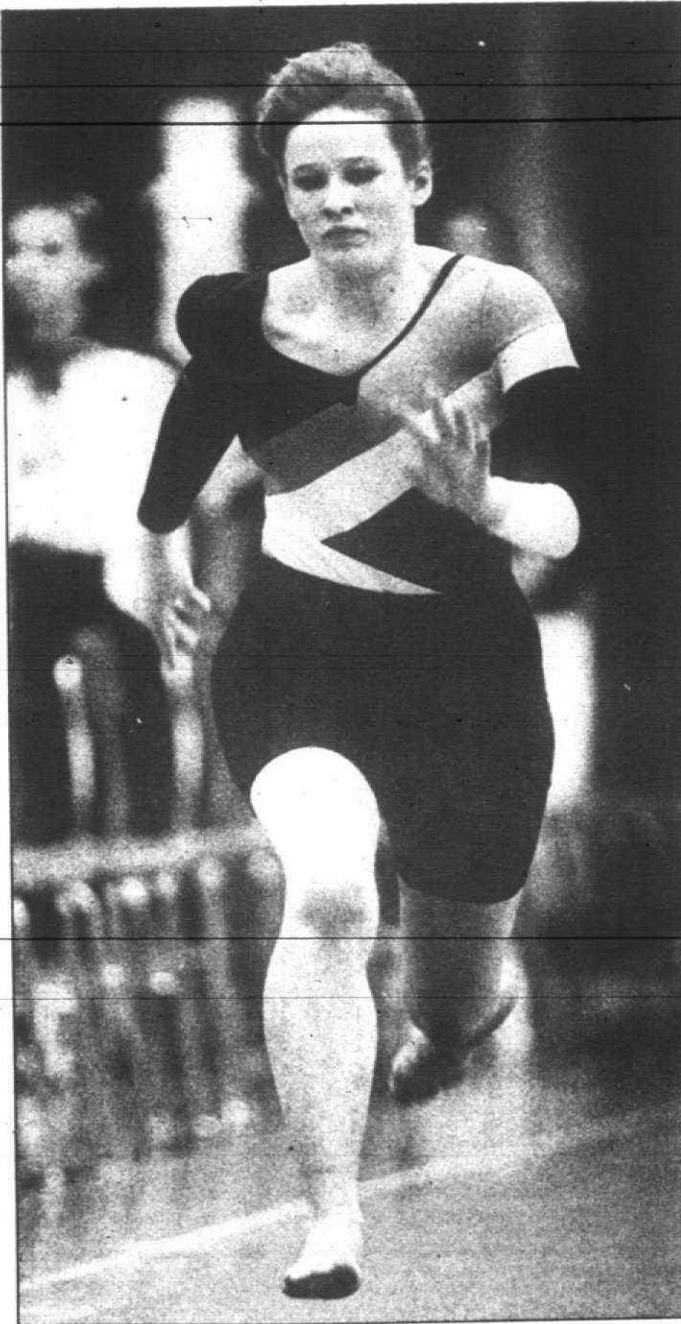
Gonyea was third on vault, Skeppstrom sixth, Sofios 11th and Bunch 13th. Sofios tied with Freeland's Sara Kelly for first place on bars while Makins (eighth), Gonyea (11th) and Skeppstrom (13th) also contributed to the scoring. Gonyea led the Rocks on beam with a third-place finish. Makins was 14th, Sofios 15th and Bunch 17th.

Salem had a rocky start with several miscues on vault "but did well on bars considering Stephanie got hurt," Martin said. "It was a just a tough start, because we usually do really well on vault."

"We had a few falls on beam and that concerned me. Courtney had fall on beam and still got 8.95, so obviously she had a good event."

While Canton finished behind Salem, the Chiefs did outdo the Nos. 4-6 teams in the state — Freeland, Adams and Athens — as well as No. 8 Holt and No. 9 North Farmington.

"I was really proud of the kids,"



JOHN STORMZAND/staff photographer

Courtney Gonyea of two-time champion Salem makes her approach to the vault Saturday in the Canton Invitational.

Cunningham said. "Nine of the top 12 teams in the state were here if you count John Glenn and Northville. It was a meet where the (Canton) kids rose to the challenge."

RENNOLDS TIED with Jud for first on vault. Lewke, Clifford and Stillings also scored for Canton in that event. Rennolds, Jenny Tedesco, Laura Anderson and Clifford made the grade for the Chiefs on bars.

Lewke was the top scorer on

Chiefs boast right formula

By Brad Emons
staff writer

The Plymouth Canton boys basketball team continues to push all the right buttons.

On Tuesday, the Chiefs earned their sixth straight victory with an easier-than-expected 59-44 Western Lakes Activities Association win over visiting Livonia Stevenson.

"Our kids are really playing together as a team, we have great chemistry right now," said Dave Van Wagoner, whose team is 8-3 overall and 6-0 in the WLAA. "I don't have all the answers, but I know if you play good defense, rebound and play unselfishly, you're going to win basketball games."

Once again, 6-foot-5 senior forward Hal Heard paced the Canton offensive attack with a game-high 16 points, 14 coming in the opening half as Canton jumped out to a 28-22 advantage.

Tony Coshatt, a 6-8 senior, then picked up the slack in the second half, scoring 11 of his 13 points to go along with 12 rebounds.

But the team's unsung player on the night was 6-6 senior point-guard Mike Brennan, who triggered the Chiefs' defense, while setting up the offensive attack.

Brennan has emerged as the team's leader, to the delight of Van Wagoner.

"MIKE BRENNAN is the single-most reason we've turned the corner," Van Wagoner said. "He played good defense and took care of the basketball. He's doing a good job of breaking pressure. We're getting great leadership from all our seniors."

The Chiefs started slowly, turning the ball over on their first five possessions. They found themselves down 8-0 at the outset.

"Our guys didn't come fired up and ready to play," Van Wagoner said. "With two minutes to go (in the quarter), we decided we wanted to beat this team, and it's a good team. We had to start playing with intensity."

Stevenson led 14-11 after one period thanks to four 3-pointers, including a pair by 6-4 senior Tony Coshatt (13 points).

But it was all downhill for the Spartans from that point.

Canton's Mike Stafford made a 3-pointer to tie it at 14-all with 6:28 in the half and Coshatt's subsequent

basketball

free throw put Canton ahead for good.

"We started to go about our plan, but then we did our best to go completely away from it," said Stevenson coach Jim McIntyre, whose team slipped to 6-5 overall and 2-4 in the WLAA. "We were very disappointed, yes, on Friday (a double-overtime loss to Farmington), but this one we didn't give ourselves a chance of winning."

THE SPARTANS simply couldn't shoot straight against Canton's combination of zone and man-to-man defenses.

Stevenson made only 27 percent of its shots from the floor (16-for-59). Canton recorded 13 blocks, including six by Coshatt. The Chiefs were also responsible to altering several other Stevenson attempts.

Stevenson's top scorer, 5-11 senior point-guard Matt Grodzicki (11 points), shot an uncharacteristic 4-of-17 and found himself mismatched against the long-armed Brennan.

"The kid we wanted to stop was Grodzicki because he's the glue to that team," Van Wagoner said, "and I thought Brennan did a heck of a job."

"Our game plan was good solid defense with a hand up on every shooter, and make sure you block out your man."

Those simple rules were followed to the letter as Stevenson's four other starters shot a combined 9-for-32.

"We felt we could pose some problems inside and get the big kid (Coshatt) in foul trouble," McIntyre said. "The first quarter we did what we planned, but the trouble with our three inside kids is that we didn't go at them. We folded at both ends when our outside game didn't get it done."

CANTON PUT the game away with a 16-7 run in the third quarter as Brian Paupore scored seven of his nine points.

The Chiefs opened up a 20-point cushion midway through the fourth before coasting home.

"The strength of this team is its post-up play, and that we're unselfish," added Van Wagoner, who hopes the current trend continues.

Salem makes progress despite loss to Vikings

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

S'craft tourney has 32 entries

A record 32 teams have entered Saturday's 19th annual Schoolcraft Invitational Volleyball Tournament.

Pool play begins at 8:15 a.m. with the elimination rounds scheduled to start at 4:30 p.m. Twelve teams, two in each pool, will advance to the elimination brackets.

Livonia Churchill (20-3 overall) is the defending SC Invitational champ. The Chargers also went on to win the state Class A championship.

Among the ranked teams (coaches poll) entered in the field include Class A No. 3 ranked East Kentwood (34-6-2), No. 6 Temperance-Bedford (31-8-6), No. 9 Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central (28-13-6) and No. 10 Livonia Ladywood (29-3-4).

Other contenders may be Churchill, Livonia Stevenson (29-5), Fenton, Flint Atherton, Walled Lake Central and Plymouth Salem (22-6-7).

All-day admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students (with valid I.D.).

All concession proceeds will go toward the Schoolcraft College Athletic Department.

Here are the pool pairings:

Court No. 6 (A): Livonia Ladywood, Dearborn, Garden City, Northville and Wayne Memorial.

Court No. 5 (B): Grand Rapids, Forest Hills Central, Monroe St. Mary's Catholic Central, Dearborn Fordson, Farmington, Madison Heights Belfop Foley and Livonia Franklin.

Court No. 4 (C): Temperance-Bedford, Birmingham Marian, Dearborn Edsel Ford, Livonia Clarenceville, North Farmington and Plymouth Salem.

Court No. 3 (D): East Kentwood, Walled Lake Central, Harper Woods Regine, Grosse Ile and Howell.

Court No. 2 (E): Livonia Stevenson, Fenton, Grand Blanc, Plymouth Canton and Redford Thurston.

Court No. 1 (F): Livonia Churchill, Flint Atherton, Anchor Bay, Lansing Catholic Central and Farmington Harrison.

Plymouth Salem lost the volleyball match, but the Rocks believe they proved a point by taking Walled Lake Central to five games Monday night.

In a clash between unbeaten Western Lakes Activities Association teams, the Vikings stunned Salem 15-2 in the first game, but the Rocks regrouped to win the next two (15-12, 15-13). Central rallied with victories in the last two (15-12, 15-3).

"Nobody had included us to be there, but we think we're in a situation to compete for the league," Salem co-coach Allie Suffety said. "Hopefully, we built some confidence and answered some doubters."

"I'm not sure we didn't do that anyway. Here's a team that swept Stevenson, and Stevenson is one of the powers in our league year after year. I thought we played Central tough, even though we did lose. I think we did get something out of it."

The Vikings are 5-0 in the league and Salem 4-1. The Rocks are 22-6-7 overall, Central 17-5.

Salem was dazed in the first game and got a wake-up call when the Vikings fired some big hits at the Rocks, Suffety said. Salem rebounded in the second game and had a 12-4 lead before hanging on to win. The Rocks had 13 solo or assist blocks for points in that game.

"In the third game, we covered our tips and attacked very well, and we had good passes to the setters," Suffety said. "We played the way we're capable of playing. Then we got very lax again in the fourth and fifth games."

The Rocks rallied to within a point (12-13) in the fourth game and had momentum, but serve-receive errors

volleyball

took them out of it, according to Suffety.

Salem's Julianna DeLaRocque returned to the lineup for the first time since being injured Jan. 22 and had 16 kills. Platter was next with nine, Martha Bol six, Shelby Carey and Julie Thomas five each. Caryn Tatterton had 34 assists out of 75 sets. Middle hitter Bridget Norris excelled for Central.

The Rocks had 40 kills out of 145 attacks, but they had 40 errors and 65 returned to them by the Vikings. Salem had only nine serving errors, "but a few just cut our momentum off right away," Suffety said.

PLYMOUTH CANTON had another slow start Monday in its volleyball match with host Walled Lake Western, but the Chiefs didn't let it affect their overall performance.

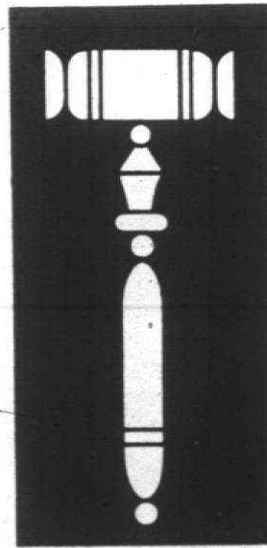
Canton rebounded from a 15-5, first-game defeat to win the next three and the match (15-9, 15-8, 15-13). The Chiefs are 2-3 in the WLAA and 19-13-4 overall.

"We were more aggressive in the second, third and fourth games," Canton coach Jacqueline Getz said. "We totally shut down their offensive game and were the aggressors."

"Our passes were a lot better, and our setters were not running around all over the floor."

Karrie Drinkhahn played an overall good match for the Chiefs, Jenny Davis and Laura Ciantar played well in the back row and Michelle

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Rocks post-up for WLAA win

Mike Abraham scored a career-high 24 points Tuesday night to lead visiting Plymouth Salem in its 82-56 basketball victory over stubborn Walled Lake Warriors.

Abraham, who also led the Rocks with eight rebounds, was the only Salem player to reach double figures, but 10 players scored. Bobby Schneider chipped in nine points, Eric Stemmer eight and James Head six.

"We got the ball inside like we wanted to," Salem coach Bob Brodie said. "We had a ton of inside shots. We gave up too many points on defense, but you have to give Western credit. They shot the ball well."

Brent MacKowick scored 26 points, which included five three-point field goals, to lead the Warriors. Ryan Bolton added 10.

Salem's inside scoring is reflected in its 23-of-37 shooting from inside the three-point line. The Rocks made just one of their three-point attempts. Western was 9-of-24 from three-point range and 21-of-44 overall. Salem made 15 of 23 free throws, the Warriors five of 10.

The Rocks led 14-9 and 35-25 in the first half, but Western trimmed the lead to 48-41 after three quarters.

"They played hard," Brodie said of the Warriors. "They shot the ball well. The three-point shooting kept them in the ballgame all the way. We just couldn't knock them out. They kept hanging in there."

Salem is 4-2 in the Western Lakes Activities Association and 7-4 overall. The Warriors are 1-5 and 3-8.

U-D 64, REDFORD CC 53: Score Tuesday night for the

University of Detroit: One for the college and one for the high school. At the college level, the University of Detroit-Mercy nipped Notre Dame, 72-70, while on the high school scene, the University of Detroit-Jesuit rallied to defeat visiting Redford Catholic Central, 64-53.

The loss snapped an eight-game winning streak and was the first suffered by the Shamrocks in the Catholic League's Central Division.

CC is 10-3 overall and a game ahead of second place U-D at 6-1 in the Central Division. U-D, which lost the earlier meeting between the two teams, improved to 9-4 overall and 5-2 in the Central Division.

It really was a strange game as CC jumped out to a 19-9 after one quarter before being outscored, 24-10, in the second eight minutes to trail 35-29 at halftime. Seniors Bob

Kummer (26 points) and Chad Varga (19 points) combined for 45 of the 53 Shamrock points.

Rashed Roland scored 23 points to lead three U-D players in double figures. Herman Jenkins had 15 points and Daryn Kaigler contributed 11 for the Cubs.

ROEPER 72, PCA 44: Jihad Hassan scored 32 points Tuesday to lead Bloomfield Hills Roepers to the victory over visiting Plymouth Christian Academy.

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CC swimmers win

Redford Catholic Central produced a pair of state qualifying times Tuesday while routing the University of Detroit-Jesuit, 63-22, in a Catholic League Central Division swimming meet.

The Shamrocks are 6-1 overall and 3-0 in the Central Division. "U-D is going to compete and probably be third in the Catholic League meet," CC coach Pete Leonhardt said. "There's a lot of swimming to be done between now and the Catholic League meet. I'm not going to say we're going to win it, but we'll be the favorites."

Randy Teeters and James Leslie each had state cuts in the 200 freestyle. Teeters won the race in 1:48.47 and Leslie came in second place at 1:48.64.

Teeters also won the 100 butterfly (55.77) and swam the front leg of the winning 200 freestyle relay (1:32.53). Teeters had a 22.92 50-yard time and was followed on the relay by Devon Fekete, Paul Magoulik and John Brogan.

Other winners for CC included: Steve Reinke, 200 IM (2:04.65); Brogan, 50 freestyle (22.93); Fekete, 100 freestyle (51.34); Kevin Markell, 500 freestyle (5:15.52); and Leslie, 100 backstroke (54.84).

Reinke, Chris Teeters, Chris Meke and Magoulik won the 200 medley relay (1:49.02) and Markell, Brogan, Fekete and Randy Teeters won the 400 freestyle relay (3:42.79).

The Chiefs are 6-8-2 overall. Canton Parks and Recreation Services will conduct informational meetings for its men's, women's and coed, slow-pitch softball leagues on Saturday, Feb. 29, in the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

The men will meet at 10 a.m., the women at 10:30 a.m. and the coed teams at 11 a.m. Entry fees, registration schedules, contracts, roster requirements and residency rules will be discussed. For information, call 397-5110.

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Children age 6-13 can take the lessons on Saturdays beginning Feb. 8, ages 5 or younger on Mondays or Thursdays beginning Feb. 3 or 6.

The cost of the eight-week class is \$28 for those 6-13, \$24 for those 5 and under. The fee includes skate rental.

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sports shorts

WRESTLING SCORE

Plymouth Canton had four individual winners Tuesday when the Chiefs lost a non-league dual meet to visiting South Lyon, 42-18.

Canton's Frank Toarmina pinned John Howard at 3:05 of the 103-pound bout, and Nick Spano pinned Chris Addy to end the 130 content in 3:33.

A pair of decisions had Canton's Chris Christensen (171) edging Brandon Tewes 7-6 and George Young (189) defeating Matt Nicholas 11-3.

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If you win tourney, IRS wants to hear about it

THERE ARE BOWLING tournaments going on throughout the year.

These are for the amateur league bowlers and in many instances, there is a considerable amount of money to be won. It is quite possible that an amateur could win more money than many of the pro bowlers.

Tournament entry blanks usually can be found at bowling centers. There is a blank space on the form for the entrant's Social Security number, and that deals with our subject for today.

If you are fortunate enough to cash in a tournament, don't just rush out and buy that new car just yet. Remember that the Internal Revenue Service will issue a form 1099 to anyone who wins \$600 or more in any organized tournament.

What can you do to ease the pain from your gain? Actually quite a lot, according to Darryl Rollins, an accountant and an excellent bowler. You may deduct tournament expenses, but be sure to document everything. Get a notebook and keep records of all expenses.

TAKE DOWN the mileage for travel and from the event. You can deduct 27¢ cents per mile. Record your entry fees and even the ABC/WIBC sanction fees. Your equipment and supplies are deductible, too. Get a receipt for everything and keep receipts from the pro shop when you have work done.

If your tournament takes you out of town, work done such as re-dressing a ball, if your tournament takes you out of town, use your Hotel Motel receipts, airline tickets, car rentals, parking fees and even your meals while away from home up to \$25 a day. If you combine a bowling tournament with a vacation trip you can deduct only that portion the number of days actually involved in the event. If you travel with a companion, only the bowler's expenses can be deducted.

Other deductible items would include: phone calls, postage, subscription to a bowling magazine, coaching fees, bowling video tapes and even the fees paid to a tax advisor. Of course, before you can actually use any deductions you have to win the money.

LET'S EXAMINE a typical scenario. "Pinbuster Pete" earns \$25,000 per year. In his job, he gets lucky and wins \$25,000 in a tournament. He now has an income for the year of \$50,000, which puts him in a 28 percent bracket.

I would hope he is aware of the possible deductions from the tournament expenses. His tax burden would be lighter. And let's not forget Gov. Engler, who would have 4.6 percent of the winnings and he didn't even throw a ball!

What about tax hotpots and mystery games in your league? Sometimes there

10-pin alley

AI Harrison

is a nice lump of money involved. These are generally not reported, nor is a 1099 form issued.

In all situations, if you do receive a 1099, you are responsible for taxes. The IRS will eventually match up all 1099's and go after you if it has not been reported as income.

If "Pinbuster Pete" or anyone else has any questions about taxes from bowling prizes, feel free to call Darryl Rollins of Keiman, Rosenbaum, Rollins and Quayhacks of Farmington Hills, phone 855-5640.

OK Lakes will have a Valentines Day No-Trip Singles Tournament at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11.

BOWLING HONORROLL

Drumheller Lanes (Farmington Hills) Tuesday Men's: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th, 129th, 130th, 131st, 132nd, 133rd, 134th, 135th, 136th, 137th, 138th, 139th, 140th, 141st, 142nd, 143rd, 144th, 145th, 146th, 147th, 148th, 149th, 150th, 151st, 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Soccer crowd encourages U.S.

GEEZ, LET'S NOT get carried away. Okay, so everything was near-perfect Sunday. The crowd. The game. The media attention.

Still, it's no reason to go overboard. Or is it? Maybe I'm being unfair. After all, U.S. Soccer Federation president Alan Rothenberg said long ago, long before the U.S. national squad defeated the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS, formerly the Soviet Union) for the very first time, that every single World Cup game in 1994 would be a sellout.



C.J. Risak

game like (Sunday's), an exhibition, that's amazing."

Also, the pre-sale of World Cup tickets doesn't guarantee certain matches. And thousands of ticket-buyers worldwide will gobble up all sorts of ticket packages, to whatever games.

Sure, the stadiums for the lesser matches may not be filled, but he believes the tickets will be sold. And considering the larger size of the American stadiums still in the running for games, the '94 Cup figures to draw more people than any in history.

Rothenberg has "He's been saying that all along," said Jim Duggan, the World Cup Michigan committee's executive director.

NOW, DUGGAN is the cautious type. He'd rather have had newspapers write prior to Sunday's game that the crowd was expected to be 25,000 instead of the 40,000 predicted by one paper. His reason: The potential for disappointment if the crowd is closer to the former than the latter.

But here was Duggan dumping his conservatism as he sized up Rothenberg's statement. "The more time goes by, the more I believe him," he was his exact words.

What if it's a match between Gabon and Gambia? Or Bhutan and Botswana?

Even those, Duggan insists, will bring a crowd. "It doesn't matter," he said. "To draw 35,000 to a

disapproval over the artificial turf. That's not a problem, since grass will be imported and replanted on a wooden platform over the field. The only other criticism came from U.S. team coach Bora Milutinovic, he said the temperature might have been a little high.

STILL, THERE is a possible problem regarding Michigan's bid. There's talk of using only eight venues, not 12. Does this concern Duggan? Hardly. He figures, after last weekend, that the Silverdome now should be rated among the top eight anyway.

That's a long way from where the committee was just a few months ago, praying to make the list of finalists.

But optimism is running rampant. "We had a plan we set out with last June, and we followed it," said Duggan. "I don't think we could have done any more."

"We worked really hard to make the game a success, and it was."

Such confidence. But there's no doubting the World Cup Michigan committee has labored to make the Silverdome as attractive a site as possible.

The crowd was a state-record for a soccer match: 35,248. That had to impress Rothenberg and Hank Steinbrecher, the U.S. Soccer Federation's executive director, both of whom were present.

The game went off without a hitch, and the outcome — a 2-1 U.S. victory (even though the game-winning goal resulted from a penalty kick awarded after a dubious call, the first in seven matches with CIS and its predecessor, the Soviet Union).

Then there's the media: television coverage from England and nationally on cable, and color photos in both daily papers. Quite impressive.

Even the players liked it, although they voiced



Bill Parker

Derby winner hits limit

SCOFF LAWLESS will probably fish Kent Lake for the next 50 years if he can duplicate Saturday's success each time ventures out. Joining the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority's 50th Anniversary Celebration by competing in a fishing derby Saturday at Kensington Metropark, Lawless walked away with the top prize for catching the most fish.

On a day when most anglers found the fish to be finicky at best, Lawless landed a limit of 25 bluegill which tipped the scale at just over seven pounds. Three other anglers returned to shore with limit catches, but Lawless' catch weighed the most. He received a hand sizer, a trophy and a gift certificate for his efforts.

"I went out and drilled some holes where no one else was fishing and I found some fish," explained Lawless. "I read an article recently and it said to find the spot where the concentrations of people are and go wherever they aren't. That's what I did today."

LAWLESS WAS among some 150 anglers that participated in the event which began with a clinic at 8 a.m.

"This was the first event of the year to celebrate our 50th anniversary," explained tournament director Chris Williams. "We've got special events scheduled throughout the year to celebrate our anniversary. We were expecting between 100 and 200 people today and we got about 150 so we're right on target. The sunny weather helped us out a little, but the fish weren't cooperating. I had hoped to see a walleye or a pike come in. There is a small front moving in, maybe that had something to do with it."

Mark Krench, of South Lyon, took Big Fish honors for an 8.1 ounce crappie. He also won an angler, a trophy and a gift certificate.

"I was using a minnow over the river where there is a little current. It seems to produce more fish," Krench said.

FISHING IS JUST one of the many outdoor activities offered at the 13 Metroparks which serve the citizens of Wayne, Oakland, Washington, Livingston and Macomb counties. Cross country skiing (some parks have rental facilities), ice skating, sledding, hay and sleigh rides, nature interpretive programs,

(Anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Outdoor, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48060, or call Bill Parker at 644-1101 ext. 241.)

Michigan will receive \$5,479,649 fish restoration programs. The money is derived from a 10-percent excise tax on fishing equipment and a three-percent tax on electric trolling motors and sonar fish finders. The Wallop-Breaux expansion legislation of 1984 increased the tax base for sport fish restoration to include a portion of Federal motorboat fuels tax and import duties on fishing tackle and pleasure boats.

For more information, call 591-5029.

MICHIGAN SPORTS SHOW

A preview of the 1992 sporting goods lines will be on display from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 22-23 at the Embassy Suites, 1925 Victor Parkway, Livonia (I-275 and Seven Mile Road).

Items scheduled to be on display include sporting goods equipment, clothing and shoe lines, licensed products, computerized embroidery equipment, and heat machines.

For more information, call 462-6000.

AMBASSADORS MODEL

Members of the Detroit Computerware Ambassadors, Detroit's entry in the Ontario Hockey (Junior A) League, will appear in a men's apparel fashion show from 1-3 p.m. at the stage near Crowley's at the Livonia Mall, located at Middlebelt and Seven Mile roads.

The show is being presented by the John Casabianca School of Modeling and the Career Center.

For more information, call Bill Checks, Livonia Mall marketing director, at 476-1166.

TRACK COACH WANTED

Dearborn St. Alphonsus is in need of a varsity head track coach for the spring season.

Those interested should contact Paul Sherzer at 582-0666 or 421-1744.

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Livonia heavyweight Craig Payne will put his 5-0-1 professional record on the line Saturday in a six-rounder against Tennessee native Mike Williams (4-1 with four KOs) as part of a six-bout card at the Lansing Civic Center.

"This guy (Williams) is a well-built, muscular fighter who is going to be a test for me," said Payne, who also has an eye on a possible March 21 bout for the Michigan State Heavyweight crown. "Williams is a different caliber fighter and I've got to be ready. I've been doing a lot of road work."

Payne has also been sparring heavily at the Livonia Boxing Club against the likes of Kelvin Jones, Kady King, Darryl Loving, Don Ryan and Darwin Jewels.

• LIVONIA SKIER 1ST

For the second time, Livonian Cheryl Chipman has captured the Mountain Man Winter Triathlon in Vail, Colo.

The win occurred Saturday when Chipman, who won the '87 title, covered the 11-mile cross country ski, 5.1 snow-shoe and 12.4 speed skating course in five hours, four minutes.

• CARDS-N-CARDS

Madonna University will stage a card show (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.) and Vegas night (6:30 p.m. to 1 a.m.) Saturday, Feb. 22. The school is at Levan Road and I-96 in Livonia.

Admission is free to the card show. A spending spree raffle will be held at 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m. along with hourly door prizes.

Vegas night admission is \$2 (includes cash prizes, blackjack, roulette, wheel, \$500 limit and cash bar).

For more information, call 591-5029.

• MICHIGAN SPORTS SHOW

A preview of the 1992 sporting goods lines will be on display from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 22-23 at the Embassy Suites, 1925 Victor Parkway, Livonia (I-275 and Seven Mile Road).

Items scheduled to be on display include sporting goods equipment, clothing and shoe lines, licensed products, computerized embroidery equipment, and heat machines.

For more information, call 462-6000.

• AMBASSADORS MODEL

Members of the Detroit Computerware Ambassadors, Detroit's entry in the Ontario Hockey (Junior A) League, will appear in a men's apparel fashion show from 1-3 p.m. at the stage near Crowley's at the Livonia Mall, located at Middlebelt and Seven Mile roads.

The show is being presented by the John Casabianca School of Modeling and the Career Center.

For more information, call Bill Checks, Livonia Mall marketing director, at 476-1166.

• TRACK COACH WANTED

Dearborn St. Alphonsus is in need of a varsity head track coach for the spring season.

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gymnastics

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Schools eligible for the list are Plymouth-Canton, Plymouth-Canton, Westland John Dierkes, North Farmington, Livonia Clarenceville, and Farmington. Canton coach John Cunningham will compile the weekly list. Coaches should report updates to him in the evening (call 455-1741).

• VAULT

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Entertainment

Keely Wygonik editor/953-2105



O&E Thursday, February 6, 1992

Valentine treat

Barbershop chorus sings old-fashioned love songs

The Detroit-Oakland Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America performs 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 14-15, at Schmidt Auditorium in Clarenceville High School, 20155 Middlebelt, south of 8 Mile in Livonia. Tickets \$10, all seats reserved, call 362-1989.

If the song "Sweet Adelines" comes to mind when you're uttering sweet nothings in your sweetheart's ear, treat her to "A Musical Valentine," presented by the Birmingham-based Detroit-Oakland Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society. Even if you've never heard of "Sweet Adelines" you're sure to enjoy the Gentlemen Songsters Chorus and the fun loving, energetic singing style of "Gas House Gang" one of three champion quartets that will be performing.

"All of the songs will be sweet-heart songs," said Bob Rock, ticket chairman. "We've got songs for sweethearts of all ages."

The "Gas House Gang" ranked among the top three barbershop quartets in the world at the International Competition in Louisville, Ky. in 1981.

Other featured quartets include "Swing Street," and "Stay Tuned." The distinctive sound of "Swing Street" has captivated their audiences from the onset. This exciting quartet brings barbershop harmony

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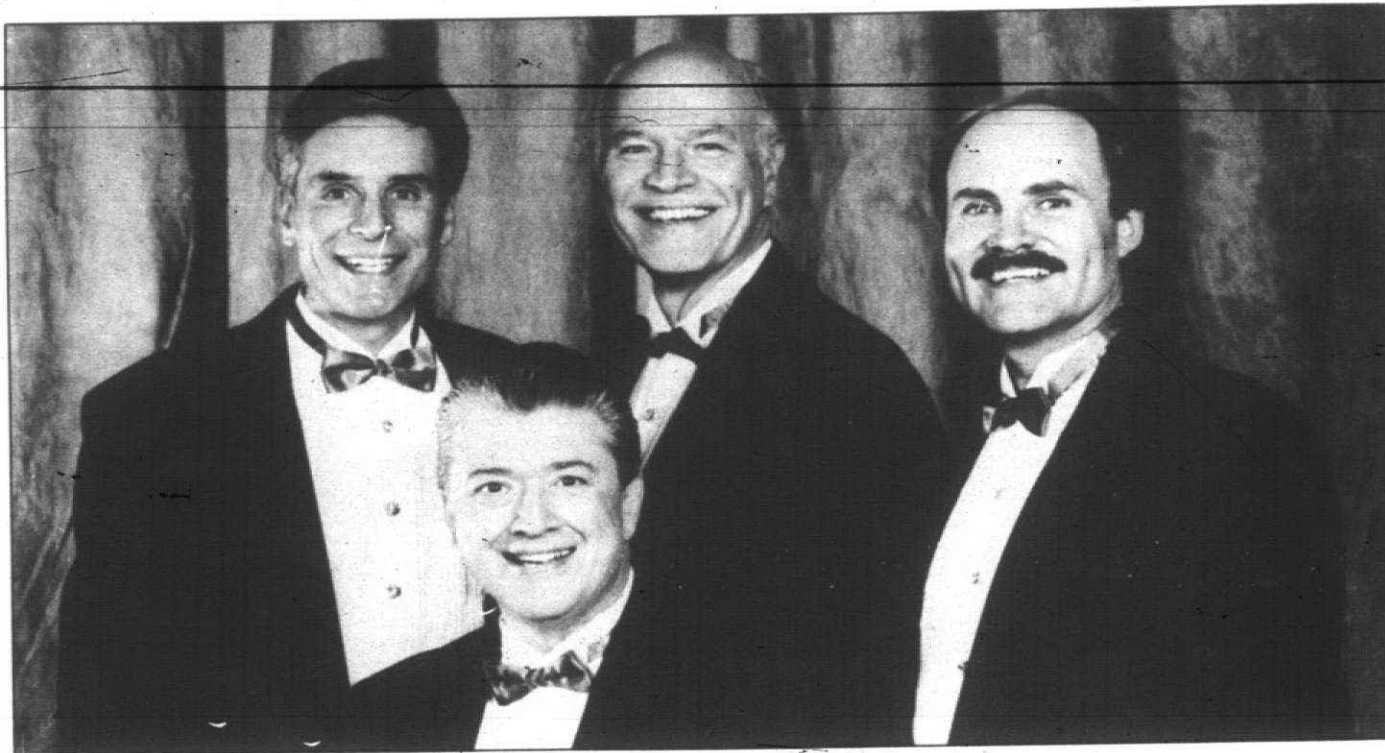
to life in traditional favorites from the rich heritage of American popular song.

With a style reminiscent of the Andrews Sisters, and the Boswells, this outstanding foursome puts barbershop "in the swing" every time they take the stage.

In competition in San Antonio, Texas in October 1991, "Swing Street" captured the International Quartet Championship and are the reigning "Queens of Harmony" of Sweet Adelines International.

"Stay Tuned" four veteran quartet performers who got together in February 1991 to determine how well their individual voices might blend singing in the barbershop style, went on to win the District Championship in October 1991. They will represent the Pioneer District of Michigan at the International Competition in New Orleans in July 1992.

The Detroit-Oakland Chapter rehearses 7:30 p.m. Mondays, in Birmingham. For membership information call 362-1989.



"Stay Tuned", 1991 Pioneer District Quartet Champions Bruce Lamarte, (left), Dannie Gore, Lee Hanson and Brian Kaufman of Canton, perform in the Detroit-Oakland County annual barbershop show of the Gentlemen Songsters Chorus, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 14-15 at Schmidt Auditorium, Middlebelt, south of 8 Mile in Livonia.

tion call, Robert Sillman, 569-7517. The Wayne County Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America is practicing new music for their upcoming annual show "Tin Pan Alley Goes to War," Friday and Saturday, March 6-7, at Mercy High School Auditorium, 29300 11 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. For membership information call, Matthew Coombs, director of the

Cascades Chorus of Eugene, Ore., has been called by the Wayne County Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society to direct its award-winning Renaissance Chorus, said Ken Casey, president of the Livonia chapter. Coombs, 35, directed the chorus several years ago, until he left to join Disney's MGM Studio complex in Orlando, Fla. He worked in special effects, and was assistant director of the Orlando barbershop chorus.

He left to take over directorship of the Eugene chorus for two years. When Coombs previously directed the Renaissance Chorus, the group numbered up to 60 men and regularly ranked at or near the top of competition in the Pioneer District of Michigan and southwestern Ontario.

Casey and Coombs invite all men who like to sing "the old songs" to practice with the chorus 7:30 p.m.

Tuesdays, at Newburgh United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, east of Newburgh Road in Livonia.

No previous "barbershop" or chorus experience is needed. "Just be able to carry a tune," said Casey.

For more information, or tickets for the March 6-7 shows, call Ed Wojtan 425-2727.

'Company' very entertaining

Performances of the St. Dunstan's Guild of Cranbrook cast members of "Company" continue through Feb. 15 at the playhouse, 400 Lone Pine Road between Lahser and Cranbrook Roads in Bloomfield Hills. For ticket information, call 644-0527.



Barbara Michals

Who needs marriage, anyhow? Everybody does according to the Stephen Sondheim musical "Company," which takes a highly critical look at marriage, but concludes in favor of it. The current production by St. Dunstan's Guild of Cranbrook features strong vocal talent in a lively, very entertaining show.

"Company" consists of a series of vignettes and musical numbers that

view marriage through the eyes of Bobby (Gary Jones), a perennial bachelor in his mid-30s, and the couples who adore his company, fuss over him endlessly, and try to get him married.

AS EXPRESSED by the chorus of husbands singing "Sorry, Grateful," Bobby's friends send him mixed signals about wedlock. Beneath their

joyous poses each couple hides frustrations and disappointments. Yet the play makes it clear that even though marriage has plenty of shortcomings, it is still preferable to any alternative. "We all need somebody, not some body," says Amy (Duffy Wineman), one of Bobby's friends who is herself reluctant to commit to marriage.

Bobby fears it might be too late for him, all the good women seem to be already taken. Of his current girlfriends, neither kinky Marta (Kimberly Brown), nor dizzy-blonde April (Julie Miller) seems quite right.

Jones plays Bobby in an unusually laidback manner, but he has a winning smile and powerful voice that



St. Dunstan's Guild of Cranbrook cast members Duffy Wineman (left), Kim Brown, Gary Jones, Julie Miller, Fran Hayes, Jeri Spina and Laura Raisch celebrate romance in the musical comedy "Company."

delivers fine renditions of the solos "Someone is Waiting" and "Being Alive" as well as contributing to many ensemble numbers.

Wineman is wonderful as Amy, the bride-to-be who gets cold feet at the last minute. She delivers the difficult patter song "Getting Married

Today" at frantic speed and with good comedic flair.

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Some good performances in 'Night of the Iguana'

Performances of the Birmingham Village Players production of "Night of the Iguana" continue through Feb. 8 at the playhouse, 752 Chestnut, Birmingham. For ticket information, call the box office at 644-2075 anytime.

Like the captured iguana scuffling at the end of its tether, the main characters in "The Night of the Iguana" are lost souls dangling at the end of their ropes. The Birmingham Village Players' current production of the Tennessee Williams drama features some good performances but is generally uneven.

"IGUANA" is a difficult play, somewhat murky and convoluted in its message, and certainly not Williams at his best.

Set in a seedy hotel in a small Mexican tourist town in 1940, the

protagonist, the Rev. T. Lawrence Shannon (Tim McGee) is locked in battle with his private demons while the audience is periodically reminded of the larger war raging worldwide.

Locked out of his church years ago for preaching heresy, Shannon now escorts tour groups in Mexico. As the play opens he is sick with fever, at bitter odds with his current tour group and seemingly on the edge of a recurring nervous breakdown.

On opening night, Jan. 31, McGee began flat and unconvincingly except during occasional outbursts of anger. By the second act he warmed to the role and improved tremendously, his impassioned torment became more believable.

At the hotel, two women begin a tug-of-war over Shannon's soul. The hotel owner, Maxine Faluk (Ann Weisman), is an impoverished widow who has capitulated to the simple



Barbara Michals

pleasures of sex and alcohol. She wants Shannon to accept his failings and join her in a life of hedonism.

A PENNILESS traveler stranded at the hotel, Hannah Jelkes (Leisa Marie Pulico), sees Shannon as a kindred spirit and wants him to keep fighting to survive as she must do for herself.

Weisman is appropriately full of bonhomie and has a boozey, laidback delivery, though her Texas accent

never quite sounds right. Pulico is excellent as Hannah, a complex character who displays both a soft empathy and the world-weary toughness of someone who must perpetually scramble to survive.

Hannah travels the world with her very elderly grandfather Nonno (Howard Beer), a one-time minor poet. To earn their keep, the old man recites poetry to hotel guests while Hannah tries to sell them sketches and watercolors.

JOAN REDDY is very credible as Miss Fellowes, the no-nonsense spinster who leads the tour group's insurrection against Shannon after he has seduced a young girl in her charge.

Among the supporting cast, Boris Sellers is good as Jake Latta, the tour guide sent to replace Shannon though he's a little seedy around the edges himself.

Having the quartet of German tourists repeatedly goose-stepping across the stage seems ludicrous and detracts from the impact of their lines as they delight in the progress of the war.

While director William McCall gets

even results from his cast, the production is very good visually and technically.

Sid Britton's set design is lushly tropical. The thunder and lightning effects are exceptionally realistic, and the impressive wall of water for the tropical storm at the end of Act One merits the round of applause it receives. Even a real live iguana is used.

Barbara Michals is a retired Southfield English teacher. A theater critic for the last 17 years, she is an inveterate playgoer who regularly catches up on all the New York productions.

table talk

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Brown is outstanding when Marta sings "Another Hundred People," a plaintive reminder of the loneliness of modern urban life, while perky Miller is winsome and wide-eyed adorable when April sings "You Could Drive a Person Crazy" and "Barcelona" in a high-pitched voice.

AS THE ultra-cynical Joanne, now bored with her third marriage, Fran

Hayes captures the bitchiness in "The Little Things You Do Together" but does not quite do as well with "The Ladies Who Lunch."

Jim Andres as David and Laurie Miller as Jenny are very funny in the "pot" scene, and Jeri Leigh Spina is convincing as sweet, Southern-accented Susan. The remainder of the cast are competent, but do not give as much dimension to their characters.

Under director Isabel Himmelhoch and musical director Barbara Anne Gowans, the ensemble singing always sounds fine and everything is well-paced. Himmelhoch also designed the simple but effective set.

St. Dunstan's has chosen to set this 1970 musical in the present, which only serves to make bits and pieces of the show seem more dated than it left in their original year. Nevertheless, "Company" is a

well-executed, thought-provoking show that focuses on external truth. Marriage is a rocky road, but worth the trip.

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DULCIMER SOCIETY

The Silver Strings Dulcimer Society, a group that has performed frequently in southeastern Michigan, presents internationally known folk artists Cathy Barton and Dave Para to perform folk music from the Missouri and Ozark regions 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7, at the Good Hope Lutheran Church on Cherry Hill between Middlebelt and Inkster Roads in Garden City. Tickets are \$10 for the concert and \$5 for a hammered

dulcimer workshop at 5 p.m. For tickets, call 349-4841 or 471-9186.

HANDBELL CONCERT

Rosalee Gardens Presbyterian Church, 3601 Hubbard at the corner of West Chicago in Livonia will host five expert handbell choirs from lower Michigan in a free concert 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8. In addition to mass numbers which include an arrangement from "Phantom of the Opera" each choir will present one solo number. Each of the five choirs plays a set of 61 handbells. All of the choirs are affiliated with the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers, Inc. For information, call 422-0494.

JAZZ IN THE PARK

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CAMELOT

Performances of the Plymouth Theatre Guild production of "Camelot" continue through Feb. 8 at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Regional Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile, wets of 1-275 between Hagerty and Northville Roads. For ticket information call 349-7110.

COMMUNITY BAND

University of Michigan professor George Cavender is guest conductor of the Plymouth Community band at their 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7 concert featuring "The Light Cavalry Overture" by Henry Fillmore. Concert at

the Little Theatre in Canton High School on Canton Center Road.

SYMPHONY

Dearborn Symphony Orchestra presents a cabaret concert "From Russia with Love" 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 14, at the Dearborn Civic Center, 15801 Michigan, Dearborn. Many area residents perform with the orchestra. Tickets \$15, reserved seating. Tables for 10 available. For tickets, call Julia Kurtyka, 565-2424.

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The performance, "Bits 'n Pieces," is a buffet of comedy, drama and songs.

Information and tickets at \$25 per person are available by calling 851-5044.

Carroll, known for her comedy and dramatic roles on TV, film and stage is seen this season in the CBS-TV series "Evening Shade" with Bert Reynolds.

One of television's most enduring stars, Carroll was a series lead in "She's the Sheriff" and "The Ted Knight Show," a regular on the "Red Buttons Show," plus a guest on numerous shows including the "Carol Burnett Show," "Mary Tyler Moore Show," and "To Tell the Truth."

Her one-person show, "Gertrude Stein III," was an off-Broadway success, winning her the 1980 Drama Desk Award for best actress and a Grammy.

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business people

Susan Miller has been named branch manager of Manpower Temporary Services Dearborn Office. She will be responsible for coordinating all sales and marketing activities, and directing the recruitment of clerical, industrial, technical and marketing temporary workers.

Craig A. Rosenthal of Livonia was named senior account executive of the Palace of Auburn Hills, the New Pine Knob and the Detroit Pistons. He will be responsible for television, radio and signage sponsorship packages, plus other marketing opportunities.

Susan P. Cullem, R.N., of Redford, has been appointed acting director of the Oakwood Hospital Adult Day Health Center in Dearborn.

Kim Wintermeyer, a former resident of Livonia and Brighton, was recently named president of Environmental Care Waste Management Systems, a Chicago-based biomedical firm.

Foodland Distributors, Michigan's leading voluntary wholesale food distributor based in Livonia, has appointed Jim Scott of West Bloomfield to the position of director of planning and services.



Craig A. Rosenthal



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Kim Wintermeyer

Kerrie Gavin of Livonia has been appointed district manager of PS Productions Inc. Detroit Office. PS Productions is one of the country's leading entertainment events marketing firms.

Deloitte & Touche, the Detroit-based big six accounting firm, has appointed Victor Wenzky of Troy to senior manager and Mary Beth

Mikols of Northville to manager of the firm's Computer Assurance Services Group.

Robert E. Westergren has been elected president of Procon Corporation, a steel processing facility in Canton that produces high quality steel blanks and slit steel for the automotive industry.

Timothy N. Smyth, formerly of Livonia, has been promoted to the position of senior vice president and trust division manager of the Pennsylvania-based Marine Bank.

The Michigan Floral Association has announced the election of David Loweke of Connor Park Florist in Detroit to vice president; Jim Donahue of Sterling Solutions Inc. in

Plymouth to treasurer, and Warren C. Bickes Jr. of Century Florist Wholesale Supply to the board of directors.

Richard Burke, Sr. of Livonia was named Controller at Vandever Garza, a Detroit based law firm.

Daniel Redstone of West Bloomfield and president of Southfield-

based Redstone Architects, has been appointed by Governor John Engler to the State Board of Architects.

Franklin Bank N.A. President Read P. Dunn and its Board of Directors announce that David F. Simon will assume full time duties as chairman of the bank.

David Williston was named vice president of sales and marketing at United Training Services Inc. (UTS) and Ronald Ramsey joins the Publishing Group as director of UTS Publishing.

Please submit black-and-white photographs, if possible, for inclusion in the business people column. While we value the receipt of photographs, we are unable to use every photograph submitted. If you want your photograph returned, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Indicate in a margin on the front of the photograph that you want it returned. We will do our best to comply with your request. Send information to: Business Editor, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please include city of residence and a daytime telephone number where information can be verified.

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IRS TAX HELP

Thursday, Feb. 6 — IRS tax help will be 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile east of Farmington Road. A tax representative will be on hand to help you fill out tax forms. First-come, first-served basis. No registration required.

ADDED-VALUE ADVERTISING

Thursday, Feb. 6 — The Direct Marketing Association of Detroit will host a luncheon featuring Susan McIntyre, president of McIntyre Direct in Portland, Oregon. McIntyre will discuss how to turn consumer frustration into consumer loyalty.

FURNITURE & DESIGN

Thursday, Feb. 6 — "Creating A Marketing Tool Kit" will be the topic of this seminar at the Michigan Design Center in Troy sponsored by the International Furnishings and Design Association — Michigan Chapter. Call 348-7095.

SENIOR TAX ADVISERS

Friday, Feb. 7 — Free income tax form assistance will be provided through Redford Township Senior Citizens Department in cooperation with American Association of Retired Persons volunteers. The service will be offered to Redford Township senior citizens 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Fridays only, running through February and March. The assistance will be given on a first-come basis the Redford Community Center, 12121 Hemingway at Capital. Bring a copy of your 1991 return, 1992 forms, and other pertinent information. For information call 534-6624.

LABOR MANAGEMENT

Friday, Feb. 7 — Dr. Kenneth Wolf, president of Multi Resource Centers, will speak at the Labor-Management Forum on "Responding to Traumatic Incidents at the Workplace." The luncheon, sponsored by the Ken Morris Center for the Study of Labor and Work, Oakland University.

REAL ESTATE '92

Saturday, Feb. 8 — The Prudential Harry S. Wolfe, Realtors is conducting a free seminar for individuals considering investing in their first home, upgrading homes, building or retirement. Featured speaker is author Thomas Ervin.

Tuesday, Feb. 11 — Free investing and tax seminar noon to 1 p.m. at Merrill Lynch, 32255 Northwestern Highway, Triad Building Suite 260, Farmington Hills. Information: Dennis Herlihy, 1-800-937-0446.

INSURANCE WOMEN

Wednesday, Feb. 12 — The Insurance Women of Metropolitan Detroit meeting featuring Michigan Insurance Commissioner David Dykhouse as speaker will be at Embassy Suites in Southfield at 6 p.m. Call 522-4723 by Friday, Feb. 7 for reservations.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE FOR WOMEN

Wednesday, Feb. 12 — Santa International of Southeastern Oakland County will explore the opportunities for international trade available to women in business. Speaker: Karen McDonald, MBA, International Business Coordinator with Mot Community College in Flint. Call 435-0538.

TIME MANAGEMENT

Wednesday, Feb. 13 — This one day workshop sponsored by Oakland University focusing on time management for secretaries will examine stress and overload in the office and ways to cope. Call 370-3033.

INTERNAL YOU

Wednesday, Feb. 13 — The "Internal You" is the topic of speaker Mark Nichols, vice president of sales and marketing for the Ralph Nichols

Corp. at the National Association of Career Women — Metro Detroit Chapter regular monthly luncheon. The luncheon begins at 11:30 at the Steak & Ale Restaurant in Farmington Hills. Call 626-0752.

REAL ESTATE ETHICS

Thursday, Feb. 13 — The Institute for Real Estate Management will focus on the ethical challenges property manager face every day in a field that demands high professional standards.

SENIOR TAX SERVICE

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INCOME TAX SEMINAR

Thursday, Feb. 13 — An Income Tax Seminar will be at 7 p.m. in Redford Township Library, 15150 Norborne. Rick Bloom, financial adviser, will be covering tips for filing, how to save on your taxes, deductions and record keeping. For more information and to register, call the library at 531-5960.

LEAD TIME

Friday, Feb. 14 — Oakland University department of continuing education will sponsor a Lead Time Reduction Workshop beginning at 8:15 a.m. Speaker: Peter W. Langford, principal with the Langford Group.

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The Agency and Partners Inc., a full-service advertising, direct marketing, public relations and corporate communications company in Plymouth was selected by Wixom-based CV Express, the manufacturer of constant velocity front wheel drive and rear suspension applications.

The Michigan World Trade Center Association and the University of Detroit Mercy announced they have joined into a partnership to form the new Michigan World Trade Institute, which will provide educational programs and service to World Trade Center members.

Knott & McKinley Associates in

Canton has been named one of Welch's Foodservice Brokers of the Year for 1991 for being a top performer in Welch's central sales region.

ABB Graco Robotics Inc. in Plymouth recently announced the receipt of a multi-million dollar order for a robotic paint spray system from Apollo Industrial Co. of Kyongju, South Korea.

Hedge & Company Inc. of Southfield has been named public relations counsel for Rockwell International Corp.'s Troy-based Automotive Operations' On-Highway Products Division.

A new Security Directory containing more than 130 categories of hard-to-find security products and services is designed to help consumers find fast solutions to security problems. Included in the annual Directory are conventional security

equipment such as home alarm systems, gun safes, and building security and equipment systems as well as the major suppliers of armored cars, bullet-proof clothing, body guards, discreet electronic surveillance and car tracking systems. To obtain copies visit or write to L&W Enterprises, 1729 E. 14 Mile, Suite 220, Troy 48063.

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New law has business wondering

By Doug Funke
staff writer

The Americans with Disabilities Act, signed into law more than a year and a half ago, may be one of the most far-reaching pieces of federal legislation no one has heard about.

Or understand when they do.

The law requires that public places must be made accessible to people with physical impairments if modifications are readily achievable.

Employers must make reasonable changes in the workplace to allow an impaired person to do the job unless the changes result in significant expense or financial hardship.

The public accommodations section took effect last month, public employment provisions in July.

The law — considered civil rights legislation for some 43 million Americans with physical or mental disabilities — applies to restaurants, stores, offices, museums and libraries. It ultimately will apply to employers of at least 15 people.

The big rub for many people is they don't know what the law really requires. The requirements seem vague — just what is reasonable — and the measure depends on individual complaints for enforcement.

"WHAT WE'RE receiving at this point is mostly questions," said Rich Studley, vice president of governmental relations for the Michigan

Chamber of Commerce. "In some ways, one of the biggest challenges we face now is there is a lot of confusion.

"In many ways, it's too early to tell how costly this will be," Studley added. "The biggest concern for business is the potential for litigation that's costly and time consuming."

Richard Meier, a Troy attorney who specializes in employment law, advises business owners and employers not to worry about incurring crippling financial costs or complying immediately.

"The act is not designed to necessarily penalize business," Meier said. "What it's designed to do is sort of change the philosophy of individual businesses in the accommodations area."

"Essentially, the act is triggered not so much where someone has an affirmative duty. It's triggered when someone makes a complaint."

"(The) implementation date is not a deadline for retrofitting existing structures," Meier said. "However, if a facility is currently undergoing modifications . . . or if the owners or employers plan to make such changes, architectural barriers must be moved at the same time."

MARCY COLTON, director of Community Services for the Hearing Impaired, Oakland Family Services, maintains that it wouldn't take much money to comply in many cases.

"I don't expect if you pull in

\$30,000 a year in business to make \$50,000 in improvements," she said.

But Colton wouldn't find it unreasonable to require hotels to install special TDD telephones for the hearing impaired in a couple of rooms at \$350-\$400 per phone.

She doesn't believe it would be unreasonable to require doctors, lawyers or accountants to bring sign interpreters into their offices for the rare occasions they're needed.

"We have a number of people who don't speak or write English well, whose native language is American sign language," Colton said.

Earl Benson, enforcement manager for the Detroit District of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, said simple things like changing a work station may serve to comply.

"For someone in a wheelchair, you may raise a desk up by putting it on a platform," Benson said.

"THERE WAS the situation where a company revamped a keyboard on a computer so someone with poor muscle control could operate it," he said. "It cost \$150, and it (keyboard) comes off so any other employees can use the regular keyboard."

Some retail complaints may be resolved simply by changing aisle configurations, Meier advised.

"They (owners) have got to change their sensitivities," he said. When they think about putting a new door up, they should start thinking and ask an architect. Is this good for the

handicapped? You want to sit down and move — that's the key — move all barriers.

"If this (ADA) is typical of other acts, people who have taken a hard line will get bit hard," Meier said.

Others agreed.

"If I'm advocating on behalf of a deaf person and they (business owners/employers) say, 'Let's work on it,' to me that's a good start," Colton said.

"We want to focus on an educational, informational and cooperative effort to do what's right," Studley said. "I think there's a lot of confusion out there."

"WE'RE HOPING most of this will be voluntary to a large extent," Benson said.

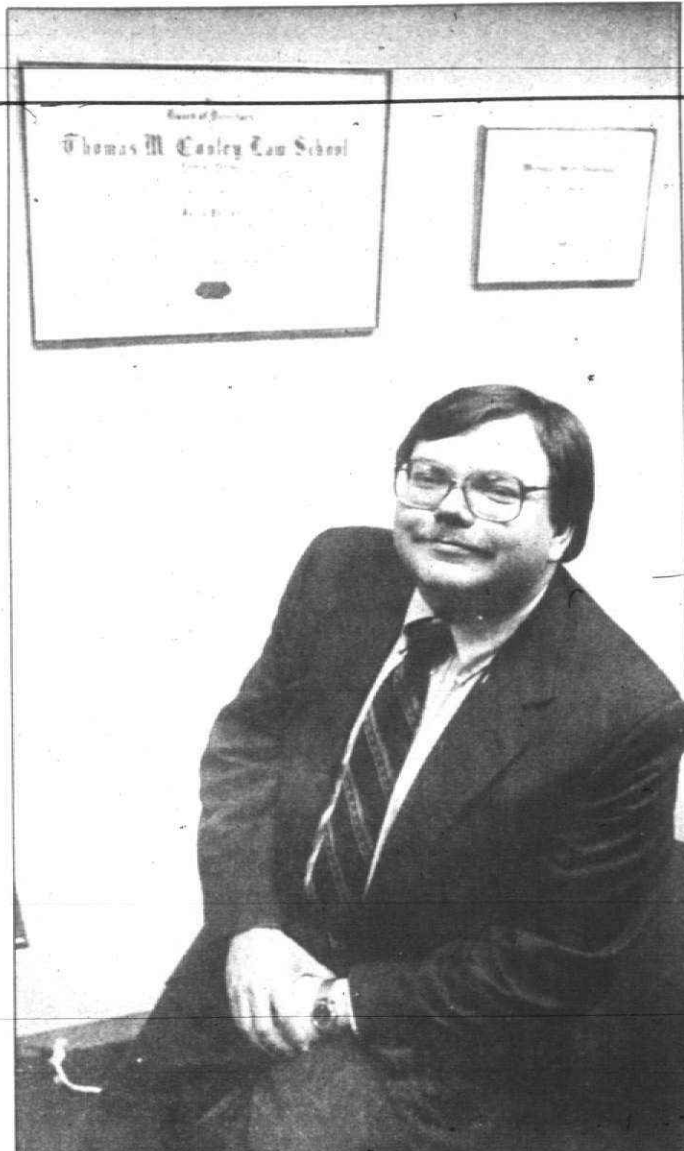
People born with physical impairments aren't the most likely beneficiaries of the measure, Benson said.

"In presentations we've had out there, a lot of people have been focusing on the new hire. People in advocacy groups are saying that's not where we'll find it. The majority are already actively working, and they may become disabled as a result of an injury."

Other state and federal measures have addressed discrimination in employment and public access for people with physical and mental impairments.

However, none have addressed the problem to the degree of the Americans with Disabilities Act, those familiar with the measure said.

Eastern Michigan University, through its Labor Studies Program, offers workshops on the ADA ranging from half-day to 1½-day programs. They can be tailored to each organization and are offered on-site or at EMU. For more information call 487-0005.



Attorney Richard Meier: "The act is not designed to necessarily penalize business. What it's designed to do is sort of change the philosophy of individual businesses in the accommodations area."

Corporate's bankruptcy won't impact franchisees

By Doug Funke
staff writer

The financial future of American Speedy Printing franchisees will hinge on their own resources, not on the fortunes of the corporate parent that filed for bankruptcy protection earlier this week.

That's the word from several franchisees, individual store owners who pay a fee and percentage of sales to use the American Speedy name and receive support services like advertising, educational seminars and trouble-shooting.

And even in a worst-case scenario — the corporate parent eventually goes under — franchisees say they could spin off like grown children to make it on their own.

American Speedy Printing Centers, the corporate franchiser headquartered in Bloomfield Hills, filed a Chapter 11 bankruptcy petition that enables operations to continue while attempts are made to restructure debt.

Franchisees can be found in almost every Observer & Eccentric community from Rochester to Canton.

"Each Speedy (franchise) is a separate corporation from the (parent) corporation itself," said Don Girodat, president of a cooperative of 70 franchisees in metro Detroit.

"IT DOESN'T mean anything to us as far as operations go," Girodat said of the bankruptcy filing. "We'll continue on a day-to-day basis as usual."

Donna Spiteri has owned an American Speedy franchise in Livonia for three years. "We have built up our customer base. We offer a good enough service we could stay in business with no problem," she said.

Bill Greenman has owned a Livonia franchise since 1984. He described business as "great."

"If you can print anything distinguishing franchisees from the problems of corporate, it would be appreciated," Greenman said. "The public has difficulty distinguishing between the two."

Stuart Glasier, a Troy franchisee, was concerned that franchisees would be unfairly tarnished by happenings at corporate.

"We have nothing to do with what corporate does, and we're perfectly solvent," he said. "I'm so busy I don't want to talk to you. Last year was my best year in seven years in the business."

GIRODAT, WHO now has franchises in St. Clair Shores and East Detroit, said he's made a profit each of the seven years he's been in business. Sales were up 18 percent last year, he said.

Corporate officials acknowledged in a brief press release that their problems shouldn't be imputed to franchisees. Sales last year increased an average of 13 percent per franchise, corporate noted.

Specific financial data wasn't disclosed, and corporate officials weren't available for comment.

Barbara Rom, a bankruptcy lawyer not directly involved with developments at American Speedy, confirmed that franchisees couldn't be drawn into bankruptcy by the corporate franchiser's filing.

"Theoretically, franchisees may become creditors depending on what the franchiser should be doing for the money it's getting back," Rom said.

Franchisees said that they may buy equipment and supplies from whatever vendor they choose.

Franchise royalties, which include payments to the corporate franchiser for operations and national advertising, as well as a co-op fee for additional local advertising, range from 5-7 percent of paid sales, Girodat said.

Girodat said he paid a franchise fee of \$42,500 for his second store two years ago.

All of the 650 American Speedy Printing stores in the United States are owned and operated by franchisees.

in Southfield. "It's where we start with every single client."

"Which investment to choose all depends on your goals — what you want to accomplish — and the level of risk you want to take," he said. "If your needs are longer term, say a retirement 20 years from now, there will be other criteria to consider."

IF INDIVIDUAL investors are concerned by playing the stock market, for instance, mutual funds may be the way to go, as professional portfolio managers make the selections.

As a general rule, stocks, despite short-term volatility, provide a greater total return over longer periods, in price appreciation plus yield, than other investments.

"People have to do their investment homework, but you can see what's happening," said Jerry Jahn, branch manager of Paine Webber Inc. in Troy.

"Someone who retired 10 years ago with \$100,000 invested in CDs, would have earned an annual return of \$15,000. Today, the same principle would have an annual return of less than \$5,000. That's why we're seeing a lot of our established clients come in to change their investments."

With the ability to invest funds anywhere in the world, Jahn said

many clients were being advised to consider investing in money-market funds outside the United States.

The firm's June forecast projects three-month, money-market yields will be 5 percent in the United States, but 6.5 percent in Australia, 8.5 percent in Canada, and 15.2 percent in Mexico.

In contrast to past recessions, the interest paid on savings accounts has fallen much more rapidly than rates on auto loans, credit cards or home mortgages.

"There were a lot of real estate deals that went sour during the 1980s, and charging higher rates on credit cards and auto loans is one way the banks can get some of that money back," said Follmer. "Lower yields on savings accounts is another way."

Still most advisers are telling investors to act cautiously.

"What I'm telling my clients is to continue to invest in CDs, but on a short maturity basis, six months or less," said Louis Allen, a private banker with the Bank of Bloomfield Hills and former president of Manufacturers Bank in Detroit.

"I'm telling my clients to stay in a liquid position because we feel there will be an improvement in the economy later this year or early next, and we will see those interest rates come back up again."

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Shriving interest rates have down side, too, investors find

By R.J. King
special writer

While the decline of interest rates over the last six months was designed to put more money in the hands of conservative consumers, the move has proven to be dire for many people who hold savings accounts.

Savings account holders are confronted with an unhappy choice: whether to accept skimpy interest of 4 percent or less on their principal, or, in the quest for a decent yield, put their money into investments that entail more risk.

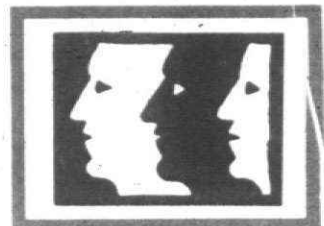
Consider that a year ago the Commerce Department reported the average six-month bank certificate of deposit (CD) was paying 7.14 percent. Now it is 4.46 percent.

In interviews with area economists, bankers and brokers, many said to earn a positive return today, one that marches ahead of inflation, individuals must accept some risk — but not so much that they're up at all hours poring over daily stock returns.

"Individuals should start with themselves, and what they need and when. They need to develop a plan," said Gordon Follmer, president of Follmer, Rudzewicz & Co., one of the state's largest independent accounting firms, which has its headquarters

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TV dinners

Chefs season show with dash of humor

By Julie Brown
staff writer

Chili Joe and Chef Curtis certainly respect good food, but they don't fit into the mold of the snobby chef at an elite restaurant where entrees are priced at \$100 — not including the tip.

The men are the hosts and stars of "Microwave Today: The Cooking Show of Tomorrow," which is

taped at the Omnicom Cablevision studio in Canton.

"We really have a good time doing this," said Chef Curtis, also known as Curtis Rellinger, 34, of Westland. They first appeared on another Omnicom show a few years ago and things took off from there.

"We tried it on a pilot basis, and we've been at it for about three years now," he said.

They don't wear their chef hats and aprons all the time. Rellinger is a service engineer for Mitsubishi Electronics in Plymouth. He and his wife, Lynn, have two children ages 2 and 4 and another on the way.

CHILI JOE is Joe Wnuk, a 43-year-old Westland resident who works in the Automotive Products Division of United Technologies in

Dearborn. He and his wife, Gail, have four children ranging in age from 6 to 17.

You might expect he and Rellinger would do all the cooking for their families, but in fact each one shares those duties with his wife.

Working in engineering and doing a TV cooking show might seem like an unusual combination, but Wnuk and Rellinger enjoy it. They got their start about 12 years ago when they entered a chili cookoff in Saline.

"We started going every year to these cookoffs," Wnuk said. They won trophies for their chili as they traveled around the United States and Canada. They're the official chili team for WLLZ-FM radio, and cook big pots of chili for promotional events.

"Microwave Today" got its start because they wanted to teach people how to use a microwave oven. In many cases, owners only use their microwaves to heat things up, Rellinger said, and he and Wnuk wanted to encourage them to expand their horizons a bit.

The show's educational, but certainly not dull or preachy.

"It's so unusual," Wnuk said. "It's something you can really sit down and watch. We always put in the little goofy kind of odd things."

"I think people want to see fun things again on television." These can be tough times, Wnuk said, and viewers enjoy something that isn't full of doom and gloom.

FOR EACH show, the two try to come up with a theme. They work in jokes, comedy and references to current events and trends in food.

"That's what makes us successful so far," Wnuk said.

They come up with ideas for the show throughout the week, in some



Chili Joe and Chef Curtis try to come up with a different theme for each show.

cases while they're driving to the studio to do the taping. Some of "Microwave Today" is scripted, but it has its spontaneous moments.

"If something fits in, it stays in," Wnuk said.

If something's too disastrous, however, the tape can be edited. One time, they created a peanut butter dip. As each took a bite, they realized the recipe hadn't worked too well.

"It set up like mortar in our mouths," Rellinger said. "We couldn't talk."

Things quickly got worse. The chefs couldn't breathe, although they were able to cough their way out of the crisis, and Omnicom staffers didn't have to call 9-1-1.

The two are hard-pressed to name their all-time favorite recipes, although such favorites as Root Beer Pie, Mississippi Burning BBQ Sauce and Woodstock Apple Pie (made with Boone's Farm apple wine) come to mind. Some of the recipes wouldn't exactly be a dietitian's delight.

RELLINGER AND Wnuk try to provide a variety of recipes, but don't worry too much about nutri-

'It's so unusual. It's something you can really sit down and watch.'

— Joe Wnuk
show co-host

tional fanatics. Those same people have been known to take their kids to fast-food restaurants when they're pressed for time, Wnuk said.

"People still have a choice." Neither has much formal training in culinary arts. As a teenager, Rellinger worked as a cook at a steakhouse in Livonia. He was the oldest of five children and started to cook when he was about 12 or so.

Rellinger's usually the straight man on the show who provides the technical information. Wnuk tends to be more outrageous.

During one show, Wnuk ate a heaping spoonful of horseradish right from the jar. Another time, he drank five quarts of prune juice.

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Joe Wnuk (left) and Curtis Rellinger are the hosts of "Microwave Today: The Cooking Show of Tomorrow."

Bright colors provide a wintertime mood boost

By Julie Brown
staff writer

ON THESE overcast winter days and throughout the year, Judy Lore likes to wear bright clothing.

"I like bright colors, and I'm willing to take a chance on something bright," said Lore, a Plymouth Township resident. When she's out and about, she gets comments from both men and women about her outfit being a great one for a gloomy winter day.

Lore's partial to classic styles, and looks for things that will travel well and go from day to evening with a minimum of fuss. She also looks for accessories that will give an outfit

off the cuff

that polished look.

"Scarves do a lot to change the look of an outfit." The right scarf can pull together clothing of different colors.

She's always on the lookout for jewelry, and sometimes buys something that she will be able to use later even if she doesn't need it right now. She also wears a lot of black, and finds those outfits can be accented with jewelry or scarves.

LORE AND her husband, John, have two sons ages 20 and 24. She's a homemaker and community volunteer who works with such groups as the Plymouth Community Arts Council and the Plymouth Symphony League. She does some volunteer work with St. John Hospital in Detroit, where her husband is a senior vice president.

The biggest fashion problem Lore finds these days is the short skirts and dresses. She doesn't mind knee-length hemlines, but dislikes the shorter skirts and dresses that have appeared on the fashion scene in recent years.

"I did that the first time," she said with a smile. Lore was around during the earlier miniskirt era. In fact, she remembers wearing some maternity dresses back in the late 1960s that were short and not too flattering.

These days, Lore finds that coordinating the color of nylons is a problem that she doesn't see answered in fashion articles. Finding the right color for hosiery is both a problem and an expense.

She's not one who considers shopping for clothes a chore.

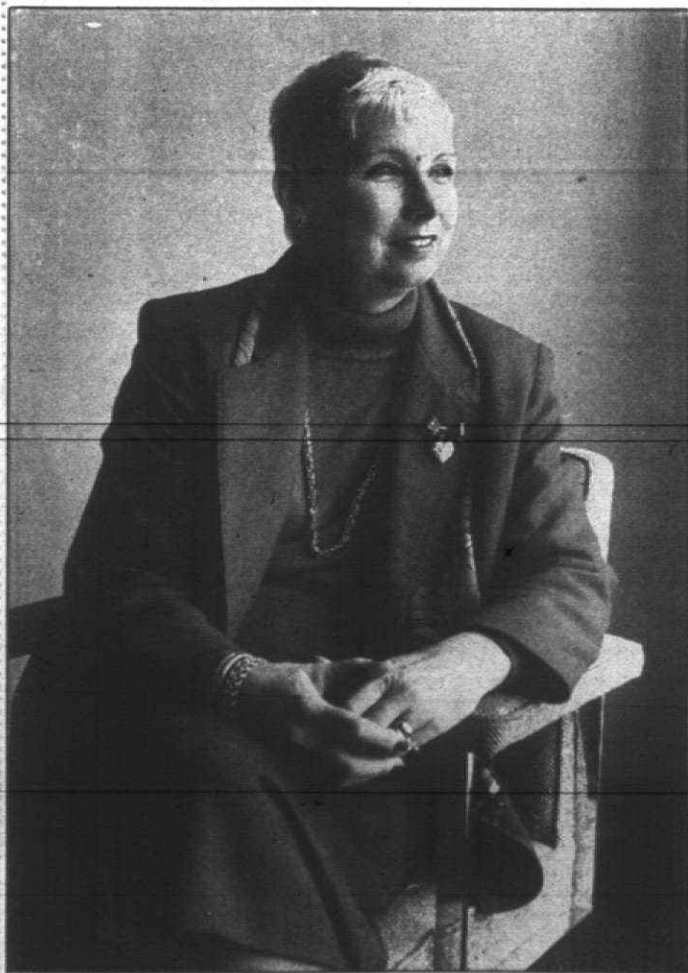
"I really enjoy shopping. If there's a store, I've probably been in it," she enjoys browsing through stores and did that during a recent trip to Washington, D.C.

"I THINK in the Detroit area we're really lucky." A number of good shopping areas exist within a 20-minute drive, she said, and she appreciates the selection and prices found nearby.

Lore, who was nominated for "Off the Cuff" by Rainy Kirchhoff of Plymouth, also does some catalog shopping. Lore appreciates the convenience, although she's found variance in clothing sizes can be a problem when shopping by catalog. Return policies are generous, however,

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CAMELOT

The Plymouth Theatre Guild will present the musical "Camelot" 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 7-8. Performances will be in the Water Tower Theater, on the campus of Northville Regional Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile, between Hagerty and I Northville roads in Northville. Ticket price is \$9 for adults, \$8 for youths and senior citizens, with a \$1 discount for tickets bought in advance. Advance sale tickets are available at the Penman Deli, 820 Penman in Plymouth, and Sir Speedy Printing, 485 S. Main in Plymouth. Group rates are available. For more information, call 349-7110.

SPEECH CONTEST

The Holy Smoke Masters Toastmasters Club will hold its annual speech evaluation contest 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, at Denny's Restaurant, 7725 N. Wayne Road, Westland. For more information, call 455-1635.

PWP CHAPTER

The Livonia Redford Chapter No. 130, Parents Without Partners, will meet Thursday, Feb. 6, at the Ramada Inn, 30375 Plymouth Road. Orientation will begin 8 p.m., followed by refreshments and dancing in the hotel lounge. The chapter meets the first and third Thursday of each month at the Ramada Inn, a new location. New members may attend. For more information, call 464-1969.

WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club of Plymouth will meet 12:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7, at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 45201 N. Territorial, west of Sheldon. The program will be "Landmark Homes," a slide show and narration by members of the Plymouth Branch, American Association of University Women. The program will be presented by Mary Fritz, Margaret Smith, and Bea Laible. Guests may attend.

WESTSIDE DANCE

Westside Singles will hold a dance/party 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Feb. 7, at Burton Manor (formerly Roma's of Livonia), on Schoolcraft west of Inkster. The dance/party is for singles ages 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn (no jeans). There will be snacks and a budget bar. For more information, call the hot line, 562-3160.

SINGLE PROFESSIONALS

The Single Professionals will meet 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7, for bowling at Drake's Lane, 35000 Grand River, Farmington Hills. The social group is for singles ages 25-40. Members play wallyball 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays at Racquetball Farmington. A Sunday, Feb. 9, brunch is also planned (reservations required). For more information, call 478-9181.

BOWLATHON

The annual Veterans of Foreign Wars "Bowlathon" will be noon Saturday, Feb. 8, at Plaza Lane, 42001 E. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. The fund-raising event is sponsored by the Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post and Auxiliary No. 6695 of the VFW. Alice Fisher is general chairwoman. All bowlers are welcome, as are pledges from the community. Proceeds will be donated to Paws With a Cause, which provides service dogs

for hearing-impaired and disabled people. For more information, call 459-6700 or 728-7619.

CONSERVATORY TOURS

Conservatory tours focusing on houseplants will be offered in February at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro, south of the Plymouth Road intersection, Ann Arbor. Tours will be 2 and 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 8-9, 15-16 and 22-23.

Conservatory admission price is \$1. Participants should register in the conservatory lobby prior to the tour. No more than 30 people per hour can be accommodated. For more information, call 998-7061.

SATURDAY NIGHT

Saturday Night Singles/Westside will hold a dance/party 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 8, at Hawthorne Valley Country Club, on Merriman north of Warren in Westland. The dance/party is for singles ages 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn. For more information, call the hot line, 277-4242.

SINGLETONS

The U.S. Singletons will hold a dinner/social 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 9, at the Italian Cucina, 35900 E. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Township. The group is for singles ages 45 and older. For more information, write to U.S. Singletons, P.O. Box 2175, Fort Dearborn Station, Dearborn, Mich. 48123.

VIETNAM VETERANS

The Plymouth/Canton Chapter No. 528, Vietnam Veterans of America, will meet Monday, Feb. 10, at the Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post No. 6695 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth. Area Vietnam-era veterans may attend the general membership meeting. For more information, call Mike Schlott, president, 455-9381, Joe Agius, membership director, 453-8180, or Tom Butterfield, 455-8973.

NEW MORNING

New Morning School in Plymouth Township will hold a parent discussion night 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11, at the school, 14501 Hagerty. The schedule will include a 7 p.m. tour, followed by a 7:30 p.m. group presentation and classroom discussions. The school is for preschoolers through eighth graders. Those attending will meet teachers, parents and students. The evening is for parents, although middle school students (sixth through eighth grade) are also being encouraged to attend with their parents.

At the meeting, applications for fall enrollment will begin to be accepted. Those who plan to attend should register in advance. For more information or to register for the discussion night, call 420-3331.

VOYAGERS SINGLES

Voyagers Singles will meet 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 14, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia. The group is for singles ages 45 and older. Speaker Carol Hardy will discuss nutrition in the 1990s. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 591-1350.

weddings and engagements

Fife-Turko

Mr. and Mrs. William M. (Cathy) Fife of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Lynn, to Michael Christopher Turko of Highland, Mich., son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael E. (Shirley) Turko of Highland.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and of Central Michigan University. She is employed as a surveillance coordinator with Detroit Diesel.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Brother Rice High School and of Central Michigan University. He is employed as a credit analyst with Manufacturers Bank.

An early October wedding is planned at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church in Livonia.

Anderson-Somero

Lola Faye Somero of New Ipswich, N.H., and Gerald Kent Anderson of Plymouth Township were married Aug. 23 at the Apostolic Lutheran Church in New Ipswich. The Rev. Wilfred Sikala performed the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Robert and Ardele Somero of New Ipswich and William and Jean Anderson of Plymouth Township.

The bride is a graduate of Masenic Regional High School in New Ipswich.

Her husband is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and of the University of Michigan, where he earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. He is employed

anniversaries

Couple marks 30th anniversary

Joseph Charles Carli Jr. and Carol Lee (Dawson) Carli of Plymouth are celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary. The celebration plans include a family dinner.

They were married Feb. 3, 1962, in Detroit, and have lived in the

same home for 28 years. They have one son, Joseph Charles Carli III, who also lives in Plymouth. Carol Lee Carli works for her son's auction business. Her husband is employed with General Motors Service Parts Operation in Livonia, where he has worked for 28 years. The couple's club and organizational affiliations include the Goodfellows. They met at Detroit Country Club as ninth graders in 1958.

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with Ann Arbor Machine Co. The newlyweds are making their home in Canton.

Goodsir-Stover

Kerry Lyn Stover of Lansing, Mich., and Joseph William Goodsir Jr. of Lansing were married Nov. 9 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Lansing. Dean Bertram N. Herlong of St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral in Detroit performed the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Dr. and Mrs. Charles L. Adams of Grand Haven, Mich., and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Goodsir of Plymouth.

The bride, also the daughter of the late Paul Stover, is a graduate of Michigan State University. She is employed as an advertising coordinator with The John Henry Co. in Lansing.

Her husband attended the University of Michigan. He is self-employed in the real estate field and owns four bar/restaurant businesses.

Karla Stover was the maid of honor. The bride's other attendants were Kathy Stover, Karine Stover, Christi Fryer, Laurie Price, Shelby Miller, Trisha Simpson and Kristi Huffman.

David Goodsir was the best man. The bridegroom's other attendants were Paul Stover, Rich Hewlett, Doug Agnew, Kevin Schaefer, Rich

Marshall-Myers

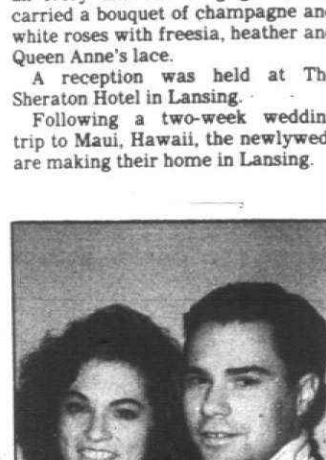
Mr. and Mrs. James D. Marshall of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Lynn, to Joshua Gary Myers of Grand Haven, Mich., son of Mary Myers of Grand Haven and Gary Myers of Florida.

The bride-elect and her fiancé are students at Michigan State University. They were engaged on Oct. 4.

A mid-May 1993 wedding is planned in Grand Haven.



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new voices

Todd and Linda Bergmann of Canton announce the birth of a son, Brandon Michael, Jan. 15 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. Grandparents are George and Barbara Trahey of Plymouth, Jean Hamill of Plymouth, and Ed and Pat Bergmann of Belleville. Great-grandparents are Barbara Indre of Allen

Park, Ruth Hamill of Kalamazoo, Mich., and Dorothy Bergmann of Bradenton, Fla.

Bonnie and Will Carpenter of Canton announce the birth of a son, Zachary Patrick, Jan. 8 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Cooking show caters to loyal viewers

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One show featured an appearance by Mr. Potato Head who provided plenty of snide comments. Chili Joe and Chef Curtis eventually had to put the spunky spud in the microwave to silence him. They didn't get any complaints from the toy manufacturer or from irate potato rights activists.

"We had no protesters, nobody showing up with signs," Rellinger

They tape a new show every week or two. "We've got almost 100 shows now," Wnuk said. The chefs have tested more than 400 recipes on "Microwave Today."

The show is taped at Omnicon's

Canton studio and shown to Omnicon subscribers. It's also shown on local access cable channels in neighboring communities throughout western Wayne County and the surrounding area.

THEY'VE HAD a variety of guests on the show. One of the most well-known was Fred Willard, who was Jerry Hubbard, Martin Mull's TV sidekick on "Fernwood Night" and "America Tonight."

Willard came to the Detroit area to be on the show as part of his "Access America" program. A segment featuring Chili Joe and Chef Curtis was then shown on the national Ha/Comedy Central cable channel.

Women guests have also appeared on "Microwave Today," including a descendant of Jack Daniels who traveled north from Tennessee to demonstrate bourbon recipes.

Chili Joe and Chef Curtis are working on a cookbook, "Chili Today - Hot Tamales," which they plan to have available later this year. It will include a number of chili recipes along with recipes for side dishes such as cornbread.

"I always try to come up with these little marketing ideas," Wnuk said. They've created and distributed prototypes of a lunchbox featuring their pictures and the garnished water straight from the gar-

den hose at his Westland home. That water has just the right rubbery flavor, although it might not appeal to yuppies more partial to Perrier.

VIEWER RESPONSE to the show has been positive. Wnuk and Rellinger sometimes go to Eastern Market in Detroit to shop and are often recognized.

The chefs get their share of fan mail at Omnicon, including recipe requests. They're more than happy to provide those recipes. (For information, write to Chili Joe and Chef Curtis at Omnicon Cablevision, 7465 Ronda Drive, Canton, Mich. 48187.)

In 1991, "Microwave Today"

received the Philo T. Farnsworth Award from the National Federation of Local Cable Programmers, taking first place in the entertainment/comedy category for the Midwestern region. The two drove to Owensboro, Ky., last October to attend the awards ceremony.

Their ultimate goal is to appear on NBC's "The Tonight Show" and on a national cable channel. For now, they're having fun.

"We enjoy doing it. Hopefully, we'll be able to continue doing it for a few years," Rellinger said. Omnicon staffers also like working on the show, said Lee Phillips, 27, local origination coordinator for Omnicon. Phillips, a Ham-

burg, Mich., resident, is trying to encourage the two to use more vegetarian recipes, in part because she's a vegetarian.

"They're great guys," said Phillips, who took over the directing duties for the show from predecessor John Martin. "I love working on it. I always look forward to Thursday nights."

"Microwave Today" is fun to produce, and those who do the work have an additional benefit. They can skip dinner those evenings and know they won't go hungry.

"The best part is after the show the crew gets to eat the food," Phillips said.

Girl Scouts get start on road to lifelong good health

By Julie Brown
Staff writer

Heather Nolan knows a thing or two about staying healthy.

She and other students learned about good health habits during a health fair Tuesday, Jan. 28, at Miller Elementary School in Canton.

"It's kind of fun to learn about all this stuff," said Heather, 11, a Canton resident and sixth grader at Pioneer Middle School in Plymouth Township. She was among 125 girls who participated in the event, which was sponsored by Girl Scout troops from the Miller Elementary School area.

Heather and her friends learned about good nutrition, the importance of exercise and other subjects. She occasionally chooses to munch on potato chips rather than carrots, but knows salty snacks shouldn't be the mainstay of her diet.

"I think so, so you can stay healthy for life," said Heather, a member of Junior Girl Scout Troop No. 726.

SCOUTS AND their friends got things started last week with an exercise session led by Plymouth Fitness Studio representatives. The girls, ages 5 to 12, then moved from station to station in the school gym, learning

about different subjects.

The event took about two months to plan, said Connie Moore of Canton, leader of Troop No. 726 and troop services director for Miller Elementary School. It was planned as part of the 80th anniversary celebration for Girl Scouting in the United States.

Brownie and Junior Girl Scouts worked on the project as part of their badge requirements. The health fair included kindergartners through sixth graders from Miller and Pioneer Middle School. Each Daisy, Brownie or Junior Girl Scout was asked to bring a friend, so some non-Scouts also participated.

Girls learned about the importance of staying healthy all life long. A Shaklee Products representative talked about the importance of good nutrition and vitamin use.

Canton Police Explorers participated, sponsoring a fingerprinting project during the health fair. Girls learned about burn prevention and care from representatives of the National Institute for Burn Medicine in Ann Arbor. "In case anything should happen to one of them or their friends," Moore said.

THE STUDENTS learned about putting out fires safely. "All these girls are going to be baby sitting someday, and you never know what can happen," she said.

A dentist discussed the importance of good dental hygiene and tooth care. The American Red Cross was also represented, with a staffer discussing the importance of donating blood and how such blood is used to help people.

The school will sponsor a blood drive, Moore said, and students are encouraging their parents to donate blood.

The girls have also been collecting "friendship box" items such as toiletries and small games. The boxes are being donated to the Red Cross for use in disaster relief efforts.

Registered nurses were at Miller during the health fair to take blood pressure and discuss its significance with the students. No Girl Scout get-together would be complete without snacks, although the emphasis was on good nutrition.

"Nutritious snacks, that's right," Moore said. "They're all healthy and nutritious."

She and others who worked on the event know it's important for young people to stay healthy. "If they learn the habits now, they're not going to be inclined to overindulge or treat themselves badly later on," Moore said.

She found the girls were quite receptive to hearing about health and fitness. That doesn't necessarily mean that they never eat candy or cookies, however.

"I FIND THAT more of the girls choose healthier

snacks than you would expect," Moore said. "Of course, they do like sugar. No kid is going to turn down a Twinkie."

Girls do benefit from learning about good health right from the start, said Jo Beumann, Plymouth-Canton-Norville field director for the Huron Valley Girl Scout Council.

"If I could have learned when I was a Daisy at age 5, I'd be a lot better off." These are health-conscious times, she said, and it's helpful for Scouts to learn about such habits.

"I think it's great. It just really is a nice, nice deal for the girls and I think they're getting a lot out of it." The students were learning and having a good time at the same time, Beumann said.

The event was well-organized, she said, and provided just enough information for participants. Beumann knows that parents can also benefit when their children learn about health and fitness.

"I think parents learn an awful lot from their kids, and that's not all bad," said Beumann, who has four children. Children and teens can put some pressure on parents to improve their own health habits.

"They have a way of working on Mom and Dad," she said.

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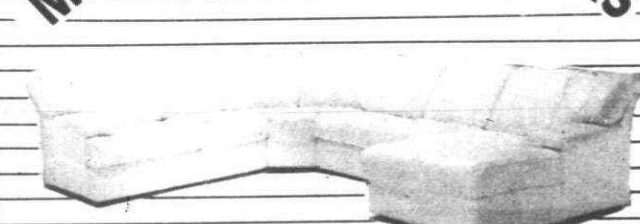
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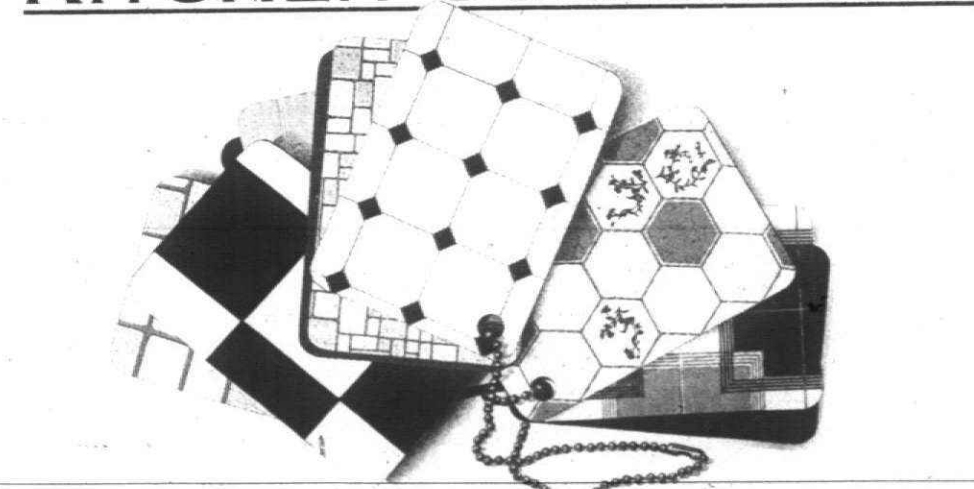
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Glacial deposits from four separate glaciers covered older bedrock deposits. Those bedrock deposits were laid down in the manner of stacked saucers. The oldest on the bottom is about 406 millions years

olds. Toward the center of the state is the youngest of the pre-glacial foundation, it is from the upper Pennsylvanian about 280 millions year old.

Various rocks and minerals that make up both the old bedrock and the younger glacial till deposited on top serve as the foundation for soil. Soil is actually the combination of those rocks and minerals plus organic, or once living matter. In concert with minerals and moisture plants with different nutritional require-

ments grow where the conditions are suitable.

Plants in turn serve as the foundation for all living things in the area and are the basis of our various habitats. Beech-maple forests, tamarack swamps, or a fen are all unique habitats. Each habitat in turn has different animals which rely on the plants for food, either directly or indirectly.

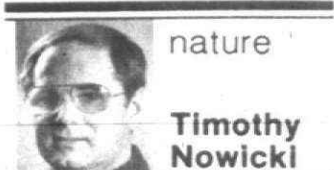
AT THE Eddy Geology Center in the Waterloo Recreation area just

west of Ann Arbor, Michigan's geologic past is outlined. Several stations trace the formation of the "saucer" foundation later covered by the glaciers. At each station are rock and mineral specimens to complement the discussion.

There are many hands-on displays which allow one to touch or examine with a magnifying lens. An extensive mineral collection is also on display inside, and outside are some large specimens of rocks often seen in Michigan.

In addition to the displays there is a gift shop area with reasonably priced specimens for a beginners rock and mineral collection. Throughout the year there are programs sponsored by the center on a variety of topics. In February and March programs on wildlife rehabilitation, flintknapping, and maple sugaring are planned.

Follow I-94 west from the Detroit area to Exit 157 and follow the signs to the center. Waterloo is a perfect setting for the center because the



nature

Timothy Nowicki

rolling terrain and various habitats reinforces the main theme of the center and the interconnectedness of the natural world.

Tim Nowicki is a naturalist at Independence Oaks County Park in Oakland County. He lives in Livonia.

Diamond, dog dinner date is set

The Detroit Chapter of Women in Communications Inc. (WICI) will name the winners — or losers — of its "Dogs and Diamonds" awards Feb. 10 at The Rattlesnake Club in Detroit.

The award highlights those who encourage or hinder the advancement of women in the workforce in a spirit of goodwill and fun. Michele Edwards, WICI national president, will help present the awards.

Nominees for "Diamonds" are: ABC TV's sports department, Affiliated Models, Crain Communications Inc., Donna Cox, University of Illinois National Center, Operation Able, 1940s Chop House, Stroh Brewery's Old Milwaukee Beer, Swedish Bikini Team, Twelve Oaks Mall and Vivarin.

Last year, General Motors Corp. received a "diamond" for its special-leave programs for dependent care for men or women. "Dog" recipient was Parker Bros. for "Careers for Girls," a game that WICI said encourages negative stereotyping.

WICI meetings are open to non-members. Cost is \$30 for members; \$25, students and retirees; \$35, non-members. Reception at 6 p.m. is followed by dinner at 7 p.m., program at 8 p.m. To reserve, call (313) 791-1277.

WICI is a national, non-profit organization representing women and men in diverse communications fields, including journalism, broadcasting and public relations.

SC, Livonia to sponsor fire academy

Schoolcraft College is accepting registrations for an eight-week basic fire academy class to be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays beginning Monday in Station 6 of the Livonia Fire Department.

The course is designed to prepare students to perform fundamental fire suppression tasks. Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be eligible for Firefighter II testing and certification.

The course complies with the requirements specified by both the Michigan Firefighters Training Council and the National Fire Prevention Association.

Cost is \$900. For more information, call the college's continuing education office at 462-4448.

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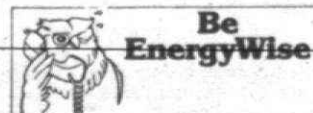
Classes in Chinese gourmet cooking and pastries are being offered by Schoolcraft College's culinary arts department.

Chinese gourmet cooking is a one-day workshop from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22. Techniques to plan and cook a five-course meal with ease will be demonstrated and cultural information about China will be presented. Fee is \$45.

"Pastries for Everyone" will offer practical demonstrations of elegant, yet simple desserts. Use of pastry creams, fresh fruit, chocolate, pastry doughs and unique serving suggestions will be included, as well as ideas for individually plated desserts. The five-week course meets 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 18. Fee is \$90.

To register or for more information, contact the continuing education office at 462-4448.

Schoolcraft is at 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads.

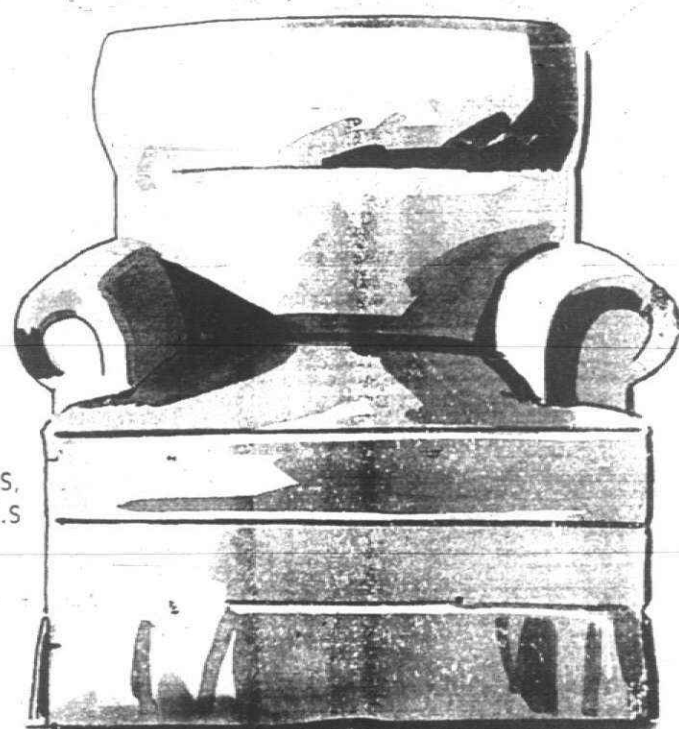


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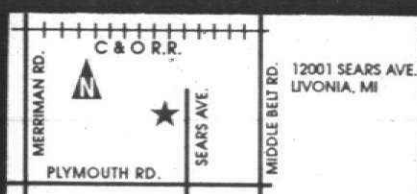
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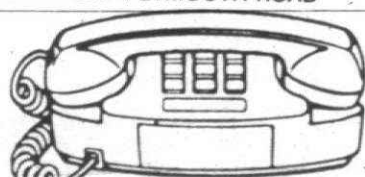


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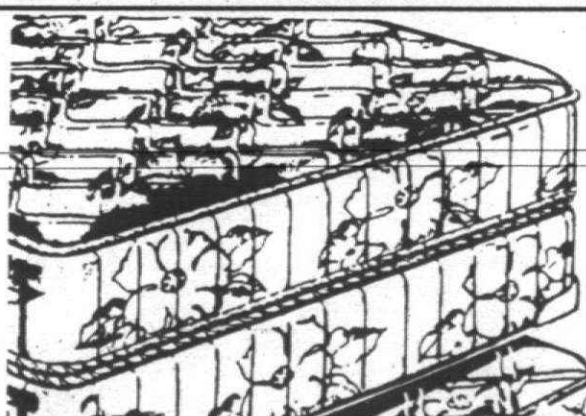
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For details and reviews of musical performances, please turn to the Entertainment section.

There's a new art gallery in Observerland.

The Art Store, which opened Feb. 1, will give artists the chance to take their art from concept to reality. It provides art supplies, classes, framing and the walls on which to hang their work.

The concept is new. Until now, businesses aimed at artists tended to be highly specialized, offering one or two services like art instruction and supplies.

Art classes now run six nights a week, including an oil painting class Thursday nights with Canton wildlife artist Donna Enders.

Macek also carries drafting supplies.

Artists, novice or professional, interested in learning more about Macek's art concept can drop by the gallery at 42727 Ford Road or call 981-8600.

In the winner's circle.

For the second year, a Creative and Performing Arts student of teacher Barb Demgen at Churchill High in Livonia has won a Scholastic Art Awards Hallmark Honor Prize in regional competition.

Nichole Herrick, a senior in the CAPA program, won the highly coveted Hallmark for "Alicia," a Prismacolor pencil portrait of a fellow student.

"It's incredible, two kids in two years," Demgen said.

The purpose of the competition, now in its 65th year, is to encourage creative arts students and to give them recognition they deserve.

Livonia Public Schools deserves recognition for encouraging students in the pursuit of the arts. CAPA, now in its sixth year, provides visual and performing arts students with a one-on-one classroom situation.

Five of Demgen's senior art students enrolled in CAPA submitted eight pieces of work each to the competition.

Herrick's portrait, along with the works of hundreds of Gold Key and certificate winners, will be exhibited Feb. 9-28 at Summit Place Mall, Waterford Township.

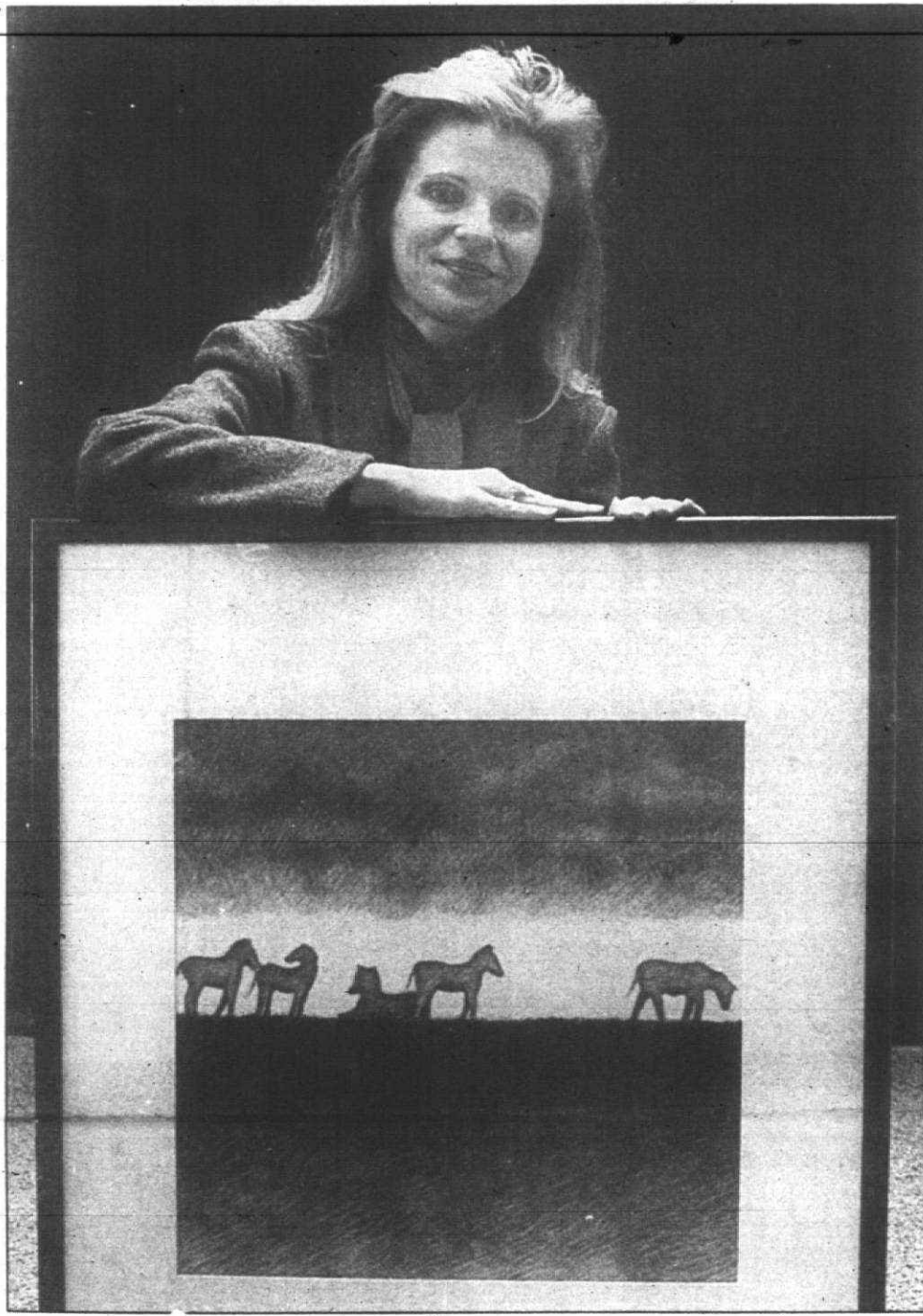
Herrick will receive her Hallmark Feb. 9 at an awards ceremony at the mall.

Old Abe will draw the spotlight at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main.

Farmington Hills resident Weldon Petz will discuss "Images of Lincoln" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, in the Plymouth Historical Society-sponsored event.

The museum will feature an exhibit of Lincoln memorabilia called "1000 Images of Lincoln."

'Animal Antics'



Gwen Dietrich of Canton displays "Magical Horses," one of more than 40 pieces of art in her exhibition at Livonia City Hall. The retrospective spans 15 years of pastel and colored pencil drawings.

JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Sensitive vignettes Artist creates 'world unto itself'

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

GWEN DIETRICH's drawings dream of other worlds where inner smiles and peacefulness prevail, untouched by man.

The Livonia Arts Commission and the city of Livonia have teamed up to present an exhibition of Dietrich's world in "Animal Antics," a 40-piece retrospective spanning 15 years of pastel and colored pencil artwork.

The one-person show runs through Feb. 28 in the lobby of Livonia City Hall, Farmington Road at Five Mile.

A graduate of Parsons School of Design in New York, Dietrich studied with Paul Giovanopoulos, Lorraine Fox and Maurice Sendak.

Her proficient draughtsmanship and design skills,

along with strength of statement and color sense, combine to create sensitive vignettes portraying situations from life, many of them tinged by whimsy.

Whether she renders magical blue horses, black and white spotted dalmatians or little French girls, the end result is an intensely colored, far-away land overflowing with rich detail.

"Animal Antics," one of her most recent works colored with vibrant, pure pigment of pastel focuses on a dog, cat and mouse. The first two are separated from the last by a wood fence.

"(The idea behind the picture) happened with a photograph I'd seen a long time ago that sparked my imagination of a dog peering over a fence," Dietrich said. "I wanted to create an interesting situation having interaction between three characters."

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Photographer Jim Morpew of Livonia won a blue ribbon for this picture in the portrait category of the Detroit Professional Photographers Association competition. He took the picture of Royal Oak resident Leigh Richards at Mill Race Historical Village in Northville.

Photographer earns plaudits from his peers

Exhibitions, 5D

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

Livonia photographer Jim Morpew's love for his work paid dividends when he took home three blue ribbons and a Best of Wedding prize in the Detroit Professional Photographers Association competition Jan. 21 in Royal Oak.

Owner of LaMoore Photography Studio since 1981, Morpew specializes in portrait and wedding photography. His winning prints were culled from actual customer assignments obtained through his Livonia studio.

"I love what I do. It's a love of photography, creating images," Morpew said. "We do a lot of people-oriented work. We get to deal with happy people all day long."

A five-member panel of master photographers judged prints submitted by professional photographers from the metro area and Windsor.

Competitors were allowed to enter a maximum of three prints taken within the last 24 months. Judging was divided into four categories: portrait, wedding, unclassified and commercial.

TWO OF Morpew's prints won blue ribbons in the wedding category. The third print won a blue ribbon for portraits.

"Innocence," a portrait of Royal Oak resident Leigh Richards, taken at Mill Race Historical Village in Northville, found favor with judges for its strength of statement.

"The photo of the little girl had impact," Morpew said. "It was done with all natural light. Mill Race is a nice spot because it has a gazebo."

Besides impact, judges awarded ribbons based on lighting, exposure, print quality and mounting.

"There has to be pre-visualization of concept," Morpew said. "The setting, the sunlight, posing — it all has to work together just right. And you have to print it deep and dark for print competition, darker than you

normally would."

Morpew won Best of Wedding with the print of bridal couple Krystin and Patrick Manning, posed outside Academy of the Sacred Heart Church in Bloomfield Hills.

The image, "A Quiet Moment," has a strong vertical line courtesy of a huge old tree against which the

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Forum theme: Lewis' imprint

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

Douglas Semivan, assistant art professor at Madonna University in Livonia, will discuss prints from the exhibition, "An American Master: The Prints of Martin Lewis," Sunday, Feb. 9, in the Schwartz Graphic Arts Galleries at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward.

Semivan, an artist with work in the DIA collection, will lead a walking tour through the exhibition while speaking from his printmaking experience in a 2 p.m. talk entitled "A Printmaker's Perspective on the Work of Martin Lewis."

"I think it's important to have an artist's viewpoint. I'm going to discuss some of the techniques he used, his choice of ink, choice of paper, the tools he used, his notebooks, how it all contributed to the works," Semivan said.

"I discovered Martin Lewis in the

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Graveyard sparks insightful peek into Redford's past

ON ROLLING land at the edge of a major highway, amid tall trees and weathered sandstone, lies a revealing sliver of history, Redford Cemetery.

It's fitting a state-historical marker stands sentry at the 160-year-old burial grounds, now open only to descendants of Redford pioneers.

But that marker didn't just sprout one day in 1988. It resulted from a two-year push by the Redford Cemetery Association, a close-knit, private, nonprofit group governing the pioneer graveyard.

I became intrigued while driving by and spotting the gold-lettered, green-backed historical marker at Telegraph and Puritan, on the Redford-Detroit border.

As a misty rain fell, I opted to stop, read the marker, scan the epitaphs and listen to the quiet.

From the marker, I learned just how special this 2,000-plot cemetery is. Among those buried there are two

veterans from the Revolutionary War, Ephraim Daines and Darius Smead, as well as veterans of the War of 1812, the Toledo War, the Mexican War, the Civil War, World Wars I and II and the Korean War.

THE MARKER relates that in 1831, Israel Bell, a commissioner in what then was called Pekin, gave one acre to the village for a cemetery.

The graveyard originally was called Bell Branch Cemetery — for the Rouge River branch named after the settlement Bell founded in 1818. It was renamed Redford Cemetery after Pekin became Redford Township in 1833. The township adopted its name in tribute to the mighty Rouge flowing through it.

Interestingly, some western Wayne County townships originally had Chinese names because of increased trade between the U.S. and China in the 1830s and because the



Bob Sklar

U.S. government decreed all new townships avoid names of an existing post office.

By 1883, Redford Cemetery had grown to 10 acres. "A wrought iron fence was built for the cemetery in 1886 with money contributed by Redford Township citizens," the historical marker tells us.

The cemetery is a pepperpot for history buffs.

"If you're interested in very early Redford history, walk through the cemetery, read the names — Bell, Blue, Green, Hendry, Lyon, Perrin, Pierce, Prindle, Smith, Wilmarth —

The Reford Cemetery is a pepperpot for history buffs.

and you've got the beginning," says Lois Carpenter, Redford Township Historical Commission secretary.

"My family has five generations buried there," says Helen Gallagher, a Redford Cemetery Association trustee.

GALLAGHER TEAMED with her mother, Olive Hopp Swanson, fellow trustee Lois Harrison and others to document to the Michigan Historical Commission why the cemetery should be designated a state historic site.

"My mother got the idea for the marker but she didn't live to see it," Gallagher said. "She died in 1986 and, of course, is buried in Redford Cemetery."

The marker "is very important for the veterans buried there," she added. "It honors them as much as anyone."

In 1939, Clarence and Marjorie Beavis compiled a list of each burial at Redford Cemetery. She was the grandchild of George Norris, Redford's fifth settler who came from Geneva, N.Y., in 1828.

Cemetery headstones include the name of David Chavey, Gallagher's maternal grandfather, who was of French descent. He farmed at Plymouth Road and Outer Drive.

"MANY FARMERS from northern Europe came here to settle," Gallagher said. "They didn't have

land in Europe and this was the land of opportunity. They had very little resources but they could buy land cheaply and expand as they earned money.

"Working the farm was their whole life," she added. "My other grandfather, Henry Hopp I, who was of German descent, farmed at Telegraph and Plymouth."

By day, the men worked the fields to scratch-out a subsistence while the women made meals from scratch to feed their family.

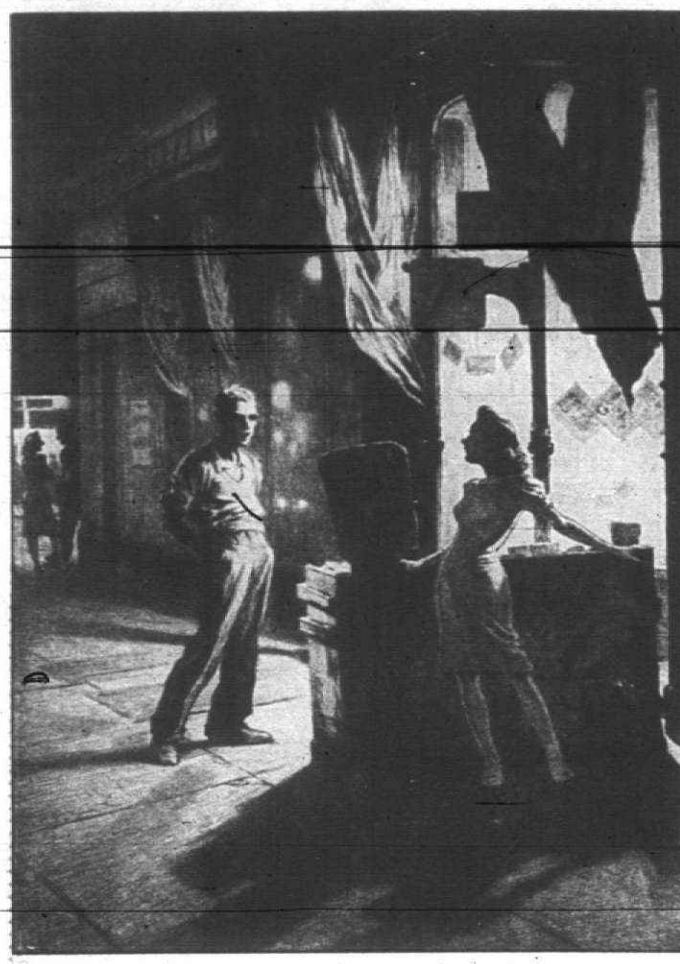
At night, by lamplight, the men made household improvements or repairs while the women darned torn work clothing.

"It was a very hard life," Gallagher said.

It's amazing how a chance stop at an old graveyard can shed so much light on a community's past.

Bob Sklar is assistant managing editor for special projects.

American master's prints focus of discussion



"Chance Meeting," a 1941 dry point, is one of Martin Lewis' first prints to deal with night. It showcases his dramatic lighting effects.



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early '90s. I was astounded by his technical abilities. He was primarily self-taught and relatively unknown."

The exhibition includes 95 impressions of Lewis' known prints along with working proofs, drawings, printing plates, artist's tools, letters, photographs and notebooks.

"THE COLLECTION is a master set of at least one of every impression he did from 1915 to 1953. It shows the chronology."

Lewis, an African-born artist who sailed to America in 1900, is best known for his scenes of New York City. His work captures the energy and pre-Depression Manhattan complete with skyscrapers and flappers.

"In the 1930s, it would be difficult to do what he did," Semivan said. "The audience for black and white isn't there. It's an important lesson for the lack of confirmation for the use of color."

After living in San Francisco, where he worked on murals for the second McKinley presidential campaign, Lewis moved on to New York City. In 1910, he traveled to England. From 1920-22, he hiked his way across Japan. But in the end, it was New York that inspired him and eventually became home.

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When he was in his thirties, Lewis worked in New York as a commercial artist. He achieved success as a printmaker in his late 40s. In his 50s, Lewis' work lost favor in contemporary art circles. In 1934, he established the short-lived School for Printmakers.

"MARTIN LEWIS was one of the first artists to deal with night as an effect," Semivan said. "He used dramatic lighting effects."

From 1944 to 1951, Lewis was an instructor for the Art Students League. In 1962, he died, relatively unknown.

The complete collection of Lewis' prints is a gift to the DIA from Mr. and Mrs. Robert Katzman in honor of Sidney and Betty Katzman and their children, Ellen and Laura.

"We're extremely grateful to the Katzmans," said Sarah Hufford, DIA assistant education curator. "It's a major acquisition. This makes us the major archive for the works of Martin Lewis, a master American printmaker."

When the exhibition was being planned one year ago, Hufford began thinking about programs that the DIA Department of Education might host.

"We had very little budget. Knowing how Lewis is a marvelous technician, I thought it would be a good idea to have someone with Doug's credibility and printmaking knowledge to be able to give an artist's viewpoint," Hufford said.

SEMIVAN GRADUATED from Cranbrook Academy of Art in Bloomfield Hills with a master of fine arts degree in 1973.

Since then, his work has been on exhibition in galleries and art museums across the country and England. Besides the DIA, Semivan's prints

can be found in the collections of the Toledo Museum of Art, Brooklyn Museum and the Museum of Modern Art in New York.

Although Semivan's work is abstract in comparison to Lewis' New York architectural realism, he creates lithographs, intaglios and mezzotints as did Lewis.

Semivan's hands-on printmaking experience makes him a valuable lecturer on the master set of Lewis' prints.

"Our perspective as artists has nothing to do with admiration for the artist," Semivan said.

"It's important because it records a particular time in history. It gives a historical perspective of the 1920s and '30s. It shows Martin Lewis' achievements as a print artist. And although he worked in watercolor, he will be most remembered for the prints."

Douglas Semivan's lecture is free with museum admission. The lecture, "An American Master: The Prints of Martin Lewis," runs through March 22. Museum hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday. Call 833-7900.

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"Survival and Success: Jewish Cultural Portraits from Central Europe" continues in the Janice Charach Epstein Museum/Gallery, in the Jewish Community Center, Maple and Drake, West Bloomfield, through Feb. 27.

The artist, Herlinda Koelbl, through home and studio are in Germany.

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2 story dream home with private commons location is the perfect setting for this lovely 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home. Some outstanding features of this new home are a country kitchen with eating space, large family room with fireplace, den, basement, and 2 car garage. Motivated seller says bring all offers, so circle this ad and call today for a private showing. \$113,900.

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Great north location and great price on this large 3 bedroom tri-level with lots of storage. Nice dining area, central air, big family room with fireplace. Panelled 2 car at garage and fenced yard. \$106,900.

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You won't believe your eyes! 3 bedroom, 1 full bath, 1 1/2 car garage. New garage door. Walk to pantry. Huge basement. Bedroom has walk-in closets. Roof in excellent condition. Country living yet so close to the city. \$159,900.

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Immaculate 4 bedroom brick ranch with 1 1/2 baths, family room with fireplace, central air, 2 car attached garage and full professionally finished basement with bedroom. Newer furnace, roof, oak kitchen cabinets, and more. \$97,900.

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Don't miss this outstanding offering on 2.27 acres in high growth area. Building in mint condition, totally remodeled in 1989. Perfect for attorneys, real estate, insurance office to name a few. \$250,000.

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This sharp 3 bedroom brick ranch in Canton has 2 full baths, remodeled kitchen, central air, finished basement, deck and a 2 car garage. \$89,450.

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To this Plymouth home with newer roof, windows, 2 1/2 car garage, finished with ceramic tile and a multitude of Oak kitchen, newer siding and multi-level deck, fenced lot, central air, immaculately maintained. Call today for private viewing.

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Plymouth, tastefully decorated, well maintained, 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths, dutch Colonial, dining room, family room, study, walk-out, enclosed porch. \$230,000.

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with this 3 bedroom bungalow in the heart of downtown. Basement, hardwood floors, updated kitchen. \$96,900.

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walking distance to downtown. New vinyl siding. Updated 3 bedroom tri. Spacious yard. \$99,900.

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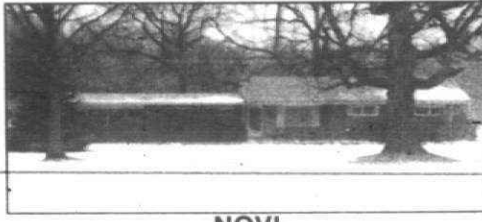
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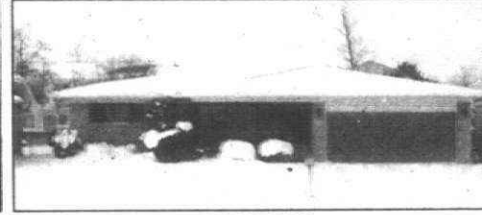
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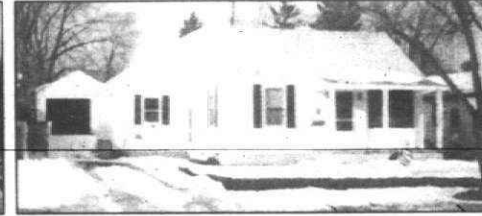
LIVONIA

BURTON HOLLOW BEAUTY Charming is the way to describe the 4 bedroom Colonial. 23x18 family room with fireplace is the heart of this home. Decorated to perfection. Cozy finished basement. Numerous new features!
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Robert R. Jones, a custom builder, has been selected as one of the best in the industry nationally in terms of overall business excellence. He is pictured here in the Oak model of his Knorrwood Hills subdivision in Rochester Hills.

Robert Jones brings home the gold

By Doug Funke
staff writer

Robert R. Jones of West Bloomfield isn't like most residential builders.

He prefers to finance his work with profits from previous jobs rather than construction loans. He copyrights his designs. He doesn't negotiate prices. He keeps his demonstration models for several years even if he receives purchase offers specifically for them.

No one in Jones' family preceded him in the construction business. And if you phone the office with a problem or question after regular business hours, the call will transfer to his residence.

Jones, 55, recently was selected as a gold medal recipient in the Builder's Spotlight Business Excellence Awards. Only three gold medals were presented in the program sponsored by the National Association of Home Builders, Builder Magazine and Marvin Windows.

"The judges were impressed that he (Jones) was able to do so much on low volume — bring in consultants, have a customer service truck — and employ so many good, qualified

people," said Gerry Donohue, an editor for Builder Magazine.

The awards were established to recognize overall excellence in design, marketing, customer service and financial success.

Thomas W. Richey, a national building consultant in Houston, nominated Jones for the award.

"Among the builders I work with, I think he has the best management system and quality control," Richey said. "He has designs in keeping with the times. I know that Bob shops all over the country to get the best possible products."

JONES WON in the small builder category. In business for himself since 1979, he has custom built as few as eight and as many as 17 houses in a year.

He is quick to credit his full-time staff of 13 for his company's success.

"I have my name on the door. Everyone else is responsible for the award," Jones said. "I don't think we could have a more dedicated staff. This is a very creative business. You're blessed when you can see the results of what you do."

Jones, a native New Yorker, was stationed here while in the Army in 1959. He decided when discharged

two years later that he wanted to go into the building business even though he had no experience in the field.

"I was a liberal arts major and felt liberal arts majors could do anything," Jones recalled with a laugh.

"Being young and full of zest and not knowing the real world, I took a job with Herman Frankel as an executive trainee. I expected at that time to have a corner office. The tool I got, I think, was a shovel."

JONES WAS first assigned to customer service and warranty work; he has never forgotten the lessons he learned there. That's why he has a full-time customer service person and why he takes calls at home now.

Jones stayed with Frankel for 18 years, eventually rising to vice president of operations before striking out on his own. "I think it was a case of wanting to create on my own and create an organization," he said.

Frankel, a West Bloomfield builder, still has high regard for Jones.

"He was always a very committed, competent, honorable man," Frankel said. "He always worked hard and was ambitious. He was like a sponge — he learned. He was al-

ways a very directed person. I always knew he would do well and he has."

Jones has developed a couple of interesting business philosophies over the years. Like not borrowing to build. Instead, he banks money from previous sales to fund current and future projects.

"We don't like debt and that's putting it succinctly," he said. "In real estate, it's always popular to be leveraged, to use someone else's money. I've always believed you have to have things under control. Debt permeates a lot of things."

PRESSURES to lower prices or sell a model when you don't have another available can arise. Jones does neither.

"We don't negotiate our prices," he said. "We're saying we think we have a value and think you would make a good investment. We don't have the pressure of when a buyer comes in we say, 'Gosh, we've got to sell this.'"

But there is a consequence to avoiding construction loans.

"The other side of being cautious, prudent, conservative is that it does impede growth," Jones said. "You

have to move more slowly, more carefully."

While conservative in financing matters, Jones has been a pioneer in design. He said he doesn't know of another builder in the area who owns a computer aided design system. Kevin Fox, his designer, has been with him almost from the start.

Jones takes a team approach to design. He talks with his own sales associates and consults with outside designers before finalizing plans. Then he copyrights his plans and legally challenges infringements.

"This protects our efforts," he said.

JONES CONCEDED that he can be tough when it comes to business.

"I'm considered in some areas to be very hard-nosed," he said. "We're very aggressive in terms of cost working with contractors and suppliers. But we do what we say we do. We pay our bills. Contractors can depend on us."

Pat Hansen has worked as a sales associate for Jones for six years.

"He's fair, very disciplined," Hansen said. "He works very hard and expects the same of everyone else. I'm the same personality. We get

along."

Donald Pratt, a Troy builder and immediate past president of the Michigan Association of Home Builders, also had good things to say about Jones.

"Bob's a fantastic builder. He thinks things out thoroughly," Pratt said. "He knows the customers, knows the competition. To be a success today, and Bob is a success, you have to have an all-around knowledge and background of the business place."

His designs capture what buyers want. Frankly, I'm sometimes envious of him," Pratt said.

Jones serves on the board of trustees for St. Bonaventure University, his alma mater, in Olean, N.Y., and on the quality assurance committee for St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac. He's also active in local, state and national builder associations.

Carole Lynn, Jones' wife works in the financial end of the business on sales closings and accounts payable.

Son Bobby also is learning the business as an assistant superintendent. Other children are Michelle, a school counselor, and Julie Smith and Steven, both students.

Architecture struggles against economic realities

By R.J. King
special writer

Architects both here and across the nation are feeling the ripple effect of a sour economy, but the financial picture is just one of many culprits.

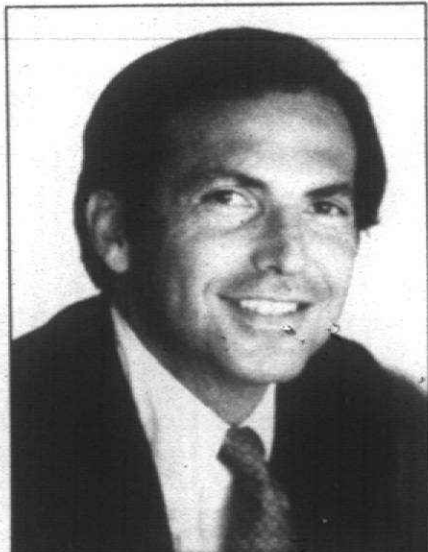
As far back as 1986, when Congress passed the Tax Reform Act, which greatly altered qualifications and tax breaks, specifically for individual retirement accounts, a key source of revenues for banks to finance developments, the architectural profession was bracing itself for red ink.

Combine this with the savings and loan crisis, which caused severe downturns in the development markets of the South and Southwest, leading to foreclosures, and now resales at half price, and it's not difficult to see why the architectural profession is suffering.

So argues Robert Ziegelman, chairman of Luckenbach/Ziegelman and Partners in downtown Birmingham, who was recently selected president of the Detroit Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA), typically a one-year term.

"In 1986, 30 percent of our firm's revenues came from office buildings and shopping centers which were built without a specific buyer or primary tenant in mind," said Ziegelman. "But after passage of the Tax Reform Act, that end of our business was wiped out overnight."

"Banks no longer had access to some of the tradi-



Robert Ziegelman: encourages 'art' in architecture

tional financing used for those developments, and the savings and loan crisis dumped billions worth of real estate on the market at half price. Given that scenario, why would anyone build when they can buy at half price?"

AND SO THE THEORY follows, if there is little need for new buildings, there is little need for architects. By AIA estimates, the architectural industry has seen its annual revenues decline between 30 and 50 percent from the years following 1986, and in some markets, close to 25 percent of architects are said to be out of work.

So how have architectural firms survived? Many smaller firms haven't, and the trauma of pink slips and red ink has forced firms remaining to rethink the way they do business. One noticeable result is that small jobs architects may have politely declined in the past are no longer passed by.

"The architectural firms that are holding their own today are here due to diversification, or are deep into educational and health-care facilities, which are doing well," Ziegelman said, noting the firm recently completed design work on a 200,000-square-foot expansion of the Graduate School of Business Administration at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

"For our own firm, we've been able to increase our design work on very expensive homes in Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills. We've also stepped up work on

light-industrial projects such as tech centers, and on the corporate end as well. But because of the economy, many projects are stretched out due to one reason or another."

WITH BANKS SHARPLY curtailing their real-estate lending, Ziegelman said many developers likewise have begun to eschew daring leaps of faith in favor of build-to-suit projects for a specific buyer or primary tenant. The result is something of a hybrid — the custom-designed office building, which, unlike similar projects of the past, often boasts separate entrances, lobbies and elevator banks by the lead tenant, or for clients who find the financing, buildings of their own.

Recent examples of this trend within Luckenbach/Ziegelman's portfolio includes the Michigan National Corp. headquarters in Farmington Hills, Westview Park in Southfield; part of the American Center master plan, and the corporate headquarters for the Handelman Co. in Troy, a large distributor of software, records, and audio and video tapes.

But while the industry is suffering from a host of outward pressures, many of which it did little to contribute to, Ziegelman said the profession is beginning to recognize the benefits of first-rate architecture, not only in the human factor but as a strong marketing tool as well.

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Etkin paired with minority firm in mentorship role

A.J. Etkin Construction, Farmington Hills, has agreed to participate in a mentoring program sponsored by New Detroit's Partnership Plan.

Etkin will be paired with the minority-owned A-Mac Sales & Builders, a general contractor. The partnership formalizes a relationship between the two companies whose principals know each other.

Tom Landry, Etkin president, said he sees the mentoring program as "a means of insuring that the competition can compete successfully and fairly. It makes for a healthier industry."

A-Mac is headed by Andrew McEmore who said he hopes the partnership will help his company develop more private sector business.

Steve Englehart has established Englehart Realty and Investment at 30100 Telegraph, Suite 366, Bingham Farms. Englehart is president of the company that will specialize in commercial land. His father Bud is director of land acquisition. Steve is a former broker for Prime Properties, a subsidiary of Ramco Gershenson.



Camille Cleveland

Terence Tosto has appointed Camille Cleveland of Bloomfield Township associate broker in its commercial office division. She will be responsible for tenant representation and lease negotiations for the firm's commercial office clients. She is the former managing officer/assistant general counsel for Elias Brothers Restaurants and prior to that was in private practice.



Matt Schwanitz

Matt Schwanitz of Bloomfield Township has been named a principal in the Rochester Hills firm of Giffels-Webster Engineers. His responsibilities include marketing, management of land planning and private developments, and wetlands and landscape architecture projects. He has been with the firm since 1989. Prior to that, he was managing partner of a Texas development company.

Brent Furniture, 1914 Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills, will host a seminar on leather 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, at the store. A factory representative will discuss how to buy leather furniture, determining quality in leather, what different grades mean, and care of leather furniture. Reservations must be made by Feb. 17 by calling 338-7716.

The Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan will conduct several seminars in February.

• Representative from Catherine McAuley Health Systems and the law firm of Miller Canfield will discuss substance abuse in the workplace 8-10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11, at the Radisson Plaza.

• Daria Powers, president of the Powers Group, will address enhancing company growth and profitability by making the business customer driven from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, at Penna's of Sterling Heights.

• Construction procedures for single-family dwelling will be discussed by Chuck Brudenstein, director of construction technologies education for NCI Associates, 8:30-11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 14, at the Radisson Plaza, Southfield. His topics will include site selection, planning, surveys, permits, excavating, footings and foundations, floors, wall framing, roofing, insulation and dry wall for single family homes.

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Plywood applications graded

Since 1905 when plywood was developed in St. John, Ore., it has changed little — but its use in house building has changed the design and structure of houses radically.

Here's a review to help you understand the types and applications of plywoods that are available:

Softwood-veneer plywood is most widely used in construction and industrial applications. It's made by cross-laminating an odd number of wood veneers such as pine, spruce, fir, and hemlock. Running the wood grains at right angles to each other gives plywood its strength. It comes in 4x8-foot panels with 1/4-inch, 3/8-inch, and 1/2-inch common thicknesses.

During manufacture, wood veneers are bonded together with an adhesive under a hot press. Depending on the adhesive used, the plywood is graded for interior or exterior use. Interior-grade plywood is made with moisture-resistant glue. Exterior-grade uses 100 percent waterproof glue.

Plywood is graded by the quality of the veneer used on the face and back surfaces, as well as by the type of adhesive.

The highest quality veneer grades are N and A. These have smooth, defect-free surfaces. Grades C and D are the lowest.

N-grade natural finish is all sapwood or heartwood free of open defects and with no more than six well-matched wood repairs per panel. A-grade is similar with no more than 18 neatly made repairs parallel to the grain.

B-grade has a solid surface with circular repair plugs and tight knots permitted to 1-inch diameter and minor splits allowed. C-grade (plugged) permits synthetic repairs, splits up to 1/4-inch wide and knotholes up to 1/4-inch diameter. D-grade (regular) allows tight knots and knotholes to 1 1/2-inch diameter plus synthetic repairs and defects that do not impair strength. D-grade permits knots and knotholes to 2 1/2-inch diameter, synthetic repairs and stitching repairs.

Some plywood and reconstituted panels are performance rated by the American Plywood Association. These are stamped with a number such as 24-16, which means they can be used in walls over studs on 24-inch centers and floors over 16-inch centers.

Hardwood-veneer plywood is a quality interior panel for furniture, and cabinet construction. The face and back plies are hardwood such as birch, oak, lauan mahogany, walnut and ash with softwood interior plies. Lumbercore plywood is the highest quality, with hardwood face and back laminated to a center core of hardboard strips. It's used for desk and table tops and comes in 4x10-foot panels 1/2-inch, 3/4-inch and 1-inch thick.

Medium-density overlay (MDO) is exterior plywood veneered with an opaque resin-treated fiber overlay suitable for painting. It's used for exterior signs and soffits as well as kitchen and bathroom cabinets. MDO exterior plywood siding is also available.

High-density overlay (HDO) is similar to MDO but tougher and more abrasion-resistant. It's used to build concrete forms and for counter tops and work benches. Both MDO and HDO come in 1/4-inch, 3/8-inch, 1/2-inch and 3/4-inch thickness.

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New products, ideas gleaned at show

By Doug Funke staff writer

Serious convention-goers do more than socialize and party.

Just ask area builders and developers who recently attended the annual gathering of the National Association of Home Builders in Las Vegas.

Seminars on issues affecting the industry and exhibits of product lines were the big attractions.

"A big part of my time is land development," said Gary Shapiro, president of Ivanhoe Building Co. in West Bloomfield. "I met with national planners to talk about environmental issues — wetlands, woodlands."

"It was interesting looking at case studies on a national basis. It's very

Architecture suffers as business, as art

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"I see two forces pulling on the industry today — one being the financial drain and the savings and loan crisis, and the other the undying cry for quality."

"Design is becoming much more important now that there's less work, and architects have time to really apply their craft."

AS A WAY OF a personal challenge during his term in office, Ziegelman said he would encourage colleagues to view the profession from the eyes of Europeans, who see architecture as one of art and event.

"So many people who travel to Europe are drawn not only by the designs of the past, but the present as well. The expansion of the Louvre (in Paris) is a classic example of that."

Still, Ziegelman, who has spent more than two decades within the profession, and at one time appren-

ticed under Minoru Yamasaki and Eero Saarinen, said in the last few years, American architecture has started to draw from European strengths, where office concrete and steel are being replaced with marble and bronze-finished lobbies and carefully thought-out connections.

And he ruled against architects, as much as possible, basing designs on compromise and barrier.

"Architecture in America today is a struggle that mirrors a client's double-edged role as a supporter of the arts and the financier of a cost-effective setting for their endeavors. My only wish is that we would embrace more of the former."

As for when the buildings might again rise with profitable regularity, and in turn renew growth within the architectural industry, Ziegelman projected a conservative estimate of between three and five years.

"It's really tough to say because you don't when the buildings left from the savings and loan crisis will be absorbed."

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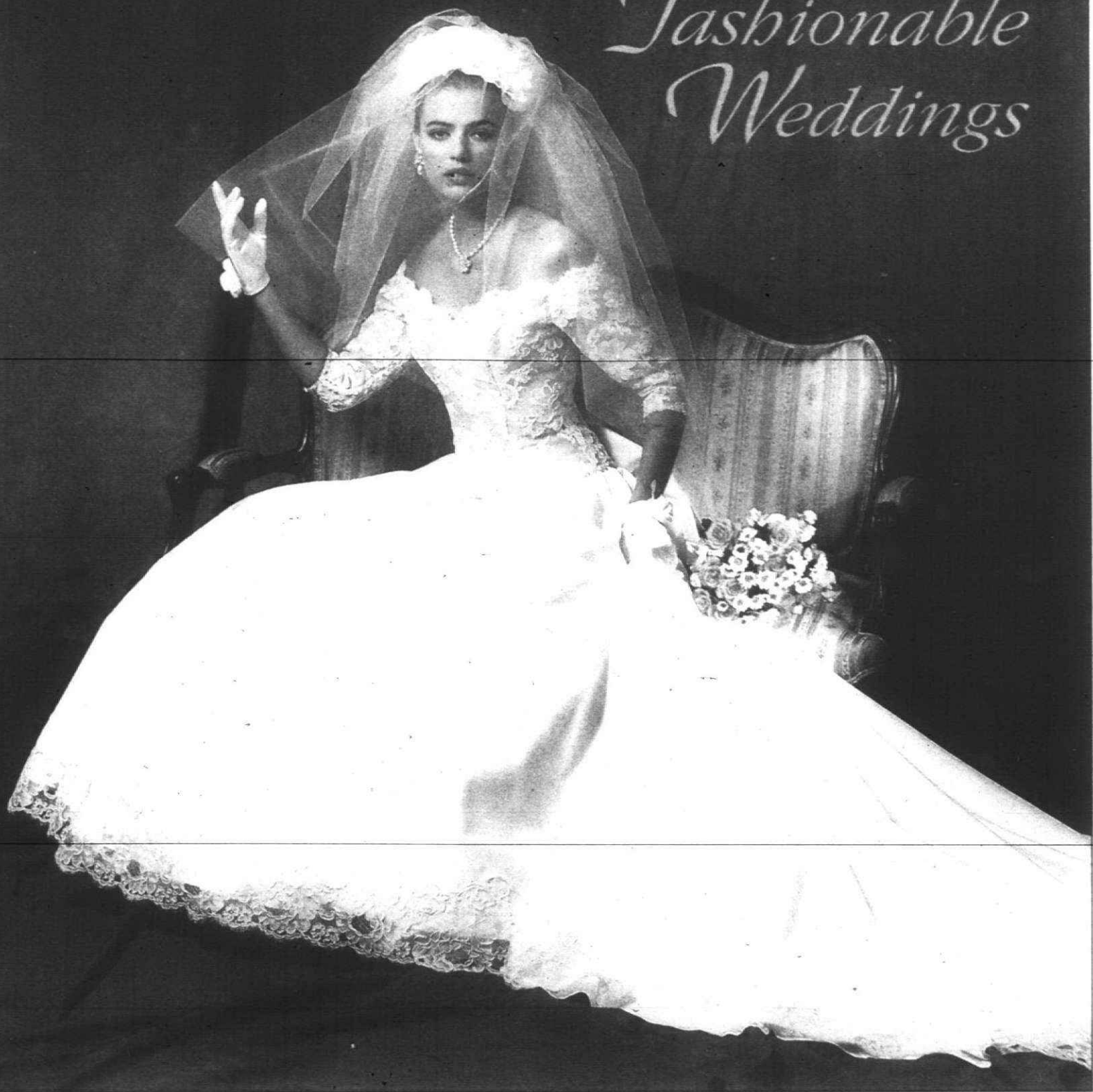
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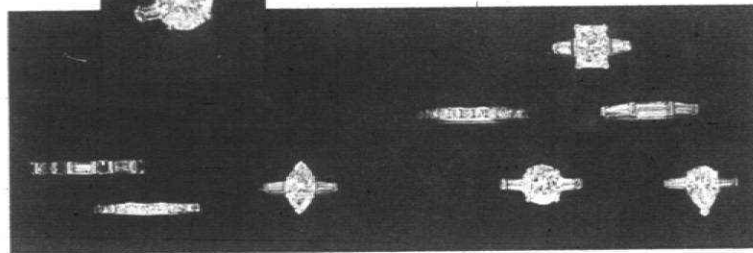
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Although couples have a 1-in-12 chance of tying the knot in any given month, June is the most popular month for nuptials, followed by August, May and July. The fewest weddings take place in January, February and March, a national survey found.

So with the time at hand to round out plans for the height of the 1992 wedding season, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers today presents this special bridal section.

We've taken a lively look at fashion trends that promise to help make the big day memorable.

— Bob Sklar
assistant managing editor

ON THE COVER: The vision of traditional bridal elegance by Jon Bradley. A delicate Alençon sheer lace fitted bodice, with an alluring scalloped neckline, expresses an unspoken romance. A full peau de soie skirt is gracefully touched with lace trim and carried through the majestic cathedral train. \$1,650. At Pollak's Bridal, West Bloomfield and Rochester.

Bob Sklar directed this special section while fashion writer Denise Lucas coordinated it. Tammie Graves, of the O & E graphics staff, designed the cover. O & E representatives Jeannie Bentley and Joan Hines coordinated advertising. Direct queries to Bob Sklar, 953-2113.

Stylish Fashions help make fantasies come true

By Denise Lucas
special writer

In 1965, it was Julie Andrews who inspired brides-to-be with her regal bridal splendor in the Academy Award-winning film, "The Sound of Music."

Captivating Bo Derek became the silver screen "Bride of the Year" in the 1979 romantic comedy, "10."

This year's Hollywood bridal sweetheart is Kimberly Williams, co-starring with Steve Martin in the remake of the 1950s "Father of the Bride."

Every bride is the star and director of her own wedding dreams come true. Every fantasy the enamored bride has imagined from early childhood to shared secrets with her best friends in college will soon become a treasured reality.

According to Kris Bach, owner of The Bridal Basket in Livonia, carrying bridal apparel for the complete bridal party, "We're back to more traditional formal looks... black tuxs and tails, more attention to detail, cathedral trains, a very formal, classic look. This is because brides are older, better educated and have more spending dollars."

REFLECTIONS of individual style are distinctively expressed as the betrothed maiden selects her wedding dress. Choices of traditional Renaissance gowns, romantic Victorian looks, understated sophisticated styles and dramatic contemporary gowns give the '90s bride a variety of choices to express her timeless beauty and magical dreams.

Selecting your gown style is a matter of personal preference. It should also reflect the location and mood of your wedding (formal, informal, cathedral, garden, chapel, historical site, lake side or gazebo), with a strong emphasis on a gown that will complement your figure and body proportions.

You may also want to consider this year's bridal trends. Bridal fashion for '92 is significantly influenced by current couture designs. Many of the haute couture designers are now crossing over the bridal threshold. Bob Mackie, Carolina Herrera, Scassi and Victor Costa, to name a few.

Laura Rubin, director of Alvin's Brides in Birmingham, reports, "Our store is experiencing this year a much more elegant, less fussy bride... with less beading on the gown. We're seeing



Rhapsody in white. An all-silk gown, made by Jean Phoenix, has the look of 3-D rose petals that flow into a pleated bodice with beaded insets. The pleated, deep V back flows into a butterfly bustle with rosettes, which sit at the top of the lace-trimmed, chapel-length train. In white and ivory. \$1,000. At The Bridal Basket, Livonia.

simple, elegant, yet romantic gowns.

"Also, a lot of tulle (that fairy tale, Tinkerbell, Good Witch of the North look). Lace, beading and pearls are detailed more on the veil, while headpieces are moving from the forehead to the crown or back of the head."

BRIDESMAIDS ALSO are making new strides down the aisle.

"The bridesmaids' choice for '92 is the sophisticated, formal two-piece suit... a look that can be worn again," said Debbie Pollak-Zimberg, co-owner of Pollak's Bridal in West Bloomfield and Rochester.

Chris Morrisroe of Hudson's sees trends going from tea length to floor length. Softer pastels, peaches, mints, brighter pinks and floral and tapestry prints. Shorter looks are more sophisticated and cocktail-like.

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Right: Reflections of spring are captured in the Victoria royal bridal gown. Open portrait neckline and long-fitted sleeves crown a faillie basque bodice adorned with silk thread embroidery and beaded, three-dimensional flowers in pale pastels. A full tulle skirt completes the soft romantic look. \$1,598. At Sue Gordon Bridal Salon, Birmingham.



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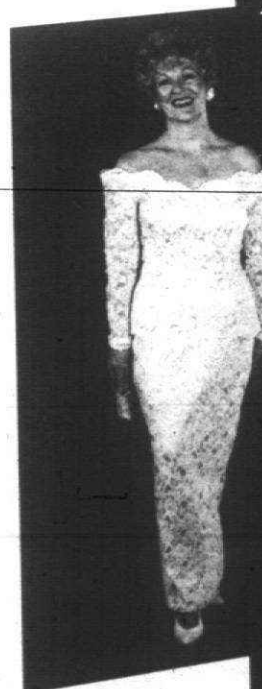
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Fashions help fulfill dreams

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And what should 1992's fashion
conscience wedding co-star be
donning?

"New for '92, black satin, shawl
collar, double breasted, black tuxedo
with a basic wing tip tuxedo shirt and a
tie and cummerbund of choice...
perhaps royal blue, fuchsia or purple
solids, paisley or color-splashed
black," said Deanna Pascaretti,
manager at Russell's Tuxedos in
Southfield.

"Color me important" is the fashion
statement the mothers of the bridal
couple will be making this year.

"Butterscotch yellow, peach, crystal
aqua, copen blue, light sashet, ming
green, violet, coral, French rose, mauve
and buttercup are on the color palette,
as tea-length chiffon dresses (three
inches below the knee) will be worn by
the mother of the bride (and groom),"
suggests Lena Suggs, of Lena of Troy.
"Also, georgette, brocade, chiffon skirts
with brocade jackets, and mushroom
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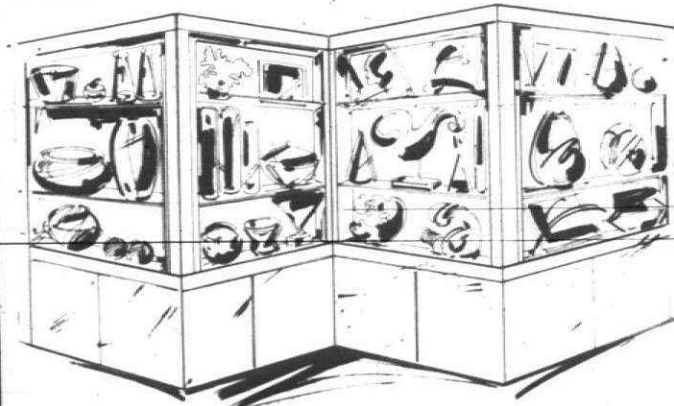


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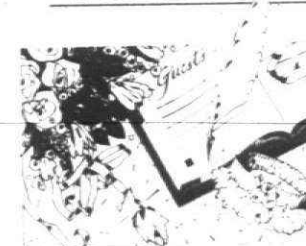
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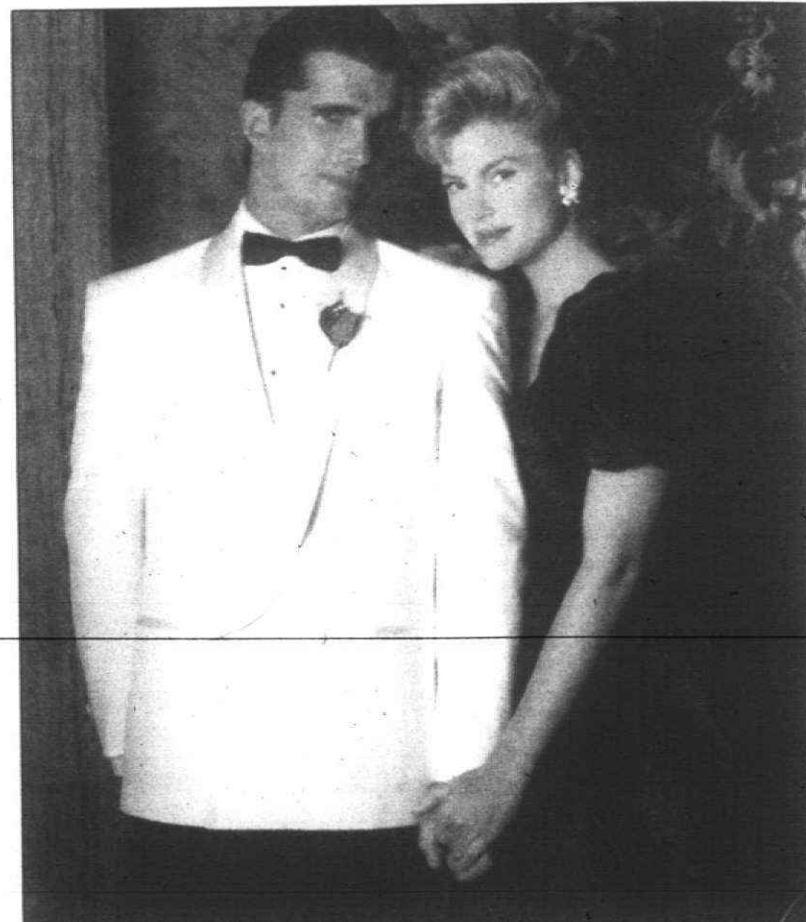


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Wedding insights

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Bride's & Your New Home magazine interviewed six couples who have been married longer than 50 years for their tips for a long, happy marriage. Sincerity, kindness, trust and honesty were mentioned most often, although two husbands said it helps to let wives have their way.

● TIMELY TRENDS

Weddings are keeping up with the times in a lot of ways. More women are popping the questions. Invitations are

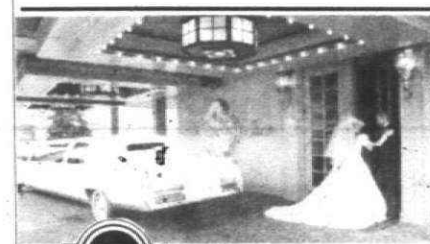
embellished with computerized calligraphy, and co-ed shower parties are the rage. Regional food is being served up at receptions, from New England clambakes to Cajun feasts.

● POP THE QUESTION

The tradition of a suitor on bended knee—with ring in hand—asking for his beloved's hand in marriage is fading fast, according to a Korbel Champagne survey. Only 10 percent of men drop to their knees these days; 36 percent have the ring in hand.

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STYLISH ENCOUNTERS

A SAMPLING of what's on the winter-spring bridal show calendar:

● FEB. 7-8

An exclusive trunk show presents the latest gowns from the Jon Bradley collection, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Pollak's Bridal, 6335 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, in Orchard Mall. A formal fashion show at the salon includes the Bradley collection, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7. Call for fashion show reservations: 851-5111.

● FEB. 9

The Great Bridal Expo, bridal fashions in a Sunday show co-produced with Modern Bride magazine, including the latest looks and labels in formal wear for the men, bridesmaids and mother of the bride and groom. Displays and exhibits with ideas for all your wedding plans. Doors open at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. to view 60 displays then see a choreographed fashion show, Grand Manor at Fairlane, 19000 Hubbard, Dearborn. To register, call 1-800-422-3976. Tickets are \$6 in advance or \$8 at the door. Guests receive a free copy of Modern Bride. Gift drawings will be held.

● FEB. 20

Haberman Fabrics' annual bridal show. Most of the gowns will be custom designs, including one finished

from a Vogue pattern for a Victor Costa gown. On Feb. 22, a seminar will offer a demonstration and lecture on making bridal gowns. Call the Royal Oak store at 541-0010.

● FEB. 13 TO MARCH 29

Five formal fashion shows at Boulevard Bridal, 1095 S. Hunter, Birmingham, feature the bridal collections of Jini Hjelm, Demetrios, Christos, Galina Bouquet and Marisa, with head pieces by Jon Bradley and bridesmaid gowns from Watters & Watters, Bill Levkoff & New Image.

The gowns will be presented through March 29 at exclusive trunk shows in Birmingham at Boulevard Bridal, Sue Gordon Bridal Salon and Today's Bride and in Troy at Kitty Kelly. For trunk show dates and reservations for fashion shows, call the Boulevard Group 24-hour hotline: 258-0700.

● FEB. 16 AND MARCH 2

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The fashion show begins at 1:30 p.m. with gowns from Pollak's Bridal, West Bloomfield and Rochester, and

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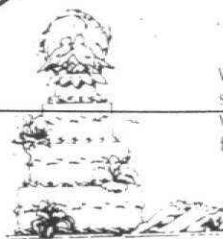


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Custom gowns increase choices

By Debbie Wallis Landau
special writer

CUSTOM BRIDAL salons as well as quality fabric stores can assist a bride-to-be with designing and creating the dress of her dreams.

Debbie Pollak-Zimberg of Pollak's Bridal in West Bloomfield and Rochester, believes "there's the right dress out there for everyone. Some women are more articulate about describing what they want. Often we can suggest something, a particular design or perhaps just one change in a design they have seen to better flatter their figure and their skin tones."

Her salon, which offers both retail and custom dresses, doesn't charge for consultations. "We urge brides to allow us four to six months for custom orders. If an engagement is shorter, we can alter or change a dress that is on one of our racks."

POLLAK'S DEALS with fabric houses out of New York and Paris as well as Michigan. Custom dresses start in the \$800-\$1,000 range. The retail line ranges from as low as \$300 on up to about \$3,000.

Pollak-Zimberg and her mother, Madge Pollak, who is co-owner, specialize in the couture look. The salon's own line of bridal gowns is called "Creations by Pollak's."

"What we strive for are designs that

are lovely and chic with beautiful detail. That doesn't necessarily mean heavily beaded," said Pollak-Zimberg. "It can be a very understated, sophisticated look."

Stewart Fabrics in Birmingham has many pleased customers not only in Michigan, but Ohio, Indiana and Ontario.

"They know we will send fabric swatches and large orders," said Rod Grifford, proprietor. "We do a lot of special orders, so future brides can rest assured that if a desired lace or satin or silk is not in the store in the right quantity, we will get it for her."

Stewart has been assisting bridal parties for decades, not only with quality fabrics in every price range but with a referral list of local dressmakers who can do the actual custom work. It also has a sewing room on the premises for brides who want to sew their own dresses or make parts of their own dresses or headpieces.

"**WE CAN** assist brides with widely varying price ranges," Grifford said. "If a young lady loves lace but is on a tight budget, we can steer her to a lovely domestic lace. Or, contrarily, we can offer French Alencon, too."

"What I would like to stress to brides," Grifford said, "is to be openminded. If you love the look of silk, know that you can also obtain it with, for example, a good tissue taffeta. If you're looking for satin for

bridesmaids' dresses, you can purchase fabric for \$5.98 or jump to peau de soie for \$36."

Stewart regularly conducts seminars on creating headpieces and bridal gowns. Sewing classes to make them are offered, too.

TOBY HABERMAN, of Haberman Fabrics in Royal Oak, urges brides considering a custom dress "to try on different styles at the very best bridal salons and compare pictures. Everyone who enters our store is a seamstress, and we can offer woman creative perspectives on designs they like but might need to modify."

Changing a neckline, a color or a waistline can make a big difference in suiting a dress to an individual, she said.

"What's wonderful is you don't have to be an heiress to have a custom bridal gown. There is such an infinite variety of fabrics to choose from that no woman has to feel she has compromised her 'dream dress.'"

It's possible, for example, to recreate a gorgeous \$2,500 or \$3,000 designer gown for about \$1,000.

"Don't get misled by fabric names," Haberman said. "Whether you want a romantic Southern Belle look or a sleek contemporary design, there are fabrics in your range to accomplish your goal."

LIKE STEWART Fabrics, Haberman Fabrics offers various programs to educate brides about the wide choices and styles available to them.

For example, Haberman Fabrics offers bridal headpiece classes. "In the first week, different techniques are demonstrated. In the second session, students bring in materials and work on them," Haberman said.

Dominant right now is the tiara look. The contemporary look of a headband with floral sprays sporting beads and/or lace is also popular.

"We sell parts to make flowers for a spray," Haberman said. "We can show you to gather up veiling to get the look you want."

IN THE five years since Kathleen Kolacz and Michele Merrifield, both dressmakers, opened Specialite de Bridal in Plymouth, Kolacz has observed, "You can't talk a bride out of what she wants. But if you don't drastically change her vision, she will be receptive to slight modifications."

"We can do an informal dress for several hundred dollars," Kolacz said, "or an elaborate design for thousands. The main thing is the bride should allow us a good four months — from creation stage, through beginning and final fittings."

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LINDA AKOURI



Specialite de Bridal in Plymouth offers this custom satin gown (about \$1,500 to \$1,700). The gown includes a detachable train, heavily beaded sequin and Alencon lace and puffed sleeves. The lace-covered headpiece (about \$225), made of the same fabric, features fabric roses. It includes a fingertip veil.

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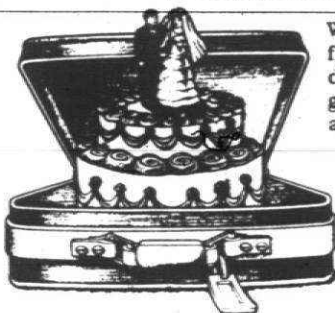
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"Most brides come to us because they can't find what they want in ready-made bridal gowns," Kolacz said. "We also make dresses for attendants and mothers of the bride and groom. The latter emphatically do not want an 'old lady's dress' made of chiffon. Bridesmaids want a dress they can

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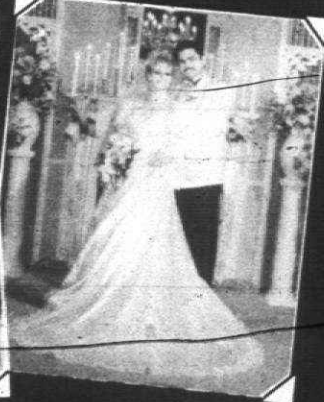


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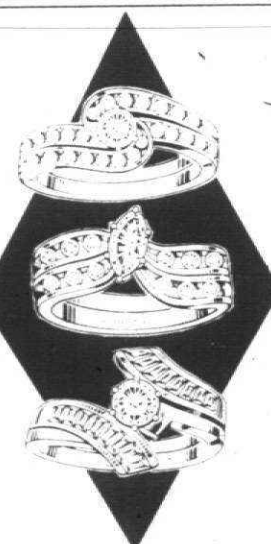


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The show also will be presented at the Plymouth Manor, downtown Plymouth, on Monday, March 2. Doors open at 6 p.m. The formal fashion

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Right: Like a Cinderella fairy tale, the Paula Varsalona's Alencon lace sweetheart neckline, with fitted bodice, gracefully flows into the magical tulle full skirt. Elbow-length puffed sleeves define the fantasy. \$1,300. At Elizabeth's Bridal Manor, Northville.

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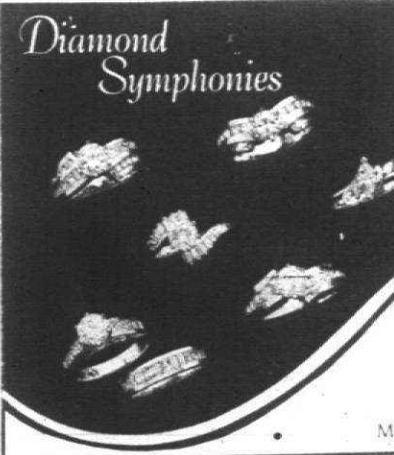
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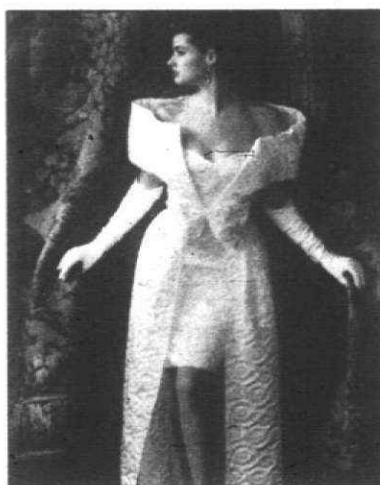
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